AEPHi Could Come to MIT

By Nicole A. Sherry

MIT's Oldest and Largest Newspaper

NINE undergraduate women hoping to bring a new sorority, Alpha Epsilon Phi, to MIT made a presentation to the Panhellenic Association Wednesday night. They are awaiting a decision as to whether a fifth sorority will be invited to come onto campus.

AEPHi was founded on Jewish principles. However, the nine women attempting to form the new chapter plan to work without religious preference. The women hope to run the sorority like the current four, except that it would probably have a larger portion of Jewish members, some of the activities would be directed towards promoting Jewish culture, and it would be smaller. The women would like to have around 40 members—half the size of each of the existing sororities.

"We all want to be a full-fledged part of the Greek community in all respects," said Aliza E. Mezrich '95, one of the nine women. "It is just that we will have a little something different that appeals to us and we think would appeal to others."

The women want to start a new sorority because none of them was interested by the existing sororities, according to Janie H. Rosenblum '96, another woman from the group. However, the women wanted to be a part of Greek-life and wanted the closeness of a sorority, she said.

"We feel that we have a common base. While there are women in other sororities and the other sororities are not discriminative, we feel more comfortable with each other and feel that forming a sorority is given us a medium for developing our Jewisnness as well as the benefits of Greek life," Mezrich said.

AEPHi's national philanthropy is the support of a rehabilitation center in Israel. The nine women have discussed the possibility of inviting speakers to discuss Jewish issues, and hope that the formation of the group will facilitate women coming together on Jewish holidays. However, Judaism will not be the sorority's main focus, according to the women. The group hopes to partake in all of the activities, will work to provide support for all of the women in the sorority, they added.

One of the main concerns of current sororities is that a frath could reduce number of women rushing each sorority, making it difficult for the existing sororities to fill their quotas. Also, people are concerned that the group would be too homogeneous, that they may interfere rushers, and that Jewish women may feel pressured to join.

Still, many members of other sororities support the idea. "Summarizing views is hard to do at this point but I think the general view of [Alpha Phi] is that it shouldn't hurt our numbers and that it will maybe make Parallel better by providing support for more women at MIT," said Meloney A. Hilt '94, president of Alpha Phi.

City Proposes Parking Changes

By Eva Moy

Despite a decrease in the number of positions offered, the three undergraduate engineering internship programs are still enjoying much success in recruiting and have plans to expand in the near future.

Each of the programs consists of two summer work periods—the summers after the junior and senior year. Students who are accepted to MIT graduate school may also complete as additional six-month work period.

The School of Engineering sponsors the Engineering Internship Program. The Department of Materials Science and Engineering and Electrical Engineering in cooperation with the National Science Foundation provide their own programs, the Course 15-B program and Research Internship Program.

When hiring college graduates, many companies prefer students with industrial experience. "It is a great way for the students to work in the real world," said Professor Regis M. Fellous PhD '58, one of the sponsors. The programs allow students to "really know what to expect when they get out." The sponsors also tend to have higher starting salaries, said Preston, "and can "use all the knowledge you've gotten here."

Number of Internships declined

The number of internships offered has been affected by the economy's woes over the past few years, said Preston. An internship program had 93 openings, compared with 78 last year, according to an MIT newsletter. The number of on-street parking spaces available. This stiffed business growth and caused headaches for

Biology's 8 from MIT: Find Huntington's Gene

By Kevin Subramanya

The long-sought gene for Huntington's disease recently came to an end when a group of scientists that included eight MIT biologists, announced on March 23 that they had identified the gene responsible for Huntington's disease.

The results of the discovery appeared in the March 26 issue of the journal Cell. Huntington's disease is a disease characterized by involuntary jerky movements, mood swings, staring speech, depression, and eventual dementia. The age of onset of the disease is variable, but people with the trait usually begin showing symptoms between the ages of 30 to 50. Death usually follows within 15 years.

The gene was found on chromosome 4 in a Massachusetts General Hospital by James F. Gusella PhD '70, a former graduate student of biology Professor David E. Housman and Professor Philip A. Sharp, head of the biolo-

government. The unique technique, called "exon identification," enables researchers to cut out the pieces of the gene's strands, which are pieces of DNA unrelated to gene expression.

Approximately 30,000 Americans have Huntington's disease and about 150,000 more are at risk. Children of a parent who has Huntington's disease are at 50 percent risk of inheriting the bad gene associated with it.

There is no cure for Huntington's disease. However, people will be able to take a more improved test that will allow detection of the gene several years before symptoms occur. The recent discovery of the gene helped to improve this test.

The other contributors at MIT were: Deanna M. Church, a research associate with the Center for Cancer Research; Michael C. O'Donnovon, a postdoctoral fellow at CCR; Laura E. Riobo-Ramirez, a technical assistant at CCR, Manish A. Shah G and Vincent E. P. Stanton, a postdoctoral associate at CCR.

In addition to MIT and MGH, the other institutions involved in the research were: the University of Michigan, Imperial Cancer Research Fund, University of Wales, and University of California at Irvine.
Republicen F-lifter Loons On Clinton Stimulus Plan

By Eric Plaun and Helen Dower
WASHINGTON POST

All 43 Senate Republicans that comprise President Clinton's $16.3 billion economic stimulus package unless he reduces it by at least 30 percent. Without the support of at least some Republican senators, who are divided over whether to freeze their 1993 tax cuts, the president said he would have no choice but to consider the ship acquisition during the new administration budget review.

Navy Awarded $365 Million Pact
In an Eve of Clinton Taking Office

The Navy, acting at the 11th hour of the Bush administration, awarded a $365 million contract for a supply ship in an effort to preclude a possible strike by workers. The Vincent, the latest ship in the controversy and troubled program.

In recent days before President Bush left office, the Navy awarded the contract to the National Steel and Shipbuilding Co. in San Diego to build the VIN-2, the fourth and last in a series.

In a move that is unprecedented, the Navy might not order another supply ship if the incoming Clinton administration carried through with its intention to cut the Navy fleet.

The event was a recent move by Secretary of the Navy Gordon A. Radney to shift his attention away from the issue of the Vincent (NS-66), the inspector generally asserted that the Navy's contract award "was still in the process of being reviewed." With cold air up in northern New England and eastern Canada, and ocean temperatures around 40°F (4°C), so that anytime we get a periphery. The Atlantic is still very cold, with temperatures of blowing up the Israeli Embassy here.

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In a major crackdown on an alleged Palestinian terrorist organization in the United States, four reputed members have been indicted on racketeering charges, including killing the teen-age daughter of one to support Iran's Premier pounding into the community.

The American president had said that "without having a better understanding of this pressure," he was gay.

Dowel told a House Appropriations panel, "We are determined that that situation be brought to an end," as he tabled the speech, to the Russians and their neighbors.

Because we will still be under the influence of a large cyclonic circu-

"It's not an act of charity," Clinton said, "it's an investment in our own future." Clinton praised the Russian people for their courage and sacrifice, and for their sacrifice, and for their sacrifice, and for the development of foreign aid programs to the Russians and their neighbors.

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FCC Orders Cable Operators To Roll Back Rates to Fall Level

By Jube Shiver Jr.

WASHINGTON

The Federal Communications Commission ordered the nation's cable operators Monday to roll back their rates, a move expected to save America's 57 million cable households $1 billion a year.

Most customers should begin seeing lower rates this week, when they pay their monthly cable bill by August, FCC officials said. Further price scrutiny by the FCC and new restrictions that the agency has imposed on cable operators could bring additional rate cuts later on.

The FCC voted to clamp a lid on soaring cable rates marks a return to regulation for an industry that enjoyed a monopoly in local markets but was deregulated in 1986.

"There were no perfect answers to this complex issue," interim FCC Chairman James H. Quello said before voting to approve the new rate restrictions.

Overriding a veto by then-President Bush, Congress last October ordered the FCC to lower cable rates to their late 1980s level and to continue to regulate them until June 1993. The FCC's new rate order goes into effect next week.

"It's a step in the right direction, but we are disappointed that the rate reductions were not larger; we think rate reductions of 30 percent were justified," said Gene Kimmelman, legislative director of the Consumer Federation of America, a Washington Coalition of 240 consumer groups.

Rep. Edward J. Markey, D-Mass., who chairs the powerful House Subcommittee on Telecommunications and Finance, said he also would "like to have seen the FCC's rate rollbacks go even further."

Sen. Joseph I. Lieberman, D-Conn., called the FCC's action "a good first step" but added that "it cannot be the last step. The FCC's own data shows that mosasoply (cable) systems, charged on average, 21 percent more than systems with head-to-head competition."

The provision could allow cable companies to profitably unbUNDLE the basic services they offer now, which often include Cable News Network and Music Television, or MTV, and other popular add-ons. By offering those separately, cable operators could raise their rates, said Doug Webbink, the FCC chief of policy and rules in the agency's Mass Media Bureau.

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The move by the defense lawyers had foreclosed testimony by surprised and forced the judge to dis

The trial involving a man who had been tipped by another witness, Harold W. Brans, the lawyer for Dieneso, had presented scant evidence as long as possible. Whether agents knew that Koresh was killed, "is going to be taken apart down to the last nut and bolt," during a further investigation by the Department of Justice, said an official in Waco. More agents have said that the element of surprise was lost, the raid would have had to happen sooner.

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Internship Programs to Grow

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dents who applied, Ramsey said. Normally, there are 30 to 60 open-
ing. "We feel that we will not continue" when the economy improves, Ramsey said.
This year 33 students applied for approximately 50 positions open in
HI-B, according to Joseph M. Dhosi '59, Coase HI-B's senior administra-
tive officer. Generally, three-fourths of each class in the department par-
ticipates in Coase HI-B, he added. About 90 percent of each year's
applicants is successful in finding an internship, he said.
The Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science
is countering this decline by increasing the number of recruiting
companies by 10 percent each year, O'Toole said. This is also in prepara-
tion for the five-year Master of Engineering program,
which begins with next year's enter-
ing class, he added.
O'Toole also plans to expand the number of participating companies.
Ramsey said.
Several departments represented
The VLA Internship Program in
ECE and HI-B in its 7th year, according to
O'Toole. "It enjoys an excellent
reputation in industry," O'Toole said.
O'Toole who submits a preference
list of companies with which they want to interview. Based on both the
students' and companies' time
constraints, program coordinators
plan companies to look upon the
students as "on a part-time basis.
There's no intrinsic need for the
company to hire a student," Dhosi said.
O'Toole said. Nonetheless, about two-thirds of the
students do stay with the same
company, he added.
Interviews are the last step
Each program has a series of
events leading up to the actual inter-
views. These include an orientation
lecture and company open houses.
Students then submit a preference
list of companies with which they
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students as "part-time employees." O'Toole said.
We want to "get as much infor-
mation to students so they can make
their own decision," Dhosi said.
The companies then submit a
preference
list, and students with offers
choose to accept or decline them by
mid-April.
In addition to a student's salary, some students also have to pay
additional fees to participate in these programs.
For the VI-A program and EIP the company pays a "participation fee,"
which covers the administrative
costs. They pay for the travel for the
student and faculty adviser, and
some companies give the student employee benefits.
EIP does not charge a fee during
years that a company does not
participate, but after three years, the
company is placed on inactive sta-
tus, Ramsey said.
On the other hand, the HI-B pro-
gram does not charge any participa-
tion fees, Dhosi said. Moreover,
companies do not pay for flying fac-
ulty advisers to the work site, Pol-
loux said.
O'Toole said, "I want the company
to look upon the student as a
company employee" in terms of
salaries, benefits, disclosures, and
requirements for employment.
He added that the VLA office
does not intervene in the salary
process, but conducts a survey of
salaries based on geographic loca-
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they can "see where they fall in the
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City to Limit Parking Spaces near Institute

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had failed to recognize some of the unique conditions of MIT residents. Specifically, they felt that the city was treating MIT parking spaces as a special category towards 9 to 5 business workers, which is not typical of many members of the MIT community. They contended that the city definition of a resident for parking purposes — a person who resides as a legal resident of Cambridge with a vehicle registered in Cambridge — excludes MIT students. This definition prohibits MIT students with vehicles registered out-of-state from parking in resident-only areas.

All of the students at the meeting seemed very upset by the change in resident parking policy. Students felt that the plan would be effective in achieving the desired effects. Preston responded to these concerns by outlining the city's official position. He said that the Traffic and Parking Office had no jurisdiction over the MBTA, and would be unable to connect the parking restructuring with MBTA improvements. He also said that the city was not in the business of providing services to out-of-state students who were not tax-paying citizens of Cambridge.

According to Preston, the changes would take effect this summer at the earliest. Before any plans are finalized, the Traffic and Parking Office needs to make its recommendations to the Cambridge City Council. If approved by the council, the plan would be presented at the federal level. If approved there, it would take effect. The existing parking spaces would then be changed over a period of time.

The meeting concluded with Preston going over each section scheduled to be changed, detailing the proposed changes, and receiving feedback from the audience about the effectiveness and inconvenience of each proposed change.

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**SKA-CORE, THE DEVIL AND MORE**

The Mighty Mighty Bosstones.

**Mercury Records.**

By Douglas D. Keller

Ska-Core, the Devil and More is the longest Mighty Mighty Bosstones' longest record to date and its first EP on its new label, Mercury Records. Yes, this EP has only seven tracks, but it is a full 20 minutes longer than the Bosstones' two full-length albums, Devil's Night Out and More Noise & Other Disturbances.

Ska-Core contains one new track, "Sparty's Handicap," plus six tracks recorded at Avalon last December. "Sparty's Handicap" contains the Bosstones' tradition of mixing punk, trash, ska, soul, funk, and anything else they can lay their hands on.


But cutting through the ska is singer Dicky Barrett's distinctive voice, which he attributes to Marlboro cigarettes and Jim Beam whiskey.

The real treat of Ska-Core is the three tracks which originally appeared on Devil's Night Out as "Drunks and Children." The second is "I'll Drink to That," which first appeared on More Noise & Other Disturbances and is faithfully reproduced in adrenaline-heightened form.

Accounting for the long length of the release is a bonus track which appears after a 35 minute blank space following "I'll Drink to That." This fast track is a live version of "How Why What, How Why Want" from Devil's Night Out, recorded the same night at Avalon.

Ska-Core, the Devil and More is a must-have for everyone, not just Bosstones fans. The EP provides a good flavor of the Bosstones' repertoire, demonstrating strength at ska and heavy metal while showcasing the group's unique live performance style. It also indicates that more surprises are on the way from this energetic band.

Ska-Core was created by the Bosstones but from this EP it is evident that there is still more flesh to be applied to the ska-core skeleton.

The Bosstones' first full-length album on Mercury will be in stores May 18, but at this time it is not clear whether the full-length album will be longer than the Ska-Core EP.

**Travis Walton (played by D. B. Sweeney) is stuck by a mysterious bolt of light in Fire in the Sky.**

saw exactly the same thing, but a second saw himself get sucked through a portal on the underside of a hallucination, so the group was forced to take drug and alcohol tests. All passed. The next most credible alternative theory that skeptics proposed was that the entire story had been concocted by the group, all loggers who had been returning then work on a mountainside, to get out of a U.S. Forest Service contract. There are much easier ways to do that, too. As they are portrayed in the movie, they are simple and honest people, with no motive to fabricate such a story.

The movie is intentionally like a dramatized documentary. The producers want us to share their belief in Walton's story. To make the story appear more believable, they use the real names of the loggers, shy away from fancy special effects that would distract the audience from the plot (the UFO looks like two pino pass taped together, like Walton said it did), and, besides James Garner, don't use any celebrity actors. These factors, combined, make the movie a distinct "true" feel to it.

It's also interesting that Walton and the other six loggers stand by their story to this day, and they have not benefited, in any obvious way, from having done so. (Well, almost. Walton wrote a book, and now his story is in a movie, but who thinks 20 years ahead?) In addition, Walton has dealt with prejudice in the town he's lived in his entire life, Rogers, the leader of the logging group and Walton's best friend, lost his disbelieving wife when she was unable to deal with her new image in town.

The movie is very interesting and rather original. The prospect of Walton's story being true is fascinating and as entertaining as fiction. As Calvin (of cosmic strip fame) says, though, the proof that there is intelligent extraterrestrial life "is that they haven't tried to contact us."

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continues the Bosstones' tradition of mixing punk, thrash, ska, soul, funk, and anything else they can lay their hands on.

Steve Bllecott

The fifth track is a cover of Bob Marley and the Wailers' 1963 "Simmer Down."

The Bosstones' ability to get down and groovy, "Simmer Down" pays tribute to their ska roots with

the "Hurtin' for Certain" horn line of Dennis Brookemnigh (trumpone), Kevin Lenear (trombone), and harmonic backing vocals.

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Sailing Team Hones Skills With Winter Racing Series

By Fran Charles

Sailboat racing is called frostbiting and is conducted throughout New England and New York in 1-1/2 foot sailboats called interclub dinghies. Similar to Tech dinghies, the interclub has a little more sail area and a rounding bottom section making it prone to capsizing in breezy conditions. Races were held over 18 different days this winter — in temperatures ranging from 12-46°F (-11°-7°C). The average number of boats starting every Sunday was 19 from a fleet of over 40 boats.

Participation was on a voluntary basis but the sail water never froze and the history was worth enjoying. The Engineer sailor’s skill levels up to spool, while their competitors got rusty on those frigid Sunday afternoons.

Team members who participated regularly were Caglasu Altinkopru ’94, Mike Boswell ’95, Tom Choo-see 2, Elisa Houli ’95, Paula Lewis ’93, Pete Lewis ’93, Adam London ’95, Gina Mendel ’95, Eric Rieckevold ’93, Patricia Schmidt ’96, and Stefan Weisflog ’97. Sue and Fran Charles sailed together to win first place overall in the season championship. The title marked the fifth consecutive year the coach and his wife have won the championship.

Baseball Plays Seton Hall, Other Top Schools in Florida

shuffling. The Engineers found themselves playing Seton Hall the next day at Florida Atlantic University. The Engineers lost the game, 9-0, with a powerful pitching effort from Ritter. The MIT bats left their sting in the game with six putouts including two double plays. The Engineers were able to score only four hits. Pitchers Steve Brunei ’96, Jeff Kyler ’96, and Aron Lepard pitched seven-and-a-three innings with one base on balls and no earned runs allowed. For the second game in a row, the Engineers could muster only four safeties, two from Somerville and Mendell added two hits each.

MIT’s next game was an 8-2 win over King’s Point College at Bayside Field in Hollywood, Fla. Nielsen tossed an artful seven innings, helping himself with three strike outs and two pick off attempts at first. Brunelli pitched the eighth inning and Lepard closed the ninth inning with three strikeouts. First baseman Chris- team added two more hits.

The Engineers ended their spring trip with a 9-2 loss to Bowdoin Col- lege. After jumping to a quick 2-0 lead in the first behind John Meuler’s single and back-to-back doubles by Somerville and Mendell, the MIT bats left their sting in the dugout. Starting pitcher, Ritter, had a shutdown the second inning, leaving the game in the fifth down 5-2. Brunelli and Lepard pitched the final frames. Christensen and Mendell ended the game with two hits each.

The baseball team is scheduled to play its next home game today against Carley College.
The Shaq Attack Costs a Mere $36K

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Shaq $36K, and salary and fines in fines and penalize TNT, which lost a chance to showcase an O'Neal-Magic matchup in its nationally televised game Thursday because of Shaq's one-game suspension. Though Shaq claims self-defense because Roberto Alomar's kick in the butt, the big guy should know that he is more valuable to the Magic on the floor than picking his splinters on the bench. Chalk up one for the Rookie mistake.

Shaq shares bended knees this week with Cincinnati first baseman Hal "DOPP" Morris for separat- ing his shoulder while imitating Doc Rivers in a 1976 Cleveland pitcher Jose Mesa during a meaningless Grapefruit League game. Morris, a .200 hitter, will be out 4-6 weeks and should be forced to spend his rehab time pumping his hips by doing the pooper scooper behind team dog, Marge. Sch., etc., Schouten...

You Heard It Here Primers

Now that Memphis State guard Anfernee "Penny" Hardaway has declared himself eligible for the NBA draft, look for filmmaker Spike "Moo" Lee to become his manager. Lee, a former registration skills lecturer in Competitive Decision Making and Negotiation (15967) to land a legendary Midwest Nice connex for his client...

Race For Futility

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The addition of Jimmy Jackson and participation of the reign of Quin "More bang for the buck" next year has led the Marvs to nearly double their win total since last appearing in the Race. Dallas' magical number to break the NBA futility record of the '72 76ers (9-73) is 12 losses. The Senators win total is equal to the number of days under 85 degrees faced by your humble escribent last week as we braved the blazing rays of the Caribbean...

Globe Gem Of The Week

Mitchell Maddox provides us with this week's fodder: "I have a new appreciation for that Case Study..."

Where Are They Now?

Teams of the former Union Association (1884) Baseball League Altoona Mountain City, Baltimore Monumentals, Kansas City Outlaws, Milwaukee Cream City, Philadelphia Keystone, Pittsburgh Stingers, St. Louis Maroons, and Winnington Quicksteps

Trivia Question of the Week

Who was the first major league baseball rookie of the year? Send answers, comments, and jokes about the Patriots new logo to sports@tech.

Answer to last week's question was the Bradley Barrows, who in 1955, won their first two tournament games. We did have a couple of winners, including Ethan Carr '95, but lost their names. Anyway, Ethan was free tickets to Opening Day of the Medieval wars that place on the Krege lanes during the spring. Answer to Bo Light's trivia question: Louisiana with Southern, Tulane, NE Louisiana, New Orleans, and LSU. Congrats to Jen- ning Coleman-Frederick '96 and Jonathan Sigman '95, who got it right

By Andrew Kirmse

The ultimate team traveled to Wilmington, N.C. last weekend for the fourth annual College Eastems Tournament. Overcoming injuries, the team started the opposition with a 5-1 overall record and a berth in the semifinals.

Despite the threat of rain, Saturday was sunny and nearly windless, allowing maan-to-man defense the role. MIT finished the day 4-0 in pool play, beating Davenport College, Brown University, and the U.S. Naval Academy by at least seven points each. The University of Georgia mounted a six point rally in the second half of its game, but MIT stayed tough to win, 14-11. MIT emerged as a powerful force in the Northeast by becoming the only team in the region to win its pool.

The next day in the quarterfinals against University of Pennsylvania, MIT's height advantage paid off. The 7'1" manning back of Mike Lawler '93 found Mike Cooper G and Mike Jones G in the end zone for some stellar scoring plays. MIT won the game 14-7 and advanced to face the University of North Carolina. Wilmington was defeated by McGill, a powerhouse contender for nationals, took advantage of MIT's mistakes and won 14-4.

MIT's performance at the tournament will be the biggest of the season. The team's next tournament is April 10-13 at Prescot University.

Lyren Qualifies for Div. II Championships

By Catherine Rocchio

Julie Lyren '93, captain of the women's varsity gymnastics team, has become the first MIT woman gymnast ever to qualify for the Division II National Gymnastics Championships. The Champion- nships will be sponsored by Spring- field College and will be held on Thursday, April 9, at 6 p.m.

Lyren, after taking All-American Honors at the Division II National Championships in River Falls, Wis., in March, qualified for the individ- ual all-around championship because her season-long average score of 33.54 ranked her sixth among all Division II and III indi- vi dual gymnasts. Lyren will be competing against Division II level athletes from Seattle Pacific, Texas Woman's University, University of California Davis, Centenary Col- lege, Sacramento State, University of Alaska Anchorage, the Air Force Academy, and Winona State as well as local rivals at the University of South Connecticut and Springfield College.

Softball Spring Trip

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could have been the beginning of a bad inning for the Engineers. "The Clark team was very com- petitive but it was a delight to win," commented Coach Jean Heiney.

Spring training

During Spring break the women took their annual trip south to com- pete in the Rebel Spring Games in Close, Fla. just twenty minutes out- side of Orlando. Despite showers every day, the women played four doubleheaders in five days. Facing more difficult competition there than in the North, the team finished the week with a 2-6 record. A cou- ple of those losses could have gone to MIT's favor, including the exciting tie-breaker in their last game against Henry Ford College.

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Softball Starts Season with 6–5 Win

By Lynn Album

With the score tied 5–5 at the end of the third inning, the softball team went into its first extra inning in Wednesday’s season opener against Chapman. Chapman’s two, three, four, and five-run innings kept the game in a state of limbo for four of Clark’s five runs, up to the eighth inning, tension remains high.

Despite the pressure, pitcher Lori Swenson maintained control as she forced the number two batter to pop out to shortstop Christine Jarvis. As the number three batter hit to a weak grounder to the shortstop, Chapman’s second baseman. The throw came in too late as McMurray slid under the tag to score the winning run. Gotting’s RBI double put the game out of reach.

In what appeared to be an incorrect call by the umpire, Dionne E. Chapman ’94 was thrown out at sec- ond base, ending the final inning of the softball team’s 6–5, extra inning, season-opening win Wednesday over Clark University.

It was her second run of the game and Palme’s second score of the game.

Swenson also had a good day on the other end of the plate scoring the first run of the game for the Engineers when tri-captain and left fielder McNamara hit a three-run double off of the second baseman. Also key on the defense was tri-captain and centerfielder Colleen Kaiser ’94, who kept MIT in the game with many beautiful pickups on wild pitches that kept runners from advancing and scoring. In addition, Clark did not attempt to steal as Kaiser kept the runners close to their base. Second base Ramu Chiruvolu ’95 made many strong plays on defense including a well-timed catch that drove otherwise.

Baseball Goes South

By Brooks Mendonca

The varsity baseball team returned home from its annual spring trip to the West with a record of 3–3. The trip was not without its highlights, however: Pitcher Peter Hintergreber ’92 was unatched and Ian Somerville ’93, catcher and clean-up hitter, went 10–21 at the plate.

Hintergreber showed the form that earned him team and league MVP awards two years ago, and the freshmen pitchers proved themselves strong additions to a team otherwise dominated by upperclassmen.

The Engineers opened the road show at Flamingo Park in Miami, 7 with a 7–2 victory over Wesley College. After falling behind 2–0 in the top of the second, MIT came back in the third. John Gass ’94 drove in designated batter Nate Rit- ter ’93 for the Engineers first run. Free passes to Brian Chrisman ’94 and Somerville loaded the bases. John Meeker ’94 promptly cleared the base path with a three-run double off of a good fastball. Gass and Ritter finished with two hits apiece.

Starting pitcher Hintergreber threw all but the final frame, striking out seven and giving up two runs on six hits. Right-hander Rob Ledep ’95 pitched the final inning.

Because of rain and schedule...