There's no place like home

House-affiliated off-campus housing dwindles

By Autumn Looijen

Caltech Housing and the Director of Residence Life have reclaimed over one fifth of the off-campus spaces affiliated with Caltech undergraduate houses this year.

The Annex, which housed nine Ricketts students this year, will be renovated to turn into offices for new Housing personnel, who will oversee Avery House and changes in the board program. Housing Office Manager Tom Mannion apologized to Ricketts for the change saying that it was unavoidable.

222 Chester will be given to the Assistant Director of Residence Life, who Director of Residence Life Kim West will be hiring for next year. West could not be reached for comment about the new position.

The fate of 240 Chester is unknown at this time. The Residence Life Office said that it may become an off-campus alley, or it may be used as overflow housing next year.

These changes are in addition to the loss of 20 spots in 180 and 188 Catalina at the beginning of the year, which were given back to graduate housing after the construction of Avery House.

The off-campus houses were targeted for the change because they have the lowest occupancy rate of any undergraduate housing (81%). All other undergraduate housing is at least 93% occupied.

Avery House should relieve some of the off-campus housing squeeze, adding 103 off-campus, on-board spaces for next year.

Barnes and Noble to take over bookstore

By Robert Johnson

It was announced this week that the Caltech Bookstore will soon enter a partnership with the Barnes and Noble College Bookstore division in order to provide better service and selection to both students and faculty. The announcement has raised many questions and concerns about what this will mean for the community.

According to Dr. Gary Lorden, Barnes and Noble will begin to operate the bookstore for the remainder of the term and the entire facility will be remodeled over the summer. Currently, the Bookstore is very cramped and the new floorplan will expand the area of the store from 2600 square feet to 5000-5500 square feet. This will be accomplished by removing the office space in the back of the Bookstore as well as converting the basement now used for inventory into floorspace. The result will be an increased selection of books and merchandise and a better store presentation.

The reason for the change is that Bookstore has wanted to expand for a long time but financial constraints have prevented them from remodeling. The partnership will allow the costly remodeling to be done this summer.

The partnership with Barnes and Noble works, a student/faculty advisory committee will be created to answer the needs of the community. Dr. Lorden insists that this is a mutually beneficial relationship and is nonbinding. If the agreement does not work out, he believes it will not be a problem but the general idea among faculty and the Student Affairs office is that the new Bookstore will offer better selection, better service, and will be a good change for the community.

Dr. Ed Munger, however, expressed concern that "Barnes and Noble has a terrible reputation from an academic point of view." He cites the fact that Barnes and Noble is a large corporation that does not purchase from small publishers in small amounts and tends to deal in volume. He is also angered by the fact that the decision was made without consulting the faculty board or the students. There are also concerns about the current Bookstore employees who will not be guaranteed a job next fall, and that future employees will no longer be working under Caltech but under the Barnes and Noble corporation.

Locally, Barnes and Noble College Bookstores operates at CSU Los Angeles and Redlands University. In the words of Dr. Lorden, both campuses have received them well and expects that it will be the same for us.
Watch the Grass Grow...
The Outside World
by Myfanwy Callahan

ABDAN — In the last three months, an epidemic of bacterial meningitis has killed more than 10,000 people in West Africa. This airborne bacterial form is easily spread in the arid sub-Saharan zone, and it has infected over 100,000. A vaccine is now being administered on an emergency basis.

THE HAGUE — On Tuesday, the first trial to deal with war crimes in the former Yugoslav was opened. The compound has killed the center of the conflict. The trial will be held in the Hague, and it is expected to last up to nine British diplomats will appear to have been shot dead in the area. The timing of this accident is particularly sensitive, as it coincides with the Yeltsin promised to hold the election some time in June. Boris Yeltsin has been in office since the end of 1991, and he is expected to stand for re-election in June. Boris Yeltsin has been in office since the end of 1991, and he is expected to stand for re-election in June.

Washington — Clinton Administration officials announced that they had discovered evidence of a number of previously unknown Chinese factories pirating American goods. This strain already tense relations with Beijing. A termination of China's most-favored-nation status would have devastating effects on Hong Kong, one of the major links for China's exports to the States.

WASHINGTON — The House of Representatives voted Tuesday to require all states to notify residents when a convicted sex offender, who might still be at large, moves into the area. This was modeled after a similar law passed in New York.

New York — A report by European military experts says that the Israeli army's attack on the UN base in Qana, Lebanon, in April, does not appear to have been an accident. Shells fell in two distinct areas; one of them in the center of the compound. Also, antipersonnel weapons were used almost exclusively for targets within the compound.

Some of the guests who have performed or worked with the jazz and concert bands this year include: John Thomas, a former lead trumpet player with the Count Basie Band; Frank Tichelli, a composer and conductor who recently had a work of his played by the Philadelphia Orchestra; Bobby Rodriguez, trumpeter star with Poncho Sanchez, and with his own Latin Band; and Joel Leech, a former president of the American Association of Jazz Educators.

Caltech Bands end year with free concert
by William Bing

The Caltech Concert Band and Caltech Jazz Bands are going to perform in a free concert this Saturday night in Beckman Auditorium at 8:00 p.m. Featured on the concert will be the music of Count Basie and a newly discovered Sousa march. The Caltech Bands are finishing up another successful year. Some of the highlights of the year are performing for the recent all-campus party for "Rudy and Ed," a performance at the local jazz club, "The Baked Potato," and four recording sessions with the Concert Band. Their first CD will be released this fall.

You're invited to attend the 17th annual Bandorama featuring the Caltech Jazz Bands and the Caltech Concert Band

directed by William Bing

There will be a new march by John Philip Sousa, some old music written for the Count Basie Band, and free cookies if you stay to the end!

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Features
Diversity, free food and you
by Jonathan McDunn

In my mind, college should be about challenging prejudices and beliefs, allowing the individual to develop an identity outside the context of their upbringing.

Although undergraduates receive many benefits due to Caltech's small size, there are also significant problems. One of the crucial issues is that individuals who are considered underrepresented are even more scarce here than in the outside world. It is difficult for a tightly-knit community to remain stable when statistical fluctuations alone can reduce its population by as much as 50%. (In both 1990 and 1991 there were more than twenty students from underrepresented backgrounds. This year there were nine.) Once the community is lessened, the incentive for its members to maintain diversity is diminished. What started as a statistical fluctuation has become a shift in the mean. The community that took years to build is crumbling.

Where is all of this going? A common complaint among undergraduates is that they are kept unaware of what the administration is doing until the decisions have been finalized and they can have no say in the matter. Some decisions have been made regarding improving diversity on campus, but discussion is ongoing and several decisions remain.

There is a discussion forum on Friday, May 17th at 11:45 a.m., in Winnett Lounge not only to increase awareness of what is going on, but also to garner input from individuals on all sides of this issue. This forum is hosted by the Multicultural Task Force and lunch is provided (so there is no excuse to miss it). Students, faculty and staff will be on hand to talk about their personal experiences and to address concerns raised by attendees, but the primary focus is to spawn discussion among the undergraduate community as a whole.

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Refreshments will be served with formal good-byes at 5:15 PM. Drop by any time between 4 PM and 6 PM to join us in wishing Dinah good luck and to say good-bye to someone who has given Caltech so much.

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Undergrads win more awards from the Deans’ Office

Angie Bealko and Donna Ebenstein win Deans’ Cups, Jon McDunn awarded Residence Life and Master’s Award

The Deans’ Cup and the Residence Life and Master’s Award were presented at a luncheon in The Athenaeum on April 30, 1996. These awards, accomplished by small cash prizes, are awarded to students whose concern for fellow students is demonstrated by persistent efforts to improve the quality of undergraduate life.

Angie Bealko and Donna Ebenstein each received a 1996 Deans’ Cup. Angie is a senior in engineering and Donna is a senior in biology.

Angie received the Deans’ Cup for the leadership and service she has provided to her fellow students throughout her four years at Caltech. She is concerned, hardworking individual who has been a definite asset to the student body.

Angie has been an ASCIT oflicer, a volunteer for the Caltech Y, a member of several athletic teams, as well as a mentor for the athletic department, and a representative for Caltech at several conferences and on campus. Angie’s leadership in a variety of sports has contributed to the success of these teams over the years. She helped found and establish the mentor program for the athletic department, where she embraced her responsibilities with enthusiasm and dedication.

She also has represented Caltech at the National Women’s Leadership Conference, on panels for prospective undergraduates at a national conference where she spoke about Caltech’s Honor System.

Donna Ebenstein’s award is based on her strong commitment to the Caltech community for the past four years through her activities with the Caltech Y and Blacker House. She has served as a role model in her ability to get a job done and to work with others.

In 1992, when the Caltech Y was executive committee member, excomm secretary, and excomm vice president. She was also acting excomm president for a brief time.

In addition to excomm offices, she was nominated by the Caltech Y Board to the position of Board Secretary. This is the first time an undergraduate has held an officer’s position on the Y Board.

She has filled a variety of positions in Blacker House serving as Vice President, Social Team member, Ath team, and house historian. In addition to house elected offices, she has also been a Blacker House UCCLodger for the past two years.

Outside of Blacker House and the Caltech Y, she is a member of Tau Beta Pi, SWE, and ASME.

Jon McDunn is the recipient of the 1996 Residence Life and Master’s Award. This award is presented to a graduating senior who has made a significant contribution to undergraduate life at Caltech.

Jon’s efforts in this area have included serving as the Assistant Director for Academic Affairs, the Ruddock House treasurer, ASCIT President, and as a member of the Committee on Minority Student Admissions and Retention.

Of the many people who nominated Jon, one of them summed it up perfectly... “To me, this award should be given to someone who has given selflessly to the greater Caltech community, to someone who is committed to trying to make Caltech a better place. I think Jon is an excellent choice.” He has worked very hard at this, almost to a fault. His efforts to work ‘within the system’ toward his perception of a greater good should not go unnoticed.

Congratulations to each of these students for their outstanding contributions to improving the quality of the undergraduate life here at Caltech.

Mason Porter wins the 1996 Fredrick J. Zeigler Memorial Award

Mason Porter has been chosen this year’s winner of the Fredrick J. Zeigler Memorial Award. Mason is a sophomore majoring in applied mathematics. He has distinguished himself through his performance in serveral applied mathematics and mathematics courses. Mason also plans to be involved in summer research through the SURF program.

This award was established in 1989 to honor Fredrick J. Zeigler, a member of the class of 1976 and an applied mathematics major. The award is given to a pure or applied mathematics student in the sophomore or junior year who has shown excellence in scholarship as demonstrated in class activities or in preparation of an original paper or essay in any subject area.

Eric Hill wins Bibi Jentoft-Nilsen Memorial Award

Eric Hill, a senior majoring in Engineering and Applied Sciences, is this year’s winner of the Bibi Jentoft-Nilsen Memorial Award. This prize is given in memory of Bibi Jentoft-Nilsen, who was an exceptional student leader during her time at Caltech. Bibi was Director-at-Large on the ASCIT Board of Directors, President of the Caltech Y, and a student representative on the Curriculum Committee. She was one of the stars of the cross country, track and field and socc teams. After her untimely death in 1990, a memorial fund was established by her family and friends to recognize outstanding student leaders.

Eric was honored at a luncheon on April 30 at The Athenaeum for the effective and inspirational leadership he provided with the Caltech Y and other extra-curricular activities including the music programs at Caltech.

As an executive committee member of the Caltech Y, Eric has coordinated the event area.

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THE RETURN OF ADAM VILLANI: MEDIA GUY
by Adam Villani

The Truth About Cats and Dogs

Comedienne Janeane Garofalo (Reality Bites, "The Larry Sanders Show") has hit the big time by starring in this popular, generally well-received romantic comedy as a radio talk-show host with a low self-image who gets leggy neighbor Uma Thurman to pose as her on dates. Garofalo and the movie are both pert and likable without being cloying, a rarity for the genre; there were no moments that made we want to vomit. There were funny moments throughout, though no guffaws, and things moved along nicely.

The problem is that Holly-wood has homogenized the formula for writing a romantic comedy even more than a Van Damme movie. Like any other film of its type, our lead character falls in love with some-body just right for them and a semi-believable plot device keeps the love interest unaware of the lead's affections and the lead thinking that the love interest will never fall for them. There were funny moments throughout, though no guffaws, and things moved along nicely.

The main flaw with this formula is that the length of the film is easily adjustable without any loss of dramatic tension by altering the number of minutes it takes for the main character to stop acting like a moron; with little effort, one could write a 15-minute While You Were Sleeping or an epic 6-hour Sleepless in Seattle marquees.

301-302

The title of this bizarre Korean film refers to the adjoining apartment numbers of two women, the one in 301 recently divorced by her husband because she spent too much time cooking gourmet meals and thinking about sex (as well as boiling his dog), and the one in 302 a thin, introverted writer raped as a youth by her butcher stepfather, now repulsed by the sight of food. 301 sees it as her mission to fatten up the slender resident of 302, who tries to be polite but still refuses to eat. Giving away much more could spoil the film, but rest assured that you won't look at "women and food" movies like Eat Drink Man Woman or Like Water for Chocolate the same again. Also, the interior design of the apartments is reason alone to watch the film. This curious satire told in layered flashbacks does drag somewhat; some of the scenes toward the end could have been trimmed. Unfortunately, 301-302 only played for a week (ending yesterday) at Laemmle's Grande theatre as part of their International Cinema Showcase; if this movie shows up somewhere else or on video be sure to check it out. This week's entry in the ICS series is an Australian film with Miles Davis called Dingo.

"When Brightness Comes" at the Long Beach Museum of Art

Currently adorning the walls of the Long Beach Museum of Art and continuing until June 23 is a broad survey of Japanese paintings from a local collection that can serve as a good introduction to the last 400 years of Japanese art. Caltech art professor Juliann Wolfgram helped curate this display of over 30 works which ranges from wall hangings to painted cabinets, overly religious to plainly secular subjects, and sparse, fluid zen paintings to elaborate partitions sprinkled with gold dust. The Long Beach Museum of Art, much smaller than such places as the Norton Simon or the Huntington, is located in the cozy confines of a large house atop a cliff overlooking the ocean, and has a nice sculpture garden, cafe, and other activities. You can find out more by calling (310) 439-2119.

The Monster (Il Mostro)

The star, director, co-producer, and co-writer of this hilarious Italian comedy, the high-grossing film ever in its home country, is the immensely talented Roberto Benigni, who plays like a much funnier, much less irritating version of Jim Carrey. The plot, as it were, has Benigni as a small-time con man who gets mistaken for vicious serial killer terrorizing the city. The cops attempt to ferret him out by sending out a female cop (Nicoletta Braschi, Benigni's real-life wife) to seduce him, thus inciting him to murder. Needless to say, wacky hi-jinks ensue as Braschi throws herself at the bumbling Benigni, who during the course of the film finds himself furiously trying to put out a cigarette dropped in his pants, having to dispose of a dead cat the neighboring kids throw in his front door, and getting into compromising positions with what seems like half the population of Rome.

A Comment About Link and U. Magazines

Every once in a while, when I'm bored, I pick up a copy of U. or Link magazine off the top of the big stacks they leave in the student houses as fireplace fuel. If you're like me, the college culture portrayed in these magazines seems to be from outer space. I mean, what kind of people take photos expressing the spirit of Nike and wear Carrot Top show? But on the occasions when I visit friends at other schools, it all makes a lot more sense as it dawns on me that outside of Caltech, other middle-class kids really are that way, which makes me wonder if I should look forward to finally leaving this place in June with hope or dread.

Keane Reeves' Band and Why I Don't Write About Music Much

In case you hadn't heard, movie star Keane Reeves and two of his buddies have a rock band called Dog Star. I saw them on "The Late Show With David Letterman" Tuesday night, and while there's nothing really wrong with them, there's nothing really interesting about them besides the fact that a famous actor plays bass for them. On the other hand, that's much more than I can say for most of the popular bands out there, from Rancid to Hootie to the Fugees. This epitomizes why I'm much more comfortable writing about movies than music; while all art criticism is subjective, musical taste seems all the more so. There's just not that much that I can say about why I like Philip Glass, Ice Cube, and Neil Young, and why I think Garth Brooks, the Violent Femmes, and Bob Seger are crap. Even if I don't like a movie I can think of plenty to write about.

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May 6, 1996

Present: Dave R., Maria, Dave B., Emily, Kristie, Kohl, Kara, Gavin, Lori Hsu, Ben Lane

Meeting starts at 10:05 p.m.

- Ben Lane requested money for SEDS. SEDS is a constructed satellite, OAMCIT, and NASA will launch it from Endeavor. Few people built it to want to see it launched. Most of the travel expenses will be covered by the Astronomy and Physics Department. Ben requested $280 from ASCIT to cover the rental van fee. SEDS was given $140 5-0-1.
- Gavin brought a playbill for Inherit the Wind and showed the BOD that ASCIT was listed as a sustaining contributor of TACIT.
- Lori wanted ASCIT to recognize the Taiwanese Student Association and wanted funding for Monday Taiwanese Breakfast advertisement this week. She will e-mail a budget to Dave R. and Kristie. The club was recognized 6-0-0.
- Officers’ reports were given.
- Kara wants to know if people would like it if part of the ASCIT doughnuts were bagels instead. She can be reached at karu@ccox.
- Kohl brought up an idea that was introduced at the ARC meeting. The suggestion was that the Upperclassman Director at Large assume responsibility for the UROH. BOD decided that the Freshman director at large would remain responsible for it. ARC meeting was held Sunday. The minutes will be printed. E-mail CLUE@ccox if you have any questions about the CLUE reviews. There are no deadlines for the reviews. They’ll be requesting reviews for third term courses soon.
- Emily handed out invitations to other officers to pass out to whomever they wanted to invite. RSVP soon because the sign-ups come down Wednesday 5/15/96.
- Dave B. didn’t have anything to say. Maria says that the BOC talks are popcorn.

Committee

- Guest Star: Matt Hage (Blacker Frosh)
- Random People Working in SAC 64 That Work!

Random Person: Barry (Page), who chafing! Steve and Josh both say “KELROF (Sign up Frosh! You’ll have time to catch up in EE 53...)” Dabney. Ruddock will probably be coming down since something blew up. KRUD (Ruddock) will be coming on different movie every week and we have an excellent opportunity to vent your bitterness by describing how much you hated a class and then gloating that you never have to take it again. Kohl also lobbies for the DAA to be automatically appointed to the academic policies and curriculum committees.

More importantly, SOMEONE ATE THE IHC DING DONGS — even the STALE one that has been around for YEARS!!! Don’t ever do this again! [Un]less, of course, you wanted to help the BOC test out its new electric chair...

Bill says Blacker wants a SAC room because apparently Dabney has a SAC room! The rest of us want to know how the heck Dabney got a SAC room in the first place. Chris W. just smiles.

Major Item #1: OC Affiliated Housing

- Rickets is losing the annex because the annex is being renovated and transformed into offices. In addition, Kim West is looking at various residences near campus because she is planning on hiring an assistant DROOL. Therefore, we can’t figure out how the OC affiliated housing is going to work until we find out what building the assistant DROOL gets. Thus the issue is unfortunately put to next week. Matt, who came planning to fight to the death in defense of Blacker keeping Munth, seems disappointed.

Major Item #2: Student/Faculty Committees

- Signups for IHC appointed committee/offices will be posted sometime during the week of 4/28. The will come down about two weeks after that, and interviews will begin shortly thereafter. The subject of interviews (a.k.a. “The Big IHC Time Sink”) prompts the question, “How many committees are there?” Dave picks up a little time and finds [sing along now, pg 73] “Academic Policies Committee (APC), Athletics and Physical Education Committee (APAC), Curriculum Committee (CC), Educational Outreach Committee (EOC), ...” quickly causing everyone to wish they were someplace less painful like, say, a MA lecture. Lori suggests we appoint a Committee Oversight Committee (COC), and quickly receives the brunt of three whole ding dongs flying through the air at subsonic speed.

Major Item #4: BI 115

- In an effort to make biology majors feel pain (though nothing like AMa 95) BI 115 has some huge nasty book that cost $300. Since only 500 of the 3 billion pages in the book are important for the class, you could, in theory, photocopy the part you need for about 20. Coincidentally, the bookstore will be accepting returns on this book until drop day ...

Meeting ends at 11:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jonathan Little
IHC Secretary...
Michael Shumway

My Fellow Juniors in 1996 - 1997,

My name is Michael Shumway and I am writing to you in hopes of obtaining a speaker for their class's commencement exercises.

The second role of the Junior Class President is to serve on the commencement committee. This entails determining the structure of the commencement ceremony, the activities during commencement week, and most importantly for our class - helping find a commencement speaker for our own graduation. I believe I can fill the office of Junior Class President because I am willing to listen and gather input from the class, and promote the class's best interests. I have served as Fleming House Secretary and UCC this year and I am a devoted, hard worker who can easily get along with others and work to accomplish the goals set.

Thank you for your consideration,

Michael Shumway (Class of 1998)

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May 10, 1996

Features

Junior Class President

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Hi! I'm Gretchen Larson. Let me start by off by going over what I see as the major qualification for senior class president. As a representative of the senior class, the president must be able to talk to her classmates and administrators alike. Doesn't sound too tough, huh.

So why run for the office of Senior Class President? What is it I find so appealing about this job? Is it the power to reign supreme over commencement exercises? The awesome edge I would attain by putting this on my grad school application? The chance to schmooze with top Caltech administrators? The authority to set Ditch Day at my convenience? The big bucks? Probably not. In fact I think that the real reason I suddenly feel the urge to get involved in class politics is that now that my senior year is approaching, I finally have the time to be involved again. To do this job right, you really have to be able to make a time commitment. I can do that.

I know lots of people have opinions about major senior class decisions. I am eager to hear your ideas. Let me represent you. Vote Gretchen for President.

Gretchen Larson

Twenty years from now, you will not remember exactly how many nights you survived at Tech without sleep. You will not remember every house party you attended or even the name of every person you met at Frosh Camp. The truth is that you will have forgotten many of the finer details of the years you spent here.

However, the memories of one event will most likely remain vivid in your minds for many years: our Commencement and the activities associated with it. Similarly, the memories that we leave behind in the minds of the administrators and the classes to follow us will be primarily shaped by our Senior Gift and our Senior Year Ditch Day.

The coordination of each of these events lies in the hands of the Senior Class President, and I believe that I am the person you want for this task. I have spoken with Becky Blankenburg, Senior President of the Class of 1996, about the duties that will be expected of me and have assessed that, most importantly, the Senior President must have plenty of time to devote to her responsibilities. Since I will be taking a moderate academic load first term next year and only a very small load both second and third terms, I know that I will have more than enough time for performing my role as President.

Furthermore, I have the experience of serving on the Ruddock Social Team for three consecutive terms. In Ruddock, the Social Team is a nearly autonomous group of 4 or 5 individuals given $1500 per term with which they budget, completely coordinate, and manage one social event per week. I can guarantee you that I have had enough experience planning parties and other activities that I can organize two excellent days of Commencement activities for you.

I will also be a good leader of the committee of Senior Class Representatives, one from each house, which is formed to help out with our Senior Gift decision and Ditch Day scheming. I have worked this year with a committee of undergraduates who helped me distribute information to you about many performances on the Caltech campus as part of my job as the Marketing Assistant at the Office of Public Events. I was also a member of the 1995 - 96 Women's Varsity Basketball Team. I know how important a strong committee can be when balanced with good leadership.

We, the Class of 1997, are the most unique class that I have seen at Caltech. As a whole, we are diligent workers, but we also know how to have fun. Despite the grueling effort and energy that is required to be a student here, we have certainly found something rewarding in our experience; otherwise, we would have given up a long time ago. We all want the best memories of our time at Caltech. Elect me as your Senior Class President, and I will ensure that we remember the experience well.

Thank you for taking the time to listen to my thoughts, Melissa Hampton.

Melissa Hampton

I generallyeschew making campaign promises, but for you, I will break with tradition. Elect me senior class president and the following fabulous cash and prizes can be yours:

1. $125 worth of merchandise from the Caltech Bookstore.
2. A bag 'o dirt.
3. I will choose a date for Ditch Day that no one will ever second guess: February 7, 1997. Yip, smack dab in the middle of second term.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. I look forward to screwing, er, serving, you in the near future.

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I have always prided myself on being strong-willed and passionate about ideas (whether they be women’s issues or this year’s Lloyd Party theme). So if the Senior Class strongly prefers a certain speaker, I will do my utmost to get him or her to speak at commencement.

This year, I’ve been very active as a BoC rep-at-large and an editor for the Totem — Caltech’s art and literary magazine. I have thrown myself into these jobs, even though I constantly run the risk of my schoolwork suffering. If elected, I will dedicate myself as much to my office as I have to my previous duties. I promise to work energetically and enthusiastically as Senior Class Secretary/Treasurer.

Count on me doing the job well and delivering it with a smile!
K. E. L. R. O. F. to double as cancer research fundraiser

BY TOM DRUKAISIUS

According to Caltech officials contacted by Seth Blumberg, it appears that this year's KELROF will be used as a fundraiser for cancer research.

The fundraising will probably work in the following manner. Donors will pledge a certain dollar amount per mile. The number of miles run by each team at KELROF will be summed, and this number multiplied by the pledge rate will be the donation, e.g. if the total number of miles run this year was 800, and a donor pledged $0.05/mile, he would owe $40.

The donor can set a cap on the donation, though, to avoid paying out more than she is comfortable in the case of a deviantly large mileage total.

With these remarks, I welcome you to make a donation. In order for you to be made a participant in KELROF this year, you are welcome to go out and seek donations. In either case, I shall need to have the donor's name, phone number, address (or office), pledge rate and pledge cap. You can give me this information by phone (585-9262), or e-mail (tomdr@cc.caltech.edu).

After the race, you will be notified if the number of miles run and how much is owed. Checks should be made payable to KELROF.

Now that the red tape is out of the way, let us skip quickly to the rumor mill. Chris Cary's report from the IHC meeting is that Dabney and Fleming will have two teams apiece in some in-carnation, and Page and Lloyd will probably have each one. Ruddock? Blacker? Ricketts? Where are you guys?.. Sign-ups for KELROF teams should be in the lounges of all of the undergraduate houses now. . . . Interesting fact of the week: Yiannis Kourou of Greece broke the individual 24-hour running record last month in Australia covering 182 miles and 1749 yards... We expect to have T-shirts made for KELROF this year and hope to sell them for around $5... More next week!
The Annual Career Development Center Student Surveys have been sent out to all graduating students. If you have not received a form fill it out and return it to the Career Development Center, Room 08, Parsons-Gates. If you have requested and did not receive one yet, please pick one up at the Career Center.

IHC Appointment Committee sign-ups are for currently posted outside of the Residence Life Office in Winnett Quad and will be brought down this Saturday, May 11th at midnight. Sign up now and do something with your life!

The San Joaquin Valley section of the Society of Petroleum Engineers is offering scholarships to qualified applicants who are enrolled as full-time undergraduate or graduate students in engineering or energy related-disciplines in 1996-97. For the last three years, SPE of the San Joaquin Valley has awarded 6-10 scholarships totaling $6,000 each year. Preference will be given to those applicants demonstrating a sincere intent to enter the petroleum industry after graduation. Applicants should be resident or former residents of Fresno, Kern, King, or Tulare Counties or Cuyama or current members of the San Joaquin Valley. Section of SPE. The completed application and all support documents are due no later than today, May 10th, 1996.

The John Gyles Education Fund is offering financial assistance to students in the United States. Canadian or American citizens and a minimum 2.7 GPA are required. Selected students will receive up to $2,500. Deadlines for 1996 are June 15, and November 15 (postmark date). To receive an application, send a stamped (U.S. $3.22), self-addressed No. 10 envelope to: The John Gyles Education Fund, Attention: R. James Cougle, Administrator, P.O. Box 4808, 712 Riverside Dr., Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada E3B 5G4.

The Jewish Family and Children’s Services is pleased to announce the continued availability of financial support for Jewish individuals and their families. JFCS provides hundreds of students loans, grants, and scholarships to Jewish students. Individuals may apply for up to $5,000. Special scholarships are available for study in Israel. To be eligible, students must have financial need, have at least a 3.0 GPA, and be residents of San Francisco, Marin, or Sonoma counties. There are no deadlines—applications are accepted throughout the year. The Financial Aid Office has applications.

The Nuclear Age Peace Foundation announces its Len Choung Scholarship Awards for 1996-97. The Foundation will be awarding two $2,500 scholarships to undergraduate minority students who can demonstrate financial need and academic excellence. Applications are available at the Financial Aid Office and are due to the Nuclear Age Peace Foundation no later than July 1, 1996.