Big Interhouse awaits Disney’s answer on Tron funding

By Tina Ding

Editor-in-Chief

Big Interhouse, a long-standing Caltech tradition in which all eight undergraduate Houses host a massive party that attracts over 3500 alumni, undergraduates, grad students, staff, and guests, will be held this year on Saturday, November 20th.

The event follows the same philosophy as the eight standard Interhouse parties thrown by each of the Houses each year, with a heavy focus on design and construction of a dance floor and other unique features based on a particular theme. For Big Interhouse, the eight Houses are paired into four teams that will each design and construct its own Interhouse, the eight Houses are on a particular theme. For Big Interhouse, although planned to occur every other year, has not been on a regular schedule. “From talking to many students, it seems like many people felt like it was too much of an effort to host in the past years,” said Khan. However, more began to express interest in the past year about bringing back the event. “People even asked me when I was running for president if I’m going to bring back Big Interhouse,” said Khan.

According to Khan, if Disney officially sponsors the party, the entire Big Interhouse will become Tron-themed. The planning committee will meet to discuss the individual sub-theme of each of the four sub-parties. “If this sponsorship is successful, we’ve discussed bringing in two to three people who worked on the film to help with party design and special effects,” said Khan. The Big Interhouse planning committee is waiting to hear back final decisions, which Khan and Mannion expect will happen in the next week.

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Caltech to host independent TEDx conference on future of science

By Stanley Schor

Staff Writer

About fifty years ago a man named Richard Feynman gave his historic talk, “There’s Plenty of Room at the Bottom.” Later that same year the “Feynman Lectures on Physics” were compiled.

“From my student day to the present day, Professor of Physics, Applied Physics, and Bioengineering Mi- chael Betts is an “unofficial champion of Business Operations for Kavli Nanoscience Institute Mary Sikora have teamed up to form an event that recaptures Feynman’s vision of便宜 and scaled the fifty year anniversary of these oc- casions.

The event, which is to be held on January 14, 2011, is called TEDxCaltech. It is an indepen- dently organized conference that is an offshoot of parent company TED’s yearly conferences. TED is “a non-profit organization de- voted to Ideas Worth Spreading” and hosts an annual four day con- ference in Long Beach, California to help spread these ideas. In the last 25 years TED has grown so much that an annual TEDGlobal conference was established in Oxford, UK, and the option for independently-run TED conferences was formed.

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**By Sarah Marzen**

### Caltech alumni donation rates hold steady, even grow, in a bad economy

**By Sarah Marzen  
Copy Editor**

The tentative numbers are in, and Caltech’s alumni donation rates seem surprisingly unaware of our nation’s failing economy. The tentative percentage of undergraduate alumni donors for the 2011 fiscal year is holding steady at 36%, the median contribution increased to $100, and the California Tech alumni donation rate to steady nationwide, said Andy Sudol, the U.S. News and World Report rankings look as though the mean contribution but do not donate.

## Caltech Y Starts Up Explore LA with Soccer Game

**By Sarah Marzen  
Copy Editor**

Caltech Y is starting a new social event series called “Explore LA,” and kicked off their new program this past Saturday with a trip to Galaxy soccer game. For example, popular Vice President for Student Affairs Tom Mannion wrote a personalized account in letters encouraging alumni to donate. Mannion’s letter is valued over mean contribution for a school as small as Caltech, said Sudol—with Caltech’s small alumni donor pool, one large contribution can skew the mean contribution but not the median. “I don’t even know what Caltech’s median contribution is,” said Sudol, “but I know the median is roughly $100.”

### Write for the Tech.

**By Casey Jao  
Staff Writer**

To spread awareness for this past summer’s devastating Monsoon flooding in Pakistan, Caltech is teaming up with Stanford to raise money for the relief efforts. AS-CIT chair Adam Khan is leading the Caltech effort. He estimates total donations so far at $21,000, slightly more than half way toward Caltech’s goal of $40,000. “Every student donates $5, we can reach our goal,” said Khan. He emailed the Caltech community at the beginning of the year, asking for donations and is preparing to roll out more publicity. “Our goal is to reach $50,000, and a contribution goal is not attained soon.”

Other schools working with Stanford include Berkeley, Rice, Vanderbilt, and University of Western Ontario. Caltech’s contribution goal of $4000 is the largest among these schools besides Stanford itself. According to the Stanford Daily, the overall effort is primarily intended to raise awareness of the disaster, rather than assembly a specific amount of cash.

The floodings are the worst to hit Pakistan in eighty years, and have caused what the United Nations considers “the greatest humanitarian disaster in recent history,” according to the UN newspaper Telegraph. Approximately twenty million people have been affected, a figure exceeding the combined figures of the 2006 tsunami and this year’s Haiti earthquake. Yet, due to security concerns and the sheer scale of the disaster, only about half of the proposed UN aid has reached the affected regions. The website where donors can submit their contribution is at [www.UNRefugees.org/Caltech](http://www.UNRefugees.org/Caltech).

**Big I repeats from three years ago**

**FROM PAGE 1**

The last Big Interhouse was held three years ago in November 2007. That year, approximately 3500 people attended the party: 1500 undergraduates and graduates, 500 staff, faculty, and families, 1000 alumni, and 500 guests.

In March 2009, Khan organized a Big Interhouse planning committee with representatives from each house and an Associated Students alumni association, Tom Mannion, and teen leader Student Houses Geoffrey Blake.
October 15, 2010

Officers Present: Adam Khan, Brian Merlob, Addie Rice, Prakriti Gaba, Karthik Sarma, Chris Hallacy, Tim Black

Guests Present: Michelle Jiang

Call to order: 12:06 pm

President's report:

- Big Interhouse: November 2014 will be the Interhouse date for Big Interhouse. Adam is preparing for the event.
- Medium room: Adam is trying to allocate space in the sac for it.
- Yearbook room: Adam wants to move the room to the SAC as it is more student-oriented.
- Pakistan Flood Relief: We have reached half of our original goal. ASCIT was not able to reach the remaining 50% to move us forward. We need to reach the yearly goal of 10% of the state's budget gap, and almost 5% of the state's budget. Any suggestions on how to raise funds are appreciated.
- Events Database: This is a program introduced by University of Washington in St. Louis. It calls upon universities across the United States to lay out their activities and events of the year in a document that can then be available to all other participating college or university. Adam wants Caltech to participate in this share as it can provide our campus a larger variety of social event possibilities.

Officer Reports:

- V.P. of Nonacademic Affairs (IHC Chair): Tim wishes to congratulate everyone for a successful rotation. He says, now the houses are not known for our basketball excellence. Some unoriginal wine crashes every time.
- Plaschke tags his article, “Smart kids celebrate the thing their school does worst,” with the intent of mocking our athletic pride. For students who already demonstrated excellence in academics and have promises of futures waiting ahead, how can we expect to shoulder the burden of a spectacular losing tradition?
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- My stance on Marijuana-related bills, besides their proven medicinal benefit (and California laws reflecting the same), is based in the history of the creation of prohibition laws in this state and nationally, the disparate use of those laws to target ethnic minorities (the ratios are stark)... that is what they were designed to do.
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National News on Caltech Sports, Overdone and Unoriginal

November 2, 2010

A bunch of nerds with a losing streak. It seems too easy. Apparently not for the press, who never cease to employ the same old stereotypes when it comes time to discuss athletics at Caltech. Writers constantly poke fun at our sports teams, most of the time with just cause. Granted, we aren’t the next Michael Jordans, Roger Federers, and Cristianos Ronaldo out there, but in all honesty, we aren’t striving to be. While competition does push us academically, many of us look to sports not as a potential career path, but as recreation and exercise amidst a demanding workload. Won a game? Awesome. Lost a game? Eh, we’ll try harder next time.

With respect to basketball season, Caltech’s first ever Midnight Madness took place last Thursday. While the Techer community saw this as an innovative way to support and encourage our men and women’s basketball teams, the LA Times published a not-so-flattering article on the futility of celebrating teams that rarely yield scoreboard results.

The mind behind the material, Bill Plaschke, spins the article out of proportion – beyond jokes onto ominously embellished rumors. At one point, he writes, “It’s easy to cheer when you’re a part of the winning team. But it’s harder to cheer when your team’s losing. And at Caltech, that’s Duck!” While elegantly phrased, this, like the bulk of this entire article, is a huge overstatement. Techer puts in a lot of effort during training, and spend several hours a week practicing on top of their numerous other extracurriculars. In the pursuit of humor and reader satisfaction, Plaschke simply overlooks all of this, making our players out to be some sort of cowards.

Although this article takes the whole “nerds can’t play ball” idea to a whole new high, it definitely reaches the first time the press has called attention to and blatantly ridiculed the athleticism of our basketball teams. TIME magazine wrote an article about the Caltech basketball teams a little over two years ago. Author Sean Gregory asks, “Will Caltech ever shine on the court?” after noting that “if they gain any attention on the court now, it’s just for being part of a spectacular losing tradition.” Even one list of the Top 10 Colleges in the US takes a stab at our record by noting that we Beacons are not known for our basketball excellence. Some unoriginal wine crashes every time.

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The Can for Proposition 19

October 15, 2010

By Evans Boney

My stance on Marijuana-related bills, besides their proven medicinal benefit (and California laws reflecting the same), is based in the history of the creation of prohibition laws in this state and nationally, the disparate use of those laws to target ethnic minorities, not to mention the calls from the President of Mexico, Personal Liberties arguments, or the huge potential tax revenue estimated by nonpartisan groups.

The first state supreme court to take up the issue of Marijuana prohibition (Mississippi), used the fear of “crazed N*****s” in the actual court decision defendng prohibition, which, needless to say, was not a statement sponsored by the American Medical Association. The American Medical Association opposed the 1937 Federal Prohibition of Marijuana that arose from this racist hysteria. The American Medical Association has endorsed Medical Marijuana now. So as far as safety justice grounds.

However, this historical problem of racist initiation, I’d note the appeal from President Calderon of Mexico to consider legalizing the drug (ex-President Fox fully supports it), as its sale underpins the revenue streams of gangs in his country. It should come as no surprise that much of this is being sold in LA (so close to the border), the fact of prohibition (and the recent city ordinance) will, almost directly, subsidize the gangs which are perpetrating such terrible violence just hundreds of miles from here; a law lifting prohibition would be opposed by gangs, who depend on a PAC. Or maybe they have!

Perhaps I’m overidealizing. forgive me if there are obvious counterarguments I’ve ignored. It would seem to me that, if there were better options, the Mexican President would be pursuing them. Out of respect for our neighbors, I think it’s worth revisiting our drug laws at their request. Members of the group Law Enforcement Against Prohibition agree.

In any case, I recognize the problem of addicts in a community (which is, perhaps, more a problem of community support and resources than of the specific drugs themselves), but the use of marijuana, particularly as a medication, is every bit the personal decision that the use of Tylenol, caffeine, alcohol, potatoes, tobacco, water, rosemary, or zucchinis is. At the very least, we should reconsider drug laws in light of medical and scientific research rather than the racist and nationalistic fearmongering on which they were founded.

Not to mention the tax is expected to cover as much as 10% of the state’s budget gap, and all lows city tax revenues to help their finances as well... a veritable stimulus package!

Please consider supporting regulation, control, and taxation (the Regulate, Control, and Tax Marijuana Initiative) include the California chapter of the NAACP, the National Black Police Association, and the California ACLU, so you will be in good company.
Delicious Burritos at “Sketchy” But Clean 24-Hour Mexican Restaurant in L.A.

by Amol Kamat

What is a quest? What is a journey? A Louis Vuitton commercial once told me that a journey is about self-discovery; a journey brings us face to face with ourselves. Well, I found myself face to face with a burrito, which I think is more satisfying.

Blaine Matulevich, Vishnu Manoranjan, Brice Neenkok, and I, all esteemed members of the esteemed second alley of Fleming House, began a quest of our own: to find the best 24-hour Mexican restaurants in the Los Angeles area.

We have all enjoyed the fast food staples that are Chipotle, Taco Bell, and Qdoba. We have conquered the giant portions at Puebla Tacos. We have even survived the spicy burritos of El Taquito. Does that make us Mexican food experts? Not by a long shot. We are just a few hungry college kids who enjoy late nights, good food and bargains. So, we have taken it upon ourselves to travel far and wide and tell you of LA's finest 24-hour Mexican food.

This week, we traveled to Carnitas Michoacan on North Broadway Street in Los Angeles. On the outside, it looks pretty sketchy. The homeless guy outside was not encouraging. North Broadway is a pretty dark, dirty street, so we were surprised to see that Carnitas received an “A” from the Health Department for cleanliness. We ordered up some burritos (I had the Carnitas Burrito while the others had carne asada). We also ordered some horchata for good measure. We entered the restaurant to wait for our food, and I was genuinely surprised by the look of the restaurant. The room was bright yellow with HD televisions everywhere. There were also paintings of cows everywhere, which I think everyone can get behind.

The food itself was pretty delicious. My carnitas burrito was incredible and perfectly complemented by the spicy salsa. The general consensus amongst my teammates was that the carne asada was the best they had ever had. The horchata, while a little more sweet than normal, was also amazing. It tasted like the baby born from a flower and cinnamon stick in a river of cream.

The other patrons at Carnitas Michoacan were mostly Asian, so we felt pretty much at home. Everybody was generally laid back, and each group kept to itself. Carnitas Michoacan was a truly delicious experience, and if you have a car, it’s definitely worth the twenty-minute drive up the 110 freeway for some serious late-night noms.

On Yelp, Carnitas Michoacan has a four-star rating.

Caltech music professor prefers YouTube over listening CDs in Dabney

by Jonathan Schor

It is not out of the ordinary to find someone who uses YouTube to listen to music; it’s free, and for the most part contains a wide and varied array of artists and songs. What is less commonplace, though, is to find a Caltech student who uses YouTube to complete their homework. That is, until it was inserted into the curriculum for first term’s Mu21 (Understanding Music) and second term’s Mu26 (Jazz History) and Mu140 (The Great Orchestras). The professor for these three classes, Tom Neenan, typically asks students to listen to certain musical pieces in order to understand “what’s going on ‘in’ the music.” According to Neenan, his goal is to “enhance students’ enjoyment of music...by understanding elements such as form, texture, harmony, and instrumentation.” In the past, students had to go to Dabney Library to check out CDs with the correct performance on them in order to complete listening exercises and homework. Now, though, Neenan has switched to YouTube as his method of choice for out-of-class listening.

As Professor Neenan noted, the Internet has more advantages than simple convenience. Not only can students listen to a specific performance, they can also compare it to different performances of the same piece. This allows them to compare live performances to recorded ones, or even the way two different artists interpret the same song. As such, the listener may begin to think even deeper about elements involved not only in the music itself, but in the performance.

In addition, YouTube allows students to experience the visual component of musical performance as well as the audio portion. Students “not only hear but ‘see’ great performers,” giving them extra insight into how the performance itself translates into the music. After listening, students can then share insights, impressions, and general thoughts on each course’s Moodle forums, allowing them to consolidate and compare their analyses.

Of course, YouTube videos sometime flirt dangerously with the line that divides a legal music video from one that violates a copyright; however, Professor Neenan is not concerned. “I’m just pointing students to stuff that’s there. The rest is YouTube’s problem.”

Though the “YouTube method” is still in its early stages, it seems to have already grabbed some students’ interest. For sophomore Alan Menezes, who is currently in Professor Neenan’s Mu21 course, it is simply more approachable. Says Menezes, “It’s a good way to easily access course material without having to access anything. This is my first music course, so I’m looking forward to a different sort of experience.”

Depending on how Mu21, Mu26, and Mu140 go, Professor Neenan will likely extend the use of YouTube to other music history and music appreciation classes. As long as YouTube makes assignments easier to complete and more enjoyable, Neenan’s “all in.”
Meg Whitman is running as the Republican candidate for governor of California in the upcoming election. She is most famous for her role as the former CEO and President of eBay from 1998 to 2008, during which she led eBay from a small company with 30 employees to an organization of 15,000 employees. In addition, she has served as an executive of several other companies, including Bain & Company, Disney, and Hasbro.

Her gubernatorial campaign has attracted considerable attention by spending more than $120 million of her own money. In her campaign, Whitman has become more centrist on a variety of issues by supporting abortion rights and opposing Proposition 23, which would suspend California’s primary global warming law almost indefinitely. She has been embroiled in controversy over her former employment of an illegal immigrant as a housekeeper, who has accused Whitman of treating her badly. Whitman has staked her campaign on being able to create millions of jobs in California and substantially reducing the state’s 12% unemployment rate, and she has attacked her opponent for being beholden to public

Opposes:
- Several environmental regulations in California
- Prop 19: legalize marijuana

Supports:
- Making businesses responsible for not hiring illegal immigrants
- Prop 8: (de)legalize same-sex marriage
- Cutting state spending substantially.

Current Polling:
43% Oct 12-14th (Fox)
44% Sept 15-22nd (LA Times)

Jerry Brown is running as the Democratic candidate for Governor of California in the upcoming election. Brown has been a Californian politician for several decades, and he has previously served as the governor of California for two terms, from 1975 to 1983. In addition, he has also served in a variety of other roles, including California Attorney General (2007-present), the mayor of Oakland (1999-2007), chairman of the California Democratic Party (1989-1991), and California Secretary of State (1971-1975).

As the former California Governor, Brown developed a strong reputation as a fiscal conservative and generated a $5 billion budget surplus in his first term. He supported the Balanced Budget Amendment, which required that all state expenditures must be balanced by projected revenues. In addition, he managed the state’s response to Proposition 13, which drastically reduced local tax revenue and mandated a two-thirds majority for all tax increases. In his second term, he developed many close relationships with prominent business and labor leaders, and he proposed the establishment of a California space academy, earning him the nickname of Moonbeam.

Since his governorship, he has become increasingly moderate in his political views, and in his time as the mayor of Oakland, he revitalized the city economically and attracted many lucrative business investments by leveraging his strong connections with industry.

Opposes:
- Prop 8: delegalize same-sex marriage
- Prop 19: legalize marijuana
- Prop 23: suspending air pollution law

Supports:
- Strong environmental regulations
- the development of a clean energy industry in CA
- Some form of legalization for illegal immigrants
- Education reform
- Budget reform
- Water supply laws in CA

Current Polling:
48% Oct 12-14th (Fox)
49% Sept 15-22nd (LA Times)

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Over 500 Caltech undergraduates show up to celebrate first Midnight Madness

Free throw contests, dribbling relays, differentiate Caltech’s basketball team introduction from other schools

On Thursday, October 14, Braun Gym was packed with 500 Techers for Caltech’s first ever Midnight Madness. Midnight Madness, a tradition at most larger, more athletically inclined schools, celebrates the first day that NCAA basketball teams can practice as a team. Caltech’s own version of the event was significantly smaller and more mellow than most, although the effort was not lost on eager Beavers fans.

“Yaaaaaaaaaah, gooooooooo Beaveeeeeerssssss!” yelled one fan.

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“Man, I’m not doing my ACM set for this?” questioned another. The actual events of the night were pretty fun, or at least funny. The free throw contest was embarrassingly low scoring with shooting worse than Dick Cheney at a pheasant farm. The dribbling relay required significantly less skill but was equally as hilarious.

The fans around me had started betting raffle tickets with each other, and several tickets changed hands during the relay. There was also a lay-up contest in which the contestants were spun around ten times before running to make a lay-up. I don’t think the spinning made the contestants much worse. Alex Lapides won the half-court shot contest, walking away with a basketball signed by five Nobel laureates and free ice cream sundaes every Sunday at Toohey’s for a year. Noms.

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“The evening was fabulous indeed,” said Coach Oliver Eslinger, “And even more successful than envisioned. Being the first time we’ve done this, we weren’t really sure how many people to expect, but as the night wore on and more and more fans became engaged, it truly turned into a success. And that feeling is still reverberating on campus.”

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The draw of $2000, free food, and left over Olive Harvest t-shirts was enough to make Caltech feel like a regular, partygoer’s university. Announcer Dan Sexton sounded like a true professional, and Kyle Verdone did a great job doing whatever the hell he was doing. The “pep band” was also impressive, especially when two of its members started fighting over a t-shirt. Even the tofu riblets were delicious. While some in the Caltech community took the event more seriously than others, Midnight Madness was a definite success. It was a chance to support something other than academia. It was a chance to laugh at ourselves. It was a chance to feel better about our school. Hopefully all the time, money, and energy put into this will translate into an improved view of Caltech sports. And wins. Wins would be nice, too.

For the last word, we go to Coach Eslinger: “Midnight Madness is all about community and collaboration. Basketball serves as a vehicle to bring all parts of campus together and that was apparent. It was awesome to look up and see the president and his wife dancing, grad students, faculty, prospective students, other people from the Pasadena community, and such tremendous support from all the houses. It’s not about the records of the teams. It’s about feeling engaged and promoting school spirit. It takes time to build a program but we’re on our way. To quote one of our players, ‘The Death Star wasn’t built in a day.’”

By Amol Kamat

Caltech’s men’s basketball team high fives its way through the mass of Caltech students on the bleachers after being introduced.
CMS shuts out Caltech

By Rick Paul
SPORTS EDITOR

Rodrigo Bravo-Benitez came off the bench in the second half and scored three goals, helping Claremont Mudd-Scripps (9-2-2, 7-1-2) to a 7-0 victory over Caltech (1-11, 1-9) on Monday. The game was scoreless until the 25th minute when Tony Garcia put one in for CMS. Twelve minutes later, John Shaughnessy scored for CMS to make the score 2-0.

Bravo-Benitez scored his first goal in the 57th minute and added a second one ten minutes later. Shaughnessy and Sam Ullman added goals of their own in the 71st and 77th minute, respectively. Bravo-Benitez finished off the scoring with a goal in the 79th minute. CMS outshot the Beavers 24-5 while holding a 6-0 edge in corner kicks.

Weekly Scoreboard

October 18, 2010
Men’s Soccer
at Claremont-M-S
L, 7-0 Final

October 17, 2010
Men’s Water Polo
vs. Chapman
L, 25-5 Final

October 16, 2010
Women’s Volleyball
at La Sierra
L, 3-0 Final

October 16, 2010
Men’s Soccer
vs. Redlands
L, 6-0 Final

October 16, 2010
Men’s Water Polo
vs. Mercyhurst @ Cal Lutheran
L, 14-6 Final

Caltech Women’s Ultimate has strong showing at UCLA

By Radika Dancikova
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

The Caltech Women’s Ultimate team traveled to Los Angeles on Sunday, October 17th to take part in the UCLA One Day Tournament, aimed at giving new players game experience.

With three rookies and eight returning players, Caltech started off strong, easily winning their first game against UCSD X 13-2. Caltech kept playing hard and it showed as they beat UCI with a score of 13-5. With high spirits and momentum in their favor, the Caltech Women’s Ultimate team kept their winning streak active with a 13-5 win against the other UCSD squad, UCSD Y. The final game of the day was against the hosts, UCLA.

Caltech started out slow against the strong UCLA team, going down 6-2 early in the game. A strategic time out helped the team regain focus and score four unanswered points to tie the score at 6-6. Caltech, however, was unable to grab the lead as UCLA won 11-8, resulting in Caltech’s first loss this year.

With a strong first tournament, the team is looking forward to a great season.

Upcoming Schedule

October 20, 2010
Men’s Water Polo
vs. La Verne
4:00 PM

Men’s Soccer
vs. Whittier
4:00 PM

October 22, 2010
Women’s Volleyball
vs. Redlands
7:30 PM

October 23, 2010
Men’s Water Polo
vs. Redlands
10:00 AM

Men’s Soccer
at Pomona-Pitzer
11:00 AM

Men’s Water Polo
vs. Southwestern
(Ariz.)
2:00 PM

October 25, 2010
Men’s Soccer
vs. La Sierra
4:00 PM

October 26, 2010
Women’s Volleyball
vs. Whittier
7:30 PM

October 27, 2010
Men’s Soccer
at La Verne
4:00 PM
The California Tech

October 20, 2010

**HUMOR**

**Things I Do When I’m Sick**

*by James Wu*

1. I like going to the library to do work. It takes some time for me to find a comfortable work area, so I test out every single computer until I find one that’s just right.

2. I try to maintain an active lifestyle, so I get in the barely chlorinated pool at the athletic center to swim a few laps. I find that my nose usually feels very clear afterwards.

3. After losing in an athletic competition, I practice good sportsmanship and happily shake the hand of everyone on the other team. I always give a firm shake that lasts slightly longer than usual, to show them my sincerity.

4. It’ll take more than a virally contagious disease to restrict me to bed. I make sure to not let it affect my day and try to come into contact with as many people as possible.

5. Sometimes I just want to share my warm, fuzzy feelings with the rest world. I want everyone to understand how I’m feeling. Hopefully it’ll brighten up their day the same way it did mine.

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**Chess Club Problem of the Week**

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    a b c d e f g h
    8  R  N  N  B  K  B  R
    7  P  P  P  P  P  P  P
    6  P  P  P  P  P  P  P
    5  P  P  P  P  P  P  P
    4  P  P  P  P  P  P  P
    3  P  P  P  P  P  P  P
    2  P  P  P  P  P  P  P
    1  P  P  P  P  P  P  P

White to play and mate in 4. From a simul given by
Alexander Alekhine, world champion 1927-35 & 1937-46

Solution to last week's problem: 1. Re8+ Rxe8 2. Qe4+ Kc7 3. bxc8=N+
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**APPLES AND ORANGES**

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