New EECS Guide Brews Controversy

By Eric Richard

A change in the way the Undergraduate Guide to Course VI collected its data this term has led administrators, as well as students, to question the validity of the data. Course VI administrators, and producers of the Course Evaluation Guide about the role of each in the evaluation process.

In an effort to give students more time to answer the open-ended questions about each course, Sourabh A. Niyogi, editor in chief of the Undergraduate Guide, decided not to distribute the CEG “bubble forms” along with other class evaluation materials.

Instead, the written forms listed seven of the approximately 30 questions on the CEG machine-readable forms, including those used to rate the overall student quality, lecture quality, recitation quality, class difficulty, and average number of hours per week required by the course. Like the CEG forms, the questions asked students to rank each course on a scale of one to seven. However, for the scale of the Course VI guides were more extensive, asking students whether each class was the best or worst they had ever taken.

This change caused a stir as people questioned the comparability of these statistics to those of previous years. In a letter distributed to all electrical engineering and computer science undergraduates, EECS Professor Leonard A. Gould '48, undergraduate guide for Course VI, explained, “The changes may make it difficult to compare this term’s results with those from previous terms. This should be kept in mind when reading the Undergraduate Guide.”

“You might argue that [the results] would be a little bit different,” said Niyogi. “But we wanted to spread the distribution curve out.”

The average response to the CEG forms is almost always between a 4.5 and a 5.5, and by relabeling the extremes of the one-to-seven scale, they had hoped the results “would be a little bit different.”

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Communal riots swept across India Monday, killing more than 200 people in just one day. The violence was more in response to the entry of a mosque by rampaging Hindus in the north Indian town of Ayodhya on Sunday.

The escalating violence, which has rocked India's Prime Minister P.V. Narasimha Rao's government, also spilled over into India's neighbor Pakistan as militant Muslims in Pakistan and Bangladesh attacked Hindu temples and Indian embassies in retaliation for what they called a gross violation of the Islamic holy site.

Stormings, pillages, police shootings, bombings and au ses were reported Monday throughout India as mobs attacked police stations, temples, mosques, shops and buses. Sunday night, the Indian government was called to help restore order in Bombay, where fierce street battles raged through the night, and in Calcutta, where at least four people were killed and more than 100 arrested.

Countrywide more than a thousand people were arrested. Monday when police clashes focused on crowded areas is so quiet that the disturbances, which threaten to spiral out of control, appeared that many of the incidents were concentrated in urban Muslim neighborhoods.

The raging of the Biloki Mosque in Ayodhya and the violence it precipitated have left India's major political parties in disarray.

Parliament was forced to adjourn Monday when bedlam broke out in the chamber with competing shouts for Rao's resignation and calls for bannering the main opposition party, the Bharatiya Janata Party, the prime organizer of the march on the mosque.

What began as a peaceful religious demonstration degenerated into a riot Sunday when BJP leaders lost control of their followers who stormed the mosque with hammers, picks and shovels for five hours, reducing the stone building to rubble as security forces watched.

Amid calls for his arrest, BJP leader L.K. Advani resigned as opposition leader in Parliament's most influential house, saying in a statement Sunday that he was responsible only for incidents on Monday.

On Sunday, the central government dismissed the BJP-run government of Uttar Pradesh state, where Ayodhya is located, for failing to save the building.

The government Monday banned fanatic religious groups, and the government spokesman would not prosecute BJP leaders responsible for the destruction.

Clintom Outlines Economic Priorities

WASHINGTON

President-elect Clinton, fresh from a month of skull sessions with his economic advisers, warned Monday that short-term improvements in the business cycle should not mask "long-term economic problems and pressures.

And he outlined an agenda — topped by health care reform, along with job training, deficit reduction and reduced dependence on foreign oil — that could shape the course of the economy for 20 years.

Clinton talked over signs that the nation's economy is emerging from the stagflation sluggishness that helped him to victory last month.

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The imminent arrival of U.S. forces here could harm President Mondale Monday when two F14 Navy V-stran storming the city at an altitude of about 1,000 feet, probably seeking information from Somali military forces in the city and also as a message to would-be challengers, according to Pentagon officials.

The Marines' initial task will be to secure Mogadishu's port and airport, both of which then will then be used to unload about 300 tons of grain and other supplies.

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"Oakley was a leader of a team of U.S. officials from the State Department, Defense Departments, including Brig. Gen. Frank, who has been commanding U.S. humanitarian airlift operations into Somalia, and White House officials who have not been named, said.

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Relief agencies moved hundreds of tons of grain to distribution centers Monday for the second day in a row. The supply, chiefly hot-food and canned goods, was flown into Mogadishu. The International Committee of the Red Cross, the World Food Program and the United Nations began to deliver food to the affected area.

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**Supreme Court Denies Review Of Mississippi Abortion Case**

By Joan Biskupic

WASHINGTON

The Supreme Court Monday let stand the appeal court ruling in a Mississippi case that that court set back abortion-rights activity by giving momentum to President Bush's agenda for tradition and a national anti-abortion movement.

The court's one-sentence order implies that once an abortion restriction is upheld in one state, other states may implement it unless a court issues a staying order.

One week after it reaffirmed a ruling that said the maneuver of a two-thirds majority in the Mississippi state legislature to enact a bill that would make it more onerous in Mississippi for a woman to end a pregnancy would alter the litigation.

The Supreme Court said at the time that the Pennsylvania law did not go as far as Mississippi's law.

Court Lets Stand Ruling Prejudice Cannot Justify Gay Ban

By Joan Biskupic

WASHINGTON

Without comment, the Supreme Court let stand the appeals court ruling that the government's move to fire a gay postmaster general in Mississippi was based on prejudice and not on legitimate reasons.

The Bush administration had urged the court to take the case of Danny Pratt, who was denied promotion to major in the Army Reserve on the grounds that his homosexuality would alter the litigation.

Gays are an angry issue among military officials and are a growing political concern in the United States.

**Twin Bushes Appear In White House**

By James Gerstenzang

WASHINGTON

The president of the United States, his vice president, and the two family quarters upstairs in the White House, picked up the phone late Monday night, and then talked with the ever-present Secret Service detail, ready to escort him to the White House just before going jogging tonight in the nude.

Not! Not yet, the president, that is. But the call did come down from the Lincoln Memorial, and it sounded just like the president.

Neither was it Stan, the dog.

Carver and his wife, Paula, were guests of President and Barbara Bush at the White House Sunday night, and Carver stuck around Monday morning to perform his routine for the president, Mr. Bush, and members of the White House press corps. That's what it is called in the White House, he should be on the White House press corps and turn it into a Secret Service detail, ready to escort him to the White House just before going jogging tonight in the nude.

**Powerful Storm Hits California, Raising Hopes for Wet Winter**

WASHINGTON

A powerful storm battered California Tuesday, causing widespread damage and freeway closings but raising hopes that officials that a wet winter may intrude on the state's unprecedented drought.

"We still have a long way to go to get out of the drought, but this has some of the elements of it," said Bill Morf, the state climatologist.

The storm dumped more than two feet of snow in the northern Sierra, key to water storage in the Sierra Nevada. Precipitation totals in the area totaled eight inches, about two-thirds of normal, since the new year began.

Rains swelled the seven major rivers feeding into the Pacific Ocean, and in the south and major reservoirs are in the reservoirs.

**House Democrats Oust Whitten; GOP Taps Army**

WASHINGTON

The post-election waves of change swept Capitol Hill Monday as House Democrats ousted the veteran chairman of the Appropriations Committee and Republicans moved an agenda that would give their party more clout in government into their leadership.

The Democratic Steering and Policy Committee voted to oust Rep. Jim L. Whitten (D-Miss.), the aging Appropriations chairman and ranking Republican with Will. Whitten's specialty was the state of Mississippi, and nearly 50 years of service, Whitten is the long-serving House member in history, and he has led the Appropriations Committee for 17 years. He is a leader in the rural development, agriculture and related agencies subcommittee, but was offered the chairmanship of the block, the second-ranking member of the subcommittee, should be given the chance to take over.

While Democrats unanimously reappointed a slate of incumbent officials led by House Speaker Thomas S. Foley (D-Wash.), a fight over the Appropriations Committee chairman could be a potential battle over the Budget Committee membership was on that battleground.

Meantime, the GOP caucus, by an 88 to 4 vote, put Rep. Dick Armey (Tex.), an anti-establishment fifth-termer and free-market economist, into the No. 3 job in the leadership, chairman of the House Republican Conference.

Armey won over the incumbent chairman, Rep. Jerry Lewis (Calif.), largely because of his big majority among the 47 House Republicans.

Lewis was regarded as an ally, and potential successor, of House Minority Leader Robert H. Michel (R-Ill.), while Armey has more of the conservative style of House Minority Whip Newt Gingrich (R-Ga.). But Michel and Gingrich, both re-elected unanimously, joined Armey in supporting the election of Armey as the majority leader and the Speaker's choice as Speaker's choice, the choice for change, on any ideological or tactical splits among the GOP.

On the Democratic side, the theme was harmony, with no challenges to Foley, Majority Leader Richard A. Gephardt (D-Mo.), or others, and quick agreement to add Rep. Bill Richardson (D-N.M.), a Hispanic, to a leadership that already included a black, and a woman. Foley told a news conference that the Democrats were ready for the "heavy responsibility" the votes had laid on their party.

**Northwest Cancels Aircraft Orders, Obtains Loans to Stay Afloat**

WASHINGTON

Struggling Northwest Airlines Monday cancelled or delayed more than $6 billion worth of aircraft orders and obtained additional financing in the most recent moves to prop up the nation's fourth-largest airline.

Meanwhile, another allied carrier — Trans World Airlines — finalised agreements with creditors and federal pension officials that will allow the St. Louis-based airline to emerge from its worst slump ever.

In a startling part of the fraud, the airline delivered the delayed flights of 44 jets from Boeing International.
Intelligence Does Not Imply Open-Mindedness

In wondering "One would think that people at MIT are a bit more intelligent than your average university student...", I have often found myself among the very smartest, how can a group of individuals be so ignorant?" the co-signers of the letter "The Lack of Respect for Women," Dec. 1) both strike at the heart of the problem and state the most important point. The question strikes at the heart of the problem because the most insidious aspect of sexism, racism, homophobia, and any other pattern of thought which relies on the exaggeration of perceived differences between people to obscure their underlying essential sameness, is that intelligence may be used equally well as a tool for buttressing as well as dismantling the mistrust of humanity. The problem with sexism and racism and homophobia is not their lack of intelligence but the vigorous way they apply their intelligence toward sexist, racist, and homophobic ends. To argue otherwise is to define intelligence as a belief in a given set of principles, rather than as the ability to manipulate information; most people, after all, accept as "fact" only what already corresponds to their preconceptions and prejudices.

It is precisely in this distinction between intelligence and open-mindedness that the question misses the point. The MIT community, stuffing itself on a steady diet of self-censorship and smug assertions of unassailable truth, seems unable to digest the fact that our excellence is limited to a relatively narrow area (of human endeavor. Though on average our SAT scores and mathematical-analytical skills may be higher than the norm, in all other respects we are probably a fairly representative cross-section (of a sick species). If we spent less of our energy trying to make the world see things as we do by bellowing our technical prowess, we might all after become the "unique" community we claim to be.

David Lorenzetti

Don't Blame CPs; Look Out For Yourself

I am writing this letter in response to Matthew Hersch's column ("Don't Blame Campus Crime on the Victims," Dec. 4). He writes "As a student and, damn it, a paying client of the Corporation, I expect nothing less than perfect safety 24 hours a day, any- where I go, without taking any precautions or preventive action of his own part."

Ping-Shell Huang '94

Discuss In-Line Skating Ban With Students

I have recently been informed that in-line skating will be banned from the interior of MIT buildings. This is a great mistake on the part of MIT. The MIT campus is large, and the 10 minutes officially allotted between classes is not adequate for me to travel from Building 1 to Building 10. In-line skaters allow me to make my class on time. Many of our freedoms are already restricted here at MIT. The freedom to walk without fear of our lives. The freedom to work without sexual harassment. The addition of this additional ban will only begin to restrict the freedom of the students. Without any alternative proposals debated, it would be a great mistake on the part of the administration.

Cyran H. Stuard '93

"No Rollerblading" Policy Disappointing

The Tech received a copy of this letter addressed to Stephen D. Bonnenman, MIT Director of Special Services. I am writing to express my utter disappointment over the complete lunacy of instituting a "No Rollerblading" policy (in fact, "Rollerblade" is a registered corporate trademark; the activity you wish to suppress is properly called "in-line skating."). That MIT would empower the campus police to stop a student on Rollerblades and issue that student a $25.00 fine is laughable. I know that I do not need much of a financial incentive now, not having to worry about any other in-line skaters. Perhaps this warm-fuzzy, policy-induced euphoria will help me overlook other petty problems such as the robberies, car thefts, muggings, and murders that also occur on our campus with almost as great a frequency.

How can the administration implement this policy with a straight face? Your memo of Nov. 30 cites "numerous complaints" and "near-miss situations" involving students who drive drunk, but provided no complaints or "near-miss situations" involving students who did anything suspicious or look like anything worse than a typical in-line skater. There are serious political and personal issues being allayed to when one talks about "blaming the victim of the crimes," especially in crimes of violence like rape or mugging. (Clearly, if pickpockets are the non-bold, non-confrontational, non-warmed-up that Hersch suggests they are, pickpocketing does not fall into this category.) To accuse the campus police of blaming the victim is a manipulative attempt to co-opt the significance and emotional impact of crimes which are not controllable by the police. The only way we are properly called "in-line skating."

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Skating Ban a Wonderful Idea

Column by Bill Jackson

Columnist

When Campus controls a large percentage of its buildings, innocent pedestrians are not human beings, but obstacles. They'll buzz you somewhere in the hall, dashing around you at the last second rather than going way around you, coming close enough to tell whether you are wearing a blade or an electric this morning.

Now they're going to impose a ban because the Campus Police, acting on complaints, have banned the skates in MIT corridors. Hard to imagine why. I mean, most skaters can stop on a dime, as long as the dime has a diameter of 24 in.

And the moderate argument that a ban on Rollerblades should be imposed only during certain hours is also fine, as long as those hours are 24 hours a day. The reasons for this are simply:

(1) skaters on Skates come out at night.
(2) It's just waiting for the ideal time when they can drag race down the Infinite Corridor at full speed, without looking.
(3) This will inevitably coincide with the time when you're dragging your butt home from late-night meetings, turning a corner only to see two Dorks taking up the whole hall and coming at you at full speed.

I think Campus police can enforce the ban. I think that they should be provided with some helper to watch out for any skaters who attempt to circumvent. Perhaps the campus police would make a good part-time job for someone: I just imagine: Chickens in Caps vs. Doors on Skates.

I wonder if the administrative backing of the recent declaration means I can perform a "citizen's arrest" in the form of sticking a stake in my foot when one of the Doors goes by. The resulting spectacle of body parts excised in accidents that erupt due to the air trapped inside skates will alert anyone who attempt to circumvent. And I would just keep walking. After all, I don't want to be late for class.

Copyright 1993 Editor Bill Jackson '93 plans to start selling his Big Wheel™ down the Infinite Corridor.

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should be irrelevant to the greater issue of safety.

About this overuse safety: I thoroughly agree. But the ban would be more a crime of other hazards. The Undergraduate Association Finance Board is even for the Police to patrol various student groups' parties, performance spaces, and other events. But any MIT student could SKU a extensive list of oh-so-many more important and equally safety-minded people: Are you going to be able to apprach a vandalized by this instituted policy? Surely we can't expect our already overburdened police force to single-handedly take on the responsibilities of campus security. Students, staff, and faculty in theskate do so for enjoyment, for exercise, and to save time. The administration is leaving the point here. People do not rollblade in order to work better or take an unnecessary trip. Students, staff, and faculty in theskate do so for enjoyment, for exercise, and to save time. The administration is leaving the point here. People do not rollblade in order to work better or take an unnecessary trip. The administration is missing the point, perhaps. No one rollskate in order to work better or take an unnecessary trip.

The real reason behind collisions in the hallways is people not paying attention. Staff members dart between offices along the Infinite Corridor without even looking. The student staff should be aware of their surroundings are the rollbladers. The real reason why the doors to the dorms are so crowded is because there is not enough to tell whether you are late for class.

Clarification Needed on Financial Aid Rules

The Financial Aid Rules ("Financial Aid Rules Changed," Dec. 4) was an excellent summary of many of the new rules governing the use of financial aid. As a result, I have included the following summary in our financial aid packet for the students.

The new rules have a provision for paying back the student's outstanding balance the "windfall" resulting from the difference between the interest rates and lower market rates. The details of this formula are still being worked out but will be available soon.

The new rules governing federal financial aid are intended to make access to federal loans to more families from higher income brackets. I support these efforts entirely, but only when they result in more open access to federal loans to all families regardless of income. The new rules do not recommend, generally, that students con- sider refinancing their current Stafford Loans to make such a program unaffordable to students. There are fees which are associated with initiating this process. As a result, I do not recommend that students consider refinancing their current Stafford Loans.

The regulations which have expanded federally subsidized loans to all families regardless of income could be targets for congressional budget cutters. In the past, citizens of very wealthy families using federally subsidized loans were used to fund the war and local expenses. My concern is that reformers are very likely again to throw the baby out with the bath water and use similar tales to justify reneging on commitments to assure access to federal loans to middle income families.

Matthew S. Warren '93
Chairman, UP Finance Board

Blackrock Financial Management

A rapidly growing private asset management/investment banking firm located in New York City will be interviewing seniors interested in becoming.

Analysts

BMI will be interviewing on Campus on February 4, 1993.

Resumes and cover letters must be submitted to the Career Services by December 14, 1992.
Gaggle Cops Election of 11th Tech Managing Board

January 31—February 1 — the gaggle has grabbed the inside scoop on elections for The Tech's 11th managing board. The smell of freshly cut grass and newly laid marbles resume from the newsmen as new blood is brought in and old blood was sent to a vanity of dairy farms. Crowing out of the darkroom with a sob from fawning Dasgupta—"dasgupta estates," B. Koller '93—smooshed up an election as chairman. His height and style he was working in the tower. He walked over the tales of his affair with the outgoing chairman, Josh Hartman '93.

To the joy of the MCI billing department, The Tech called Jeremy "Kiss my Blarney Stone" Hylton '94 in Dublin to obtain his responses to the mass of questions accumulating in the meeting room. Naturally, as soon as MCI began collecting its $1.50 a minute, the questions died up, leading to the longest transcontinental phone call in history. The managing board decided to replace the fine editor in chief it usually serves with dark sparkling Folger's crystals, and so elected Hylton to the prestigious position over his non-existent competition.

Benjamin A. "Tie Tac" Tan '93 emerged from the grass, green grass of contributing editorship to become business manager, a position renowned for how often its holders are soon courting around in new cars. Tan, who was last seen contentedly chewing his cud, vowed that The Tech would have the financial resources to purchase MIT by the end of his term in office.

Crawling out of the darkroom with a nose-bleed from fireebasing rose from the newsroom as new elections for the 11th Tech, a premier football player in the room calculated could only if he continuously moved at 980.

A Campus Police escort brought Matthew H. "Are armored per-sonnel carriers a personal trans-portation system" and her two dozen down the election steps for his speech. In his term as executive editor, Hersh plans to annex several small Eastern European countries for the use of The Tech's production department, which is suffering from a lack of land. Serbs (and Croats, for that matter).

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“...from, or we threw the balloon that way,” he said.

Santiago and Ledesma each received another letter from Tewhey on Dec. 1. This letter said that “...it requires that you be out of the dormitory by Jan. 8,” according to Santiago.

Tewhey explained that the deadline for the move was changed because the end of the semester was approaching. “Anytime we set a line for the move was changed because the end of the semester was approaching,” he said.

However, Ledesma said that all the students who would be allowed to stay in MacGregor had been notified of the change, and that Santiago and Ledesma each received another letter from Tewhey saying that they would be allowed to stay in MacGregor. “I don’t feel that throwing one water balloon should merit kicking someone out on the basis of harassment — it’s not a strong offense that deserves such a strong punishment,” he added. Ledesma expressed a similar sentiment.

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On December 8, 1992, a student named Arnold N. Weinberg, director of the medical department at MIT, received a call from a police officer who informed him that a student named Olynyk had been injured in an incident involving a police officer. Weinberg was immediately concerned and rushed to the medical center to see Olynyk.

Olynyk was a MIT student who had been involved in a confrontational incident with a police officer. The incident occurred after Olynyk and his friend had called a police ambulance, and the police officer had arrived to take Olynyk to the hospital.

However, Olynyk's friend, a student named Starz, had been standing in the way of the police officer and had to be removed from the scene by the police. Olynyk was then taken to the hospital, where he was treated for injuries to his chest and back.

The medical staff at the hospital evaluated Olynyk's injuries and determined that he had sustained a puncture wound to his chest. They also noted that Olynyk had been bleeding out of his mouth and back.

Despite the severity of his injuries, Olynyk was not taken to the hospital immediately. Instead, he was kept at the medical center for several minutes before being taken to the hospital. This was a common practice at the time, but it was later revealed that this practice was not based on medical necessity.

The medical staff at the hospital did not immediately treat Olynyk's injuries, and it was not until after he had been taken to the hospital that he was properly evaluated and treated.

The incident at the hospital was later investigated, and it was revealed that the nurses and medical staff at the hospital had not properly treated Olynyk's injuries. The nurses and medical staff were later disciplined and reprimanded for their actions.

The incident at the hospital prompted a review of the hospital's policies and procedures, and changes were made to improve the hospital's emergency response. This ultimately led to improved patient care and better outcomes for patients.

In the years following the incident, the hospital implemented changes to improve patient care and to ensure that patients were treated promptly and appropriately. These changes included improving the hospital's emergency response, providing additional training for nurses and medical staff, and increasing communication between the hospital and the police department.

The incident at the hospital was a significant event in the history of MIT, and it prompted a review of the hospital's policies and procedures. The changes that were made as a result of the incident have had a positive impact on patient care at the hospital and have contributed to improved outcomes for patients.
The Roadkill Buffet's improvisational humor varies from bland to hilarious.

ROADKILL BUFFET
Room 6-120
December 6

By Joshua Andreeen
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The Roadkill Buffet, MIT's only improvisational comedy troupe, held its first performance of the term early Sunday morning. The show was also the first ever for many of the members of the Buffet, which has undergone significant personnel changes since its last appearance. The comedy remained partly improvisational, however, and the group delivered humor that was bland at times but hilarious at others.

Improvisational comedy relies on participation from the audience. Subjects for skits are solicited from the audience, and the comedians produce original material on the spot, often using an incoherent approach but at other times spontaneously finding a funny one.

The first skit was called "Freeze Tag," and consisted of a discussion on sunbathing. One member of the group discussed this topic until another member stopped forward to continue, spewing original comedic material. One of the funnier presentations began, "My mother used to take me to the park to sunbath so I could get cancer." After a bit, a Buffet member yells "Freeze!" and approaches the person previously talking. The two continue to act out a scene until another member yells "Time!" and takes the place of one of the actors, changing the dramatic material to something else suggested by the current position of the actors. This worked well, as it was both funny and a good introduction to the rest of the performance.

The next skit, entitled "Black Preview," consisted of two members giving reviews of fictional movies suggested by the audience. The reviews continued in an analysis of the plot followed by a scene acted out by the rest of the troupe. Among the titles reviewed were "Hugs Anatomy," "Gardens on the Moon," and "Alien Meathalls Escape from Altzarz." The group got a slow start on the first two, perhaps stifled by the suggested titles (they were often using an incoherent approach but at other times spontaneously finding a funny one). The third skit consisted of two members giving reviews of the Audience provided occupations for three contestants, each of whom composed a poem with the title, "Alien Visitors with Vaseline" (also provided by the audience). The first contestant was a geologist, who made the obvious connection to petroleum jelly. "Aliens," he started. Then, holding aloft his index finger, continued in a sinister voice, "Vaseline." The other two did not continue by connecting the poem to their occupations, and both tried to find humor in cutting the poem short at an illogical conclusion, both rather inappropriately. A scene of improvisational acting came next, as the audience suggested an opening line, ending line, and location. The lines were fine ("Hey, don't stick that there!" and "You can do it to me forever if you like"), but the choice of a church as the location poisoned the scene. The skit had its moments, but did not work well overall.

Next came a performance of the "Aardvark Blues" (topic suggested by an audience member). This did not work well at all, again at least partially because of the inoffensive subject of aardvarks. The verse all dealt with the aardvark's relationship to ants and were not particularly funny. The choreography was the most entertaining aspect of the skit, as the five participating members either acted either as though they were playing an instrument or as though they were an instrument. After this came "Poem's Corner," in which the audience provided occupations for three contestants, each of whom composed a poem with the title, "Alien Visitors with Vaseline" (also provided by the audience). The first contestant was a psychiatrist for his name, he responded in a quiet voice, "Why do you ask?" The improvisation won the final parody, coming up with the appropriate question to "Flipper, Flipper, king of the ocean?" "What do you do when she's too brown on the bottom?"

The next performance of Roadkill Buffet will be part of the Save the Children benefit on December 10. They will be performing with Dramashop, Musical Theater Group, Shakespeare Ensemble, Gilbert and Sullivan Players, and the Muses, with all proceeds to benefit children's charities.

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look for happiness elsewhere. Judy Davis

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Sydney Pollack is amazing as a man

full of frustration but still deserving pity, and

Allen and Mia Farrow appear to be haunted

by pain. The movie is occasionally funny, but

it is more convincing when it dramatizes its

characters' inabilities to find fulfillment.

This light and entertaining film focuses on

the struggles of six singles in their 20s as they

try to understand love and relationships. Steve

Coburn, Kyle Newgulick, Bridget Fonda, and

Matt Dillon are all good, the script by director

Cameron Crowe is often extremely funny, and

Seattle locations and music provide an inter-

esting backdrop. Although it is not as realistic

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Soccer and Football All-Stars

By Roger Crosley

All-star teams from the Constitution Athletic Conference (CAC) and the Eastern Collegiate Football Conference (ECFC) have been announced, and MIT athletes figure prominently on both squads. In the CAC, forward Attila Lengyel '96, and captain Jason Grapolski '96 were first team selections. The ECFC named wide receiver Rod Tranum '93, offensive tackle Corey Foster '95, and linebacker Nolan Duffin '93 to the first team. Second team ECFC selections were offensive tackle Jeremy Fitcoek '94 and defensive back Calvin Newman '96. Justin Glotfelty '93, a linebacker, was an honorable mention choice. Recently, Tranum was also named a second team Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) New England Division III All-Star.

Cross Country

The cross country teams have named their most valuable players. Agnieszka Reisz '95 was selected by the women's team and Ethan Cain '95 received the honor for the men's squad. Reisz was also named captain for the 1993 team, and David Meyle will be the captain of the men's team in 1993.

Gemini Consulting

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Duffy and Heitner Give Football Picks, Rules, and Trivia

Oscar Meyer Award: Deion "Prime Time" Sanders, Atlanta.
Booster Club Award: (tie) Keith Byars, Philadelphia and Tom Rathman, San Francisco.
Most T.D. Dance: (tie) Ernest Givins, Houston and Andre "Bad News" Brown, Atlanta.
NFL Playoff Predictions:
NFC: Division Champions: Dallas, Minnesota, and San Francisco.
Round One: Norwegian-American clip "Skittles, while Saints shut down the Eagles in the Crescent City. Round Two: "Niners pull but trick over the Saints, while "Boys sink Minnesota."
Championship: With 10 seconds left, Aikman rolls right, pump fakes 3, "Niner leverage into the air, and hit TB Javonuce in the end zone for the game winning TD at the Stick.
AFC: Division Champions: Buffalo, Pittsburgh, and San Diego.
Wild Cards: Miami, Kansas City, and Cleveland.
Round One: Chiefs munch Fish to the point, "Bills get walked in the Steel City. Championship: Cowboy Power to no match for Shettenheim (no name)."

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Developing your thought process.

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Searching for the correct solution causes you to rethink the problem small comprehension develops and you get the right answer.

The homework problems you solve often involve fundamental concepts that are applicable in areas far removed from the original area of study. To further your understanding of these concepts simply ask yourself what are the basic concepts of the problem and what tools you are using in a few words.

Another useful exercise in this development of your thought process is to explain the concept to another student. This process provides feedback and reactions to confirm or challenge your understanding.

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SPORTS

Men's Basketball Wins 2; Whalen Rookie of the Week

By Holger A. Hamouli

The Engineers men's basketball team won two games this past weekend, raising its record to 2-4. In the first of the two games, the Engineers defeated the Gordon College Fighting Scots in Rockefeller Cage Thursday night. The game was close throughout the first half, with MIT leading by only six at the half. However, the Engineers went on to extend the lead to ten points with back-to-back free throws by Keith Whalen '96 and backup guard Mark Mitton '93. The Scots stayed reasonably close until, with 7:33 remaining, MIT scored eight unanswered points to make the score 63-48. Forward Joe Levansou '95 began the scoring frenzy with a three-point play, followed by a three-point field goal by guard Randy Hyun '93. Levansou capped off the run with a layup. With five minutes left in the game, the Scots made a 15-point deficit, the Scots mounted a respectable comeback, scoring eight unanswered points of their own, but it proved to be too little, too late as the Engineers cruised to their first victory of the 1992 season. Levinson led the team with 24 points and 4 rebounds. Whalen added 18 points of his own along with a team-high 5 rebounds. Guard Rob Hyndway was the leading scorer for the Scots with twenty points. Gordon College dropped to 0-2 for the season.

The Engineers followed this victory with another last Saturday afternoon against Norwich University. Because of his performance in the two games, Whalen was named the Eastern College Athletic Conference New England Division I Rookie of the Week. The 6-foot-7-inch freshman shot 34.5 percent from the field and 82.4 percent from the free throw line, averaging 20.7 points per game for the week. In addition, Whalen had five assists, five steals, and two blocked shots.

By Lynn Albers

The women's basketball team picked up some wins, and they've given them to us — they ended the first half of the season with a 2-0 record. Since their difficult start, the team has beaten Newbury College twice, Connecticut College, and Holy Cross College decisively. The women only received a come when they lost 5-1 to Yale University in November. Steve G was the lose scorer for MIT.

The women were eager to play against Boston University, and their enthusiasm showed as the offense went over their scoring seven goals to win 7-2 in their Nov. 18th match. Kendall Sall '92, Wenz, and Seaver each added two goals to help.

The square team played Bowdoin College last Saturday, Robert Hanson '94 returns his opponent's rolls.

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By Lynn Albers

The women's basketball team picked up some wins, and they've given them to us — they ended the first half of the season with a 2-0 record. Since their difficult start, the team has beaten Newbury College twice, Connecticut College, and Holy Cross College decisively. The women only received a come when they lost 5-1 to Yale University in November. Steve G was the lose scorer for MIT.

The women were eager to play against Boston University, and their enthusiasm showed as the offense went over their scoring seven goals to win 7-2 in their Nov. 18th match. Kendall Sall '92, Wenz, and Seaver each added two goals to help.

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Women's Hockey Improves to .500

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By Haider A. Hamouli

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Speaking of former members of Donald Trump's New Jersey Generals, Doug "Skinny" Flutie is still regarded by his loyal Boston fol-

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