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By Kim Scott
STAFF WRITER

Starting with the class entering in 2009, Caltech will cease to of fer freshman merit-based scholar-
ships. An announcement was emailed to all applicants on January 13th, and the financial aid offers mailed to students admitted reflects the increases in need-based aid possible with the elimination of Axline, Lingle, and President’s scholarships, which can cover up to the full cost of four years at Caltech.

Recommended by the Scholar-
ship and Financial Aid Com-
mittee (SFAC), the changes were “mainly a financial decision,” said Dean John Hail. President Jean- Lou Chameau has pledged that the current recession will have “zero impact” on need-based aid, which is funded solely by Caltech’s endowment. Caltech is firmly committed to making it “possible for any admitted student to attend,” explained Eric O’Neal-Howard, Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs. “If you have to choose,” explained Hall, between need- and merit-based aid, there is a responsibility to preserve the program that affects most of the student body “from simple equity perspective—and from a competitive perspective as well.”

Currently, Caltech spends ap-
proximately $2 million on fresh-
man merit scholarships, typically awarded for four years of study. While these funds are legally required to be used for financial aid, they may be gradually reallocated to strengthen the need-based aid program. This year, families with incomes under $60000 will pay no parental contribution, but their contribution would have ranged from $3000 to $4000 last year.

Axline and Lingle

While the current economic situation served as an impetus to restructure the financial aid program, the decision of dropping freshman merit scholarships was already under review. These scholarships are “about changing enrollment behaviors,” said Rick Bischoff, Director of Admissions. Hall added that the idea of the Axline program is “to lure superstars to Caltech”—although it’s impossible to pick out the “top students” on the basis of high school performance. However, many scholarship recipi-

ents do well at Caltech. A year ago, Harvard announced that fami-
lies with incomes under 10% of their in-
come in tuition, which had “huge ripple effects through the university world,” said Bischoff.

“We knew when that happened that our merit scholarships would be less effective.”

The yield among stu-

dents accepted freshman merit scholarships has decreased in recent years, reported such incident dates back to at least 2007 when some 25 students accepted Axline scholarships last year. That’s a 20% yield, lower than the overall 35% yield for the class of 2012. Members of the SFAC—Bischoff, Hall, and student representative Abhi Gulati—all pointed to the low yield as an indicator of the poor performance of the Axline program for recruitment. Of course, a low yield does not make the program cheaper; Caltech still have to pay for the 25 offers, notes undergraduate Yasha Berchenko-Kogan.

However, the program’s suc-

cess is better measured by the de-
to which merit aid influenced students’ decisions to come to Caltech, not by the program’s ab-

solute yield. Caltech Admissions did not do any formal survey that could address this question. In an informal survey conducted by the Tech of 19 students offered merit-based aid, two students re-

sponded that Caltech would have been their first choice either way. Ten students attributed their deci-
sions to attend Caltech primarily to the scholarships awarded. Surveyed students also said that the merit scholarships had indirect recruiting power: Caltech becomes a more attractive option once top students choose to study here. Many would not have even applied had Caltech not offered merit aid, wrote one student.

In contrast, upperclass merit scholarships reward performance once students arrive at Caltech. Although these are also funded by the endowment, they were not considered for elimination. In

By Casey Jao
STAFF WRITER

According to a recent Security Bulletin, a Caltech student was assaulted on Arden Road, which runs south just east of the tennis Center is located. As early as the 2009-2010 school year, Caltech English ma-

jors will no longer be required to take on Shakespeare, based on a recent decision by Caltech’s English faculty. The removal of the Shakespeare requirement has been discussed on and off for recent years. Drop-

ping the Shakespeare requirement would allow English majors to study a broader range of works. Furthermore, Caltech’s resident Shakespeare expert Professor Jeni-
you La Belle is now an Emeritus scholar, and the formerly required En14 that she teaches will not be offered as regularly as it has been in the past.

Reflecting on how students will respond to the changes, La Belle said, “I love the way students re-

act to him...I love that it teaches me to be more of a reflective student.” As long as En14 is offered, course enrollment is not expected to change.

According to the Gilmartin and the Executive Officer of Humani-
ties Cindy Weinstein, the new requirements for the English program will be more structured and encompass a wider range of lit-

erature. Instead of the En 114 Shakespeare requirement, En-

glish majors will take one course in American literature, one course in British literature, and one course in literature before 1850.

The English department will continue to offer a class on Shake-
speare every year. Under the new requirements, English majors can fulfill the requirement for one course studying pre-1850s by studying Shakespeare.

“The English major is some-

thing we regularly reconsider,” said Kevin Gilmartin, option rep-

resentative for English. About a decade ago, a thesis paper was added to the English option re-

quirements, and English SURF’s have been recently formalized.

Caltech’s decision to drop the Shakespeare requirement is not unique, although its reasons for doing so may be unusual. A study in 2007 by the American Council of Trustees and Alumni (ACTA) found that among seventy of the nation’s top universities and colleges, only fifteen schools re-

quired their English majors to take a course on Shakespeare. Caltech was among one of these fifteen.

“The issue is, nothing is re-

quired in humanities these days, because to select certain writers and say you must read this is con-
sidered dictatorial, autocratic—not politically correct,” said La Belle.

Many schools are shifting from more traditional British literature such as Chaucer, Milton, and Shakespeare to modern, Ameri-
can, and world literature. In addi-
tion to traditional courses, studies in English include politics, cul-

tural studies, film, and children’s literature.
Western, you need to know what we do. If you're like most students, you probably think that ASCIT is a group of students who meet occasionally to plan parties. However, ASCIT is much more than that. ASCIT is a group of students who work hard to improve the Caltech experience for all students.

ASCIT is the official student government of Caltech. We are responsible for a wide range of activities, including student services, events, and policies. We also represent the student voice to the administration and the Board of Trustees.

One of the things that ASCIT does best is to provide resources to students. We have a variety of services available, including counseling, tutoring, and health services. We also have a variety of events and activities, including dances, parties, and guest lectures.

ASCIT is a group of students who are dedicated to making Caltech a better place. We are proud of the work that we do, and we are committed to improving the Caltech experience for all students.

I encourage you to learn more about ASCIT and to get involved. There are many ways that you can get involved, including joining a committee, volunteering, or simply attending events. I am confident that you will find ASCIT to be an exciting and rewarding experience.

Thank you for your time, and I hope to see you at the polls on election day.

Daniel Obenshaim

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The California Tech

CIT President. I also respond to that guy, as in “Good lord, Noah, why do you always have to be that guy?” I don’t really want this job, but I think I would be good at it, and that’s enough for me to throw my hat in the ring.

During my tenure as the chair of the ASCIT Executive Committee, we worked to define exactly what the point of ASCIT is. We came up with specific ideas and goals, programs that ASCIT could implement or ways ASCIT could change to better serve the undergraduate communities.

However, in the end, everything boiled down to one precept: ASCIT exists to do everything it can to make student life just a little bit better. ASCIT needs to realize what it could be doing to improve student life, and more importantly what it is spending resources on that doesn’t do anything to make life better for students.

First of all, we need to work on specific things ASCIT can do to provide at least some short-term happiness to everyone. Yes, this is treating the symptom and not the disease, but there’s nothing wrong with spending a couple bucks on some throat lozenges while the pharmacy is filling your cough medicine prescription.

There are so many things that ASCIT can do to give some transient happiness to the undergraduate community: We can bring back ASCIT happy hour, we can bring in speakers and presenters that people want to listen to; we can hold barbecues and parties and ice cream socials on the weekends for no other reason than to give people free food when Chandler is closed.

ASCIT is the only body on campus with a Social Director, a large budget, and everything else needed to hold these kinds of events, and it should take advantage of these resources to do things for the student body that no one else can.

In addition to its campus-wide social duties, ASCIT is in the unique position of the student representatives to the Trustees, Faculty, Alumni Association, and Admin. It is in this capacity that ASCIT can truly attain some lasting good on the Caltech campus. ASCIT needs to improve contact with the Trustees in order to ensure our needs are met.

ASCIT needs to work with Peter Daily and help him give us food we actually want to eat. ASCIT needs to keep up all our good ties with Chameau and Mannion, two members of the Administration that genuinely care about student happiness. ASCIT needs to get Tim Chang off our backs so that the Houses can be Houses and not cookie-cutter dorms like you’d see at any other college in the country.

This is truly ASCIT’s greatest area of responsibility, and it is absolutely inexorable for any ASCIT government not to use its power to the fullest and achieve its potential.

If I elected ASCIT President, I will work to achieve all these goals. As much as I hate to admit it, I actually care about this campus and want to make this school the kind of place that we can talk about to our friends back home with pride.

Win or lose in this election, my door is always open, and I will always be willing to work as hard as I can and put in any effort necessary to make Caltech just a little bit better.
Debbie Tseng

As a current representative of the Board of Control, I have the privilege to work with the people on the council as peers of our community, as well as being open to honor code questions within the student body and being advised by the Deans. It is not a light burden to take upon the duty to implement justice, but also to do so with compassion – understanding and with the ability to help others in our community. I believe that this experience has given me a firm foundation to continue this work for the entire California community as ASCIT’s Vice President/Honor Chair. As Vice President, not only is there the responsibility of helping and supporting the President to manage and organize student affairs; there is also the task to actively promote and discuss various aspects of the Honor Code toadministration, faculty, and the student body.

There are many proposals about changing the ASCIT by-laws – if these by-laws are passed, the responsibilities of VP/Honor Chair will be split between the IHC and ARC Chairs, who already have many responsibilities of their own. The Honor Chair has only been recently created and has not had enough time to evolve into a position that has the stability of the longer-established ASCIT offices. Writing new by-laws restructures ASCIT in words only, and would only cause a longer period of adjustment for newly elected officers. I urge you to trust in the traditional, fundamental ASCIT system – entrusting yourself to support an elected student body of your peers who are here to connect with the community and to ensure that student life runs smoothly. I care deeply for the people of our student body as well as our academic and social well being, and believe that it is vital to have people who are actively involved in every aspect of the honor code so that we may continue to live under its privileges.

Michael Maseda

I was major contributor to the MHF proposal for the Student Experience Trip, to see what other schools are doing right or wrong and how we can fix things here. I worked closely with the current President to form the job of ASCIT Communications Manager, so all information from ASCIT can get out to the community more efficiently, and so that people would be able to find out more about what ASCIT actually is doing.

Being Vice President also means being the Honor Chair. We all know how important the Honor Code is to Caltech, and I feel like I will be able to uphold the principles and ideals demanded from such a job.

Recently, work to create a system where faculty members would be appointed “Honor Code Representatives” has gone largely unfinished. I feel like such a system to get the faculty more involved with the Honor Code and hence more clearly define class/ department policies is a great idea, and I will push hard to make that happen.

I also feel that there should be more transparency and accountability in the BoC and CRC, so that students can ensure that there is no foul play or unfair bias in the system.

In addition, I will try to make the faculty more involved in the BoC (including systems like the Honor Code Reps) and create more student participation in the affairs of the CRC.

I wish to help clarify the governing rules of the Honor Code and ensure that no student is unfairly persecuted by the community.

Yes, I am the guy who sends out the ASCIT Digests. Yes, I am the guy who has tried to get more people talking about the Digests by putting funny youtube links in some of the more recent editions. And yes, I am the guy who always wants to work hard to make things better for you.

Reminder and Announcements

The season for ASCIT elections is underway! Elections will proceed as follows:

Elections Schedule
1/26: Elections for President/VP and Vote on Bylaw Changes (from 10:00 AM to 11:59 PM)
This elections period will include an opportunity to vote on the bylaw amendment proposed by Dvin Adalian. For more details on the content of these changes, please go to: http://ugcs.caltech.edu/~jrc/elections/
1/26: President/VP debate (noon)
The debate begins promptly at noon in Winnett Lounge. The audience will have opportunities to ask the candidates questions.
Choco Tacos will be provided.
1/27: Protest period
1/28: Election results posted (midnight – 10:00 AM)
2/3: Other positions close for sign-up (8:00 AM)
2/5: Candidacy statements due
2/9: IHC Chair debate (noon)
2/10: Protest period
2/11: Election results posted (midnight – 10:00 AM)
Secretary
Interhouse Committee Chairman Director for Academic Affairs Director for Social Activities Directors at Large
For details on position descriptions and eligibility, please go to: http://donut.caltech.edu/ascit/ASCIT_Bylaws/ARTICLE_IV--OFFICERS
Any questions or comments should be submitted to: Jason Cerundolo, Elections Committee Chair: jc@cclabtech.edu Caleb Ngi, ASCIT President: pres@donut.caltech.edu Noah Tanabe, Executive Committee Chair: excomm@donut.caltech.edu Elections Committee: (Jason Cerundolo, Ashley Poti, John Hasier, Hima El-Awady): elcom@ugcs.caltech.edu
Eric Chin

It’s clear that ASCIT is not fully carrying out its responsibilities. To allow it to function, major changes are needed to establish accountability.

In particular, the position of vice president is superfluous; I fully support its removal under either of the proposed bylaw revisions. However, should both fail, I, as vice president, will:

i) make ASCIT vice president actually responsible for doing useful things; and
ii) do useful things.

As a member of the ASCIT President’s staff last year, I was known in my house at “that ASCIT guy.” People would come to me, complaining about how ASCIT never did anything, and that it was completely useless. Many times, I asked them what ASCIT should be doing for them – how ASCIT could make their lives a little better. I almost never got any serious suggestions. ASCIT cannot make the day more than 24 hours long, cannot do your ACM 95 problem sets for you, and cannot do a whole lot about your creepy Ch 1 TA who gives you funny looks…

ASCIT can make things better here

There is little doubt that ASCIT has had its problems in recent years, and that the current system is possibly too broken to fix (see the new proposals for restructuring). However, things have started to change, and I have been trying my hardest to facilitate it.

On the staff, I am part of the team dedicated to revising Donut to be a more useful site for finding out what’s going on.

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January 26, 2009

Vice-Presidential Candidate Statements
By Christina Kondos

One million: a number easily conceptualized theoretically and oftentimes used in problem sets. Nothing, however, could prepare me for the actual reality of that number of people in one place. On January 20, 2009, Barack Obama became President of the United States while over a million people crammed into the National Mall in Washington D.C. on a bright, cold morning.

When I first arrived in the nation’s capital on Saturday night, I remember remarking to myself about the number of people at the Reagan Airport, how it seemed like much more than usual. It was only a prelude of the masses to come.

 Everywhere I walked, t-shirts, buttons, and posters were being hawked bearing pro-Obama messages. By Monday night, tourist trade of inaugural merchandise had built to a fever pitch. Many were fun, most catchy, but one t-shirt stopped me in my tracks. The shirt had a picture of Superman with Obama’s face super-imposed upon it. The so-called “Super-Obama” shirt came to represent my worries for the new President.

My Tuesday began at 3:30 A.M. I got dressed, putting on all of the clothes I brought, and walked from my hotel to the north side of the National Mall. By 4:15, I had been waiting outside the Mall with a couple thousand others for half hour and had already been pushed back a block by the National Guard. I, wisely in retrospect, decided to go back to the hotel and come back later.

At 9:30, much warmer, I made my way back to the inaugural grounds. Every street within a 10- to 20-block radius of the Mall had become a walking mass of people. There were no longer distinctions between street and sidewalk; the entire road was simply a moving crowd. I walked through the 17th Street entrance and ended up 50 meters in front of the Washington Monument.

Being by myself, I soon became fast friends with the group of people around me watching the ceremonies on the jumbotron. I was the cold Caltech student surrounded by an elderly African American woman who kept saying she never believed she would see this in her lifetime, two vegan hippies from Seattle, and a young couple from Kansas who had saved for months to be able to come to Washington.

None of our differences mattered as we stood and watched Barack Obama become the 44th President of the United States. After Obama finished saying he would “protect and defend the Constitution of the United States,” the joy was physical. I received no less than eight hugs from almost all total strangers. During the address that followed, even my cynical, Republican eyes were no longer dry.

The feeling in Washington was one of hope and change, just as President has expressed this belief in his inaugural address. During the parade and ball that came after, I could not keep a smile off my face. We have a new leader; he came with much fan-fare and excitement, but he came peacefully. I only wish to bring the smiles and patience of the one million-person crowd with me as I come back to Caltech.

Cameron’s Seafood: a fabulous catch

By Dannah Almasco

Materials and Cost: To get an overall picture of Cameron’s seafood offerings, we started with a house appetizer platter ($13) and a jumbo shrimp cocktail ($11). For our main course, we tried the crab cioppino ($23) and the grilled Chilean sea bass ($27).

Observations:

The jumbo shrimp cocktail came with six huge shrimp over ice on a fish-shaped platter. Each shrimp was very fresh and meaty. Unlike most cocktail sauces, this one was sweeter, perfect with a spritz of lemon. It is the perfect amount to share between two people.

The hot appetizer platter comes with a large variety of fried seafood, including calamari, scallops, crab strips, shrimp, oysters, and even zucchini. The batter was not overly thick, but was the perfect amount of crunch. Stand-outs include the scallops, which were sweet and succulent, and the zucchini, which contrasted the rest of the platter. Overall, though everything was fried, it did not leave us overly stuffed.

The grilled sea bass tasted like it came right from the ocean – the fish was very flaky and juicy. It was a bit oily, but overall was a simple, delicious preparation. No extraneous flavors here – Cameron’s makes sure the freshness speaks for itself without complicated sauces or seasonings. It was served with rice and vegetables.

The crab cioppino, the self-touted signature dish, was deemed “an affair” by our waitress. It arrived at the table in what initially appeared to be a large serving bowl, probably enough to feed a family of four! Not only was it a humongous portion, it was piping hot, and took a while to cool down enough to taste all the flavors. There were clams, mussels, fish, and crab legs in a light, chunky tomato sauce, all served over linguine. Be prepared to work – this dish is messy to eat, and you’ll have to crack open a lot of crab legs. Still, it’s very much worth the effort; there will be a lot of delicious leftovers to take home!

Atmosphere: The décor in Cameron’s comes straight out of a fisherman’s wharf! The walls are covered with pictures and plaques of fish, and there is wood paneling all around. It is anything but SoCal, more reminiscent of New England or San Francisco.

Conclusion: For the seafood aficionado, Cameron’s is perfect. Even though it is a bit pricey, you’re paying for the freshest seafood in amazing preparations. Cameron’s is open for lunch and dinner Monday through Saturday, and there is also a brunch on Sundays (with a brunch buffet available in addition to the dinner menu). So, try turning east, to 1978 E Colorado Blvd, for Cameron’s!

Cameron’s Seafood: a fabulous catch

Above: Dannah and Andrew sample seafood platters.

Right: a shrimp cocktail served on ice with lemon.

Over one million Americans converge on the nation’s Capitol, including Caltech freshman Christina Kondos.
**Rock bassist Flea joins with Caltech jazz**

The world-renowned musician was just as nervous as everyone else

By Marissa Cevallos  
**STAFF WRITER**

For a musician who has played to millions of screaming fans, redefined the electric bass, and become one of the most recognizable names in rock and roll, you’d think Flea would have overcome stage fright back in the 1980s. But at the dress rehearsal the night before he gave a trumpet performance in Beckman Auditorium with the Caltech Jazz Bands, the tattooed Red Hot Chili Pepper bass guitarist was visibly nervous. This was his first time he’d ever played with a jazz band.

As he walked out to the parking lot after the rehearsal, Michael “Flea” Balzary confided that he hadn’t played a few of the songs as well as he’d hoped. He’d gotten lost following the music a few times, prompting the jazz band director and Flea’s former trumpet teacher William Bing to pull him aside and tell him to forget about the notes on the page and just listen to the band.

The advice must have worked; the trumpet performance Flea delivered on Friday was melodically energetic, and infused with a personal style distinctly separate from his flashy Chili Pepper riffs. Whatever shortcomings Flea imagined he had were forgiven—or not noticed—by the star-struck crowd.

“He was terrific,” said Bing. “He just came in and nailed it.” Flea veered into RHCP funkiness at times in the two-hour show, but always stayed true to the jazz feel. The marriage between the two styles couldn’t have been more perfect when the trumpet player in a bathroom for Flea’s 3 year-old.

Beckman Auditorium.

Not as terrifying as it was for Flea to “play outside his comfort zone,” as Flea said when he thanked the 1150-person crowd that packed Beckman.

Bassist Daniel Hurtado said that Flea was feeling the pressure backstage before the performance. “Right at the start of the concert, and before he jumped on stage, he was running everywhere in the back stage, warming up on the bass.” Then, he grabbed the trumpet and told me: “Hey, I am going to play trumpet in the bathroom for a bit, so let me know if it is too loud, OK?” He looked more nervous than all of us!

It wasn’t always that Flea had never shared the stage with a jazz band before, but his position as a jazz newcomer added a fresh twist to some standards that tend to look like it would be terrifying for any of the musicians on stage. But according to Yeung, “[Flea] took the time to support and praise personally everyone who took a solo.”

The Caltech musicians were overwhelmingly impressed by Flea’s laid-back modesty. “I didn’t expect a celebrity like Flea to be so humble and friendly,” said Hurtado.

Or dressed. It was hard to picture the trumpet player in a creased hat and suit as the head-banging, shirtless, tattooed Flea from RHCP.

On Thursday night, he looked a little more like a rock star—he sported a leather jacket, ripped jeans, orange and white sneakers with hot pink shoelaces, topped off with a wool cap with ear flaps he got for Christmas. And he also drove to Caltech in his new Tesla, an all-electric sports car.

As a gift for playing the concert—Flea didn’t charge his usual fare—Bing gave Flea a putting green golf set for the inside of his Malibu home, complete with a multi-colored plastic set of clubs for Flea’s 3 year-old.

The Red Hot Chili Peppers are currently on hiatus after releasing the double album Stadium Arcadium, which picked up six Grammy Awards. Flea is taking music theory classes at the University of Southern California during the break.

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**Book Review**

*Language of God speaks to the scientific*

By Joel Nikolaus  
**STAFF WRITER**

Although its author holds opinions that many on campus object to, *Language of God* is neither particularly argumentative nor confrontational. It does not attempt to shove his personal views down your throat.

It is just as much a telling of his own story. He presents how he personally arrived at his beliefs, and drawing at times as much from his philosophy and moves more towards the science that he was expecting from a biologist of his stature. Citing examples in his own field he specifically addresses the current camps of atheism, intelligent design, and creationism and some of the ethical issues facing genetics in the near future.

Overall, the book is easy to read and surprisingly calm, given its hot-blooded subject matter.

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**ROCK STAR AT CALTECH**

Left: Michael “Flea” Balzary belts out a note in Thursday’s dress rehearsal at Beckman Auditorium.

Above: Flea asked to sit in as the bass player on a few songs.

Photos by Jonathan Tsai
Movie Review

“Road” confronts inner battles
Winslet and DiCaprio channel a disillusioned couple

By Hillary Walker

Running concurrently to the President elections today is a vote on an amendment to the ASCIT bylaws. An agreement has been reached between the two bylaw plans and only one of them will be run today.

Today’s vote for the bylaws petition and announced last week will happen as announced… an addendum will be run the following week.

The proposal revamps the structure and operations of ASCIT to make it more efficient, less bureaucratic, and brings it in line with the current needs and wants of students.

The Board of Directors needs to be shown some love and its roles clarified to cover the major responsibilities (administration decisions, faculty decisions, publications, universal property) students care about and make more accountable to the students for those responsibilities.

The former judicial branch needs to be modified so that the President no longer chooses its members and now has inter-house representation. Each House should have a representative to provide oversight on the actions and inaction of the BoD.

The little-used Director-at-Large positions would be replaced with an office dedicated to overseeing ASCIT property (the screening room, DVD library, ASCIT speakers, etc.) and ensuring the progress and completion of the ASCIT publications (Big T, little t, etc.).

There’s currently a lot of bureaucracy surrounding BoD operations; including funding ap- proval, staff, voting, resolutions and policies which need to be reduced.

Generally everything has been updated to reflect currently used procedures and its roles. Adjustments, changes have been made for current technology, and redundant sections have been removed.

Various previous announcements carry the explicit bylaw changes and summaries and diagrams of the proposed changes.

Should today’s amendment pass, the upcoming BoD elections will have to be adjusted and will be delayed. This also means nominations will remain open until all Houses have completed their elections, giving all Houses equal treatment.

As part of the agreement an addendum to the new bylaws will go to vote next week which reflects the corrections by the ASCIT.

The BoD, however, remained concerned that running two separate bylaws would increase confusion among students and that such confusion could risk the failure for both sets of bylaws. To minimize confusion and remove any unfair advantage the BoD was in general agreement that both proposals be put up for a vote. Any student should appear on the same ballot, rescheduling the vote if necessary.

After careful consideration the BoD decided not to vote on the Excom bylaws for two primary reasons:

Some members felt that it was unfair to give the second proposal special treatment. Nothing prevented the proponents of this set of by-laws from obtaining the requisite number of signatures. They should be required to go through the normal petition process.

The new bylaws contain inconsistencies that make the document unenforceable and impossible to deal with. The BoD, however, remained concerned that running two separate bylaws would increase confusion among students and that such confusion could risk the failure for both sets of bylaws. To minimize confusion and remove any unfair advantage the BoD was in general agreement that both proposals be put up for a vote. Any student should appear on the same ballot, rescheduling the vote if necessary.

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Sports Briefs

Former basketball coach wins in Caltech return

Beaver basketball fans were treated to a surreal sight on Thursday night as former men’s basketball head coach Roy Dow returned to the sidelines, coaching the Cal Lutheran women’s team to a 57-28 victory over Caltech.

The physical first half saw Caltech take its only lead of the game at 14:16, followed by a 21-2 run by Cal Lutheran to blow the game open over the next ten minutes. The Beaver defense held the Regals to just 33.3% shooting for the first half, but Caltech struggled to score, shooting 3-of-21 from the field and 4-of-10 from the line. The Regals rotated in 11 players to keep up an active defense which hounded ball handlers.

Freshman Teri Juarez led the home team with nine points while sophomore Lisha Li and freshman Krissy Dahl shared a team high nine rebounds. Cal Lutheran’s Nita Sims led all players with 17 points.

Dow, who announced his coaching move this summer after six years at Caltech, was greeted with handshakes and a few hugs from his former players prior to the game.

Junior Lisa Yee played for the first time since a foot injury in December, the team’s leading perimeter scorer logged 15 minutes.

Women’s basketball center named SCIAC player of the week

Freshman Center Krissy Dahl was named SCIAC female athlete of the week on January 8 in part for her 28 points, 16 rebounds, 5 block performance in the Beavers’ 57-40 win over Pacific Union on Jan. 4.

“Dahl’s poise and court presence are blending well with our young and energetic team” commented Coach Sandra Marbut.

Men’s Swimming scores victory over Kingsmen

The mens’ swimming and diving team won their second to last SCIAC meet 111-101 for their first victory of the season.

Freshman Justin Johnson led the Beavers with two first place finishes in the Men’s 1-meter and 3-meter diving. Senior Tom Oliver led the Men’s 200-yard freestyle and sophomore Paul Fleiner put the finishing touches on the day by winning the Men’s 500-yard freestyle.

Upcoming Games

Jan. 28

Men’s Basketball at Redlands
7:30 P.M.

Jan. 29

Women’s Basketball at Redland
7:30 P.M.

Jan. 30

Swimming and Diving at Home
4:00 P.M.

Jan. 31

Baseball vs. Simpson
12:00 P.M.

3:00 P.M.

Women’s Basketball vs. CMS
5:00 P.M.

Men’s Basketball vs. CMS
7:30 P.M.

The Weekly Scoreboard

Jan. 14

Men’s Basketball at La Verne
L 74-24

Jan. 15

Women’s Basketball at La Verne
L 72-34

Jan. 16

Swimming and Diving at Occidental
Men: L 148-76

Women: L 176-58

Jan. 17

Swimming and Diving vs. Pomona-Pitzer
Men: L 165-55

Women: L 180-55

Women’s Basketball vs. Whittier
L 68-47

Men’s Basketball vs. Whittier
L 86-42

Jan 21

Men’s Basketball vs. Cal Lutheran
L 77-52

Jan. 22

Women’s Basketball vs. Cal Lutheran
L 57-28

Jan 24

Women’s Basketball at Occidental
L 81-37

Men’s Basketball at Occidental
L 94-40

Swimming and Diving vs. Pomona-Pitzer
Men: W 111-101

Women: L 169-66
Comics

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Error By Mark Eichenlaub

Now and then, I announce “I know you’re listening” to empty rooms.

If I’m wrong, no one knows. And if I’m right, maybe I just freaked the hell out of some secret organization.

Huh—Steve Jobs isn’t doing a keynote this year, citing massive weight loss due to some hormone problem.

Too bad. I bet Apple was excited about unveiling the thinnest and lightest CEO in the industry.

Nice play, Rutherford!