

# Bad Mouthing Rules Changed

By Jeremy Hylton  
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The Dormitory Council will not be enforcing its official "bad mouthing" rule this year, because of concerns that the rule may limit constitutionally protected speech, according to Tariq M. Shaukat '95, DormCon president.

The Inter-Fraternity Council ban on bad mouthing is still in effect, however. "You don't say anything that will hurt another fraternity, sorority, or independent living group," said Prashant B. Doshi '95, IFC president.

The Mediations Committee, which handles conflicts between DormCon and the IFC, issued rules early this month that warned: "Spreading false and/or malicious information about other living groups can result in charges filed under various Institute policies with the IFC, DormCon, the [Residence and Campus Activities Office], or a combination of the three."

After Robert M. Plotkin '93 lodged a complaint with MedComm and Assistant Dean for Residence and Campus Activities Andrew M. Eisenmann '75, DormCon decided to suspend the rule until MIT's lawyer could be consulted, accord-

ing to Shaukat.

MIT's attorney will be unavailable until Monday, so DormCon suspended the rules. The free speech issues will be reviewed with an attorney and rules will be finalized before next year's Residence and Orientation Week.

In place of the original restrictions, MedComm now "strongly encourages living group members to refrain making false and malicious statements about other living groups."

Plotkin's concerns, detailed in a lengthy article in yesterday's *Thistle*, were based on the policy distributed to dormitories and not the current revision of the rules described to dormitory R/O chairman and Judicial Committee members at a meeting yesterday.

The bad mouthing rules no longer prohibit false and malicious statements, or threaten stiff fines for making such statements, in what Plotkin described as "a textbook case of attempting to effect a 'chill' upon free speech."

Students could violate the Institute harassment policy by making malicious statements about another person or group, Shaukat said. He cautioned, however, that an individ-

ual would have to file charges for a specific incident that he or she found injurious.

Because victims of harassment must file charges through standard Institute channels and not through MedComm, members of JudComm will not enforce the harassment policy. "We've sort of decided that we'll let the Institute take of Institute policies," Shaukat said.

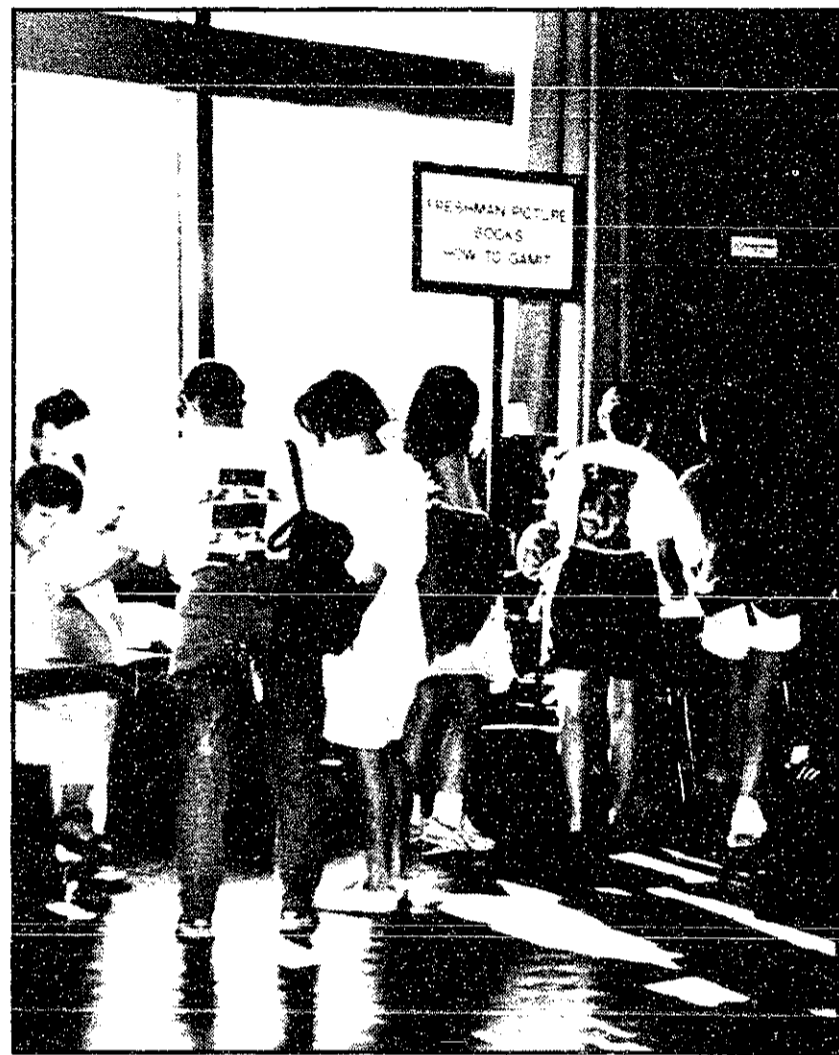
Shaukat remains hopefully that bad mouthing will not be a problem during rush. "I don't think there will be a problem," he said. "It has not been a problem in the past."

## IFC rules unaffected

The change will not affect the enforcement of IFC rush rules, Doshi said. Doshi, who is a member of MedComm, had not been informed of the changes in dormitory rush policies yesterday afternoon, however.

While he admitted that the IFC rules do limit freedom of speech, Doshi contended that the bad mouthing restrictions have many benefits. "The whole idea is to create a positive and unbiased environment for the freshman," he said.

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Freshmen began to arrive at MIT several days ago. Arriving freshman checked in at Residence/Orientation Center on the second floor of the Student Center.

# Movie Filmed in Killian Court

By Eva Moy  
NEWS EDITOR

The fervor of Hollywood swept MIT off of its feet Monday when MGM Studios began filming its new movie, *Blown Away*, in Killian Court. Filming will continue in the Boston area until Oct. 1, with the

film's release slated for next summer.

The Killian Court footage will be one of the movie's opening scenes, introducing the character played by Jeff Bridges. Bridges plays Jimmy Dove, a member of the Boston Explosives Ordinance Unit.

The bomb squad is called to MIT when an employee receives a notice that a bomb will detonate if she stops typing on her computer. Bridges rushes in and defuses the bomb — all in less than one minute of actual movie time.

News Office Associate Director Robert C. DiIorio emphasized that the plot does not directly involve MIT or Commencement, but the "threat is directed at an individual who happened to work at MIT."

Five thousand chairs and several hundred extras were on hand, including about 30 MIT staff members and students, according to Gayle M. Fitzgerald, manager of conference services. The extras played MIT students and their parents, interrupted during Commencement exercises. The extras also included real campus police, Boston police, firemen, and bomb squad members.

The movie crew shot at Copley Square yesterday, where a car was

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Jeff Bridges discusses the movie *Blown Away* with a crew member.

# Student Hospitalized After 3-Story Fall

By Jeremy Hylton  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

A student descending from the roof of Baker House on a rope was injured late Tuesday night when he lost his grip and fell three stories.

According to Campus Police Chief Anne P. Glavin, Michael J. Duff '95 had attached a 75-foot rope to a vent on the roof and apparently tried to scale the side of the building facing Memorial Drive.

"He was repelling off of our roof. He wasn't doing it with repelling gear, but with two normal, hardware-store ropes," said Nicole Fang '95, a Baker deskworker and friend of Duff.

A Baker resident heard Duff fall and called the campus police at 11:22 p.m. Two officers responded within a minute and paramedics took Duff to the hospital. Duff was conscious after the fall but could not feel his legs, Fang said.

Duff was taken to Beth Israel

Hospital, where he entered surgery at 3:30 a.m. Duff shattered his third lumbar vertebra (in his neck) and was in surgery for 14-and-a-half hours, according to Robert M. Randolph, associate dean for student assistance services.

Duff's recovery will be long, Randolph said. "There's a possibility he will not recover full movement," he said.

Because of the spectacle created by the fall, rumors that Duff tried to commit suicide were started, Fang said. "Suddenly there were a lot of ambulances and sirens outside of Baker House and the police didn't say anything right away, so everyone thought someone had jumped," she said.

The rumors are completely false, according to Randolph.

Duff's family has asked that students and friends not visit him until he has had more time to recover from surgery, Randolph said.

## Daily Confusion To Appear In The Tech

The Tech will publish the full text of *The Daily Confusion*, the guide to Residence and Orientation Week events, on the back page of daily editions during R/O Week. This effort is in cooperation with the Office of the Dean for Undergraduate Education and Student Affairs. The Dean's Office will continue to publish separate editions as in past years.

# Adam M. Kreiger '95

By Eva Moy  
NEWS EDITOR

Adam M. Kreiger '95 died Aug. 10, after a four-year battle with bone cancer.

But his friends and family tell us, "Don't mourn the loss of Adam; mourn the loss of those who weren't touched by Adam."

"He touched so many people in so many different ways," said Michael Kreiger, Adam's father. "He was just an incredible kid."

"He's one of those people whom [everyone likes]. He'll definitely be missed," said Nathan A. Watson '95, Adam's roommate at Delta Kappa Epsilon for two years.

"He really wanted to be remembered [as] healthy ... because he felt that although he had

a disease he wasn't a different person because of it," his mother, Shelley Kreiger, said. He had a great sense of humor, and "even when he was very sick he was fun to be with."

Adam Kreiger wanted his funeral service to be upbeat; he would "rather have people laugh about him than cry for him," Watson said. Over 1,000 people, from his hometown Trumbull, Conn., and MIT, attended the service, Watson added.

Adam Kreiger is survived by his parents, Michael and Shelley, and three sisters, Rachel, Sarah, and Deborah.

There will be a memorial service for Adam Kreiger at MIT this semester.

Adam Kreiger was diagnosed with cancer

as a high school junior. He had been very athletic — a star wrestler and cross country runner, according to Watson. He had one tumor on his leg removed, said Robert M. Randolph, associate dean for student services. But he vowed that he would be able to walk normally by the time he graduated from high school — and he did.

Kreiger entered MIT as a premedical student in the School of Management. He had multiple recurrences of the cancer during his sophomore year. Even with radiation treatments, chemotherapy, biological treatments, and other treatments, the tumors grew out of

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# WORLD & NATION

## Marine Admits He Was Part of Porno Ring

LOS ANGELES TIMES

SAN DIEGO

An active-duty Marine stationed at Camp Pendleton has turned himself in to military investigators, saying he submitted to nude photographs as part of an underground pornographic production ring, officials at the base said Wednesday.

The Marine, who was not identified, thus becomes the second junior enlisted man at Camp Pendleton whose involvement in the porno operation has been confirmed by military authorities.

"(The Marine) indicated that he did not participate in sexual acts and expected payment, which was never received for his participation," Chief Warrant Officer Mike Hedlund, the base spokesman, said Wednesday.

Hedlund said the matter had been referred to the Naval Criminal Investigative Service. Posing nude for pay constitutes pandering, a felony offense under the Uniform Code of Military Justice. Lesser offenses are deemed misdemeanors handled as non-judicial punishments.

Pendleton officials also confirmed that NCIS agents conducted a jailhouse interview with the man who claims to have engineered a gay Marine porno ring that police say may involve between two dozen and 200 active-duty personnel.

Police recently turned over evidence to military authorities, who on Tuesday acknowledged for the first time the involvement of an active-duty Marine. Whether any Marine is charged "remains to be seen," Hedlund said.

## Clinton Unveils Compromise Wetlands Policy

LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON

The Clinton administration, breaking new ground on a long-running environmental debate, on Tuesday outlined a package of initiatives designed to stem and eventually reverse the loss of the nation's swamps, marshes and vernal pools to agriculture and development.

Seeking to balance the rights of private landowners with the concerns of environmentalists, the administration moved to protect 1.7 million acres of Alaskan wetlands threatened by development and to close loopholes in federal regulations that have allowed builders to drain and damage other wetland areas throughout the country.

At the same time, however, the proposal would exempt from further regulation 53 million acres of farmland that once were wetlands, and would allow some developers to build on wetlands if they contribute to the creation or restoration of such lands elsewhere.

The wetlands protection effort, unveiled after 10 weeks of work with less fanfare than the other initiatives, was touted by White House officials Tuesday as "the most ambitious set of wetland improvements" since the federal government began regulating the use of such lands in the early 1970s. But environmental groups responded with caution, saying the administration's package does too much to accommodate farmers and private developers.

## Clinton Wants to Boost Civilian Aircraft Industry

LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON

President Clinton and his technology guru, Vice President Al Gore, are trying to put the aeronautics back into the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

The primary goal is to bolster American civil aircraft manufacturing, one of the few domestic industries that still produces a positive trade balance.

U.S. aircraft manufacturers have seen their world market share erode at an alarming rate. In 1969, they built 91 percent of the civil aircraft sold worldwide. Today, the industry is struggling to maintain a 67 percent market share.

While the Republican administrations of Ronald Reagan and George Bush focused on big ticket space projects like Space Station Freedom and a manned mission to Mars, they overlooked the basic research needs of American civil aircraft manufacturers, said Bradford E. Biegon of the American Association of Aeronautics and Astronautics.

"The job base is declining, we're facing increased economic competition on all fronts, and this remains one of the few industries in which we're economically competitive," Biegon said. "We need to continue to make these research investments if we're going to preserve this industry."

To spur the effort, the White House budget submitted to Congress earlier this year calls for a dramatic increase in research funds that one day may make American-built passenger planes faster, safer and cheaper to operate.

Specifically, the administration wants to spend more than \$1 billion in the 1994 fiscal year on aeronautics research and development, up 18 percent from the current year.

## WEATHER

THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE

**Today:** Sunny and hot. Highs 90-95°F (32-35°C). West winds around 10 mph (16 kph).

**Tonight:** Clear, lows in the low 70's (21-23°C).

**Tomorrow:** Mostly sunny and continued hot. Highs 90-95°F (32-35°C).

# NASA Fails to Re-establish Contact with Mars Observer

By William Harwood

SPECIAL TO THE WASHINGTON POST

CAPE CANAVERAL, FLA.

NASA's silent Mars Observer probe, which could be lost in space, destroyed or possibly wheeling around the Red Planet with a broken radio, missed a final deadline to contact Earth Wednesday, increasing concern that the \$1 billion mission could end up a total failure.

"Unfortunately, we still have no two-way communication or one-way communication or data of any kind from the spacecraft," said project manager Glenn Cunningham. "I'm sorry to have to report that. We continue, however, with increased vigor in trying to re-establish communications."

Controllers at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., lost contact with Mars Observer Saturday during a procedure to pressurize the probe's fuel tanks for a critical rocket firing Tuesday to put the spacecraft in orbit around Mars.

Initial efforts to reestablish communications were unsuccessful and no one knows whether the spacecraft exploded or tumbled out of control during fuel-tank pressurization, whether it went into orbit as it was programmed to do or whether it sailed on past Mars into a long orbit around the sun.

Based on an engineering analysis of propulsion system components, Cunningham said Wednesday he believes the spacecraft did not explode, but "I have no data and I can't really speculate beyond that."

Assuming it did not blow up, the solar-powered spacecraft, first American mission to Mars in 17 years, was programmed to go into an "emergency contingency mode" if five days passed without contact. That procedure would have required it to locate the sun, reset its radio

gear and then aim its secondary radio antenna in the general direction of Earth and await instructions.

Flight controllers sent those instructions Wednesday afternoon when the five-day deadline ran out. And to their dismay, Mars Observer remained mute, its fate a complete mystery. While engineers will continue efforts to regain contact, the prognosis was not encouraging.

"The current situation, without communications, certainly erodes our prospects considerably," Cunningham said. "Every day, in fact, without communications clearly lessens our probability of success."

If contact eventually can be re-established, and if the Observer is, in fact, in orbit around Mars, the mission to map the Red Planet and gather priceless data about its structure, composition and atmosphere likely could proceed as planned.

But if controllers ultimately discover the probe passed Mars without firing its braking rockets and continued on in an orbit around the sun, the mission would face a major delay and significant replanning.

In that case, the spacecraft would return to the vicinity of Mars sometime next year or in 1995. Assuming contact can be restored at some point and the problem corrected, engineers would be able to fine-tune the trajectory to put the spacecraft in the desired orbit around Mars, albeit much later than originally planned.

"If we're not in orbit, there are several options for making changes that would return the spacecraft to the vicinity of Mars," Cunningham said.

In the meantime, scientists say the loss of Mars Observer would be a major setback for American planetary exploration. Mission scientist Arden Albee said the flight was designed "to gather an immense amount of information about Mars."

"When humans go to Mars for the first time, they will have used the charts and the data and the information that Mars Observer (was built to) gather," he said. "If Mars Observer should fail, then we would have to re-do Mars Observer sometime in the near future."

Closer to home, the possible demise of Mars Observer, coupled with the Aug. 21 failure of a new \$67 million weather satellite and problems afflicting the Hubble Space Telescope and NASA's Galileo Jupiter probe, likely will have an impact on the agency's budget battles in Congress.

"I'm sure," said John Logsdon, a space policy analyst at George Washington University, "there will be some sort of congressional firestorm that says, 'How in the hell can we waste a billion dollars? And now you're asking us to commit \$10 billion over the next five years to space station?' I think the program is indeed in jeopardy."

Some observers believe the loss of Mars Observer might also rekindle debate about the wisdom of building big, complex and expensive spacecraft instead of smaller, cheaper probes that do not wreck a program when a failure occurs.

"I think it all goes back to the idea that this is how the NASA bureaucracy is geared — you do big things, you have big spectaculars," said Joan Johnson-Freese, a space analyst with the Air War College at Maxwell Air Force Base in Alabama.

"Who pays any attention to the little package deals? Nobody," she said. "You go for flybys of Saturn, you go for a Mars Observer, things that will get media attention. Unfortunately, that sometimes backfires when the engineering glitch occurs. And this is what you get."

# Court Ruling Would Allow Phone Companies to Compete With Cable

By Carla Lazzareschi

LOS ANGELES TIMES

In a potentially huge step toward competition in cable television, a federal judge Tuesday cleared the way for the nation's phone companies to begin offering video programming in their home territories.

The ruling by U.S. District Judge T.S. Ellis III in Alexandria, Va., struck down as unconstitutional a provision in the 1984 Cable Act banning the phone companies from providing video services in areas where they own the monopoly phone system.

Although the ruling came on a challenge brought by Bell Atlantic Corp., the owner of telephone companies in the Mid-Atlantic states, it is widely believed to apply equally to the rest of the nation's phone companies.

Several telephone companies said that, if the decision survives a possible appeal by the federal government and cable operators, the Baby Bells will begin competing directly with their local cable systems within the next two years.

"Within our five-state telephone territory, we look forward to the possibility of offering new options in video services," said Jim Kahan, a senior vice president with Southwestern Bell Corp. in St. Louis.

If the ruling stands, it will accelerate the convergence of telephone, television and other telecommunications technologies in the marketplace. The resulting face-off between communications giants could give consumers more options

for less money than ever before.

"There is no question but that there are going to be more choices available to the consumer," said Sharon Armbrust, a telecommunications analyst at Paul Kagan Associates in Carmel, Calif. "And we have to hope that this will translate into lower prices."

However, some analysts worry that the telephone companies' entry into cable will have the opposite effect. They argue that the phone companies may use their new freedom to purchase existing cable operators, reducing competition rather than increasing it.

"I foresee a dance of the dinosaurs, not a clash of the titans," warns Berge Avazian, of the Yankee Group, a Boston telecommunications research firm. "It will be one monopoly operator buying another monopoly."

Regardless of the effect on consumers, Tuesday's ruling is a major victory for the phone companies in their fight against cable operators for control of the new telecommunications networks that are rolling out across the nation.

The ruling comes against an accelerating rush of technology that is blurring the line between telephone and cable services. As the signals that carry each are translated — or digitized — into electronic blips, telephone and cable television networks become interchangeable.

These developments are giving rise to a host of new services that combine video images with two-way telephone calling through the

TV set. These services include at-home shopping, video-on-demand entertainment and paperless bill-paying.

But while technology may permit the telephone and video services to converge, the web of monopoly-restricting regulations enveloping telephone and cable operators has prevented it.

The Cable Act provision challenged by Philadelphia-based Bell Atlantic was originally designed to prevent phone companies from using their vast ratepayer resources to muscle aside smaller cable operators attempting to do business in their territories. (Phone companies are allowed to own video services outside their service areas.)

Phone company executives have long argued that cable companies no longer need this protection. In December, Bell Atlantic Video Services Inc. and the Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co. of Va., both subsidiaries of Bell Atlantic, filed suit in December challenging the constitutionality of the provision on free-speech grounds.

Bell Atlantic plans to offer video entertainment and information services to about 60,000 customers in Alexandria, Va., using the network that Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone expects to build during the next couple of years.

"Local subscribers used to have only one choice. They had to take it or leave it," said Jim Young, general counsel for Bell Atlantic Corp. "Now consumers will have additional choices."

# Clinton Administration Places Economic Sanctions On China

By Daniel Williams  
THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON

The Clinton administration Wednesday barred the export of some high-technology goods to China and Pakistan for two years as punishment for the sale of Chinese missile equipment to Pakistan.

The primary effect of the ban will be to block the anticipated sale of U.S. satellites to China, according to the State Department, which estimated the sanctions would cost American firms up to \$500 million a year in sales, or about 7 percent of the current level of U.S. exports to China.

The sanctions do not apply to imports of Chinese products, and the effect on trade with Pakistan is expected to be negligible because of previous bans related to the country's nuclear weapons program.

While the Clinton administration had been reluctant to restrict U.S. business opportunities in China because of the potential job loss here, State Department officials

stressed Wednesday that the United States had no choice under current law but to impose the sanctions after confirming the missile-related sale.

The sanctions decision was made after months of intelligence gathering and consultations with Beijing and Islamabad over the suspected sale last year of equipment that U.S. officials say included launchers for M-11 missiles. The sale falls under prohibitions of the Missile Technology Control Regime (MTCR), an arrangement among 23 of the world's most advanced industrialized nations to limit the spread of missiles that can carry nuclear and other weapons of mass destruction.

But among the MTCR signatories, only the United States is committed by law to impose sanctions on violators of MTCR guidelines.

While China has not signed the MTCR, it agreed two years ago to adhere to the agreement and told U.S. officials that the sale to Pakistan in no way breached the guidelines. China is aggressively pursuing the Third World arms market to

finance its own defense industries and gather currency for purchases of advanced weaponry.

McCurry said there was "unambiguous evidence" that China had delivered missile-related technology and components to Pakistan last year, but added that U.S. officials were still uncertain whether China had also sold Pakistan any whole missiles, rocket engines or guidance systems covered by the MTCR, which applies to missiles with ranges greater than 186 miles. The sale of such whole systems would trigger even stiffer U.S. sanctions.

As things now stand, the sanctions encompass exports of U.S. goods that can be used in military applications as well as electronics, military aircraft and space systems and equipment. A proposed sale of a high-powered American computer, controversial because the equipment might have military value, is not prohibited and still under review, said Lynn Davis, the undersecretary of state for international security affairs.

# U.S. Begins Dropping Relief Aid To Besieged Bosnian Muslims

By Art Pine  
LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON

The United States began airdropping food and humanitarian relief supplies over the besieged Muslim enclave of Mostar on Tuesday after an aid convoy failed to reach the southern Bosnian city by land, U.S. and U.N. officials said.

The first flights over the area began late Tuesday, according to U.N. officials. The Pentagon said the U.S. European Command at Rhein-Main airbase in Germany, which staged the air operation, reported that two Air Force C-130 cargo planes dropped about 13,000 prepackaged rations over the area.

As many as 55,000 Muslims there have been cut off from aid supplies by Bosnian Croats, and officials have feared that there may be widespread starvation unless the relief packets are delivered soon.

There were indications, however, that the overland aid would soon be allowed to reach the city.

The failure of the overland con-

voy Tuesday underscored the precarious situation that remains in Bosnia despite weeks of peace negotiations in Geneva among the three warring factions.

A few hours before the airdrops were to begin Tuesday, opposing Muslim and Croat commanders whose forces have been fighting in the area agreed to exchange the bodies of fallen soldiers, presumably paving the way for the truck convoy to enter the city.

The Croats had blocked the convoy from reaching Mostar after charging that the Muslims were refusing to turn over the bodies of nine Croat soldiers killed during an earlier exchange of gunfire.

Croat negotiators had rejected a proposal to give Mostar the status of an international protectorate, which would have allowed U.N. forces to enter the city and set up operations.

The airdrops were requested by the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees in Geneva, according to U.N. spokeswoman Sylvania Foa.

If the truck convoy is permitted

to enter Mostar Wednesday, it will be the first to reach the Muslim sector of the city since June 2. The line of U.N. supply vehicles is said to be carrying some 200 tons of food and medical supplies.

The United States has been airdropping food and medical supplies to areas of Bosnia-Herzegovina since late February.

In Brussels on Tuesday, NATO officials warned that the organization's threat to launch air strikes against forces that persist in blocking aid supplies in Bosnia could apply to the Croats besieging Mostar, as well as to Serbs surrounding Sarajevo.

Meanwhile, at the United Nations in New York, the Security Council unanimously passed a resolution reaffirming its opposition to territorial aggression in Bosnia-Herzegovina and yet praised the Geneva mediators whose peace proposals would allow the Bosnian Serbs to keep most of what they have conquered.

# Perot Takes Early Lead in NAFTA Race

By Ann Devroy  
THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON

It is as dull as dishwater for most Americans, those few who have even heard of it.

But Ross Perot, with a little help from Jay Leno, Larry King and other television and radio hosts, may make the North American Free Trade Agreement a household word by Labor Day week. If he has his way, the word will be mud.

The Clinton White House, mostly still vacationing and somewhat divided over the politics of NAFTA, begins waking up to the fall battle with a 20- to 30-vote deficit in the House. Perot, though, is suited up on the field.

This week his new book, "Save Your Job, Save Our Country. Why NAFTA Must Be Stopped Now!" is hitting newsstands. It portrays the trade agreement between the United States, Mexico and Canada as the "ultimate inside deal" secretly orchestrated by the U.S. and Mexican administrations and a cabal of foreign lobbyists to help "Big Business" with plants in Mexico at the expense of American workers.

Perot, whose previous books have been bestsellers, made the same case last week on a two-hour C-SPAN show and will appear Sept.

2 on the "Tonight Show" with Jay Leno; on the "Larry King Live" television show Sept. 7. He will be on King's radio show Sept. 9 and on lesser-known shows between now and then.

Hearings on NAFTA, which would phase out most tariffs and other trade barriers among the three countries, begin in Congress the week of Sept. 13. Both houses must approve the treaty by December on a simple majority under "fast-track" authority — special rules that give the president 90 days to win approval on an up-or-down, no-amendment vote. Perot and other opponents argue the administration can start over and get a better deal.

The White House, also promoting President Clinton's health care proposal this fall, has just begun to organize for what the president and virtually all parties involved anticipate will be a fierce battle, although not a partisan one. The issue has a free-trade/fair-trade, economic populist divide, with divisions all over the map.

Republicans tend to support it more than Democrats, and the Democrats who oppose it are part of the party's core constituency, such as organized labor and some of the environmental groups. Some of Clinton's friends on health care will

be his enemies on NAFTA.

But even Republicans have their divisions. This week, Empower America, a Republican conservative group co-headed by Jack Kemp and William J. Bennett, sent letters to Republican congressional leaders urging support for NAFTA as the only element of Clinton's agenda that will promote economic growth.

Patrick J. Buchanan, the conservative commentator and 1992 Bush primary opponent, is holding a news conference Thursday to make the case against NAFTA as an agreement at odds with "traditional conservative principles of limited government, national sovereignty and an aversion to massive new foreign aid programs."

William Daley, the Chicago lawyer chosen by Clinton to coordinate the campaign for NAFTA, arrived here this week for the first set of meetings with an interagency task force established to push the program through Congress. The White House is expected to hire a Republican, former Minnesota Rep. William Frenzel, to work the GOP side of the House, sources said.

Daley, who has strong ties to organized labor, has a primary task of getting more Democratic House members to sign up.

# 400 GIs Part of New Effort to Neutralize Somali Warlord

LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON

The Clinton administration's decision to send 400 U.S. Army Rangers to Somalia represents a major new effort to protect existing U.S. troops from ambush and to neutralize fugitive warlord Mohammed Farah Aidid, U.S. officials said Tuesday.

Publicly, the administration continued to deny that the deployment is aimed primarily at capturing or killing Aidid, who has been the object of a U.S.-U.N. manhunt since mid-June. His militiamen were blamed for the June 5 ambush that left 24 Pakistani peacekeeping soldiers dead.

But well-placed administration policy-makers conceded privately that there is no question the Rangers are being dispatched mainly to help break Aidid's grip on the Somali capital — by capturing him, if possible, or by blunting his influence in other ways.

If the Rangers cannot quickly catch Aidid, they will move to isolate him physically and intensify pressure on his guerrillas, using counterterrorism tactics to disrupt his links with his followers and to disarm and break down his forces, military experts said.

# Clinton Seeks to Avoid NAFTA Environmental Study

LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON

The Clinton administration's chief legal advocate Tuesday urged a federal appeals court to overturn a ruling that would require the government to assess the environmental impact of the North American Free Trade Agreement.

U.S. Solicitor General Drew S. Days III argued that because President Clinton, and not a government agency, is ultimately responsible for carrying out the trade pact, NAFTA is exempt from a 1970 environmental law. That law, the National Environmental Protection Act, requires the government to conduct environmental impact studies for decisions by federal agencies that affect the environment.

After hearing arguments from Days and a lawyer representing environmental and public interest groups, a three-judge panel could decide in a matter of weeks whether to overturn a June decision by U.S. District Court Judge Charles Richey that many thought might deal a serious blow to NAFTA.

The trade agreement, which Clinton has indicated he plans to submit to Congress for ratification this fall, would remove most trade barriers among the United States, Canada and Mexico, creating the world's largest free-trade market.

# Ex-Contras Free Remaining Hostages

THE WASHINGTON POST

MANAGUA, NICARAGUA

Former Contra guerrillas released their last five hostages in the north of the country Wednesday, opening the way to a peaceful resolution of the kidnapping crisis that has paralyzed Nicaragua for almost a week.

The second group of hostage takers, made up of leftist former members of the Sandinista army, agreed to free its remaining five captives here — including Vice President Virgilio Godoy — as soon as those released by the ex-Contras arrive in the capital.

Among the five being flown by helicopter in rainy weather to Managua were two Sandinista members of the National Assembly. Donald Mendoza, leader of the kidnapers here, said his group in turn would be flown out of the capital. "This is a triumph for us," he said.

The crisis has reflected unresolved disputes still tearing at the country after a decade of civil war in the 1980s.

Former members of the U.S.-sponsored Contra movement in the northern hills of Nicaragua held until the last the two legislators and three military officers identified with the Marxist-led Sandinista National Liberation Front that ruled Nicaragua from 1979 until Violeta Chamorro was elected president three years ago.

# Some See Sheik's Indictment as Anti-Muslim Bias

NEWSDAY

NEW YORK

At the Brooklyn mosque where Sheik Omar Abdel-Rahman often preached, Muslims who gathered to pray Wednesday greeted the news of his indictment with disbelief and outrage, saying it was evidence of anti-Muslim bias.

"They've wronged him," said Yusuf Ibrahim, 28, as he was entering the Abu Bakr Siddique mosque. "It's just prejudice on the part of the government against the Muslim religion."

"It's all lies," said a 27-year-old man who identified himself only as Osama. "Islam teaches that you have to be good to everybody."

The sheik might have said that someone like Adolf Hitler deserved to die, Osama said, but he has never advocated violence. "I've been to so many of his classes, all of them, and he's never said to kill anybody," he said.

He dismissed evidence pointing to the sheik's guilt as untrue, saying the media was to blame for spreading untruths about the religious leader.

"For the past year we never hear anything good in the media about Islam," he said. His explanation: "Americans are becoming Muslims and the government wants to put a stop to it."

In the Arab-American enclave on Court Street in Brooklyn, Muslims were incredulous at the sheik's indictment.

"I don't know how they could say he did that," said Nasser Mati, 22. "We don't believe in violence in the Muslim religion."

Dr. M.T. Mehdi, secretary-general of the National Council on Islamic Affairs, said the sheik's indictment is "a triumph of paranoia and intolerance in America."

# OPINION

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### Editorial

Take control of time here. Pursue your interests, seek out the company of people you like. Don't be afraid to try something you never have experienced before. And if you are having trouble, don't be afraid to ask for help.

MIT provides a wealth of opportunities for new students — sports, activities, research programs. But these offerings go only to those

aggressive enough to ask for them. Investigate these opportunities — they'll shape your MIT experience just as much as any lecture or recitation section will.

Most of all, remember that at MIT, nothing is permanent. Students can switch classes, switch roommates, switch living groups, switch jobs, switch majors with surprising ease. In your first years here, treat MIT like an adventure — new and exciting, and full of sudden twists and turns. You have at least a year to choose majors, and at least two dozen avenues to explore.

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## Stand Up and Tell People Who You Are

Column by Eva Moy

NEWS EDITOR

Welcome to MIT. I'm not the first one to say it, and I certainly won't be the last. But welcome anyway.

So here you begin your journey through this hallowed institution. Four hard years of tears and toil will shape you as the professional and as the person you will be. Here you stand, looking up at a long flight of stairs, ready to take the first step.

The first step is the easiest.

This afternoon you will go to the President's convocation; it's mandatory. Within a few days, you'll figure out that "mandatory" is only a suggestion, like traffic lights in Boston. That's why they try to pack all the mandatory stuff at the beginning of Residence and Orientation Week. In the meantime, give President Vest a chance to tell you what a great honor it is to be here.

Seriously, though, look around. This is your class. These are the people you will be working with and competing against for a long time to come. Pick out a friendly face and smile at it. Wave. (There are enough hermits at MIT.) Maybe one day you'll become lab partners. Or best friends. Or married. Maybe you'll never see them again, but then again, maybe you will.

And if the convocation still doesn't interest you, try lecture Bingo. Scan the rows during the speech. If you find five people asleep in a row, stand up, and say "Bingo." We'll all understand.

And after the convocation, after the picnic, be yourself. I'm not the first one to say it, and I certainly won't be the last.

Ask yourself if are the people you meet are real. Are they who they say they are? Wear a

sign with your name, state, potential major, and interests on it, and see if they can carry a conversation with you then. Maybe. Maybe not.

Don't be hesitant to tell people who you really are. Tell them if you build model cars. Or collect dust. Tell them if you like to read Organic Chemistry for fun. Tell them if you want to check out the new Sparc stations at Athena. Tell them if you were a championship bowler in your local league. Tell them if you are gay.

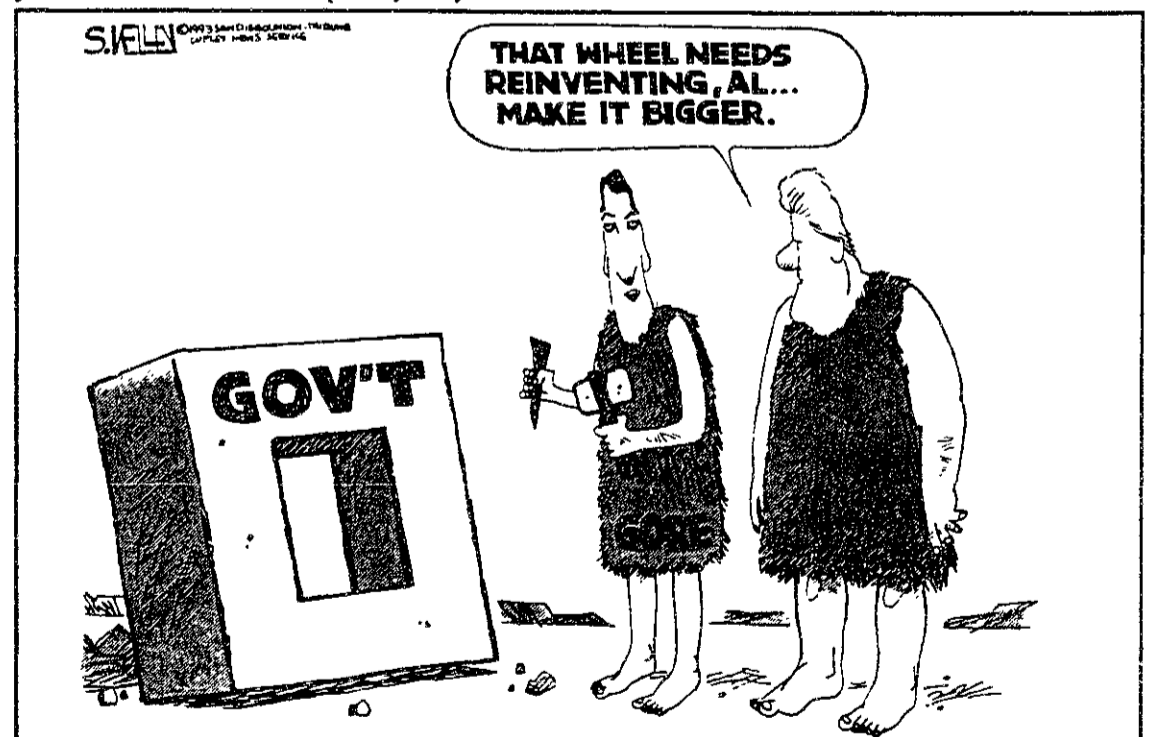
Give other people a chance before you judge them, but more importantly, give yourself a chance. As you ascend these stairs, keep your spirits high, reaching for your goals. Let yourself climb as far as quickly as you can.

Don't be afraid to reach out to those ahead for help, but don't forget to look back down to see what you've accomplished and help those still behind.

If getting into a certain ILG means being somebody you aren't, ask yourself if you'll really be happy there. If somebody is making you uncomfortable, politely excuse yourself and leave. You don't have to decide where you ultimately want to live in the next five days; you have four more years to decide.

And don't be scared to stand up and say "Bingo."

*Eva Moy, a junior in the department of mechanical engineering, wanted to see the Jackie Chan movie but wrote for The Tech instead.*



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# Card Key System to Start Soon

By Sarah Y. Keightley  
NEWS EDITOR

Beginning on Sept. 29, residents of Next House and MacGregor House will unlock their dormitories with magnetically encoded "card keys."

The change is part of a security enhancement project which will eventually include card key readers in all dormitories. By the spring term, all dormitories will probably be equipped with readers, said Associate Director of Housing and Food Services Kenneth R. Wisentaner.

Next House presently has one card reader, while MacGregor has eight, one for each perimeter door. The subcontractor is now installing the system in New House, and they are "working their way down Amherst Alley," Wisentaner said.

All students will be issued a temporary card key on Registration Day to access these systems. The Housing Office is working toward having the access card be the same as the student identification card. This

would require all students to be issued new identification cards, but probably will not occur for some time. "The goal for MIT is to have one card for everybody on campus," Wisentaner said.

### Cards for Westgate lot

MIT is also installing the card system for access into the Westgate parking lot. The access system, paired with complete perimeter fencing and lighting improvements, is being installed "to control access and thereby reduce the incidence of motor vehicle theft," said Chief of Campus Police Anne P. Glavin. This is an experiment that may bring card-key systems to other parking lots and buildings, Glavin said. "It is my hope to see this implemented across campus," she added.

Hans C. Godfrey '93, Undergraduate Association president, said, "Hopefully this system will lead to a more secure campus." If the system is eventually expanded to include Institute buildings, God-

frey said, students would be able to open these doors even when they are normally locked at night. They could then walk through the main buildings, rather than outside.

Wisentaner said that the increasing number of violent crimes on and near campus last year had little effect on the plan to install the new security system. "We were going to move in this direction anyway," he said. He also noted that most schools, including Harvard University, are installing similar systems.

Caroline Kwak '94, Next House desk captain, said the system will make the dormitory more secure. Kwak said that she has heard that the Institute may place additional access card readers in Next House for stairway access. Since two other dormitory dining halls have been closed and the Next dining hall will be serving a larger student population, these readers would give Next residents more privacy.

*Eva Moy contributed to the reporting of this story.*

# IFC Unaffected by Rule Change

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"There's a fine line, but because rush is only a few days. ... [There is a need] to create a fair and equal

playing ground for all the ILGs," Doshi continued.

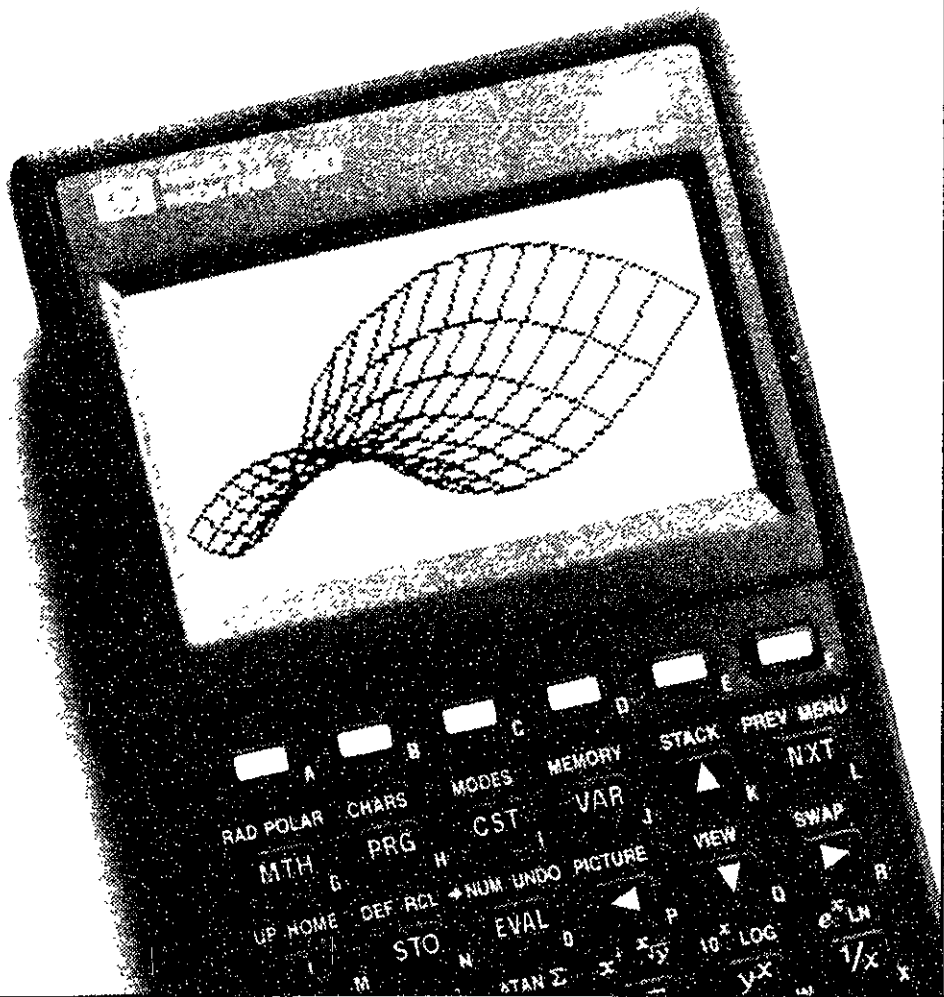
Because of this fine line, Doshi said that the "false and malicious" standard used in the suspended

DormCon policy was not as strict as the IFC policy. There were some cases in which factually true statements could be considered bad mouthing under IFC rules, Doshi said.

The case of the racial incident at Phi Beta Epsilon during the spring semester will be particularly troublesome, Doshi said. "The only thing that is fair to say is what [the Committee on Discipline] decided. If there is no conclusion drawn up by MIT, then it is best not just to say [anything] to avoid coming on the border," he said.

"There are many other sources beside the fraternities that freshman can go to find out these things," Doshi emphasized. "We want to make sure that fraternities or sororities don't use this kind of information to their advantage or to bad mouth another house."

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**Aug. 7:** Bldg. 9, bike stolen \$650; Bldg. 13, suspicious activity; Bldg. 10, cash stolen \$250; Bldg. 14, suspicious activity.

**Aug. 8:** Audrey Street, Honda door lock vandalized; Bldg. 10, suspicious activity; Bldg. 20, larceny of a computer \$2,200.

**Aug. 10:** Bldg. E40, suspicious activity; Fowler Street and Memorial Drive, '84 Honda stolen; Rockwell Cage, truck broken into and tools stolen, \$1,200; E51, car with stolen number plate, Bldg. 4, computer stolen \$1,400; Bldg. E17, tiny camera stolen \$2,098.

**Aug. 11:** DuPont men's locker room, wallet containing \$85 stolen; Pacific Street lot, '89 Mazda stolen; Student Center wallet stolen \$50; Bldg. E10, wallet stolen \$40.

**Aug. 13:** New House, annoying phone calls; Bldg. 10, bike stolen \$350; Bldg. 14, laptop computer \$3,570; West Garage Annex lot, 1) car stereo stolen \$350, 2) compact disc player stolen \$200; Bldg. 14, malicious damage to a CD-ROM.

**Aug. 14:** Student Center, male arrested for trespassing; Bldg. 7, male arrested for trespassing.

**Aug. 15:** TDC, two bikes stolen 1) \$400 2) 150; Sailing Pavilion, wallet stolen \$80.

**Aug. 16:** Bldg. 6, computer and laser printer stolen \$3,900; Walker Memorial, bike stolen \$385; WILG, bike stolen \$148; Bldg. NW21, victim was asked for spare change, then hit on back by suspect; E51 lot, '86 GMC truck stolen in Boston recovered; E51 lot, '93 Eagle stolen; MIT officer observed suspect break into a car along Memorial Drive, campus and state police officers apprehended suspect; Bldg. E51, bike stolen \$200.

**Aug. 17:** Pacific Street lot, car broken into and radio stolen \$200; Bldg. E51, wallet stolen \$20; Bldg. 13, cash \$100.

**Aug. 18:** Student Center, wallet stolen \$110; Bldg. E51, bike stolen \$265; Bldg. 18, wallet stolen \$20; E51 lot, radio stolen from car.

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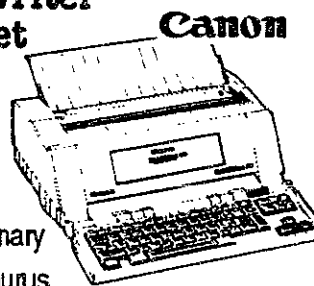
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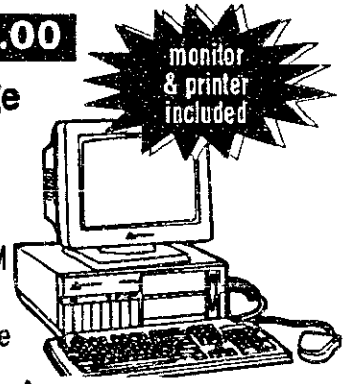
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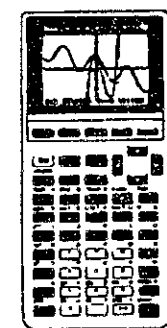
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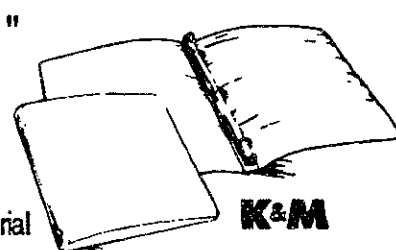
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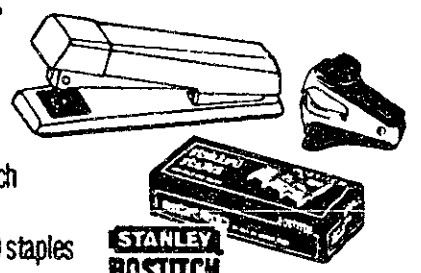
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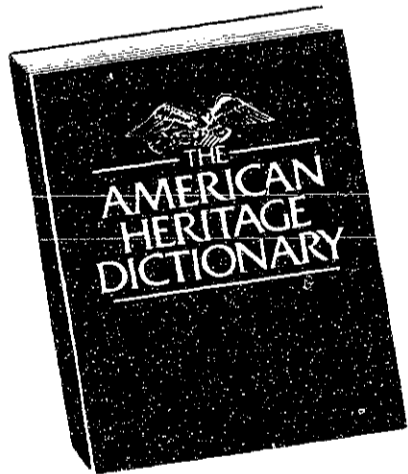
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# Adam Kreiger Day Celebrates His Life

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control, Shelley Kreiger said.

"He made it seem like he could recover from anything," Watson said. But by June, "He decided that medical treatment wasn't going to do anything any more, just let it take control."

## School and the MIT community

Adam Kreiger "tried to live a completely normal life," despite his cancer, Watson said. He did not let it stop him from doing what he wanted to do.

"He loved this place. He wasn't going to let sickness slow him down," DKE President Kimball D. Thurston III '94 said.

He completed most of the his sophomore year classes, in addition to weekly treatments at Yale University and in- and outpatient treatment at Massachusetts General Hospital, said Shelley Kreiger.

He always wanted to leave the hospital early, "typically get out about a week before he was supposed to after a treatment," Watson said.

"Adam felt that cancer was a major inconvenience in his life ... but it was not who he was," Shelley Kreiger said. He had friends, school, and fun — "everything else [is like] you are when you are 20 years old."

"Adam liked living," Shelley Kreiger added. "I don't think there's too much he didn't like."

Adam Kreiger loved the outdoors, especially the beach. "Even when he couldn't walk, he went down to the beach," Randolph said.

He also loved animated Disney movies. Thurston remembered an occasion when they came back from *101 Dalmations* and jumped through all the rain puddles on the way home.

Last spring he had planned on starting classes, even though he was weaker. "I haven't known anybody who was more courageous than he," Randolph said.

Even though Adam Kreiger did not like special treatment, many people helped him out during his time at MIT. At DKE, some of his brothers helped him dress his open incisions, Randolph said. Some professors went to the hospital to give Adam Kreiger his final exams, he added.

The campus police often transported him from DKE to MGH in his sophomore year. Patrolman Francis Kane was one officer who grew to know Adam Kreiger.

"The man had a lot of guts. He walked to a lot of places he could

have been transported," Kane said. Kane tried to talk with Adam and keep his spirits high. "He was the type of kid who never complained about anything."

## Adam Kreiger Day

Adam Kreiger strongly believed in programs that encouraged cancer patients "not just be recipients but active doers in fighting disease in a different way," Shelley Kreiger said.

He "made you almost forget that he had this disability," and let cancer patients know that you could live a normal life.

For several years Adam Kreiger participated in the Pennsylvania Long Acre Expeditions teen camping program. He developed The Cancer Challenge, one of this summer's expeditions that involved both healthy participants and participants with cancer. "Kids had a lot to learn from each other about how to face challenges that came in front of them," whether mountains or sickness, Shelley Kreiger explained.

Although Adam Kreiger was unable to attend the program because his condition was worsening, participants wrote to him telling him about its success.

Three days after Adam's death, the town of Trumbull held an annual swimming fund raiser, Swim Across the Sound. Instead of being held in his honor, it is now being held in his memory. Adam had participated in the fund raiser in previous years, and many people who had heard his position and his philosophy also participated in the event.

In Trumbull, in support of Swim Across the Sound, Aug. 13 is now known as Adam Kreiger Day.

Also, the Kreiger family has set up an Adam Kreiger fund for cancer screening and education.



Adam M. Kreiger '95

The Tech received a copy of this letter, written by Adam M. Kreiger '95 and read at his funeral.

I, Adam Kreiger, being of sound mind, and surprisingly healthy looking body for the crap I have, do request that I be remembered as I have lived, and if my life has been of any value, then people will mourn me by laughing, smiling. Don't waste time missing me, I'm at the beach — come and spend some time. Enjoy it, breathe in the fresh salt air, celebrate the natural beauty of the ocean meeting the land. Never make me a cause for your pain, I was never an aching hole in anyone's life, nor will I ever be. Don't worry about your own mortality, I was never a cause for worry. Remember that I would never miss pointing out a rainbow. When you are scared of anything bring me along for company, I would always listen to your fears, your hurts, your angers. I will always be by your side to brighten a stressful day with a dumb idea or just a smile. If I was strong, draw strength from me. If I was happy, draw joy from me. If I had fun, draw fun from me. If I loved, draw love from me. Whatever I was to you, honor my memory by keeping me forever with you for the good I have been able to share.

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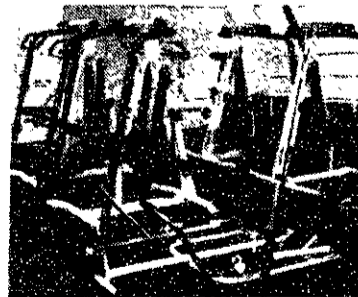
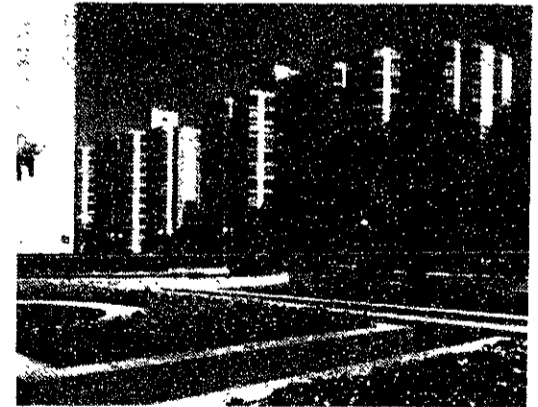
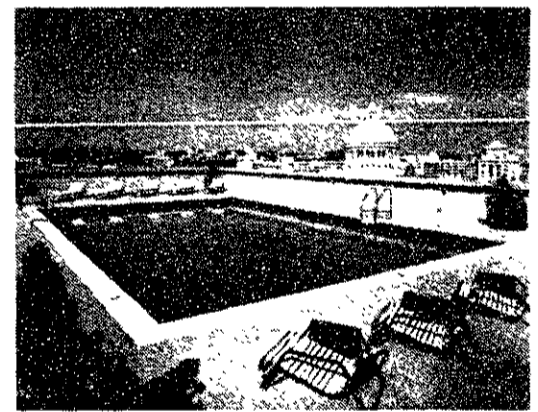
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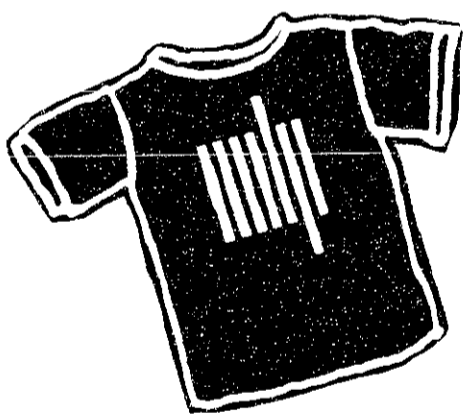
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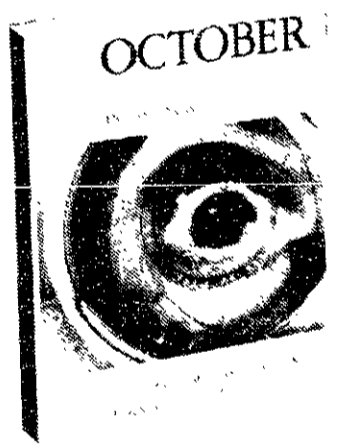
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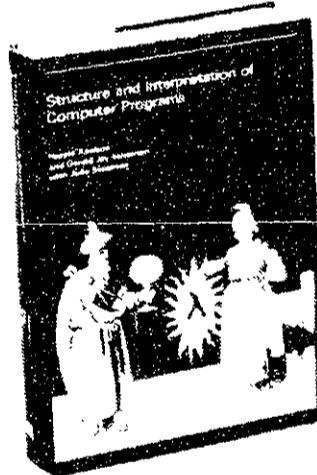


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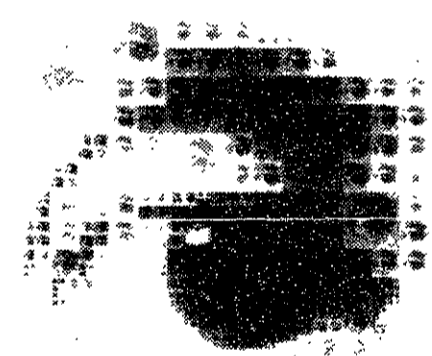


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# Bridges, Film Crew Shoot Movie at MIT

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blown up. Other scenes will include Fenway Park and the fireworks display from the last Fourth of July, Dilorio said.

Tommy Lee Jones, who plays Dove's nemesis, will join the filming in September, Fitzgerald added.

"I was quite impressed with the level of professionalism exhibited by the MGM cast and crew, and their genuine concern for our satisfaction with their portrayal of campus. The producers have a real appreciation for MIT," Fitzgerald said.

### Community watches, participates

"We did not encounter any problems and in fact have had quite a positive response from the community. My assessment was that filming provided a nice morale booster and out-of-the-ordinary experience for all," Fitzgerald said.

"I have received a few calls from people complaining about our supporting bombs ... [but] the movie is about the men and women of the Boston bomb squad who risk their lives every day to prevent the destruction that bombs inflict and in no way condones any type of bombs," she added.

Azeem J. Robinson, an actor, aspiring filmmaker, and LaVerde's employee, was excited to be chosen by MGM as a paid extra. It was his "biggest project, as far as Hollywood." Robinson worked near Bridges, but "when you're on the set and working, it's not very professional to walk over and ask for autographs," he said. Robinson also talked with some of the technical staff about the cameras and equipment.

Although most extras were screened by MGM, others were people who "showed up at the right time," said Michael T. Ford '96, who played an extra. "I was sup-

posed to stand there and pretend I was watching a bunch of policemen and firemen run into a building," he said. "It was kind of fun. It'll be neat when the movie comes out."

John H. Lyons, an administrative assistant, walked past the trailer trucks at the end of the day and saw the equipment and costumes that the filming cast and crew had used. "It was fascinating — to see it and realize this is what it takes to make a movie that we see for granted."

### Much planning involved

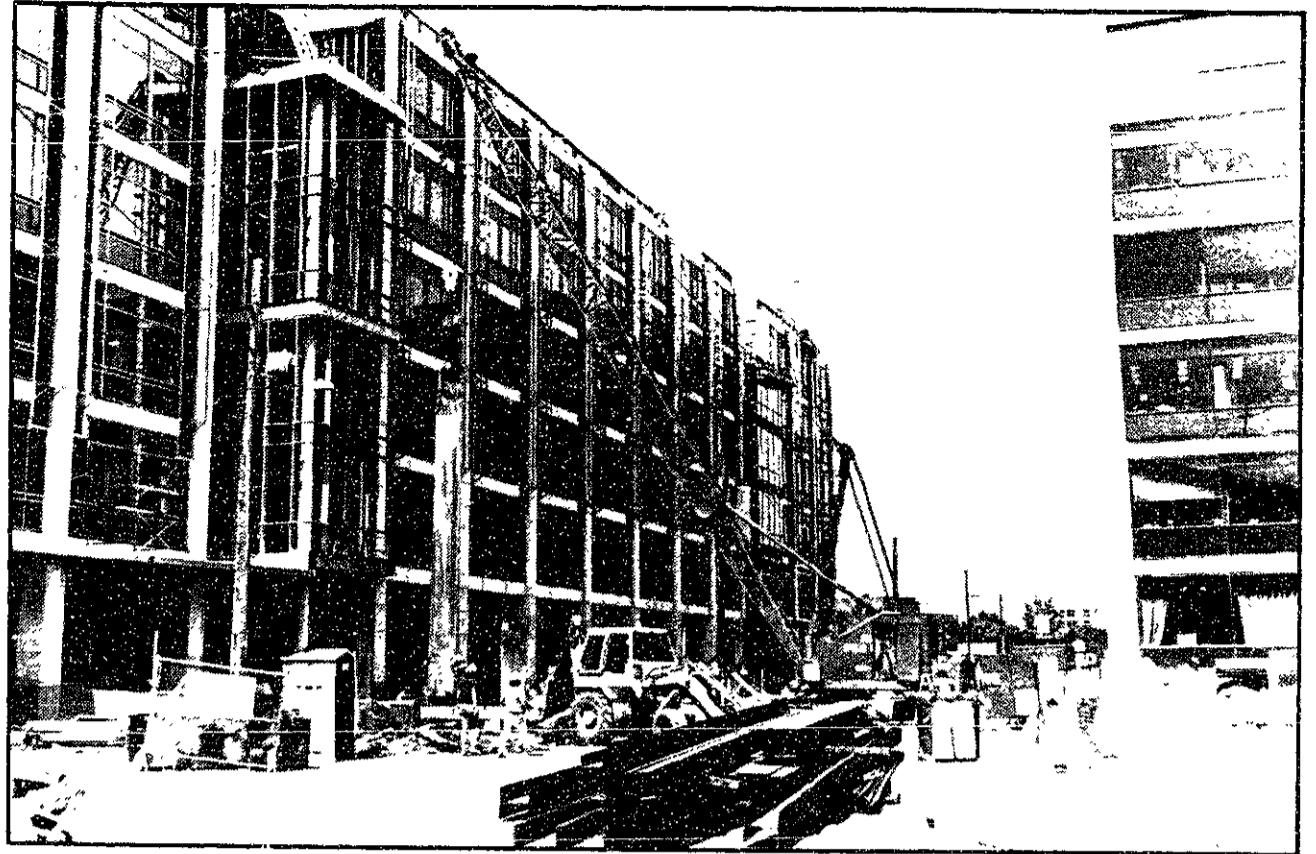
The Massachusetts Film Office initially approached Dilorio about the feasibility of the project. After another meeting and after MIT was satisfied that the filming would be a positive experience, consent was given, Fitzgerald said.

MIT was appropriately compensated for direct expenses and the use of facilities, Fitzgerald added.

MGM worked with the state and the Metropolitan District Commission to block off Memorial Drive. Campus Police Lt. James P. Capucci, Physical Plant Route Supervisor Norman H. Magnuson, Jr., and Assistant Director for Programs Ted E. Johnson also helped oversee the process during filming.

The campus police played a peripheral role, providing security details and crowd control, according to Chief of Campus Police Anne P. Glavin. MGM also used a Campus Police cruiser for the day, and Boston and State Police were on site.

"I heard very good feedback from the officers," Glavin said. She added that at one point, Bridges realized that a real Campus Police officer was standing near him, and brought him into the view of the camera in the scene.



Work has begun on the tunnel connecting the new biology building with E17. As a result, Ames Street will be closed until December. YUEH Z. LEE—THE TECH

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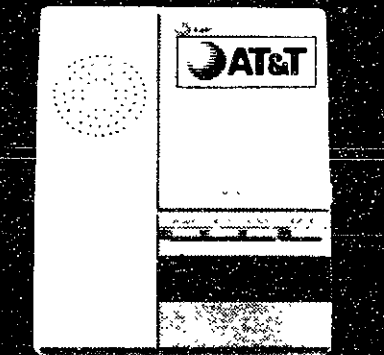
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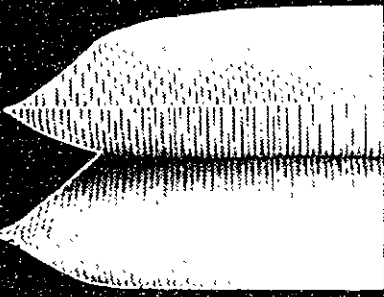
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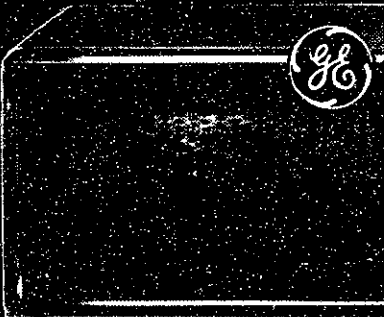


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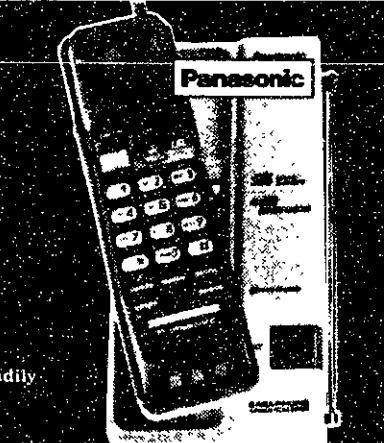


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