By Rick Paul  
STAFF WRITER

Another memorable year of Rotation activities came to an end last week with the firing of the Fleming cannon, signaling not only the end of Rotation but officially marking the prefrosh’s transition to freshman.

Reactions towards this year’s Rotation, from both freshman and upperclassmen, were for the most part positive. “Meeting cool upperclassmen was probably the best part of Rotation,” said Bryan Jadon, a freshman in Fleming. “It was exhausting, but a lot of fun.”

A common criticism from some of the freshman was that they would have liked to see the Rotation activities stretched over a longer span of time. “Rotation was too dense at times, too much activity in too short of a time period,” said one freshman.

There was also an increased perception this year that fewer freshmen were assigned to their first choice houses than in previous years.

Along with these usual complaints, there were some serious breaches of the IHC Rotation rules by several houses. Daryl Coleman, president of Fleming, provided some perspective on the situation. “The administration seems to have a less favorable stance towards rotation this year in light of violations of the fire, harassment, hazing, and alcohol policies. I think Rotation is a unique, necessary component of our house system.”

“Some people say Rice has a similar system, but when freshmen come in they are randomly assigned to a house. Rotation helps maintain the culture of each house. People think house presidents only look out for the interests of their own houses, but the truth is that everyone collaborates to make sure that prefrosh don’t go into unfavorable environments which they may feel uncomfortable in.”

Following the recent breaches of the Rotation rules, there have been rumors that the IHC is considering revamping Rotation. There, however, have been no official actions taken yet at the time of publication. R The IHC will continue to tweak the Rotation rules, but must walk a fine line between maintaining the “spirit” of Rotation and providing a safe environment for prefrosh. We might soon be due for a drastic overhaul of Rotation, the likes of which have not been seen for over almost two decades.

From the house dinners to the always entertaining house skits and videos, Rotation is an institution of Caltech tradition.

Rotation was started in 1934, three years after students moved into the four original South Houses (Blacker, Dabney, Fleming, and Ricketts). Rotation ran with no major issues until 1951, when, according to the October 11 Tech, “Dabney flagrantly violated the spirit of rotation.” Dabney offered blind dates for freshmen and lent them cars for those dates. They also announced their social schedule for first term and approached prefrosh in their rooms late at night and asked them for their House preferences. These actions led to the first written Rotation rules in 1952, which survive relatively intact today.

In 1963, the IHC found an acceptable procedure for Rotation: each frosh would spend one day in each house and at the end could list four houses he was willing to enter.

This stayed relatively constant until 1991, when frosh were first allowed to rank their House preferences with a number 1-7, or no house at all the same system we have in place today.

Caltech Adds 12 New Professors So Far This Year despite year’s tight budget

By Tina Ding  
STAFF WRITER

Every year the campus sees a whole set of new faces with the arrival of the most recent frosh class, but this year there have also been quite a few additions to the faculty. Although noticeably smaller than the number of new students, 12 new professors have already arrived at Caltech since the beginning of the year (ahead of the 7 at the same time last year), despite the recent tight budget.

Keith Schwab

Department: EAS

Applied Physics

Research: Schwab’s interest is in fundamental quantum behavior in mechanical structures, the quantum limits of measurements, and the boundary between the classical and quantum world.

Andreas Krause

Department: EAS

Computer Science

Research: Krause’s research is in adaptive systems that actively acquire information, reason and make decisions in large, distributed and uncertain domains, such as sensor networks and the web. The theoretical aspects include statistical learning, Bayesian modeling, decision theory and optimization.

Other Interests: “I’m a passionate classical guitarist, both solo and chamber music, and even used to play in an orchestra with about 30 classical guitarists.”

John Johnson

Department: Math, Physics, Astronomy (PMA)

-Astronomy

Research: Johnson’s primary research is on the detection and characterization of exoplanets, or else known as extrasolar planet, which are planets beyond our solar system.

Other Interests: “I’m a big football (NFL) and basketball (NBA, NCAA) fan, and I enjoy playing basketball and racquetball. I read a lot of nonfiction in my limited free time. I also enjoy playing Legos with my two sons Marcus (1 yr) and Owen (4 yrs), and playing Speed Scrabble with my wife.”

Guillaume Blanquart

Department: EAS

Mechanical Engineering

Research: Blanquart’s research focuses on the modeling of multi-physics and multi-scale fluid mechanics problems resulting from the interaction between combustion processes and turbulent flows. He focuses on fundamental problems such as the formation of pollutants and the effects of turbulence on dynamics of nano-particles and liquid droplets.

Other Interests: “I love football and more precisely Stanford Football. Several times, I drove for more than ten hours to see my favorite team playing. One of the best games: October 6th, 2007, when Stanford won against USC at the LA Coliseum (24-23)! I only wish Caltech had a football team. I simply love movies and TV series. Between European and American players, standard DVD and Blu-Ray players, I have about 9 of them!”

Linda Nazar

Department: EAS

Chemistry and Electrical Engineering

Research: Nazar’s research focuses on investigating the mixed ion and electron transport properties of materials. Her group studies solid state electrochemistry of inorganic materials, with focus on structural and physical property studies of nano-structured materials for energy storage and conversion.

Other Interests: “One of my special interests is scuba diving, which I’ve done around the world including Papua New Guinea which is my favorite diving spot. I enjoy growing a multitude of obscure (and not so obscure) orchids, which isn’t much of a hobby in California, but is a rather difficult task in Ontario Canada.”

Matthew Fisher

Department: Math, Physics, Astronomy - Theoretical Physics

Research: Fisher’s research focuses on conventional mott insulators, spin liquid insulators in 2d, 2d gapless spin liquids, spin liquid insulators in 3d, and non-fermi liquid conductors in 2d.

Other Interests: “I am taking up table tennis again here at Caltech after 30 years (!), and am challenged (and frustrated!) by an occasional round of golf. Two years back I started writing a fiction book about a brilliant quantum physicist with bipolar disorder, but this is now on the back burner.”

Other Interests: “I am a DIY guy who likes to repair or build things, and is a fan of the local tree. I am also a perfectionist and like to do things perfectly the first time.”
The Things You Can Learn... From The Tech Archives

By Chris Kennelly
EDITORD-IN-CHIEF

The four–or maybe six–years that students spent at Tech gives a breadth of experiences. The collective memory of students frequently doesn’t last far beyond their time here.

Many administrators have been here far longer. When it comes to making decisions affecting the student body, promises are far easier to break when the students whom they were made to graduate a few years later.

The Tech archives provide a glimpse, however biased or flawed it may be, into the past. 18 years of Tech’s paint a picture of the formations of Avery House, from conception, to construction, to today. For many of today’s curriculums and policies, a brief look into the archives shows how things once were.

• October 27, 1995: Chia students pond Nate Lewis for his building in Milikan pond, continuing an annual tradition.
• October 2000: The Board Program changes, unveiling the Feynman and Milikan plans to supplement the curriculums and policies, a brief look into the archives shows how things once were.
• October 27, 1995: Chia students pond Nate Lewis for his building in Milikan pond, continuing an annual tradition.

Or, for those who worry about the quality of The Tech, our editors had some advice October 24, 1997, in response to complaints about too many advertisements:

Above: The 1993 Frosh Camp Boat Race

Right: Nate Lewis emerges from Millikan Pond

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OPINION

By Andrew Price
BOC CHAIR

Dear Techers,

I hope this letter finds you well and that everyone had a relaxing summer. I would like to announce and detail a revision to the Board of Control bylaws that was inspired by feedback from students and teachers at the Student-Faculty conference held in 2008.

The Board faced criticism from both students and teachers. Most felt that cases took too long to resolve, that defendants were given insufficient information and resources, and that the standards used to formulate the protection decision were poorly defined. There was also concern about the small group of people that accused students were free to consult, and many suggested expanding the circle to include House Presidents, UCCs, Health Aids, and/or Faculty advisors.

“Consider for a moment the fate of The Georgina Tech. The poor paper of this institution was, because of articles that its poor editors plastered the front page with an announcement that went something like this: There will be no paper this week, no one has written any articles. It could always be worse. Sometimes it has been.”

History, it seems, repeats itself sometimes.

By Brian Merlob

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Undergraduate

My passion is education, and my first axiom is that institutional education should be fun: for a student, or a professor, do you know how to teach a class that you love? It’s my rule of thumb to make sure that each class has an interesting class schedule which is aimed to attract students. I believe that these changes, may be any current or former BoC representative or House president, at any time during or before his hearing. Also, a defendant is now able to solicit additional ‘silent witnesses’ if given permission from the Chairman or from the Deans.

Or, for those who worry about the Board’s difficulties. This is not a perfect revision, but hope you will agree that it represents a positive first step toward addressing the Board’s faults. Please let me know if you have any questions, comments, or concerns regarding the BoC bylaws or other BoC-related matters.

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Welcome Back!

By Anthony Chong
ASCIT President

Welcome back to Caltech! Congratulations to the class of 2013 on finding a new house and finally settling into a permanent residence.

Undergraduates-- I write this halfway through my term as your President. It has certainly been an eventful first half. Uppersclassmen will remember that in the Spring we continued our traditional events like ASCIT Formal and the ASCIT Movie. But you may also remember some new things like a new club registration system that keeps students away from undue personal liability, a general increase in ASCIT funding for student events, and the Harvey Mudd-Scripps Party. But the Spring was just our warm-up.

Yes, I will continue to put donuts on the Olive Walk by 8 AM every Friday. Yes, we are still committed to support inter-house activities. Yes, we will continue to fund your parties and club events. But you can expect much more out of student government.

We are videotaping select courses and helping with the brand new freshmen advising system to enhance your experience while you’re a student here. We are working on 4 years’ worth of Big T’s so that when you graduate you may have something to remember your time by. And we are building stronger relations with alumni through a close relationship with Development and Alumni Relations Department so that well into the future your connection to the institute will remain.

This is all just the tip of the iceberg. Much like the school year, our work in ASCIT has just begun. We are a representative government, and we will always need and look forward to your input. So do not hesitate to contact us (bod@donut.caltech.edu). But ASCIT is also a government by students. So if you have ever had a great idea for how our lives could be improved, let us know and we’ll find the best way for you to apply your energies! Confused by how student government is organized? Consult the rough guide in this issue of the Tech.

I cannot imagine a more exciting time to be a Caltech student. Let’s see that we have a great year!

ASCIT BoD Minutes for October 8, 2009

Officers Present: Anthony Chong, Andrey Poletayev, Pallavi Gunalan, Maral Mazrooei, Michael Maseda, Laura Conwill
Officers Absent: Nadia Iqbal
Guests: Noah Tanabe, Brian Merlob

Call to order: 12:11 PM

Funding requests:

• Frisbee!: The men’s frisbee team wants to host a scrimmage with Pomona that will include a barbeque. There are about 30 undergraduate members on the team. Motion to approve $100 for the Frisbee scrimmage. Vote: Approved (5-0-0).

President’s Report:

• Budget: Be mindful of how you are spending money.

Officer Reports:

• V.P. of Academic Affairs (ARC Chair): The ARC held talks at Rotation, which went well. The ARC is holding a meeting today.

• V.P. of Nonacademic Affairs (IHC Chair): Panel during frosh camp; rotation went well. President met with the admissions committee readers and will check up on them. Met with Student Affairs. Presidents came up with a list of murals they thought should/could be painted over, and housing is following through with that.

• Operations Director: Big T! Over the summer, Mike made a lot of progress tracking things down and finding people who want to work on the yearbook. Bonnie and Stephany (yearbook editors for 2010) are on top of things!

• Treasurer: Maral sent out the dinner rotation schedule for BoD members in the houses; these dinners start next Wednesday night. Maral deposited the little t money into its account. Chris will help with club money appropriation this term. Maral is following up on cost for Harvey Mudd party busing.

• Secretary: Working on Tech article for Monday’s issue.

• Scheduling: Meetings will be Mondays at 12:10 on the Olive Walk. A special meeting will be held next Thursday to hear John Onderdonk’s sustainability presentation.

Meeting adjourned: 12:40 PM

Submitted by Laura Conwill
ASCIT Secretary

ARC Excerpts:

• House ARC reps will be holding ARC talks in the near future to explain their role and inform frosh about the services we provide.

• The courses Bi 150 (Introduction to Neuroscience) and ME 19a (Fluid Mechanics) are being captured this term. Videos from this term and previous terms are available at http://classes.caltech.edu

Upcoming Events:

Monday, October 12th

• Lunchtime Meeting for The California Tech at Broad Cafe from Noon to 1PM
• CEFCU closed in observance of Columbus Day
• LGBTQ Resource Table in front of Chandler from Noon to 1PM

Tuesday, October 13th

• IST Lunch Bunch. 105 Annenberg, Noon to 1PM
• “After Bush: Why America Will Not Change” - Lecture by Yannick Mireur, presented by Alliance Fancaise and Caltech. Cahill Center, Hameetman Auditorium, 7-9PM.

Wednesday, October 14th

• Blood Drive for Huntington Hospital. Winnett Lounge, 9AM - 3:30PM.
• Caltech Career Fair. Bechtel Mall, 10:30AM - 2:30PM.
• Watson Lecture “Exploring the Ultraviolet Universe.” Beckman Auditorium, 8-9:30PM.

Friday, October 16th


• ADD DAY!

Saturday, October 17th

• SURF Seminar Day - Campus-wide, 9AM - 5PM.
An Introduction to Student Government and Student Life

I. Structure: The bylaws say ASCIT shall provide “representation for students to the Institute, seek to improve academic and nonacademic aspects of student life, provide universal student resources, support publications, and uphold the Honor System.” There are a number of standing groups in the student government:

- **BoD**: The Board of Directors consists of the President, Vice President for Academic Affairs (ARC Chair), Vice President for Non-Academic Affairs (IHC Chair), Director of Operations, Director of Social Activities, Treasurer, and Secretary. The BoD handles day-to-day operations, dealings with the administration, appropriating the student government budget, and planning schoolwide social events.
- **ARC**: The Academics and Research Committee acts as a liaison between students and professors by handling course reviews, comments, and making improvements to courses. They also plan the yearly Student-Faculty Conference.
- **IHC**: The Interhouse Committee consists of the Vice President of Academic Affairs (the IHC Chair) and the eight house presidents. They deal with rotation and issues that arise with the house system.
- **BoC, CRC**: These two groups handle honor code violations. The Board of Control deals with academic violations, and the Conduct Review Committee covers non-academic issues.

II. Services

- **Online (Donut)**: donut.caltech.edu is the ASCIT website!
  - **Directory**: Type “stalker.caltech.edu” (or just “stalker” if you’re on campus) in your web browser to get to the student directory.
  - **Course reviews**: The results of Teaching Quality Feedback Report surveys at the end of each term are available on the TQFR website, and can help you decide which courses to take.
  - **Club resources**: The Donut website has resources on how to register a club, fill out a budget proposal, book rooms for club meetings, and post events to the ASCIT calendar.
  - **Course videos**: Last term, some courses were filmed and put online. You can view these at courses.caltech.edu

- **Not online**
  - **Donuts and bagels**: If you wake up early enough on Friday mornings, you’ll see several boxes of donuts materialize on the Olive Walk. Enjoy the donut and thank the ASCIT President, who drove all the way to Glendora to find you the best donuts in the San Fernando Valley. On Mondays there are bagels on the Olive Walk.
  - **Take a prof to lunch**: Sometimes you may want to get to know your professor, but the 200-person lecture hall is just too big to hold a one-on-one conversation. With the take-a-prof-to-lunch program, you can apply to have ASCIT treat you and your professor (and a few of your classmates, if they’re also interested in meeting the prof) to lunch at the Ath.
  - **MHF**: The Moore-Hufstedler Fund was established by Gordon and Betty Moore and Shirley M. Hufstedler to improve student life. Proposals are accepted once each term, and about $180,000 is appropriated annually. Basically, if you’d like to make a major purchase for your house or club (such as a foosball table or sports equipment) or sponsor an event (like a schoolwide party), MHF can help you accomplish it.
  - **Housner Fund**: Similar in style to MHF, but for academic-related activities. The Housner Fund sponsors non-SURF research, academic club events, travel to conferences to present research, independent study (including travel!), and student-taught courses.
  - **Fun Fund**: The Fun Fund awards $25 each term to a number of students chosen by lottery. Fund money can be used to see a play, go out to a restaurant, visit an amusement park, or do anything else that has “socially redeeming value.”
  - **SAC**: The Student Activities Center (SAC) is the basement of the South Houses. In addition to housing such necessities as the laundry walk, it boasts several study rooms and soundproof music practice rooms, one of which is also equipped with a mattress. The SAC also has the ASCIT Screening Room, a home theater-type room with a projector and screen, couches, and an amazing sound system.
Magnolia Lounge on Lake

by Dannah Almasco and Andrew Freddo

Just across from Border’s on Lake Avenue there is a little hole-in-the-wall lounge with a discreet storefront. The first impression upon walking into Magnolia’s is the open-air courtyard, which until last week had a huge tree (the tree died, but management told us they would replace the tree soon). In addition to the courtyard there is seating inside. The atmosphere is very relaxed and conducive to catching up with friends. To munch on while enjoying our drinks, we enjoyed the Macaroni and Cheese ($9/$5), French Fry Trio ($8/$5), and the Fried Calamari ($10/$8).

The Macaroni and Cheese came out bubbling hot! As opposed to the cheese being sharp and salty (like cheddar), it had a velvety taste and texture. The dish was served in a small bowl right out of the oven, and had toasted breadcrumbs on top. Overall it was a great dish to split, since it was pretty heavy.

If you like French Fries, you will LOVE the French Fry Trio! There are three types: thin-cut Yukon Gold fries, sweet potato fries, and wedge fries. It also came with three dipping sauces: chili/honey, BBQ, and garlic aioli. The fries themselves were not greasy, but were crunchy and great to enjoy. Out of the sauces, the chili/honey and BBQ were the most delicious, complimenting the salty fries with their sweetness.

Lastly, the Fried Calamari was very different from what you would normally find in an Italian restaurant. The crust was crunchy and not too thick, and the squid rings and tentacles were fried to a deep golden brown. The texture of the squid itself was not too rubbery, indicating it was very fresh. This was served with two dipping sauces, the garlic aioli (which went better with this dish than the fries) and a tomato sauce. We did not like the tomato sauce since it tasted more like ketchup or cocktail sauce.

Overall, Magnolia Lounge is an amazing place close by where you can enjoy good food and good times with friends. Note the Happy Hour specials (the second price listed above is the price of the dish during Happy Hour), which runs from 4:30 – 7 every day except for Sunday and Monday, when it ends at 10! Also, make sure you dress up a bit; a nice pair of jeans is a must! And if you’re not 21 yet? Don’t worry, you can still head over to Magnolia’s to enjoy the food and company.

Walking Time: 12 minutes
Price Range: $
Contact Info:
(626) 584-1126
www.magnoliaonlake.com
Go here to…
relax and enjoy happy hour
(4:30 - 7:00 PM)

The Invention of Lying

by Jeddy Chen and Joy Lin

Imagine a world where humans have not evolved the capability to lie. In fact, the words “lie” and “truth” do not even exist. Everyone speaks their mind honestly every time and all the time, even then it seems inappropriate or harsh in our culture today. Then we have Mark Bellison, played by Ricky Gervais, a not so rich, not so good looking guy (but with a cool English accent) who is going for the girl of his dreams, Anna McDoogles. Unfortunately for Mr. Bellison, she’s way out of his league—genetically and financially speaking. And his luck doesn’t seem to improve—getting fired from his job and about to be evicted from his apartment—until he stumbles upon the world’s greatest discovery: lying.

Naturally, everyone else in the world takes Mark’s words to be the truth and hilarity ensues as we follow Mark exploiting his newfound talent. But then the focus of the movie makes a sharp U-turn when Mark says something which ensnares the attention of the entire world. He comforts his almost hysterical mother on her deathbed by telling her that after life, she will go to her favorite place in the world where all the people she loves will be. Our emotions are then tossed around as the Mark juggles his continuing pursuit of Anna and the dramatic repercussions of his hasty lie.

Since the world contains no flattery, no sarcasm and no false advertising there were certainly some amusing scenes that gave the audience something to laugh about. However, we found the overall plot unconvincing with the sudden, satirical religious focus of “The Invention of Lying” a little overbearing. Fascinating as the premise of the movie is, we’re not quite sure that the actual plot line was the best way to go.

“The Invention of Lying” definitely has some intrinsic flaws, but then so does every movie. The comedic acting of Ricky Gervais made the difference for us, cutting through the head-jolting emotional twists which sometimes seemed out of place. We think that this movie is good for the typical night out but is not recommended for the serious viewer. The bottom line? Don’t expect too much from this chick-flick. We give it one thumbs up.
Theodore Agapie
Department: Ch/ChE
Inorganic Chemistry
Research: Agapie’s research focuses on topics in inorganic catalysis relevant to energy problems. His group develops and studies systems displaying interactions between multiple molecular centers (metals, Lewis acids, hydrogen bonding functionalities, etc.) to facilitate a variety of chemical processes.
Other Interests: “As a graduate student at Caltech I won the first Chemistry and Chemical Engineering hamburger eating contest (with 17 burgers); I don’t think I’ve eaten burgers since. In my free time I pursue my interest in photography and I explore California’s natural wonders, in particular by climbing mountains in the High Sierras.”

Pietro Ortoleva
Department: HSA
Economics
Research: His research is mainly focused in Decision Theory, the branch of economics that tries to give a mathematical representation to human behavior. In particular, understanding and modeling seemingly irrational patterns of behavior: for example, he has studied the fear to change, or the fact that people do not like to make complicated choices.
Other Interests: “I am married with Francesca, who is also from Torino, Italy. She is an art historian and does not respect literature, Art History
Century European Literature, 19th century British Literature, 19th Century European literature, Art History

Simona Bordoni
Department: EAS
Environmental Science and Engineering
Research: Bordoni’s research focuses on monsoons and tropical circulations. Her group uses models and observations to investigate fundamental dynamical mechanisms that are implicated in the existence of monsoon systems.

Yi Ni
Department: PMA
Mathematics
Research: My research interests include three dimensional topology and knot theory (studies how to tie and untie a knot). In particular, his research focus on Heegaard Floer homology and its applications.
Other Interests: “Besides playing with knots, I like reading novels, watching movies and travel. You may find me in the gym occasionally.”

Christian Ott
Department: PMA
Theoretical Astrophysics
Research: Ott’s research in stars that blow up (supernovae) and their signatures in gravitational waves (connecting with LIGO at Caltech), neutrinos (connecting with experimental high-energy physics at Caltech), and electromagnetic waves (connecting with Caltech observational astronomers).
Other Interests: “I try to run every day to stay in shape and I love to hike around the San Gabriel Mountains (when there are no wildfires). I strongly believe in green living -- I bike to work every day and I am all about energy efficiency.”

Dehn Gilmore
Department: HSA
English
Research: Gilmore’s research interest is 19th century British Literature, 19th Century European literature, Art History

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October 7
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October 9, 2009
Women’s Volleyball vs. Whittier  L(3-0)

October 10, 2009
Men’s Soccer vs. Pomona Pitzer  L(3-1)

October 11, 2009
Men’s Water Polo vs. Connecticut College  L(18-6)
Men’s Water Polo vs. Chapman  L(29-10)

Upcoming Games

October 12, 2009
Men’s Soccer
vs. SOKA University of America
4:00 PM

October 14, 2009
Men’s Soccer
at Cal Lutheran
4:00 PM
Men’s Water Polo
at Chapman
5:00 PM
Women’s Volleyball
vs. La Sierra
7:30 PM

October 16, 2009
Women’s Volleyball
at West Coast Baptist
5:00 PM West Coast Baptist Tourney

October 17, 2009
Cross Country
at SCIAC Multi Duals@ La Mirada Park
9:00 am
Men’s Water Polo
vs. Pomona-Pitzer
11:00 AM
Women’s Volleyball
vs. Multnomah Bible
3:00 PM West Coast Baptist Tourney

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APPLIES AND ORANGES

Hey Cal Tech!

Hey Cal Tech!

Are you tired of stick figures?

Recycled XKCD strips? The same old comics?

Excessive rhetorical questions??

By Rebecca Lawler

Pick up next week’s copy of the Tech to read a brand-spankin’ new comic strip, “Apples and Oranges.”

There will be action (sort of), romance (anyone), care, no stick figures (not an actual promise), and good times all around!

(The cake is a lie.)

Facetious Optimism: Nobel Peace Prize by Brian Merlob

I feel like Obama was awarded a Nobel Peace Prize under the assumption that he’s going to promote peace. If that’s the case, I think that Caltech should award me a diploma under the assumption that I’ll graduate.

And companies should start paying you a salary under the assumption you’re going to work.

Merlob

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