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MIT SOLD!

Caltech Opens Humanities School at MIT Campus

STAFF WRITER

Bowing to extreme financial pressures, MIT administration today made official the sale of the Institute to Caltech. The campus is to be repurposed as Caltech East, a new School of the Humanities, serving as a complementary counterpart to Caltech's scientific excellence.

Numerous committees have been assembled to oversee a complete overhaul of administrative organization, academic departments, and curriculum. Administrators emphasize that adjustments to the restructuring may at times be difficult for students and faculty alike, but that every effort will be made to ease the transition. Members of the Caltech East community are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the rich history and traditions of which they have now become part.

Several initiatives aim to create an immersive, cohesive environment for humanities research. Many existing laboratories are to be converted to cozy spaces designed to stimulate creativity and facilitate artistic expression. The new Caltech East will draw top humanities scholars from around the world. This singular focus on humanities will be tangible even in the hallways, with building and room numbers replaced with identifying clusters of letters. In anticipation of any confusion resulting from these changes, campus maps will be labeled with both sets of identifiers for the duration of the academic year.



Caltech's President Jean-Lou Chameau shakes Susan Hockfield's hand, sealing the deal.

Efforts are also underway to improve the general appearance of the campus. Architectural consultants are evaluating the feasibility of altering building facades to reflect the mission-style architecture found on Caltech's Pasadena campus. Additionally, to meet the changing needs of Caltech East students, several outdoor spaces are to be redesigned and optimized for such events as protests, sit-ins, and sing-a-longs.

While many large-scale changes are underway, some aspects of students' lives will remain constant. Caltech East sports teams will compete independently from their Caltech counterparts and will remain a part of NCAA Division I. Athletic achievements are expected to increase dramatically, with top student athletes now able to choose

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Academics To Be Overhauled, New Curriculum **Expected Immediately**

By Teri Oh

STAFF WRITER

As MIT transitions into the Caltech East School of the Humanities, the institute's academic programs will be going through some radical changes. Caltech administrators report that they are doing the best they can to make the switch to a humanities curriculum as smooth as possible for East Campus students. Dean of Students Bob Hallgreen explained the choice to place all former MIT students in humanities options by saying, "Caltech recognizes that its current students are simply the best when it comes to math, science, and engineering, and you just don't mess with perfection. So, we decided instead to use our newly acquired students, buildings, and professors to branch out into the oft-overlooked humanities disciplines." Caltech promises that while East Campus students will still be held to the same high academic standards to which they are accustomed, they will be relieved of the responsibility of advancing human knowledge through scientific research. Instead, they will be left free to let their creativities run wild: coloring, reading, and blogging to their heart's content.

As a division of Caltech, the East Campus academic program will, of course, have its own core curriculum. The humanities core will consist of five terms of literature, five terms of philosophy, two of history, and one of economics plus a required women's studies class. The purpose of the humanities core, much like Caltech's scientific core, is to force students to spend several terms of their college experience taking dozens of units of courses in which they have no interest at all, with the ultimate goal of building character. This is of the utmost importance for students at the new School of the Humanities. Director of Career Counseling Anita Jobs explains, "The job market can be a harsh place for graduates with humanities degrees, who often have no marketable skills. At least the character they build while going through core might help them make it through interviews.'

In compliance with the turnover, the only options now available to Caltech East students are those within the humanities disciplines. To assist students in choosing a new

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Horticulturists Deem Boston Palm Trees 'Unlikely'

By George Carter

STAFF HORTICULTURIST

As part of efforts to beautify the Caltech East campus, aboriculture experts have been hired to assess the feasibility of sustaining palm trees in the harsh Boston climate. Though several extremely hardy species are known, plans to incorporate them into campus landscaping may be abandoned due to the low likelihood of the palms' winter survival.

Landscape design expert Fan C. Hedges said, "In addition to its northern latitude, the campus's location on the Charles serves as a major disadvantage. The palms simply won't thrive when incessantly battered by damp, bitterly-cold winds." He additionally remarked, "Can we go inside now? I can't feel my fingers

or toes anymore." Protecting the trees from plummeting winter temperatures requires their trunks to be wrapped in insulating practice, effectively nullifying their aesthetic addition to the campus scenery.

On Hedges' advice, the Committee for Campus De-Uglification has reconsidered its palm-planting initiative: "Unfortunately, it seems that East Campus may never be as attractive as its west-coast parent institution; we are working at an aesthetic disadvantage which may prove impossible to overcome."

In Short

¶ Caltech East Orientation will be happening throughout the week. Attendance is mandatory for all undergraduates; they will be discussing how, where, and when to change your major to the appropriate one.

¶ Ditch Day is tomorrow.

- ¶ Interested in the mind and philosophy? The psychotherapy department will be hosting a talk about feeling better about
- ¶ Interested in the mind and philosophy? The anti-suicide hotline is there to help.
- ¶ No copywriter left behind!

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Beatrice LaGrua fawns over Faulkner as she eagerly awaits the opening of the new school. According to a recent poll, nearly all male MIT students look forward to the fresh batch of new

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HERE AND NOW

New Addition to Exchange Studies

By C. Bass

STAFF WRITER

Now that MIT has become Caltech East, be on the lookout for yet another new addition to campus: real Caltech students! The Fellowships Advising and Study Abroad Office at Caltech has officially added a new option to its menu of programs: the East Campus Humanities Scholars' Program. Caltech students will now have the opportunity to trade California's sweet sunshine for Boston's gloomy skies for one, two, or even three terms. Following Caltech's mission of shaping well-rounded individuals, this new program will give students the chance to tone down the math and physics and really delve into language and art. They will put aside those challenging Ph12 sets and demanding ACM 95 complex

integrals and instead pick a book, read a story, and relax their brains. The variety of courses offered at the East Campus will allow any Techer to appreciate Chaucer's wise words or view Rembrandt's art pieces in a new light. After all, most Caltech students are so bright that even a rigorous regime science and engineering courses cannot completely exhaust their mental capacities, so why not expand into the humanities too?

However, the benefits are not only intellectual. Prospective sophomore exchange student Ian McBooksy commented that "the courses are bound to send my GPA skyrocketing. I mean, 'Shakespeare's Sonnets in Modern English'; that's got to be

easier than my frosh hums!" Indeed, students are already being enticed by East Campus course syllabi. Paced readings, short responses, and scarce essays are making students more and more enthusiastic about the idea of adventuring off to Beantown. Students from any option can apply and much is done to facilitate the transition process. For example, if Techers are having trouble comprehending the Bostonian dialect, a three-unit course is offered the term before departure in order to facilitate communication with the locals. And if students are worried that a term at the School of the Humanities will cause them to get behind in their scientific studies, they need not fear. ? Caltech faculty are fascinated with this program and are more than willing to post webcasts of lectures and electronic versions of the assignments for the benefit of those stuck at the East Campus. Young and promising, this new program is bound to be a success amongst Caltech students. All that's required is four-season clothes, a tolerance of low sunlight and high urbanization, and some East Campus students daring enough to try and survive long enough in Caltech to

complete the exchange program.

This is a joke issue. All statments are in this entire document are false, no matter how much they may resemble the truth.

Monday:

Tuesday:

Wednesday: Protest Against the Man

Thursday: Philosophy Discussion

Friday:

DISCLAIMER:

Coming this week:

Poetry Slam

Campfire Songs

Write Indie Music Blogs

Writing center to see makeover in weeks to come

By George Carter

STAFF ENGLISH MAJOR

Caltech's recent buyout of MIT has prompted the Office of the President to launch a detailed review of the entire curriculum, with the hopes of ensuring that our campus's academic standards are up to par with those of Caltech. When asked about the buyout, Caltech trustee Arthur Nettley remarked, "I'm not quite on board with this whole acquisition of another school. I would need a guarantee that the new Caltech East will be able to meet the high standards of an institution like Caltech." To alleviate these fears, academic coordinators from both Caltech and the new East Campus have proposed a total restructuring of the writing center. The facility will no longer be offering aid to students needing extra help with their humanities papers, a service rendered unnecessary by the new intensive writing requirements. Instead, the facility will be transformed into a science center with similar services to aid students with their scientific and mathematical issues, with Louis Dawdson staying on as program head and chief coordinator. When asked about the change, Dawdson replied, "It's unfortunate to see the loss of such a valuable resource as the writing center, but I'm

optimistic that the new science center will provide students a much needed boost and hopefully help them to acquire some crucial scientific skills." Dawdson included a brief overview of services to be offered saying he was most excited for the seminar series planned for next semester. Starting spring term, the science center will host guest lecturers to help introduce East Campus students to topics such as "Lab Notebooks: Why are they Necessary?", "Locating Information beyond Wikipedia", and, that staple of scientists everywhere, "How to get Excel to make Pretty Charts and Pictures." In addition to these biweekly lectures, the science center will also offer tutoring services and a technology store where students can purchase advanced computing devices like the TI-30Xa. Senior communications student Melissa White says, "I'm super excited about this. I've heard about all this technology from my friends at other schools, but I never thought I'd be able to see it while I was a student here." The new science center will open within the next few weeks, and will be staffed twenty-four hours a day to meet the expected high volume of students seeking its services.

Emergency Avocado Shipments Rushed to Caltech East

ByThom Manyun

STAFF FOODIE

Crates of California-grown Hass avocados were air-freighted to Cambridge following the discovery by Caltech administration that students at the new Caltech East had long been deprived of adequate avocado content in their daily diets.

To put students in the proper California state of mind, avocados will be incorporated into the Caltech East cuisine at every possible opportunity. Head of dining services

Bahn Appiteat told the Tech, "Avocados are known to reduce bad cholesterol levels while improving levels of good cholesterol. Also, they are delicious." Nutrition consultants urge Caltech East students to enjoy this tasty, tasty fruit as an addition to nearly every dish, including sandwiches, hamburgers, salads, sushi, and dips.

Q and A with Wetzle Pretzle, Caltech professor of geophysics

What does this takeover mean for me, generic MIT student?

I'm glad you used the word generic there, because generic you'll be no longer! Instead of slaving away in lab, you'll be slaving away at a canvas or typewriter. You will have to exchange your math competition t-shirts for turtlenecks, berets, and more ironic fine arts camp t-shirts. Also, girls may talk to you.

Will I find these new courses too hard?

Worry yourself not. You will still be subjected to the same level of rigor you are used to with challenging offerings in subjects like Letters 21 - "Vowels and their Uses", Crafts 2a - "Cottonball Snowmen and their Impact on Western Civilization", and Coloring 4 - "Let's try and stay inside the lines this time".

The course on Tolkien sounds interesting! Should I take it? The registrar tells me that the waitlist is already 800 students long.

I have a suggestion for a new class. To whom should I speak? You should be aware that Star Wars novellas are not considered classic literature.

Bummer. Well, how about...

And, no, Klingon is not a real foreign language.

Does this mean I can finally go outside?

Yes, but to be honest, we would prefer if you didn't.

Well, I still like science. I think I'll transfer to Caltech! Are you signed up for one of our fantasy writing classes?

How did something like this happen?

Apparently you can get yourself in financial trouble by blowing millions of dollars on buildings that were designed by 8-year-olds with Legos and crayons.

WEATHER

Another Dreary Day

By George Carter STAFF METEOROLOGIST

What is there to say really? It's not like the weather's getting any better any time soon. In case you haven't noticed it's still November. Technically not even winter yet! We've got another month of this gloom before the real winter weather comes. Then we've got three glorious months of frigid temperatures, colorless landscapes, and snot-cicles hanging above our cracked, bleeding lips. Right about now I start to wonder why I came to Boston when there are better schools with better weather.

Extended forecast:

Today: Rain **Tonight:** Freezing rain

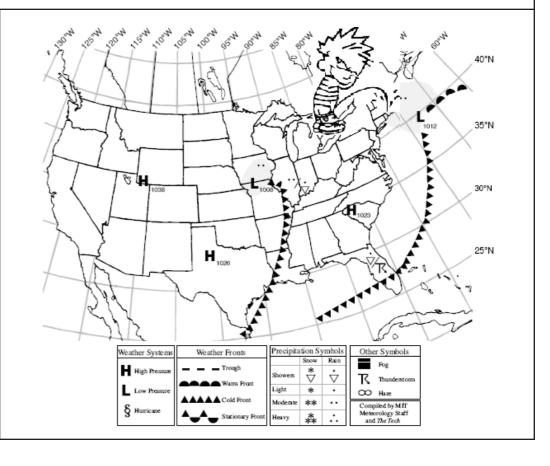
Tomorrow: Wintry mix

Wednesday: No rain, just dark desolate clouds hanging low over the city, choking out

all hope of relief from this cold, bleak monotony

Thursday: Rain again Friday: ...and again...

Saturday: Do you really not get the point yet?



MIT Sold to Caltech

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majors designed to allow maximum time for training and rest. Undergraduate morale is expected to lift as well, with former MIT students now able to focus on subjects better suited to their intellectual talents. Says sophomore Peter Conley, "Now I am free to pursue my first love, Ancient Egyptian rap, without the distractions of science."

Many members of the community were shocked to learn of MIT's extreme financial duress. Though the revelation came as a surprise to some, numerous cuts made in recent months have acted as red flags along the way. Major budget reductions to such popular programs as Open-CourseWare foreshadowed the final decision to sell off the Institute.

As expected, reactions to the change of ownership have been mixed, with many strong opinions both for and against the sale. During initial negotiations, Caltech considered rescinding its offer to purchase MIT when initial financial projections of MIT's future revenue proved dismal. MIT administration appealed to Caltech, asking the buy-out committee to consider the futures of MIT's thousands of undergraduate and graduate students, and the sale moved forward. After hammering out final contract details over the holiday weekend, the new Caltech East was ready for this morning's dramatic unveiling.

Change

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option, we provide the following conversion chart between their former scientific options and the current humanities options:

Biology: Biology (Keep it. This science is so soft it might as well be a humanities option.)

Chemistry: Foreign Language (Considering IUPAC nomenclature, I'd say you're already halfway there.)

Engineering: Economics (Hey, they both start with "E" and you still get to do useful math.)

Mathematics: Philosophy (At least you're still in a field not applicable to the real world.)

Physics: Women's Studies (It's time you guys learned some manners. And how to bathe.)

Reaction to the new curriculum on the part of the East Techers has been overwhelmingly positive. Senior Mel Function told us, "My first three years here I kept trying to convince myself that if I could just learn partial differential equations, I would feel fulfilled. Now that I'm a creative writing major, I see that happiness only comes from a good barefoot frolic or an iced chai latte, not problem solving! I just feel so...so liberated!" However, not all students are so pleased. There have been several reports in the recent days of a group of renegade students who refuse to accept MIT's new identity. Graffiti reading "Science lives on!" has appeared on the walls of no less than four former chemistry labs. When asked how he intends to handle these vandals, Dean Hallgreen responded with a chuckle, "I'm going to round them up, call them into my office, sit them down, and give them transfer applications.

Curriculum New Seal Unveiled for Caltech East

STAFF WRITER

The new seal of the California Institute of Technology was unveiled today at the opening of the institute's new School of the Humanities. The Caltech graphic design team wasted no time in incorporating the seal into all of the opening day festivities. From the bright, welcoming banner facing Massachusetts Avenue to the informative decals lining the infinite corridor, everyone on campus is getting a look at the symbol of MIT's new identity: a subsidiary of the world's premier institution for math, science, and engineering.

We spoke with the head of Caltech's graphic design team, Watchem Burns.

"We wanted to create a seal for both schools, something that would really embody the relationship between the two campuses," explained Mr. Burns. "In order to do that, we started with Caltech's seal- streamlined and elegant— and asked ourselves, 'Where does MIT fit in?' 'Of course!' we exclaimed, 'MIT is an appendage!' And so that is the meaning we are trying to convey: Caltech's seal in its entirety, representing permanence and control, opening up its walls to accept MIT, essentially no more than an appendage," said Burns with a wave of dismissal.

"That's not all," continued Watchem, "I'm sure the humanities scholars of MIT don't me to tell them this, but there's some very subtle, yet powerful symbolism within this new seal. Take a look at the worker and scholar from MIT's old seal design. Now, back when MIT was using them, there was some debate as to the relationship between these men, between mens et manus.

Are they working together, or are they growing apart? Now hardly matters. Now these men are united! United by the red-hot flame of Caltech knowledge nipping at their backsides!

"Isn't it curious?" he added. "Isn't it curious how both men are turned away from the fire, completely oblivious to it creeping up behind them? Won't it be such a surprise when the flame takes over them?'

Watchem Burns couldn't hold back a chuckle with his last statement. "Look at them, turned away from the fire, completely oblivious to it creeping up behind them. Won't it be a surprise when the flame completely engulfs them?

We also interviewed MIT's official graphic identity steward, Johnny B. Anal, and received quite a stock

"The official Institute seal, adopted in 1863, pictures a scholar and a worker, symbolizing the union of knowledge and research with the mechanical or manual arts. The figures stand atop the Institute's Latin motto, mens et manus, which translates as 'mind and hand.'

"The drawback to this imagery is that the symbolism isn't wholly positive. Research and mechanical arts are leaning on the same podium, but

OK TECHNOLO they have their Or, rather, an orange-hot flame! backs to each other. Even hotter than red."

It looks as if they're hanging out at the same water cooler more by accident than by intention or shared vision.

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"The two white men exist in a vague historical era held in isolation from the outside world by the rings drawn around them. They are literally sealed off from the society that they might influence.

The seal will remain a primary element in the MIT graphic identity system, but should be reserved for ceremonial purposes, such as on diplomas and certificates.

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Students Struggle to Accept New School Mascot

By Sue Mi STAFF WRITER

"It's just not the same. Wait, actually—"

Since MIT's recent financially-motivated rebirth as Caltech East, "East Techers" have dealt with numerous challenges, including taking on their new roles as students of the humanities. But perhaps the hardest change to get used to is the school mascot.

The beaver, Nature's Engineer, has been the mascot of the old MIT for 95 years since 1914. But this year, all of that changes: The image of the nation's newest school for humanities must be represented with a fresh mascot, one emblematic of the new ideas and ideals which Caltech brings to the table. The new mascot: another beaver. Caltech East students have replied to the Tech with mixed feelings regarding the change. Say the students:

"I like the new mascot. It reminds me of this double entendre, and this new school is all about double meanings. We students, we feel like we're MIT students because we've already been going to MIT for 1,2,3,4,5, years up to now, but then, because of the economy, suddenly changed to be Caltech East studentsnow and for the next 6 years. Plus we're all humanities majors, now. It's like we're students of two colleges, but one of them doesn't exist. [Editor's note: Yes, it is just like that. How did you guess? / So I guess what I'm trying to say is I like that our emotions and dichotomous identities are represented by this new... Beaver, did you say?'

Captain Jack Sparrow

"Woah, wait—What if I forget which mascot I'm cheering for? If they're both the same thing, I'm bound, to, like, mix them up once in a while. And wouldn't that be embarrassing? Go Caltech East!"

Palia Pompidine

"To tell the truth, I felt a little sick to my stomach when I heard about this. Then I fell to my knees, and I cried-cried, I tell youto God above for, like, two seconds, and then vomited for three orders of magnitude longer.

Gee, I felt better after that, but when someone springs this sort of news on you right before a 3-minute kegstand, everyone's bound to feel a little upset."

Late Newis

"Isn't that... sexually inappropriate? I mean, it's an animal! It has no other meaning!"

Yours, Truly

"F*** your new **** of a mascot. The sciences live on underground, man; you'll never be able to quiet us! Suck the humanities."

Recently Flogged

"eye don't sriously care if u change the mascot to a beaver. Those hands lie in the students, and you're not us, because we don't have

cheering for our old ones if you want so stick your beaver back in the pond where it belongs. We will have none of it!'

- George Buch

"Can't we get something completely new? Stanford has a tree for their mascot, that's pretty rad.'

—Anonymous (from bee.obama@gmail. com)

for your info jacob is not a luzer!!!!!! he iz fine. no hez sexy!!!! dont eva say she picked edward ova jacob! bad dude! no no!!!!!! haha im

sexysquirrel2l397 (1 hour ago)

Caltech 101

By DaSham Pain STAFF WRITER

I want to start off with a big welcome to the newest members of the Caltech family at the Caltech East Campus: School of Humanities. In order to help you assimilate into Caltech culture, I've put together a little dictionary of common phrases and words used at Caltech.

Choose 2 – something you'll never have to do again. Now that you're a Humanities major, you'll have time to enjoy the finer things in life, like the sun and leaving your room. And bath-

Core –For the East Campus, the mandatory 5 terms of literature, 5 terms of philosophy, 2 of history, 1 of economics, and 1 women's studies class that you, as an East Techer, must take.

East Techer – a student studying humanities at Caltech East Campus. This person should consider him/herself lucky to be even remotely associated with the greatness of Caltech.

Good weather - Something you've probably never experienced. Describing this to you is somewhat like describing freedom to an East

Independent Activities Period – I don't even know what this is supposed to be. Extra Winter break? Nap time? Either way, it's gone, because you go to a real school now.

LEGO - Toys, not for making buildings out

MIT - Former name of the Caltech East Campus: School of Humanities. An unremarkable university.

Personality - Also known as individuality. This is something MIT has been copying from Caltech for decades, but has yet to develop. To help with that, all students at Caltech East Campus will take a mandatory philosophy class: 'How to Think for Yourself.

Prank - Something which involves some level of technical skill, like changing the Hollywood sign. Not dressing up like movers and driving a truck.

Ratio, the – Much better, now that you're at an institution devoted entirely to Humanities!

Social life – Yours will now likely consist of slam poetry sessions.

Techer - Person who attends Caltech. Privileged to be getting the finest scientific education in the world.

Welcome to Caltech, students of Caltech East Campus! If you still want to pursue a degree in math, science, or engineering, I suggest you put in a transfer application to another as the sunchine in Pasadena would proh to listen to you and we're just going to keep on ably horribly damage your fragile complexion.

Soylent Students! By Bubba Gautreaux

Students were shocked by recent revelations that financially-strapped MIT dining services had turned to processing the freshmen into meat products and serving them in cafeterias throughout campus. "I always figured we were having a little trouble financially," said junior Carl Carlson, "but I never would have imagined the situation was this extreme."

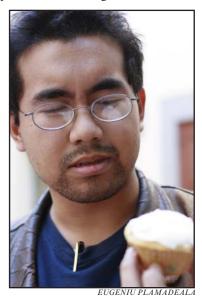
Perhaps even more unimaginable is how long the administration managed to cover up the truth about the cafeteria meat. It turns out that students have been engaging in this unwitting cannibalism for nearly seven months. The students used in the kitchen were specially selected for obscurity, to decrease the likelihood that they would be missed by their peers. They would be snatched quietly from their dorm rooms, where they were known to sit at their computers, playing video games all hours of the day or night, never pausing to go out or meet people. It is this antisocial trait which made so many students easy targets for kidnapping, and which has ultimately claimed the lives of nearly 110 students.

"With a total undergraduate population of over 4200, MIT certainly can't be expected to notice something as inconsequential as a several dozen students going missing. We don't have the kind of resources necessary to pay attention to our students like that. Who do you think we are? Caltech!?" grumbled MIT Chancellor Will May, defensively.

Even with so much of the administration intent upon placing roadblocks in our path to the truth, an investigation by the Tech staff revealed all. The so-called "Texan BBQ Brisket" is made from real Texans, and forensic analysis of the bratwurst found remains of German exchange student Üter Basel.

In light of the recent takeover of all departments by Caltech, and the overall increase in quality of life expected to follow, there will be no criminal charges directed at MIT. As one student put it, "We're just happy to be in Caltech's care now."

Students are encouraged to share their feelings about the incident with others and to seek support from counseling services.



An MIT student looks disdainfully at

Opinion Policy

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You probably want to sign your stuff, and we can change it if you want, and we won't tell you. We might even change it, then change

it back to how you had it before, so you'll never know it's different, but it is, oh it is.

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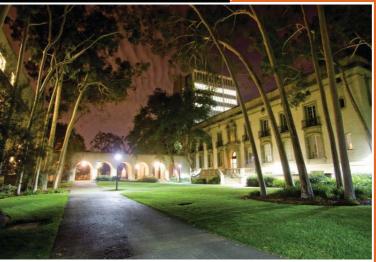




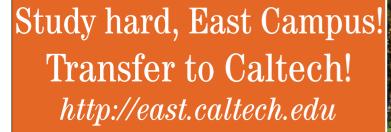




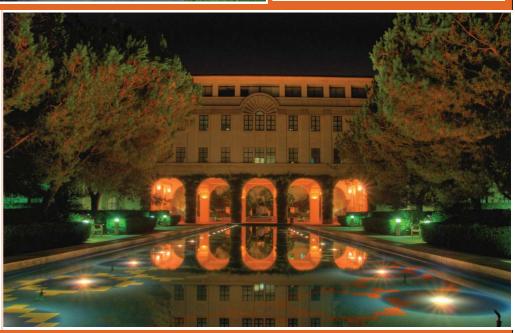






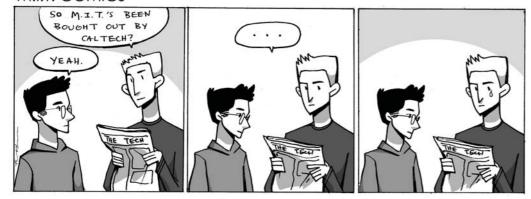






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CALTECH COMICS



Winchell by Anonymous

You look at me I shatter Don't even ask me What's the matter

You touch me, When we both reach For each other

And by that I mean Your mother Made us cookies And we will push each other

To eat cookies Made by your mother I would ruther

Eat you. Take a chunk out of your face And chew. Chew you.
Chew you like a voodoo donut.
I would kick you in the donuts,
So that you are paralyzed on the ground
Almost unconscious, or asleep—safe and sound?
No, your arms which are now so soft and round
Will be so soft with bites taken out of them
bites taken out of them
yum yum yum
What fun fun fun
to eat you you
yum yum yum.

My life: a Haiku by Annoyed

Caltech East is now.
Caltech West smells really great.
Caltech East: so cold.

My life: a poem by Depressed

I hate you I wish you would abate Waaaaah The world is hurting me

PLACES I'D RATHER BE

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I will survive, by Columbine Columbia

First I was afraid I was petrified Kept thinking I could never live without Biomedical Oceanography on my diploma, right?

But then I spent so many nights
Thinking how I did it wrong
I grew strong—and my new English
major
Showed me to get along

And now my head's back
From outer space
I hate aeronautics; I'll dream no longer;
I'll take humanities in its place

Of problem sets And long nights playing with myself I had regrets So now I'm trying something else

I'll put my past inside a box I'll lock the lock and change the key For not even a tenth of a second Will there be science inside of me

Oh yeah

yeah yeah

Yeah yeah

yeah Yeah

Yeah Yeah

YeaH YeaH

Horoscopes

By the Caltech East Astrology Club

NEW FEATURE!

Aries: March 21-April 19

Robots tend to have more luck than you at finding love. This week will see no alteration of that sad fact. However, it is possible that a robot may fall in love with you.

Taurus: April 20-May 20

A mysterious stranger will cross your path. Should you consult him, you may find wisdom beyond your years. If not, it will just be like every other day you decide not to talk to the other weirdos around here.

Gemini: May 21-June 20

You're not jinxed so staying in bed all day is not going to work. Relax, break out the medicines and pills, and get going! Assume everyone's an idiot today and you may find yourself being patronizing and brilliantly witty.

Cancer: June 21-July 22

You might find yourself brandishing 2x4s at your neighbors today. Your doctor will be able to diagnose your current problems far better than I. But only I can tell you that your broken heart will never heal. NEVER. NEVER!!! Tomatoes can be your best friend - go Red for the day. * This horoscope is not sponsored by Heinz, or the Communist Party.

Leo: July 23-August 22

Drinking alcohol may well turn today into the worst tomorrow possible. Try to ensure that you go out tonight wearing the underwear with the really strong elastic.

Virgo: August 23-September 22

Today your school will be bought out by another school.

Libra: September 23-October 22 See above.

Scorpio: October 23- November 21

You may meet the love of your life today... and they may elope with someone else tomorrow.

Sagittarius: November 22- December 21

You'll pray for better times once this week is done with. It's sad, really, but so many people are going to get a kick out of your failure. Leap far because its fun to watch you fall flat on your face.

Capricorn: December 22- January 19

Parts of you feel like giving up the ghost today, but feeding those parts with ice-cream and bacon bits may revive them, to an extent. Don't shun your naked body, express yourself in lots of new happy naked ways.

Aquarius: January 20- February 18

Today may seem like an extraordinary opportunity to get even with the world, but the world may have different ideas and the effort would be best spent surfing websites.

Pisces: February 19- March 20

Be warned about your general demeanor today as others will not take kindly to happy-clappy fools. Whether you want it or not, this week will have a surprise in store for you.

Police Flog

Novermber 24, 2009

The following incidents were reported to the Campus Police between Novemberr 14 and the Boston Tea Party. The dates below reflect the dates incidents occurred. This information is compiled from the Campus Police's crime log. The report does not include alarms, general service calls, or incidents not reported to the dispatcher.

Nov. 20 Bldg. E19 (400 Main St.), 4:45 p.m., report of hit and run involving an MIT Facilities truck. Investigation pending.

Nov. 21 Bldg. 38, 1:20 p.m., report of annoying phone calls.

Nov. 11 407 Memorial Dr., 6:00 p.m., larceny of two bicycles chained together. Criminal activity belonging to an ancient regime. Upon apprehension, the criminal was whipped severely.

Nov. 3 East Campus (Bldg. 64), 7:00 a.m., an MIT student was flogged for graffiting: "SCIENCE Lives On" upon a recently planted palm tree. Probably also responsible for unsolved graffiti: "There is no LOVE without SCIENCE." A pity, that the new order was not embraced without assistance.

Nov. 21 Sidney-Pacific (NW86), 2:00 p.m., vehicle window smashed, larceny of GPS.

Nov. 12 Bldg. 66 (25 Ames St.), 9:00 a.m., larceny of laptop. Flogged.

Nov. 10 Bldg. E38 (292 Main St.), 1:00 p.m., attempted larceny of LCD projector, by projecting ideals of an out-dated institution. The perpetrator was flogged.

Nov. 13 Bldg. E19 (400 Main St.), 4:00 p.m., larceny of iPhone. Flogging scheduled for November 29, to accommodate international travel.

Nov. 14 Albany Garage, 7:00 a.m., vehicle broken into, larceny of wallet. No criminal was apprehended, so the student who reported the incident was flogged.

Nov. 14 Ashdown House (NW35), 8:30 p.m., money stolen from a wallet. The criminal was chased down on foot by security guard who proceeded to "Whip it good."

Nov. 14 Bldg. 4 (77 Mass. Ave.), all day. 4 laptops were stolen. All were flogged.

Nov. 16 Bldg. E53 (30 Wadsworth St.), 12:00 p.m., the whip-master reported fatigue and a dull pain in his right arm and wrist. Flogging and staff-turnover resulted.

Nov. 16 Bexley Hall (W13), 5:00 p.m., larceny of bicycle. The new whip-master mistakenly flogged the bicycle. An investigation is being carried out.

Caltech Pwns East Campus

What better way to kick off the transformation of MIT into Caltech East than with a head-to-head battle over that most beloved pastime of all "Institutes of Technology": Starcraft. Teams from Caltech and Caltech East recently went head to head in a series of Bo7's, ending in a 6-1 face stomping by Caltech's A Team.

Reprinted for hilarity is the interview with Caltech's team leader, taken from http://www.teamliquid.net/forum/viewmessage.php?topic_id=105576

Caltech Coordinator Oxidized:

"Our players are too busy getting laid to practice."

Could you give us your view of the rivalry between Caltech and MIT?

It's only called a "rivalry" when the two sides are approximately equal.

The correct term is "noobstomp." http://www.teamliquid.net/mirror/smilies/smile.gif

What do you think of this format with 2 Bo7s and potentially 14 players? We had trouble finding fourteen players who were bad enough to give MIT a fair shot. http://www.teamliquid.net/mirror/smilies/frown.gif

How have you and your team prepared for this match?

We've prepared 21 shots of vodka per player to make the matches a little more even. ^^

What do you think is your biggest advantage and disadvantage against the other team?

Biggest Advantage: We have better strategies, higher APM, better game sense, better timing, our probes mine faster, our scarabs don't bug, and our zerglings come with adrenal glands.

Biggest Disadvantage: Unlike MIT players, our players are too busy getting laid to practice. =/

What do you think the results of this match will be? 13-1. We'll give them a game because we feel sorry for them. >_<

Any last words for your opponents? Bring a bucket...

Editor's Note: Unlike pretty much everything else in this edition of the Tech, this article is actually factual. Go Beavers!





This advertisement can be a bewildering thing if you don't know what's going on.

Why are there pandas in the Tech? Pandas can't write! They can't even type!

Do I need to be a panda to write for the Tech?

Do Tech reporters eat bamboo while getting all their scoops?

What?



What the hell is this?

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