MIT Students and Prefrosh Discover the Cannon

BY: JOHN MCNAMARA

The score was 6 to 1 as of March. But as of April 6, MIT struck back: "That’s gotta be worth at least 10 points — not really for originality, but more for execution," according to Matt Malruey, a frosh in the team seniors, this would be their last chance.

Patrick Hummel, President of the Caltech Chess Club and master player, represented Caltech on board one. His fellow master, Eugene Yau, was on board one. Experts Zhitao (Howard) Liu and Jodi Guitman were on boards three and four, respectively.

Players began with ninety minutes to make all of their moves, and launched their own website, http://www.mitcannon.com/. According to Caltech Media Relations, "the Caltech campus is taking the prank with much good humor." But why not? The cannon does not, according to some, belong to Caltech.

"For all the planning that they must have done, they made one flaw," remarked Fleming frosh Deepak Mishra, "that they took the Fleming cannon, not a Caltech cannon."

The cannon sits now by the Green building which was pranked last year by a laser show displaying the letters "C-A-I-T-E." MIT added "a large Brass Rat made of gold-plated aluminum" to the barrel of the cannon, according to a plaque commemorating the transport of the cannon.

Despite being away from Fleming house, the cannon is being put to use. Photographs are being posted on MIT’s website of bikini-clad coeds posing with the cannon. They can be found at http://web.mit.edu/ec/www/cannoncoeds/. Reactions are mixed. "I say take 'em back with the cannon," remarked senior Jeff Phillips. Those who have been here for a shorter period of time reacted differently. Those quotes are not printable. MIT, taking a cue from Caltech’s policy, is selling T-shirts to commemorate the event. Expect this prank war to escalate.

Note: Caltech’s Prefrosh Weekend starts the 20th.
hate blitz,” he exhaled.

Bush’s Credibility Taking Hit

As will have a meeting on Friday; 2

Israelis Angered by Egypt’s President

Pakistani Stampede Leaves Trail of Dead

A shakeup in the student government of Avery House has occurred. The Avery Houses Council was dissolved—reportedly because of the future of the mysterious neighbor of the displaced South Houses Council. According to sources within the house, residents of Avery voted Friday on sweeping changes to the Avery Houses Student government. The most significant change includes the dissolution of the Avery Council, which has handled the general function of Avery such as events and dealings with the rest of the Caltech

Professor Smolke and 4 undergraduate students from the Caltech will be present at the BoD for appointment.

ASCIT Secretary

BY: MARENA LIN

Brazil’s First Astronaut

But the plane had become the first astronaut in space when he made the 250 mile trip to the international space station, which on April 1st. Ponte made the worldwide journey with an American and a Russian, both of whom were embarking on a six month mission orbiting the Earth. He landed in safely Kazakhstan on April 8th.

Iraqi Mosque Attack Leaves Dozens Dead

79 people are left dead after a targeting attack, which occurred as worshipers were leaving Buratha after Friday prayers.

ASCIT Board of Directors

Minutes from the Olive Walk Wednesday, April 5, 2006

Present:

Officer: Todd Gingrich, Chris Watson, Vickie Poon, Calla Felsen, Chris Gonzales, Nathan Donnell, Kea Ron, Craig Monroe

Guests: Alex Siegel, Rob Hunter, Xin Ye, Chris Klein, Xan Sonn, John Shen, Jeremy Ehrahart

Absent: Jean, Susan, Aaron, Sen

1. Funding Requests

a. Xin Ye requested funding to purchase Professor Smokke and 4 undergraduates to lunch at the Athenaeum. Vote: A vote was taken to grant Xin Ye funding to purchase 4 undergraduates to lunch at the Athenaeum. Vote passed (6Y/0N/0A).

b. A request was made for funding for Out of Context for hosting the Hock Sliide concert. Hock Sliide is a professional a cappella group. It is suggested that OOC look at additional sources of funding for events as well as an ASCIT. Vote: A vote was taken to give OOC $300 to cover part of the cost of the concert. Vote passed (6Y/0N/0A).

2. Price Trout

a. Craig dug up an old “Donut Handbook” which was used to be passed down from BoD to BoD. He then listed some details for the Flamen family.

b. Jean Sun, Jonathan are in charge of decorations.

c. Jonathan Muddimann Business Manager Jonathan Sean Sonn Claudine Barnett 

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The Ratio... of Doom

By: Sona Tikoo

Being a woman at Caltech is an interesting pursuit.

Not that they didn’t warn us about it when I was a prospective student, I got dozens of little fliers, booklets, and pamphlets from the California Institute of Technology. In just about every one of them they mentioned “the ratio,” with a tone that just begged to be followed up with “OF DOMPI”.

A few of my friends from high school assured me that we’d drop a bit in grades and men would start making incessant sexual references during classes, dry-hump each other, or trick a girl into bending over to pick up a dropped item so one of them could grab her behind, and even then they didn’t always get it. There was a huge lack of consumer goods. That was one of the most important reasons for the downfall of the Soviet Union.

We came to the understanding that the system we lived in needed to not just be remodeled, but overhauled, because the old system did not allow for innovation and democracy...” said Gorbachev.

“[Under the previous system], all the potential [of Russians and their country] was simply wasted... We were a country rich in natural resources, but could not provide for the citizens...” said Gorbachev.

One key reform Gorbachev instituted was lightening the severe restrictions on speech and the dogmatism of the government; he also tried to involve the people in governing.

I am still convinced that without freedom and democracy, any attempt to reform Soviet society would have been doomed to fail. I even believed that the period after Gorbachev had led the people to not be able to speak out, be involved, and make decisions...” said Gorbachev.

“I believe that the future is better...” (from perestroika and the changes the Soviet Union made), “I believe that some politicians try to change things while ignoring the people, they are doomed to fail.”

Gorbachev’s talk was “Perestroika Twenty Years Since Gorbachev Spoke about the Past” at the California Institute of Technology. I was relieved.
My War on the War on Drugs

BY: RYAN TSUKAMOTO

Disclaimer: the views of the author may be skewed due to extreme intoxication, but probably are relevant. The author is a fifth-generation Japanese American, and is (because unfortunately) allied with the United States of America, as well as the State of Hawaii.

Okay... Seriously... We have lost the war on drugs. It’s high time we realized this fact. I am a libertarian and believe that my choice to join this party has caused me to realize this fact, but rather, this fact has been a main reason why I don’t endorse either the Democratic or Republican party. Granted, there are several issues I have with the emphasis of Libertarian ideals with regards to the practicality of immediate implementation of Libertarian ideas such as the legalization of all controlled substances (though I advocate the legalization of Cannabis, a substance that has been given an unwarranted bad rep since the 1920’s, which was renamed “Marijuana”, whose Hanicpean sound made White Americans believe that the drug was the choice drug of Black Jazz artists and led to the same violence attributed to drugs such as cocaine and crystal methamphetamine (a serious next step in my home state of Hawaii, mind you).

What funded 9/11? heroin. (c. Period). 90% of the Taliban economy was based on the production of heroin: a physically addictive substance that is MUCH WORSE than Cannabis. The demand for heroin is basically constant since the substance itself is very physically addictive, thus, the cutting off the supply of heroin (via policies associated with Nixon’s War on Drugs) effectively creates a black market wherein a supplier may manipulate the price (eventually in human lives) to whatever he wants. Since the United States is supposedly a role model for the world, the drug problem in Europe (the majority of Al Qaeda’s revenue as of 9/11), can be blamed on the US lawmakers, as we as a nation have at pro- viding an effective method for reduction of drug abuse. I say we legalize at least the very drug that has been best in the so-called “war on drugs”. Hashish. Hashish was the drug of choice of the original assassins (so it must be sweet!); it grows in places that are dry (unlike my homeland). It is a joy to smoke, and no study has shown it to be physically addictive (studies have shown that the vor containing THC may or may not be addictive). I as a believer in God believe that this is a God-send anti-cancer drug. If there is a Black market in the US, then we are to blame for the so-called terrorists who sell drugs to US colleges, (and professors and ANYBODY, of course) being able to operate in a demand-inelastic black market.

At any rate, the legalization of these controlled substances only means that those who have other- wise toiled to produce crops not ideally suited to their land will be able to produce life-enhancing narcotics such as Cannabis (especially my home state), a drug medically shown to provide aid to those in need of effective pain reducing drugs. A prime example of this is available online; the first time I read about how Marijana-dependent victims of chronic dis- eases grow sativa in a cooperative made me cry in tears of joy at the spirit of the operation. This particular cooperative exists solely because the local police choose to ignore the fact that cultivating Cannabis is a federal crime. I say it’s high time to recognize that America’s addiction to recreational drug use is both real and problematic under today’s legis- lative position of illegality. We should be spending these tax- payer dollars on effective treatment programs and research into the effects of these drugs. Once we abandon our illogical notion of a drug-free America, we will be able to combat the abuse of now-controlled substances in a much more efficient way.

Let me be your Guinea Pig

BY: JEFFREY PHILLIPS

We all know about the budget crisis. Town hall meetings, com- mittees, discussions, contingencies; student programs are experi- encing severe cutbacks across the board, and Board and tuition fees are skyrocketing. All the while Caltech is sitting on a wad of cash big enough to fund research through the next century.

The administration has stated again and again, that that money is earmarked for research. But with all the Nobel laureates at Tech surely someone can devise an experiment which enhances the volume of scientific research put forth by this fine Institute, while concurrently enhancing the quality of life experienced by its downtrodden undergraduates.

Consider a Tech where undergraduates participate in experiments to evaluate the effect of gourmet food on the test performance during finals week. Con- sider a study on how finishing construction on time effects student moral. Consider a new world of creative graft and blessed cor- ruption in which busses filled with bikini-clad models and kgs show up at our parties in the name of science.

I can only guess how the few faculty members might react to such a proposition, but I can safe- ly say that the student response would be overwhelming. As most of these experiments stray away from the hardened sciences, it is clear that a new building be constructed to facilitate the further enrichment of science and its beneficiaries (read Guinea pigs). This building should host a bank of offices filled with trained accountants, lawyers and socio- logists to devise and evaluate new ways of shipping away at the billions vaunted up for Science. To harbor controlled experiments on student well-being, we should consider adding screening rooms, activity rooms, and a load of other luxuries that were planned for the new student center, as I understand it, has been scrapped for plans to build a new engineer- ing building.

Siphoning research dollars away from the sciences to enhance student life is wrong, some might say, even dishonorable. So Boe me. Today’s students are to- morrow’s donors, and I can’t see students the administration robs today from giving a whole hell of a lot ten or twenty years down the line. If Caltech wants to be the well-endowed institution it han- kers to be, we have to start spend- ing with balls.

Some beauticians enjoying a festive "Tanning Invitational," in Real Genius. If Jeffrey had his way Caltech would be like this.
Drink o’ the Week

Perchance to Dream

BY: DAN MCLAURY

Regular readers, you brave few, will by now have noted the absence of your usual author. Fear not; Mr. McNamara is alive and well, shall return him... unique style to this column within an issue or two, sparing of course the unnecessary mention of the 매인. I will attempt to provide you with cocktail recipes of similar regularity for all your entertaining needs.

Supposing that you are unfamiliar with previous Drinks of the Week or are simply remarkably unobservant, McNamara’s cocktails generally have a few things in common—a long list of obscure and/or expensive ingredients, minimal regard for actual flavor, and the potential to bestow in an acute case of food poisoning upon the one bold enough to consume one. To be sure, raw eggs have been a component of everything from the prohibition era’s Mae West to the Whiskey Sour of the 1960’s; in such cases, however, it seemed to be a reason to be putting such a thing into something you planned on drinking raw.

Sometime last week, while listening to him expound on his most recent invention, it came to me—John McNamara is trying to kill us all. I don’t know if he’s hoping to blow the curve by getting rid of the competition, or just trying to free up enough housing that he can knock down the walls of his current single and have an entire hallway to himself, but the sorts of things he prints in this and only this conclusion.

But never fear, gentle reader, for I will never come to harm. McNamara’s hands. Not by a long shot. No, if I’ve got anything to do with it, I’m going to kill you first.

3 oz Nolli Prat Dry Vermouth
3 oz Cloroxy (R) Regular Bitter
3 oz Ammonia
2 tsp Creme de Menthe
Sugar Soda Water

Shake vermouth over ice; discard liquid. Add Cloroxy, ammonium, and creme de shaker, shake well with multiple inversions. Strain into an old-fashioned glass, fill with soda, and add one to three dashes bitters to taste. Garnish with a pufferfish liver.

The next time your study group stays up to the point of delusions without coming up with anything past the first question on the set, make up a cool pitcher-full or two for your subsequent suicide pact. If the distinctive chlorophyll aroma doesn’t put you right out of this world, the tetrodotoxin packs quite a bit of a punch itself. Chase with a glass of strychnine to avoid any messy convulsions. Best of all, ladies, you don’t have to worry about watching your weight; not only a zero-calorie cocktail, it reduces your appetite for the rest of the day.}

Editor: Not safe for human consumption.

Gay Rocket Scientists!

By: Zack Ramadan ’08

This is the second in a series of four articles committed to showing LGBTQ issues at Caltech during the month of GAYpril.

I like boys. So what? Okay, who am I kidding? It took me a long time to be able to act so nonchalantly about this part of myself, this secret that I had kept hidden from the world all my life. For three years of high school, I heard the announcements and saw the posters for PULSE, our Gay-Straight Alliance; but I never dared appear interested, much less go to a meeting.

It wasn’t until my senior year that I finally gathered the courage. I came out to one of my teachers, who himself was gay, and together we attended our first PULSE meeting. And it was amazing. Nothing special happened, no twinkly lights or rainbowconfetti. No one even knew my name; I was just another face in an orange shirt. But I felt at home, and accepted, and one hundred percent myself.

I always thought being gay was very invisible to PULSE. I helped plan events, made brochures, wrote plays, edited video, to the point where academics became a second priority.

Soon enough, I was visiting colleagues. Like any good queer activist, I paid special attention to how active each school’s GSA was; they all had them. As it turned out, I was really looking for was an accepting environment, because, as college GSA’s went, Caltech’s was second-rate.

There is no shortage of queer undergrads here. They just don’t seem to be interested in involving themselves in any social activities with other LGBT techers.

Even though he meant it almost two terms to do it, I thought coming out at Caltech was rather painless. Maybe I’m wrong, maybe I’ve just been lucky, but I would venture to credit the House System for this phenomenon. The family-like support engendered by the House System is such that LGBT undergrads don’t feel excluded or unaccepted. Quite the contrary, we feel so comfortable and so accepted that we feel little need for an active GSA, and therefore don’t get involved. That, and we’re insanely busy all the time.

Nevertheless, I made an immediate effort during my freshman year to get involved. I went to the Tuesday night discussions and the Wednesday coffee. Eventually, I found that many queer grad students, who under whose undergraduate years had been much more active, were just as displeased as I was with the lack of activity on campus.

Remnants of the Caltech Student Pride Association still existed; but apart from a dusty box of pamphlets and a few old sign-out groups had pretty much fizzled.

The ball finally started rolling again when Miriam Feldblum from the Office of the President contacted us about signing on to the MHP proposal for the LGBT Lending Library. Suddenly, we were establishing relationships with administrators. We were being referred to by our new name, PRISM. We got noticed, and then we got money.

This year started off wonderfully. After a week of well attended orientation events, and a Coming Out Week that enlisted several undergraduate volunteers, things were looking up. We organized a trip to see BENT, and there were more straight allies there than there were gay bois!

And then it stopped. Finals rolled around, winter break arrived, and in the new year involvement slowed. In January we started a monthly film series, but attendance has been slim. That’s why GAYpril is happening. We want to raise awareness and stir up the interest. We want to celebrate being LGBT, and we want you to bear witness.

We might not be able to keep the programming as dense as it will be this month, but we’d like to try. To be successful, we need your help. So visit our website, come to our events, show your support, and maybe lend a hand. Help us regain our visibility.

Last year, PRISM marched in the LA Pride Parade. We had undergraduates, graduate students, kids, and even some JPL folks. ‘Unseen. In the sort of things he prints in this and only this conclusion.

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The reason the 7-day board plan was proposed was for Caltech Dining Services to produce more profits. CDS, however, has consistently been losing money on the dining services in Avery. Avery was started eight years ago as an experiment, combining undergraduates with graduate students and faculty. The dining facility was not designed in a self-sufficient manner, given the occupancy of 125 undergraduates, 25 graduate students, and a few faculty members. It's a large dining room, the physical layout requires a certain number of bodies. Mr. Mallie cited a need for greater attendance. He estimates that he would need to regularly eat at Avery for it to break even. Adding to the financial difficulties at Avery, the building was never fully paid for, so a loan was needed. The interest for this loan costs roughly $50,000 per year. Further decisions have also made the situation worse. For example, the undergraduates and graduate students wanted declining balance, so that they could have more flexibility about when and where they ate. Another example, the graduate students received a 50% discount on the board rate last year, after lobbying that they felt Avery was too expensive for them. Mr. Mallier felt that it was a mistake to do that because... it creates a deeper hole.

For this academic year, Mr. Mallier wanted Avery to use the same board plan as the rest of the houses. This would include open kitchen, which would have allowed students living in the dorms to also have convenient access to open kitchen. "I felt like this would have been a win-win for everybody," with one effect of saving money in Avery. Mr. Mallier emphasized that CDS are attempting numerous ways to encourage more people to eat at Avery. For example, they've tried a mini-Chandler and an Asian concept in attempts to appeal to people's desires. In fact, tuition pays for groups for their opinions on possible food choices. They reported a desire for a "moderately-priced bistro environment with California cuisine" so Citrus Bistro was created. Currently, students on the normal board plan are allowed two meals per week at Avery. Occasionally, 180-140 people may eat at Avery on a given night, possibly alleviating the lack of customers at Avery. But this option exists to give students flexibility. The cost of food at Avery is in line with the university, at only 32% of the overall costs. The problem is that the number of students paying for the program has minimized the number of people required to operate Avery, many costs are unvaluable. For example, there are two separate dishwashers, underutilized equipment, one for only plates and the other for pots. "We've taken everything we could from Avery. There's no fat in our organization in terms of bodies. We've even suggested shutting down Avery on a financial basis," because "we decided to have a certain proportion and it comes with a cost." Reflecting on his prior experience at large schools such as Stanford, Mr. Mallier noted that the structure of Caltech's board program makes it inherently expensive. Estimates show that 25% of students are on the board program, he stated, "Any other school would have undergrads with one facility, with one kitchen. I could serve 700 undergrads with only leverage we have against ad

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Prefrosh Weekend
BY: TOLG GINGRICH
As we have known for some time now Prefrosh Weekend will only be two days this while. I'm looking forward to these two days of fan. I'm reasonably a little frustrated that the event has been shortened due to budget cuts. I have that this is not the the fault of CDS admissions, which promises to restore Prefrosh Weekend to its proper length in the future. Nevertheless this is another of a string of obnoxious changes that have annoyed stu­dents this year. With all of these changes I could understand why a current student might not be terrib­ly pleased with Caltech. It is not unheard of for such displeasure to be conveyed to prefrosh during Prefrosh Weekend. While sway­ing prefrosh away from Caltech they sometimes seem like the only leverage we have against ad­ministrators, I strongly discour­age that approach.

Personally I feel that I would have preferred to have come to Caltech when I did two years ago rather than this institution dur­ing this upcoming year. I believe that the recent changes are making the campus less desirable place for undergraduates.

However, despite preferring the Caltech of the past, I feel that I would prefer the Caltech of today over any other school. I think that this is an important distinction for undergraduates to consider before talking with pre­frosh. I realize that some students really do wish they were at another school, but I think they should feel honestly share those sentiments, but I encourage you to make a concerted effort to accurately express your feelings. We will gain nothing from skew­ing our opinions to unnecessarily obstructing anything.

The lines of communication during this past year have left something to be desired, but com­munication is improving dra­stically as of late. As we saw with the ending of the 7 day board plan, several of the initial decisions were reconsidered and reversed. Administrators have been solicit­ing information from ASCIT and the IRC on a regular basis, and I hope we have every reason to believe that we will continue to see positive changes in the near future.

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Features

Ming & Ping

BY: JAVIER SOLIZ
Concert Date: Friday 24 March 2006
Ming & Ping is a New Wave outfit that knows how to throw a “spicy party.” They are originally from Hong Kong and have been living in San Francisco for the past few years. The Ming & Ping Dynasty came to LA straight from San Francisco to play in The Knitting Factory (in Hollywood) and they didn’t commemorate. With them was a team of hot dancing girls, a hip-hopping Stu Wong (the Ming Ping Dynasty front from the West) playing the cymbals and people in full Chinese Opera regalia.

The Ming & Ping Dynasty started out innocent enough – Ming was carried to the stage in a traditional Chinese, and then was followed by the imperial guard, Ping was out of sight but projected onto a large screen. He was the mischievous and invited the crowd into a sweaty, spicy, swarm of dancing goodness. The show was loaded with tracks from their newest album, MP2, which is a must buy if you are at all interested in music that doesn’t suck.

At some point during the show, I was pulled on stage, stripped and changed into a Ming & Ping t-shirt and told to play the cow­bell. Who’s going to argue with that? I started off o.k. in keeping the rhythm, but suddenly I was attacked by Ming’s impec­culums. Needless to say, this gave me a bit of “assist­ance” in my cowbell playing.

A few songs later I was walking through the crowd having a great time.

If you ever get the chance, catch Ming & Ping live. They live to buy their album. If you don’t go for the music, go for the people. After the show the Ming & Ping Dynasty is going to hang and sign albums. The best way to purchase their music is by going to http://www.mingping.com.
BY: VANESSA HECKMAN

Four techers competed in the NCAA Western Region Fencing Championship, held on March 4th at Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs. Senior Team Captain Vanessa Heckman placed 5th of 12 in Women’s Sabre, Park Cram placed 9th of 12 in Men’s Foil, and David Romney and Tony Gross placed 11th and 12th, respectively, in Men’s Sabre.

To qualify for the Western Championship, fencers had to have fenced a minimum of 15 NCAA bouts during the season with a winning record of at least 20%. Joint McNamara also qualified for the event in Men’s Epee but was not able to attend.

Caltech, Air Force, Stanford, UCSD, and CSU Fullerton competed at the meet.

The format of the regional tournament was rounds of pools followed by direct elimination (DE) bouts with each place fenced out. Performance in pools was used to eliminate 20% of the fencers and to do the seeding for the DE bouts.

Park made it out of pools with one victory, but lost his first DE. Vanessa had three victories and two defeats in her first round of pools, and one victory and three defeats in her second round of pools. She lost her first DE, and won the next two DEs. Despite a victory by David, neither David nor Tony made it out of pools.

Western regionals were used as a qualifier for NCAA Nationals. To qualify, fencers were ranked based on a combination of their tournament performance and season record. From the Western NCAA Division, two fencers were selected from each of the following weapons: Men’s and Women’s Sabre, Men’s and Women’s Foil, and Women’s Epee. Four fencers were selected from Men’s Epee. Caltech did not qualify any fencers for nationals this year.

Nations were held at Rice University in Houston, Texas. 24 fencers from NCAA colleges competed in each of the six events (Men’s and Women’s Sabre, Foil and Epee). Harvard finished first, followed closely by Penn State and Ohio.

During the past season, Caltech competed in the Southern California Intercollegiate Fencing Conference and fenced against teams from UCSD, USC, CSUF, UCI, UCLA, UCSB and ASU.

The Men’s Sabre team finished third in the conference, while the Women’s Epee team finished fourth. Individually, Vanessa placed first in Women’s Sabre, and David placed fourth in Men’s Sabre.

According to Assistant Coach Cedric Anen, the team showed a lot of improvement in the tactical understanding of fencing this season, and they managed to upset strong schools such as USC and UCLA. As only a few people on the team are seniors, he is looking forward to another strong season next year.

Recent Results
* = Conference Matches
Baseball
4/7: La Sierra Univ. (Home): L, 7-15
Women’s Tennis
4/7: Univ. of LaVerne (Home): L, 4-5
4/8: Occidental* (Home): L, 1-6
Mut Tennis
4/7: Concordia Univ. (Home): L, 6-7
4/8: Occidental* (Home): L, 1-6

Women’s Water Polo
4/5: Occidental* (Home): L, 4-16
4/8: Pomona-Pitzer* (Home): L, 3-15

Upcoming Events
Tuesday, April 11th
3:00PM - Baseball @ Occidental
Wednesday, April 12th
5:00PM - Women’s Water Polo @ Whittier
Friday, April 14th
9:00AM - M&W Track & Field @ Pomona-Pitzer Invitational
All Day - SCIAC Women’s Tennis Championships @ La Verne
All Day - SCIAC Men’s Tennis Championships @ Caltech
Saturday, April 15th
All Day - SCIAC Women’s Tennis Championships @ La Verne
All Day - SCIAC Men’s Tennis Championships @ Caltech
11:00AM - Women’s Water Polo @ La Verne
1:00PM - Baseball @ Whittier
Sunday, April 16th
All Athletic Facilities Closed – Easter

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Friday
April 7
Housing Office posts Lottery Numbers for Unaffiliated room picks

Thursday
April 13
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Monday
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Friday
April 28
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May 4
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May 26
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**Porn Review**

Crammed Hands

**BY: BRIAN HANLEY**

Everyone has their own tastes. Some like it missionary, some like it doggie, some need a dark redhead/kerchief worth of nasty. I have my slightly askew tastes as well, but what I really like is just run-of-the-mill slender, well-rounded bitches in a little supple action, maybe a bit of solo fun, and all kinds of standard hide the sausage action. I want to see the ladies. Their makeup covered faces, their probably fake free bags, and preferably a neat and train playing field because the only time a chick is naturally bare, they’re probably 10, and unlike some people, I’m no pedophile. So seriously, if you’re going to shove down there, just neat and trim, give the babs a little

beard. Ms. Janine Lindemulder, but I digress. You are probably looking for a title at the top and specific cups somewhere near the bottom. Should you run out to Penny’s and find Transsexual Slaves? Well, I don’t know, that’s not what I saw this week, and really, that’s kind of nasty. No, this week’s selection is The Villa, about a woman who leaves the big city to get away from the normal hustle and bustle of urban living. Even in the middle of nowhere, the most indescribable acts are not far from these cameramen.

The Villa starts out with the main character helping a young starlet learn the tricks of the trade. “Seduce the camera” she says and so begins the first scene. We watch as this eager fresh meat with her small pancakes starts to dance. The scene continues as the other people in the scene (the cameraman and the main character) join in to give the girls a dress rehearsal. Two dudes and two chicks in an all around boner-biting, jiggly-wiggly-thrashing, hymen-busting, bowled-ticking fun fest.

The film goes on with more knob-bobbing and pink-punching goodness. Released during Janine Lindemulder’s short-lived return to porn, this is a film to see. If she isn’t what you’re looking for, Tianna Lynn, Jesse, or Haley Paige fill out the rest of the cast nicely. You can look forward to some FFM (two girls, one guy), some individual pleasures, some lesbian tomfoley, and many positions you might find in the Kama Sutra. And for those of you who thought it wasn’t possible, there is even some vagina rain.

There are all kinds of reasons to go pick this one up.

With hot women and serious grind, there is little reason to turn down The Villa. The plot is a little simple and the scene splicing is a bit obvious, but it doesn’t take much away from this one. Give the Villa 8 specimen cups, definitely something to see, but probably not a movie to be the workhorse of your collection.

**Comics**

GL.O.M. - Greg’s Life at Meaney

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Greg: WHAT?! This is the training program!

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Glenn: Greg, you...no way.

If you mix them, it can suck on a lemon. But please, don’t put that...

“aromatic”...

Clearly lack vital.

In addition, the replacement novelty style Coke flavor is even more medicinally (and nasty) but stronger. That’s like a diet that replaces eating candy with eating bacon and onion rings, one step forward and two steps back.

At least I can hate Coke back, and for now at least I’m quitting soda, and you should too. I do this every once and a while, because soda is like candy, it’s just good tasting empty calories and that is no good for you. But it does taste oh-so-good. Regardless, because Coke doesn’t think I’m good enough for it, I quit it. If Coke has a problem with that, it can suck on a lemon.

But please, don’t put that lemon into a Coke flavor, because there is lemon-lime soda, and there is cola, and if you mix them, it tastes nasty. I know, I’ve tried it. (Footnotes)

1 Burn.
2 In this context, speculation = a lie.
3 For now. Unless the soda is free. I’m cheaper than I am vindictive or health conscious.

**Brief News**

**BY: JON MALMAUD**

Presidential search committee results announced: Congratulations Todd Gingrich at imperial probe droid x5437

Fleming retaliates, fires cannon into MIT dorm.

Spanish-American war reignited

Scientists study transformers. find more than meets the eye, copper meets the tunnelling electron microscope

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**HUMOUR**

**Quitting Coke, Like Michael Irvin Didn’t**

**BY: HAMILTONY FALK**

Apparently Vanilla Coke has been discontinued, replaced by the nasty (I know, I’ve tried it) Black cherry-Vanilla flavor (Editor: I like the new flavor). This seems to have been done for several reasons:

1) Coke’s whole promotion of Vanilla Coke was “hey, try it, it’s different. Come on, try it, please? Just try it, or there will be problems, aie?” Which is good to get people started, but they never tried anything else. Sure it’s a better strategy than Diet Pepsi’s using the term “brown and bubbly” since it rates much better in the key category of not having a slogan that reminds people of untreated sewage, but perhaps Coke could have attempted a little bit of a better marketing campaign? Perhaps a slogan like Vanilla Coke: Hitler didn’t drink it, maybe you should help keep sales up.

2) Some people (I am not one of them, I LOVE Vanilla Coke.) think Vanilla Coke tastes somewhat mediciney. Maybe those people have had better tasting medicine than I have, or maybe they shot a bottle rocket up their nose and ruined their taste buds. Regardless, there is no accounting for taste, by which I mean literally no accounting department can make a profit selling to people who don’t like rat piss that is past it’s sell by date, while Coke, especially Coke from a can in a tall glass with ice, is like heaven on crack. This may be because I got picked before Coke for a game of kickball in 4th grade, but that’s just speculation(2).

4) Coke hates America. Now, I don’t know what the sales figures were for Vanilla Coke, but I can’t believe that it was so much more expensive to make than regular Coke. And the fact that some people (like me) would go out of the way to find and drink it should justify any additional cost. I believe that the formula was to take some Cherry Coke, add some vanilla flavoring, and sell it. This is the same strategy used with Cherry Coke and Cherry Coke has been continued for all these years, right? It’s not as if this is fruit flavored Pepsi, or a soda that is based on the taste of grapefruit. Vanilla Coke has got to sell better than Fresca.

Even tightly-clad World of Warcraft avatars enjoy a long, refreshing drought of Coca-Cola branded products.

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*Includes that nasty after-taste you get from the caffeine free Diet Coke my mom always buys tons of, but no one drinks any of it, and then it sits in our base- ment forever and eventually someone decides, oh, it’s soda, and drinks one sip, then leaves the mostly full can by the sink for a while). If you’re going to discontinue a drink flavor, don’t follow up with one that is the same idea (except