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## Daily Confusion Omits Rush Entries Of Several FSILGs

By Daniel C. Stevenson  
CONTRIBUTING EDITOR

An apparent computer error deleted rush events for several fraternities and independent living groups from the *Daily Confusion* for the last few days.

The Residence and Orientation Week Committee printed and distributed several addenda to the events listings, but the omissions have already adversely affected rush at several houses, including Fenway House, Student House, and Sigma Phi Epsilon, according to rush chairs.

The *Daily Confusion* is published by the R/O Committee, which distributes it around campus. It is also printed in the daily R/O issues of *The Tech*, which are distributed around campus and to all living groups.

Although the omission of Friday events was discovered early that morning when the *Daily Confusion* appeared in *The Tech*, the R/O Committee was unable to prepare an addendum in time for Killian Kick-Off that evening.

Yesterday's *Daily Confusion* in *The Tech* was also known to be missing events, and a warning was printed beneath it. The R/O Committee assembled an addendum and provided it to the affected living groups, some of which distributed it

to other living groups, according to rush chairs.

"We've been working around the clock to get this error fixed," said R/O Logistics Manager Wesley T. Chan '00. Because it is difficult to change the original *Daily Confusion* files, addenda were printed instead, he said.

The R/O committee was unable to provide *The Tech* with an addendum for today's published *Daily Confusion*.

### "Very significant drop"

Student House has seen a "very significant drop" in rush activity, said rush co-chair Aimee K. Horr '98.

Since nobody knew about

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Edward Lyons (Ahmed Ait-Ghezala '99, left) talks to his twin brother Mickey Johnstone (Brian Delaney) during the Musical Theatre Guild's Friday night production of *Blood Brothers* by Wily Russell in Kresge Little Theatre. Further performances take place tomorrow and next weekend.

## Dormitories May Accommodate 120 Crowds

By Frank Dabek  
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

Institute dormitories are projected to exceed their maximum normal capacity by about 120 students next year, according to Phillip M. Bernard, program director of residential life. The level of dormitory crowding is similar to that seen last year.

Bernard has "absolutely no idea"

exactly how high crowding will be because the number of freshmen joining fraternities, sororities, and independent living groups affects the number of crowds required, he said. Projections for crowding are based upon 375 freshmen choosing to live off-campus.

This number is down from the 390 predicted last year, because that projection turned out to be too high, Bernard said.

The crowding calculations also assume that three students will move off campus into FSILGs leaving about 730 of the 1,076 freshmen to be housed in dormitories. There are 610 openings in the dormitories, creating the need for about 120 additional spaces, Bernard said.

Extra spaces are created by changing large singles into doubles,

and some doubles into triples. According to the crowding scheme used by Residence and Campus Activities, crowding happens first in Burton-Conner House, East Campus, New House and Next House, which are most easily adapted to make new spaces.

Several factors may lead to lower crowding this year including that this year's class is smaller and has a greater percentage of men than last year's class, said Associate Dean for Residence and Campus Activities Andrew M. Eisenmann. The larger percentage of men may improve fraternity rush yields.

### Crowding higher in previous years

This year's level of crowding is "certainly at the low end" over the past 15 years, Eisenmann said. He

said that as many as 220 rooms were crowded at some times.

We are debating if "any level of crowding is acceptable" Eisenmann said. He said that the current target level is 110 crowded rooms.

"I don't look at crowding as a positive," Bernard said. Other universities look at exceeding capacity in a positive light because of the extra revenue it produces, he said.

"It's clear that we want to manage better the level of crowding," Eisenmann said. There are "a number of possible ways" to manage crowding.

The level of crowding depends on the size of the class, and the number of students who decide to live off campus or in FSILGs. In

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## Frosh Gets Head Start at Interphase

By Dalíé Jiménez

Although I am a freshman, I spent my summer here at MIT, living in Baker House and taking classes for credit.

### Reporter's Notebook

I was part of Project Interphase, a brainchild of the Office of Minority Education which selected 61 minority students to participate this summer.

Fencing was something I've wanted to do since I can remember, but had never had the opportunity to try. This summer I took a physical education class and hopefully I'll be joining the team this season. I also had time to work on my tennis skills and finally learned how to breathe while swimming (a very hard task, if you ask me).

Throughout the summer, we suffered through presentations which we now understand were actually beneficial: presentations from groups like Athena, MIT Medical, the Bursar's office, the Registrar's

Office, and the Women's Studies Program, among others. We definitely have an advantage over many freshmen in that we know what 18.024 is and the real difference between 5.11 and 3.091.

Some of us also had the opportunity to pass out of the swim test and Phase I with a paper submitted to the Writing Department so we didn't have to go to some events in the past few days.

Although we were taken on trips to Crane Beach, tours of Boston and Martha's Vineyard, this summer was really a tremendous amount of work. We were in classes for six hours a day and had physical education classes for a few hours after that.

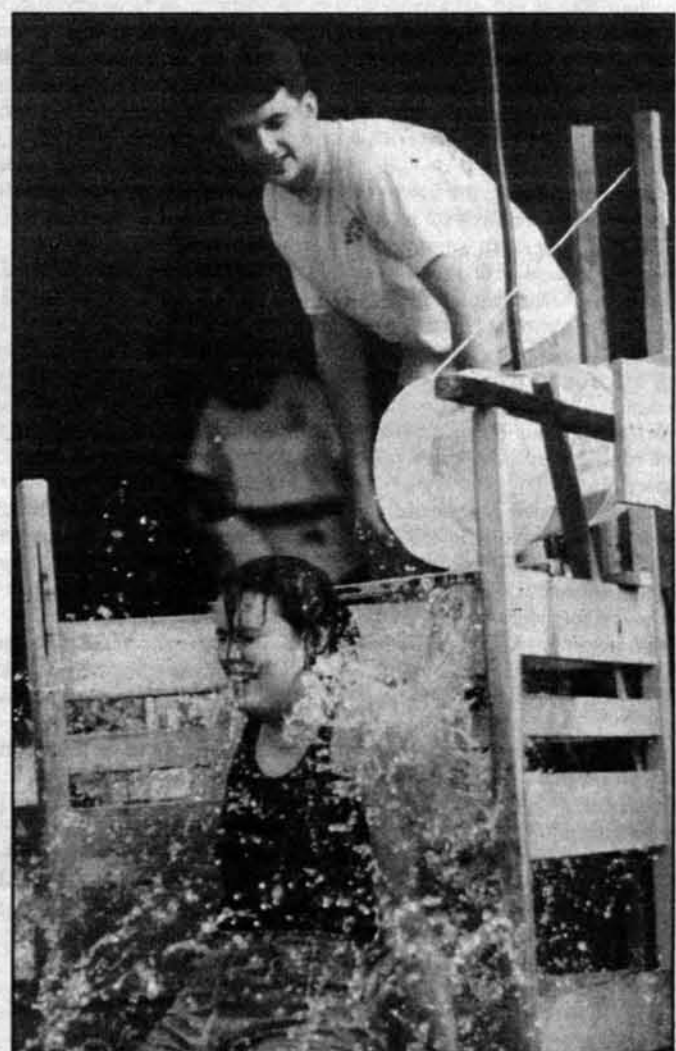
Over the summer, we formed a tight-knit group. This is the product of suffering through courses, mandatory meetings, midnight runs to MacGregor Convenience, swimming laps and all-nighter study sessions for physics tests. In short, all that we'll all go through again in the next few weeks.

Unlike most of you, we gave up our entire summer for a lot of work

and an inside look at the Institute. Our only "vacation day" was last Wednesday at which time most of us had to move out of Baker into our temporary housing.

The program was actually a lot of fun and it helped not only with the administrative and academic parts of the Institute, but also the

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Jesse C. Cochran '99 is soaked at Baker House's variant on the dunking booth.

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# WORLD & NATION

## Pope Offers Apology For Past Killings, Calls For Christian Unity

THE WASHINGTON POST

PARIS

Surrounded by a candlelit ocean of young Catholic pilgrims from around the world, Pope John Paul II preached Saturday night a message of Christian reconciliation marked by an apology for the massacre of thousands of Protestants by French Catholics exactly four and a quarter centuries ago.

"Christians did things which the Gospel condemns," the pope said in French during a three-hour prayer vigil he led on the outskirts of Paris. He was referring to the slaughter of thousands — and perhaps tens of thousands — in the streets of Paris on St. Bartholomew's Day — Aug. 24, 1572 — that helped spread a religious war in France and still casts a shadow over religious discourse here.

"Belonging to different religious traditions shouldn't constitute a source of opposition and tension. On the contrary, our common love of Christ pushes us relentlessly to seek the path of unity," the pope said to cheers from an ebullient crowd that covered the infield of the Longchamp racetrack on the western edge of Paris.

According to police estimates, more than 700,000 people turned out to see and hear the pope on his sixth visit to France in his 19 years at the Holy See.

The gathering is the last to take place outside Italy as the Vatican works toward the celebratory climax of the new millennium and 2,000 years of Christian history. The pope hopes the events will generate an international revival of Roman Catholicism.

## Thompson Vows Panel Will Probe DNC-Teamster Ties

THE WASHINGTON POST

Sen. Fred D. Thompson, R-Tenn., meeting in Indianapolis Saturday with Midwestern GOP activists, said the Senate committee he heads will fully investigate whether Democratic National Committee officials illegally contributed to the re-election campaign of Teamsters President Ron Carey.

Thompson, chairman of the Senate's Governmental Affairs Committee, said the Teamsters had raised some concerns about the breadth of a subpoena issued by the committee and had not been cooperative. He said the committee would take up the issue in September or October.

"If their idea is to stonewall, then we're going to have some problems," Thompson said, surrounded by reporters before speaking at luncheon at the Midwest Republican Leadership conference.

The Washington Post reported Saturday that the Justice Department was investigating whether the DNC contributed to Carey's campaign in return for union contributions to President Clinton's campaign last year.

"If the allegations that have been reported in some detail in The Washington Post today are true, it's a very disturbing matter," he said. "It's just another indication we had a situation in the last presidential election that was out of hand."

In his speech at the luncheon, Thompson said the GOP should take the lead on campaign finance reform. He said he would support a campaign finance bill sponsored by Sens. John McCain, R-Ariz., and Russell Feingold, D-Wis. McCain has said he hopes to bring the bill to floor next month, and Thompson said he would support attempts to attach it to unrelated legislation to help it pass.

## Census Study Proposes Solution for Racial Identification

NEWSDAY

WASHINGTON

A four-year study by a U.S. Census task force has produced a solution for Tiger Woods.

Woods, the celebrated golfer, describes himself as "Cablinasian," reflecting his Caucasian, black, American-Indian and Asian background. So he might have had difficulty with 1990 census forms that require him to designate his race as either white, black, Asian (or Pacific islander), American Indian, Eskimo or Aleut. Or he could check the "other" box.

After studying census procedures the task force, representing 30 federal agencies, recommended that the "other" box be eliminated and that people be able to check more than one of the rest.

Census officials estimate that multiracial families make up 1 percent to 2 percent of the population. But the number is growing, which has prompted controversy over the proper way to record that diversity in the upcoming 2000 census.

The task force weighed retaining the "other" designation as well as adding a "multiracial" designation before opting for a multiple-choice solution. "There is no general understanding of what the term (multiracial) means," the task force concluded last month. "Having a separate category would, in effect, create another population group and no doubt add to racial tension and further fragmentation of our population."

## WEATHER Sunday Best

By Gerard Roe

STAFF METEOROLOGIST

Clear sunny skies will be the rule for Sunday as a ridge of high pressure hangs on tenaciously along the east coast. The pleasant weather should continue through to Monday but a cut off low pressure system diving to the southeast may amplify a developing system off the Carolinas and with it, threaten our weather for Tuesday.

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**Monday:** Partly to mostly sunny. High 75 (24°C). Low 60 (16°C).

## U.S. Will Pay Med Schools To Reduce Glut of Doctors

By Amy Goldstein

THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON

The federal government has agreed to pay hospitals around the country hundreds of millions of dollars not to train doctors in a highly unorthodox initiative aimed at alleviating a growing glut of physicians.

The initiative, embedded in the new federal budget agreement, extends to all 1,025 of the nation's teaching hospitals an offer similar to a controversial experiment approved for New York earlier this year.

That experiment, which will pay hospitals in that state \$400 million over the next several years while they gradually decrease the number of young doctors they train, drew an outcry from teaching hospitals elsewhere that felt New York had wangled a lucrative special deal. Their protests attracted the sympathy of congressional Republicans who decided that, instead of trying to block the money for New York, they would expand the opportunity nationwide.

The payments represent a rare attempt by the federal government to use subsidies as leverage to shrink a particular work force. "I know of no profession where there has been as much federal effort to regulate," said Uwe Reinhardt, a health economist at Princeton University. "You don't do it for economists, for architects, for engineers."

The payments also are the government's first effort to constrict the pipeline of people entering the medical profession. Several influential groups have warned lately that the

nation has too many doctors, particularly specialists, and have urged the federal government to impose limits on the number of recent medical school graduates, known as residents, who pursue several years of advanced training before beginning to work on their own. But until now that advice has met with legislative resistance.

The New York experiment and the nationwide initiative hinge on changes in Medicare, the large federal insurance program for the elderly and disabled. Since it began, Medicare has underwritten residency training programs heavily and has, in effect, made residents a prized, inexpensive kind of labor for their hospitals. Taxpayers spend \$7 billion a year on such training.

Until now, many teaching hospitals have been reluctant to cut back, because every resident translates into an average subsidy of \$100,000 a year. "It has not been financially rewarding to downsize," said Muncey Wheby, associate dean for graduate medical education at the University of Virginia.

Under the budget agreement, hospitals that downsize will not get extra money outright. But if they volunteer to reduce their residency programs by 20 percent or 25 percent over five years, Medicare will cushion the financial blow. For the first two years, it will pay the whole subsidy for the missing residents. After that, the payments will taper off for three years.

The agreement also for the first time essentially forbids hospitals to increase the sizes of their residency programs.

## Asian Americans To Form New Association for Civil Rights

By Connie Kang

LOS ANGELES TIMES

For the first time in their 150-year history in the United States, Asian Americans are forming a national civil rights organization that they hope will provide them with a unified voice and the meaningful political participation that has eluded people of Asian heritage.

The movement is designed to provide the United States' fastest growing group with political clout like that of well-established associations such as the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, which guards the rights of blacks, and the Anti-Defamation League, which is vigilant in defense of American Jews.

Formation of the National Asian Pacific American Network Council has been spurred by the campaign fund-raising controversy which has occupied center stage in national politics and the front pages of major newspapers since last fall.

"This crisis has given us huge momentum," Francey Lim Youngberg, executive director of the Washington-D.C.-based Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus Institute, told community leaders in Los Angeles last week. "This is the year to do it."

In the past year, the relentless news coverage and political battling over the fund-raising scandal focused attention not only on central figures such as John Huang but also on the Asian community's longstanding frustration with its inability to secure political access and power.

"Asian Americans are starved for political representation, legiti-

mate influence and empowerment," said Stewart Kwok, president of the Asian Pacific American Legal Center of Southern California. "We have long wanted to have a voice in how public policies are decided."

Oftentimes, such important issues as immigration, education and welfare changes are being decided without Asian American participation.

This spring, during the height of the fund-raising controversy, prominent Asian American community leaders held a summit meeting in Washington, D.C., to plan the formation of a national council next May.

A task force, representing seven Washington, D.C.-based organizations, recently has been traversing the country, building grass-roots support.

To others, Asian Americans may appear to be a monolithic group. In reality, they are 10 million people tracing roots to dozens of ethnicities with many languages.

"Some of us are bi-national, some of us are third and fourth generation and some of us are immigrants," said Ron Wakabayashi, executive director of the Los Angeles County Human Relations Commission.

Wakabayashi, a third generation Japanese American, laments that the complicated picture too often has been replaced by stereotypes.

Particularly offensive to Asian Americans was a National Review magazine cover featuring a coolie-hatted buck-toothed President Clinton with first lady Hillary Clinton in a Maoist uniform and Vice President Al Gore in a Buddhist monk's robe, holding a donation cup. Asian American

Administration health officials and leading Republicans say that the initiative will give hospitals a powerful incentive to train fewer doctors and that Medicare will save money in the long run. After five years, the payments will cease and the program will have fewer residents to underwrite.

But others suggest that hospitals will be rewarded needlessly for cutbacks that some have started to make without being paid to do it. Some say the initiative is the medical equivalent of discredited agricultural programs that have paid farmers not to grow certain crops.

"I don't know where the hell a Republican Congress gets off doing labor force planning for the medical profession," said Robert E. Moffit, deputy director for domestic policy studies at the Heritage Foundation, a conservative think tank. "As an economic principle, it is absurd."

How many physicians the nation produces has important effects on the cost of the health care system. The greater the number of doctors, research has shown, the more medical tests and expensive specialty treatment patients tend to receive, because physicians find subtle ways to keep themselves employed.

With more than 700,000 physicians, the United States has more doctors per capita than virtually any other country. In particular, it has a vast supply of specialists, who are starting to find themselves in less demand as more patients are insured through "managed care" plans that favor treatment by lower-cost medical generalists.

groups condemned it as racist and sought an apology, but the magazine's management said the complaint had no merit.

And community outcry also was prompted by a comment by Sen. Sam Brownback, R-Kan., which referred to Huang's pay arrangement with the DNC, "No raise money, no get bonus."

Fallout from the fund-raising controversy has engendered deep soul-searching and much debate in the community.

"There is a lack of moral courage and leadership in the Asian American community," said Los Angeles attorney Anthony Ching, board member of the Chinese Americans United for Self-Empowerment.

Ching was one of the Asian American contributors who became angry when Democratic National Committee auditors questioned him about his citizenship and the source of his \$5,000 contribution to the DNC.

Even though Asian American donors were scrutinized because of their surnames, he said that Asians Americans inside and outside the Clinton administration largely have been silent.

Asian Americans have been giving to both political parties for decades. The difference last year was that their money was bundled and given through Huang, then DNC vice chairman for finance, in hopes of winning better access and more appointments in Clinton's second term.

In what seemed like a winning partnership, American-born activists began working with immigrants with access to money and international business people.

# After Meeting With Radicals, Israeli's Debate Arafat's Views

By William Drozdiak  
THE WASHINGTON POST

JERUSALEM

When Yasser Arafat kissed and embraced the leaders of Hamas at a meeting of Palestinian factions this week, the conciliatory gestures toward radical Muslim groups suspected of perpetrating terrorist acts outraged much of Israel and the Western world.

Was Arafat condoning violence against Israel and preparing for the kind of armed confrontation that has spilled so much blood in the Middle East between two peoples fighting over the same land?

Or was he engaged in a clever ploy to co-opt the enemies of peace and thus strengthen his hand for future negotiations with the right-wing government of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu?

Nearly four years after he signed the Oslo peace accords, Arafat finds himself trapped by conflicting pressures that threaten to undermine his self-governing authority, destroy his fragile partnership with Israel and

shatter his dream of establishing a Palestinian state in Gaza and the West Bank with East Jerusalem as its capital.

The self-styled father of the Palestinian revolution is renowned for his survival skills in times of political peril.

But this time, his fate seems intertwined more than ever with an Israeli government that profoundly distrusts him yet loathes even more the extremist alternatives to his leadership.

An impassioned debate has gripped Israel in recent days over whether the country's interests are best served by weakening or strengthening Arafat.

Nearly a month after the Israeli government imposed tough sanctions and security measures in the wake of a suicide bombing that killed fourteen people and two terrorists in a Jerusalem market, Israelis are starting to question whether those measures may inflict more harm than good on their country.

As so often happens when he finds himself in a jam, Arafat has resorted to ambiguity to mask his intentions until the dust settles. On the first day of the Palestinian unity conclave in Gaza, he waved the sword and the olive branch with equal gusto.

"There was an uprising for seven years. Who did it? Our lion cubs, our children. This glorious uprising. Seven years. We can ... do it again from the beginning. There is nothing far from us. All options are open to us."

But he also offered a vigorous defense of the peace process. "We must not forget that most of the Israeli people voted for peace," Arafat said. "I say to the supporters of peace in Israel: We are with you to make this peace of the brave, a just and comprehensive peace, not the peace of the weak or the cowards."

Just before the bombers struck, Arafat was confronting a barrage of criticism about alleged corruption in his ruling entourage.

# Unwanted Serpents Enter Hawaii, Snakeless Island Fights Onslaught

By William Claiborne  
THE WASHINGTON POST

HONOLULU

Shortly after a huge transport plane unloaded its cargo at Hickam Air Force Base one day earlier this month, Airman John Herist happened to spot a brownish, three-foot-long snake slither into a nearby canal and disappear.

An unremarkable event by almost any measure, except that Hawaii does not have snakes and the cargo plane was from Guam, a combination of circumstances that had state and federal wildlife officials scurrying to set traps and turn loose snake-sniffing Jack Russell terriers in a frantic round-the-clock hunt for the elusive reptile, which still has not been found.

Brown tree snakes are an aggressive, venomous predator that grows to lengths of eight feet and has spread throughout Guam like a plague since arriving aboard U.S. military cargo ships from the Solomon Islands shortly after World War II. They now number 12,000 per square mile in some forested areas of the Pacific island and are eating into extinction its native bird species and most of the nonnative birds as well.

Now officials here are worried

that the brown tree snake, hiding in aircraft cargo holds and wheel wells, may be invading Hawaii, threatening its wildlife habitat and tourism-dependent economy. More than a third of all the threatened and endangered birds in the United States are found in Hawaii.

A nocturnal reptile with a large head and bulging eyes, the brown tree snake prefers birds over other prey, but it has been known to eat small pets such as cats and has even been found curled around babies sleeping in their cribs. It is particularly adept at climbing trees and raiding nests. It also crawls along electrical lines and causes an average of one power outage every four days on Guam.

Hawaiian wildlife officials say that while there have been only seven confirmed cases of brown tree snakes being killed or found dead on Hawaii's Oahu Island since 1981, the Hickam Air Base incident was the sixth snake sighting in two months.

They also warn that even one pregnant female slipping through could begin a colonization far more costly than Guam's.

"It's an enormous threat to Hawaii, and while we always look for the 'silver bullet' to kill these

things off, we haven't found one yet," said Robert Smith, Pacific islands manager for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. "We've got to apply resources to this effort that match the cost of this threat."

Because of its isolation, Hawaii is particularly vulnerable to invasive species like the brown tree snake, wildlife experts say. Animals here evolved with few diseases and natural predators, and therefore have few natural defenses. There are no effective predators with which the brown tree snake would have to contend while it multiplied.

But the threat is not only to Hawaii, according to U.S. Agriculture Department officials. One brown tree snake was found in a cargo in Texas, and experts predict that the reptile could easily thrive in Southern California, Florida and other warm climate states.

Because Hawaii ostensibly has no snakes — other than two reptiles on display in the public zoo here and those illegally imported by residents who like to have them as pets — state and federal officials take their snake control efforts seriously. Anyone caught with a snake faces as much as a year in jail and a maximum fine of \$25,000.

# Clinton to Push Hard for Fast-Track Trade Legislation Favoring Labor

By Art Pine  
LOS ANGELES TIMES

EDGARTOWN, MASS.

President Clinton hinted on Saturday he may offer modest concessions to labor groups to help win support for his controversial "fast-track" trade legislation but said he intends to push hard for the measure, even if they remain opposed.

Clinton said the new trade negotiations that the fast-track bill would authorize are needed to boost U.S. exports and raise living standards.

"If we don't seize these new opportunities, our competitors surely will," he warned in his weekly radio address, broadcast from Martha's Vineyard, Mass., where he is vacationing.

The president's cautious wording suggested that he is unlikely to grant opponents' demands that he make labor and environmental standards an integral part of any new trade accords that the administration negotiates, instead of confining them to side-agreements.

Labor and environmental leaders

complain that such adjunct accords often are ignored by other nations, even signatories.

Clinton did indicate that the administration may seek to placate labor by offering to expand job training programs for workers who have been displaced by competition from abroad. Officials said such a move is under consideration, although no decisions have been made.

The president's remarks were designed to pave the way for an expected full-scale White House campaign for the fast-track legislation, which it is slated to send to Capitol Hill next month.

Fast-track authority, which essentially would guarantee that Congress will act quickly to approve or reject any new trade accord and not try to amend specific provisions, has long been demanded by U.S. trading partners before they will begin negotiations.

The authority has been granted to both Republican and Democratic administrations since 1974, but it

expired in 1994, after approval of the North American Free Trade Agreement with Canada and Mexico.

The administration tried to renew the fast-track authority in 1995, but the bill failed in the Republican-controlled Congress because of a dispute over a bid by liberal Democrats to require that labor and environmental issues be part of the main agreement in future trade accords.

Administration officials concede that the proposal for fast-track legislation is certain to be controversial.

Lawmakers already are sharply split over the trade issue, and congressional strategists who have counted votes warn that the tally in both houses is apt to be close and heated.

Organized labor is planning to mount its own campaign against fast-track legislation in early September, with both the Teamsters and the AFL-CIO preparing to launch grass-roots "educational" efforts to drum up opposition.

# Postal Service May Postpone Price Increase Because of Strike

THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON

Thanks in part to the United Parcel Service strike, the U.S. Postal Service will make so much money this year that it may delay its planned increase in the price of a stamp to 33 cents.

Postal Service Board Chairman Tirso del Junco said in an interview Friday that he would "like to push the (increase) date back" because of the billion-dollar profit that the agency seems certain to report for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30. As of mid-July, the Postal Service had reported a \$1.2 billion profit so far for the current year.

Postal officials have said the 15-day UPS strike, which began Aug. 4, brought large volumes of unanticipated mail to the federal agency and boosted its revenues higher than expected for a normally slow period in which it usually reports a loss.

Spokesmen for two organizations of bulk mailers had indicated earlier this week that they would press for delaying the proposed increase because the agency's profits will surpass \$1 billion for a record three years in a row.

The request to delay the increase would likely find some sympathy among the nine governors on the postal board. Some were publicly curious about the necessity for the increase before they approved it July 1.

The 1-cent hike from 32 cents a letter is before the independent Postal Rate Commission, which has 10 months to consider the request. Even if the commission approves the increase, the governors have the power to delay its implementation.

# Railroad Applies Wreck's Lesson to Avert Repeat

THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON

Three days after Amtrak's Los Angeles-Chicago Southwest Chief derailed in Arizona at nearly 90 mph during a flash flood, the same thing almost happened again several hundred miles to the east, according to federal and railroad officials.

However, new procedures put into place by the Burlington Northern-Santa Fe Railroad after the Aug. 8 wreck near Kingman, Ariz., coupled with an alert track supervisor and freight train crew, prevented the Southwest Chief from possibly repeating the accident on Aug. 11 near Trinidad, Colo.

BNSF Chairman Rob Krebs ordered new flash-flood procedures within hours of the Kingman wreck, in which the eastbound Chief derailed at an estimated 88 mph at a short wooden bridge that had been undermined by a pre-dawn flash flood.

There were a number of injuries, mostly minor, and no one was killed despite the speed.

The Krebs orders, among other things, hold passenger trains to no more than 20 mph when a flash-flood alert is issued by the railroad's private weather company.

The unusually heavy rains that caused the Aug. 8 derailment continued sporadically for days. On Monday afternoon, Aug. 11, an eastbound freight train crew on the Colorado plains east of Trinidad radioed dispatchers to report heavy rain in the distance behind it.

The BNSF dispatching center in Fort Worth, Texas, informed the track supervisor at Trinidad, who was already preparing for an inspection of the line, based on his own observations. He informed the dispatching center he would wait until the Southwest Chief was nearby, then inspect track ahead of it in his "high rail" vehicle, a truck with both rubber tires and steel wheels for traveling on tracks.

# French Left Takes Pleasure In UPS Settlement

THE WASHINGTON POST

PARIS

The denouement of the United Parcel Service strike has brought not just relief to Americans but satisfaction to the French, particularly to the political left and labor unions.

The UPS accord, in which the Teamsters won substantial victories in such areas as pay raises and full-time jobs, is being portrayed here as the contradiction to American boasts about the superiority of untrammelled capitalism. Frequently irritated by American claims that low U.S. unemployment and high growth are the result of less regulation and free markets, many French are reveling in the success, as they see it, of American unions over American bosses.

# Clinton Fails to Bowl Them Over on Vacation

LOS ANGELES TIMES

EDGARTOWN, MASS.

Clinton's visit to this tidy vacation spot may be a big thing for local civic leaders, but most of the island's 90,000 permanent residents are taking it in stride. While there are a few "Welcome, Mr. President" signs in the island's six picturesque villages, it is mainly tourists who have been showing up to cheer the chief executive and take a few photos.

One exception has been a tongue-in-cheek "special" offered by an island bowling center: "Today Only: All U.S. Presidents Bowl Free." Alas, Clinton is a golfer, White House aides point out. Knocking down tenpins just isn't up his alley.

Martha's Vineyard may have everything Clinton could want for a relaxing stay, but to those who are accompanying him — White House staffers, Secret Service agents and journalists — it has been a communications nightmare.

Partly because the island is so far from mainland transmitters, nationwide beepers do not work in many areas.

Cell phone coverage is spotty.

And even ordinary telephones sometimes do not seem to have enough signal strength on long-distance calls for computer transmissions.

White House aides have been pressuring telecommunications companies to beef up their signals, but so far they've had little success.

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## Letters To The Editor

### Censorship of Extropians Insulting to Freshmen

I received the MIT Extropians pamphlet in the mail at my house a few weeks ago. When I read on the front cover of the pamphlet that it had been censored, my interest was peaked (I'm sure that that was the writers' intention).

Frankly, I was shocked that the MIT administration would single this pamphlet out as something I should not see. All the pamphlet did was express opinions and give advice. I felt rather insulted that the administration found it necessary to try to prevent the mailing of the pamphlet. The situation is analogous to a parent preventing their child from seeing an R-rated movie or buying a profane rap album. I feel that I've reached an age where I am mature enough to form my own opinions and think for myself.

I don't believe that the pamphlet did any serious harm, and I was not compelled to blindly believe its contents. However, I do sympathize with the Extropians, whom I believe were unfairly censored. Whatever their message is, they have a right to deliver it and allow us freshmen to make our own decisions on its content. Their mailing, though disobedient, was just, and I am glad that I got the chance to read about their beliefs.

Manu Sridharan '01

IN THE BEGINNING,  
GOD CREATED  
THE EARTH,



THE AIR, THE WATER,  
THE TREES AND  
THE ANIMALS



THEN HE  
CREATED MAN.



ENOUGH SAID!



## Cynicism Rules Rush More Than Ever

Column by Stacey E. Blau

OPINION EDITOR

The last-minute rain-induced changes to Residence and Orientation Week this year have generated some funny comments among upperclassmen. Rain moved Project Move Off Your Assumptions from its usual Briggs Field locale to Johnson Athletics Center on Thursday, and the so-called Killian Kick-Off was punted to Johnson as well on Friday.

Some upperclassmen look back on their R/O as fun and exciting. But it seems like the vast majority of students roll their eyes and shudder in disgust when they talk about their R/O. The conventional wisdom is that MOYA was exceedingly dumb. The beginning of rush is remembered as bizarre and bewildering; upperclassmen recall having little to no clue about what awaited them at Killian or what rush was really going to be like.

So it struck me as strange when upperclassmen began to express pity for this year's freshmen and their R/O experiences. The comments tended to focus on the idea that freshmen somehow weren't getting the real thing — that a MOYA in Johnson was not the real MOYA and that Killian Kick-Off in Johnson was indeed a very far cry from the real Kick-Off.

Behind the upperclassmen's expressions of pity, however, seemed something far more interesting and mildly sinister. The very noticeable implication was not simply that the freshmen had missed out but that they, the upperclassmen, had gotten short shrift, too. The upperclassmen were disappointed that freshmen wouldn't be able to complain with them in future conversations about R/O and rush.

R/O comes up in conversations among stu-

dents every so often, and people enjoy the fact that everyone, no matter what year, can discuss it like a shared history.

The purity of having had the same experience year after year lets people virtually finish each other's sentences and complain about the same stuff. Yeah, the activities were basically the same, but there was none of the same sweltering heat and vastness of Killian Court. There was no streaker at MOYA, no getting dragged kicking and screaming off Killian Court and across the bridge as the sun set. There was, well, rain. It just won't be the same with this year's freshmen.

I agree it might be the same with this year's freshmen, but I think it's for another reason. A Tau Epsilon Phi poster I saw in the Student Center began to address it — this year's freshman class looks like the best informed class in years. I think I'd go a step further than that; the freshmen just seem cynical. They don't seem to be buying much of anything.

On Friday at Killian Kick-Off, freshmen seemed not only bored with the proceedings but also quite willing to let people know. Some shouted and groaned during presentations and singing; when things seemed to be dragging, one shouted "Let the rush begin!" to the amusement of the rest of the audience. When I spoke to some freshmen milling around on the floor of Johnson before the start of rush, they seemed universally scornful of the rush that had not even begun.

I was surprised that freshmen were even aware of what was happening to them; when I was a freshman, few people in my MOYA group pre-Kick-Off session seemed to have a clue that rush was about to happen. That this year's freshmen were already so negative about their role as in the rush process was more amazing. I was impressed; it usually takes a bit more than a day for that kind of cynicism to set in.

Wherefore all the negativity so soon? Could it have been the rain, the sense freshmen got

that things were just not the same this year? I doubt it. Maybe it's the Freshman Leadership Program. Many freshmen seemed annoyed at the elitism and behavior of the group that went to FLP — another shining example of MIT's god-awful efforts to train student leaders and indoctrinate with them with sensitivity training (I bet the activity where freshmen signed their names in cursive in the air with their *derrières* went a long way toward those goals). Maybe the cynicism comes from the MIT Extropians pamphlet. I bet it was unnerving for freshmen to see the rush events the pamphlet ranted about taking place before their eyes.

Some upperclassmen already have said that rush is not going so hot this year, the expectation this year is that 375 freshmen will pledge may not come true (and even if it does, as I overheard one housing official smirkingly remark, the 375 figure doesn't count the 100 freshmen who might eventually move back to campus when they decide to depledge — a statement probably a bit exaggerated, but pointed nonetheless). The success of rush may prove the best gauge of the cynicism of this year's freshmen. Freshmen may be more enticed this year by the lure of, say, Senior House's bondage bathroom formal rather than yet another fraternity pub night. You never know.

## ERRATUM

The article "Rush Continues Today at MIT's Various FSILGs" in yesterday's issue of *The Tech* incorrectly identified a picture as that of the Alpha Phi house. It was actually a photo of the Phi Sigma Kappa house at 487 Commonwealth Ave.

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# CIA and Aliens: Is It *The X-Files* or *Keystone Kops*?

Column by Anders Hove  
OPINION EDITOR

By now you'd have to be a shut-in living in the Seychelles not to have heard about the extraterrestrial craze sweeping the nation.



There's no need for a recitation of recent movie hits and television shows. We've all participated in the UFO craze somehow. It's huge. It's amazing.

The real summer blockbuster, in my opinion, was not *Contact*, or *Men in Black*. Nor was it produced by Fox or MGM. Not this time. No, the spotlight belonged to the *Men in Striped Pants*: our very own Central Intelligence Agency.

This month, CIA revealed that all through the 1950s and '60s the government lied to the public about UFOs. CIA has also admitted that its attempts at deception had the unintended consequence of exciting public controversy instead of quashing it.

First, the facts. UFO sightings began at almost the exact same time as the Cold War: 1947. On June 24, 1947, pilot Kenneth Arnold reported seeing nine disk-shaped objects zipping past Mt. Rainier, Washington, at over 1,000 miles per hour. After Arnold's report, thousands of sightings flowed in from air facilities around the country. Imagining radical new Soviet aircraft designs, Air Force General Nathan Twining ordered an investigation. The result, Project Sign, concluded that

all the sightings resulted from illusions, hoaxes, or misidentification of known objects. The project's report did not rule out extraterrestrial visitation, however, and recommended continued investigation.

And the investigations continued, with one difference. As the Air Force found and debunked each sighting, it would report the negative results to the public. Yet public belief in UFOs showed no signs of abating. Consequently, the new project, called Grudge, was terminated when the top brass discovered that government interest seemed to be generating "war hysteria."

The CIA took great interest in the Air Force's misguided efforts at placating the public. CIA officials worried that the growing hysteria might be an insidious Soviet effort to undermine America's war readiness. Or maybe they were trying to impair our early-warning capabilities. Who knew? Anyway, the CIA was sure of one thing: The public had to be kept in the dark about the CIA's involvement. If people knew of the agency's interest, it would only contribute to the hysteria.

The real cover-up was yet to come. CIA interest in UFOs died off almost completely until the mid-1950s, when UFO sighting began corresponding neatly with flights of U-2 and SR-71 spy planes. These planes, now mothballed and obsolete, were top secret at the time.

The Air Force reacted to the perceived threat to national security by making a spate of misleading and deceptive statements about the spy planes-turned-UFOs. The planes were called atmospheric phenomena, the planet

Venus, sun reflected off seagulls. All this time, the Air Force knew full well that over half the sightings were in fact government aircraft.

The whole scheme was destined to fail, and fail it did. UFO buffs starting requesting the sensitive military reports, and the CIA stonewalled them. The UFO community could smell the cover-up, and it increased the pressure.

The CIA had a problem. They wanted to keep their papers secret, and they wanted to keep the public unaware of their interest in UFOs. But every step they took seemed to multiply their critics. So what did our professional spies do? They dressed up as Air Force officers, met with UFO enthusiasts, and told them that UFO evidence had been "forwarded to another agency of the government."

Since the CIA had already denied involvement, UFO buffs logically concluded that there was a third, super-secret UFO agency above CIA and the Air Force. Oops! Denial followed denial, until finally the agency had to admit that the whole escapade had been "handled poorly by both CIA and the Air Force, [and] turned into a major flap that added to the growing mystery surrounding UFOs."

Chastened, the CIA bowed out of the UFO business entirely. Presidents Carter and Reagan may have thought they'd seen UFOs, but nobody in the intelligence community paid them or anyone else heed. Blue Book, the longest-running investigation into UFO sightings, closed up shop in 1969, and there has been no real work done on the phenomenon since.

After 50 years of watching conspiracy the-

orists do their thing, most Americans are tenderly bemused by their almost mystical arguments. What I find amazing is to gaze back through the mists to the original events. In *The X-Files*, the actions of government officials are cloaked in mystery: The conspirators' motives are obscure yet demonic; the enemy weaves an intricate web of deceit. In the end, we never learn the truth.

And yet here lies the conspiracy, bare and open to see. The Air Force and CIA, far from being one step ahead, totally failed to grapple with the situation at hand. At first they thought they could stifle UFO rumors with truth, only to find the truth fanned the extraterrestrial flames. The tactics changed: The Air Force and CIA would lie — to protect then-important but now quaint secrets — and in so doing earned the distrust of many Americans not yet born. At every turn, the spymasters trained in cloak-and-dagger arts were outwitted by forces beyond their control. Suspicion allied with imagination.

I for one can't bring myself to pity them. Old CIA veterans must chuckle when they go to the movies with their grandchildren. "All this hype," they must think. "My colleagues and I helped bring it on."

They say espionage in the 21st century will be mainly economic. But just think of the economic advantage our government has given us by its accidental promotion of aliens. The Soviet Union totally suppressed reports of UFOs. They have only American films to entertain them. What's more, their secret agents are condemned not for imagined crimes of alien murder but for the acts they actually committed.

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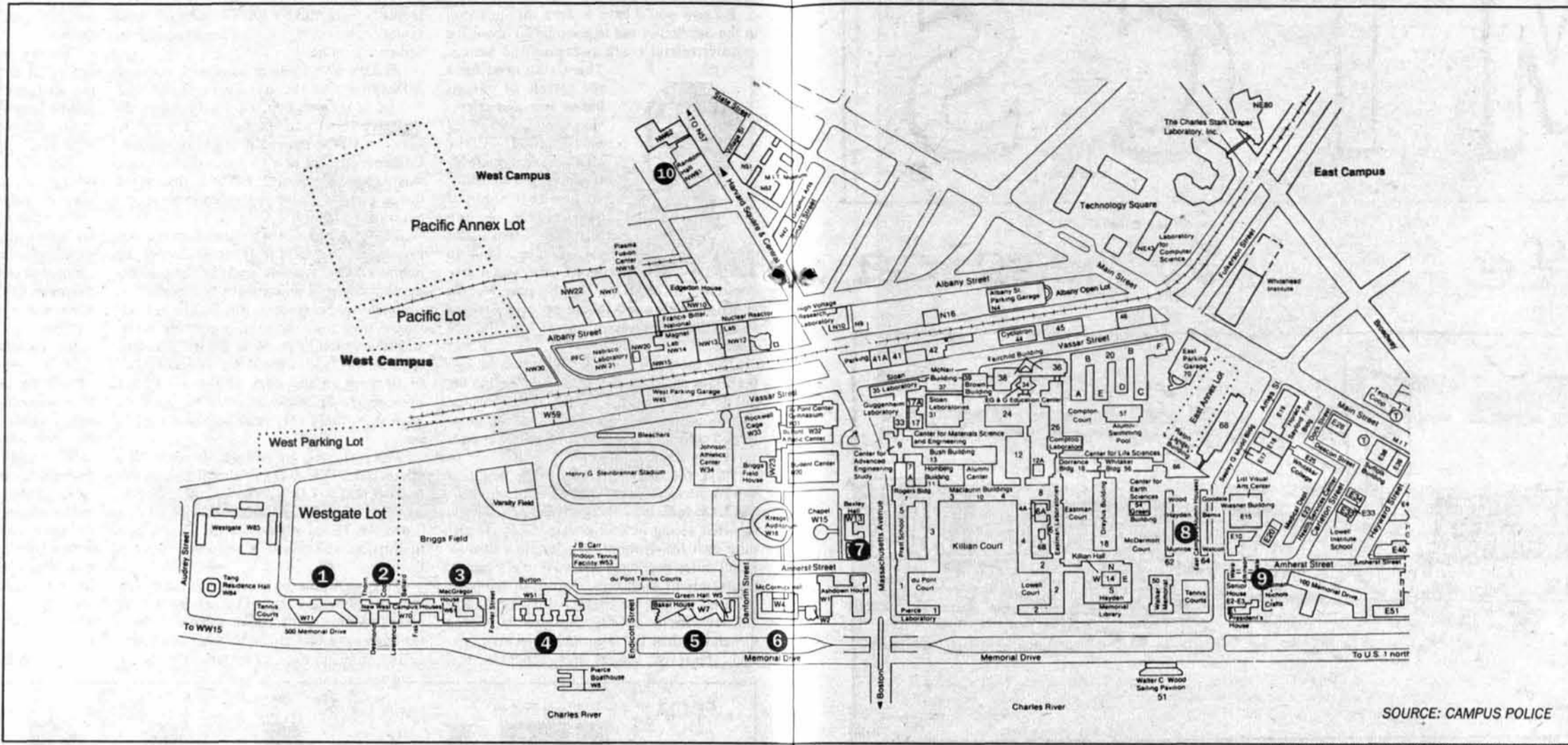
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# Dormitories' Unique Personalities Accommodate Diverse Undergraduates



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## Next House

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Next House is divided into four floors, with two wings on each floor. One section of one wing is all-female, but all other housing is coed.

Next House features a kitchen in the basement and microwaves in each wing. A dining hall and a convenience store are also located in Next House.

"We're one of the more social dormitories on campus," said Victor C. Lum '99, rush chair. "We enjoy having fun, and we go out and do things."

During rush, Next House will be showing movies on the side of the building as well as having barbecues and a dance party.



TECH FILE PHOTO

Next House.

## MacGregor House

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MacGregor House is divided into nine entries of 30 to 48 people, each of which is then subdivided into suites of six to eight people with a kitchen, bathroom, and lounge, said Yuliya S. Jhanwar '98, rush chair.

All freshmen in MacGregor will live in singles, except for "two large doubles" necessary because of crowding, Jhanwar said. All rooms in MacGregor are the same size.

Most social activities in MacGregor occur within the entries. "Most of them are pretty united, but people still do things with the dorm as a whole," Jhanwar said.

During rush, MacGregor will have a carnival including a dunk tank and a caricature artist.



TECH FILE PHOTO

MacGregor House.

By Douglas E. Heimburger  
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

As fraternity and sorority rush continues, many freshmen will also begin to visit and tour dormitories. Today, the Residence and Orientation Committee will sponsor tours of both east and west campus dormitories.

The Tech has compiled a brief description of the 15 living groups listed in the housing lottery, which most freshmen will enter starting tomorrow, each with its own distinct personality and physical layout.

## Bexley Hall

Bexley Hall is divided into suites featuring a kitchen and several doubles and singles.

Bexley is known for having an anti-rush policy. Bexley Hall's desk was not answering its phone during rush.



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Bexley Hall.

## Burton-Conner House

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Burton-Conner House is made up of nine different floors, five on the Burton side and four on the Conner side.

Each floor is divided up into suites of four to 12 people which include a lounge and kitchen. The suites are either coed or single-sex, depending on the preferences of the residents and availability of rooms.

Freshmen living in Burton-Conner will generally live in triples, said Andrew J. Maywah '99, rush chair, with a few doubles available.

"Residents generally do activities with their floor, which tends to be a tight-knit group," Maywah said. "You know everyone on your floor."

During rush, Burton-Conner will be having an "infinite barbecue" in the dormitory's barbecue area as well as fun with water balloons and a slip and slide.

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Burton-Conner House.

## Senior House

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Senior House, renovated in the summer of 1996, is divided into floors. Renovations also made Senior House the second air-conditioned dormitory on campus. Each floor also has either one large kitchen or two smaller kitchens.

Freshmen at Senior House will live in doubles and singles, said Alison R. Harris '00, rush chair. A few suites exist in Senior House as well.

"Senior House is really about tolerance," Harris said. "A common misconception is that you have to smoke or drink... and you don't have to but if you want to we're not going to naysay things."

During rush, Senior House will be playing loud music and teaching freshmen how to tire swing in the courtyard.



IAN CHAN—THE TECH

Senior House.

## Baker House

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Unlike other dormitories, Baker House is not divided up by floors or suites. Every floor is identical, and features a lounge. A kitchen is located in the basement.

Baker also has a dining hall open for dinner four nights a week.

All freshmen are placed in triples or quads by a random lottery, said Jeffrey S. Brown '98, rush chair. Sophomores who want singles can generally get them.

"I think we're one of the more social dormitories," Brown said. "We like active people... who play sports or who do activities or hang out and not necessarily study all the time."

During rush, Baker will be having several dinners and movie nights.



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Baker House.

## New House

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New House is divided into nine houses. Language houses and Chocolate City make up five of the houses.

There are no single-sex housing options in the four remaining numbered houses, said Candace S. Kamachi '00, New House rush chair.

New House features kitchens on the first floor and some others in various locations in the dormitory. New House is also one of two air-conditioned dormitories.

New House is "down to earth," Kamachi said.

Freshmen are generally housed in doubles and triples, Kamachi said. Sophomores are nearly guaranteed a single room.

During rush, New House will have "lots of free food and movie nights" as well as a playground with miniature golf, Kamachi said.

Chocolate City is an all-male group of about 30 people, said Rush Chair Ato Otitigbe '99. All residents generally live in single rooms.

Chocolate City residents have two kitchens and three lounges for common use.

Currently, all the residents of Chocolate City are from minority groups, but the house is open to everyone, Otitigbe said.

In looking for freshmen, Chocolate City attempts to find those who would "function best in our environment," Otitigbe said.

Those interested in Chocolate City must attend a mandatory information session tonight at 8 p.m.

French House is a group of 36 residents interested in the French language and culture, said Ceani Guevara '99, president of French House. Freshmen will live in a single and two triples.

French House has a fully equipped kitchen used to cook communal dinners six nights a week, Guevara said.

Those living in French house should have "a basic level of french and a willingness to improve their french," Guevara said.

During rush, French House will be having a picnic, a "franco-prussian war" waterfight with German House, and a typical French dinner.

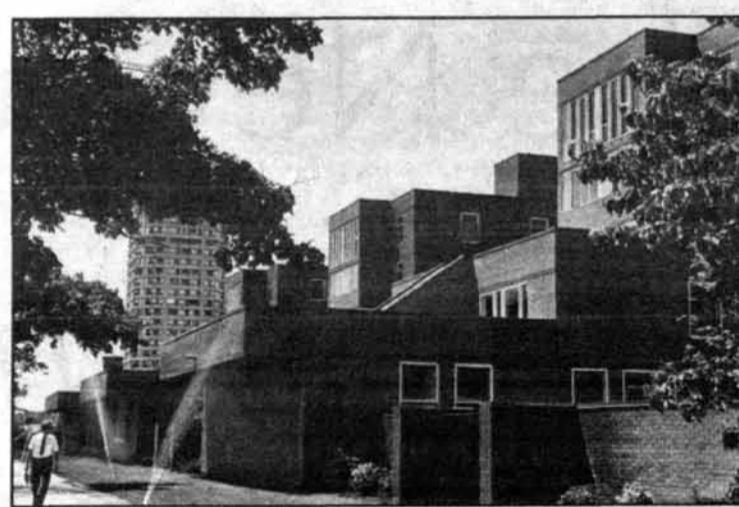
Those interested in French House must attend a brunch on Monday morning starting at 10:30 a.m.

German House is a group of 23 residents interested in the German language and customs, said Marcus K. Kangas '99, rush chair. All residents live in singles.

More than 15 countries are currently represented in the house, but the house currently has no native German speakers, Kangas said.

The house members share a kitchen and several lounges.

During rush, German House is serving native food as well as having



TECH FILE PHOTO

New House.

social events.

Those interested in German House should attend a dinner on Sunday night and must attend a brunch on Monday morning starting at 9 a.m.

Russian House is a group of 19 people interested in the Russian language and customs, said Mark D. Knobel '00, rush chair. The five freshmen in Russian House will share a double and a triple.

Russian House residents share a large kitchen and have communal dinners five nights per week, Knobel said. Most assigned house jobs involve helping with the dinners. "That's our main social event."

During rush, Russian House is serving dinner every night as well as having trips to play paintball and other social events.

Spanish House is a group of 24 people, although there are "associate members who share cooking duties with us," said Talia M. Kingsbury '99, rush chair. Freshmen in Spanish House will live in two doubles and two singles.

Prospective freshmen should either speak Spanish or be interested in learning it, Kingsbury said.

The house requests that all students take at least two Spanish classes at the Institute.

During rush, Spanish House is having dancing lessons and showing movies in Spanish. Interested students must attend a meeting at 9 p.m. today if they did not attend yesterday's meeting.

## East Campus

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The largest dormitory on campus is divided into 10 floors. Each floor, a group of about 40 people, features a kitchen and a lounge. All halls and bathrooms are coed.

Freshmen at East Campus generally will live in a double, said Esther Y. Lee '99, rush chair. Sophomores will "almost definitely get a single."

"East Campus is an eclectic mix of unique personalities which don't necessarily mesh together," Lee said. Each floor has developed its own unique personality over the years.

During rush, East Campus will feature a carnival with a moon bounce and will be the-dying t-shirts.



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East Campus.

## McCormick Hall

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The only all-female dormitory on campus, McCormick Hall, is made up of two towers, one with suites and the other one with rooms off a hallway.

All freshmen at McCormick will live in triples. Most sophomores who want it can get into singles, said Anita M. Barci '98, rush chair.

McCormick has several facilities for its residents, including a dance room and several pianos.

McCormick has a "friendly atmosphere," Barci said. "If you want to study you can find places to do so; if you want to hang out there's places around" to do that as well.

During rush, McCormick will be having pizza and chinese food dinners as well as movie nights.



TECH FILE PHOTO

McCormick Hall.

## Random Hall

Random Hall, the smallest dormitory, is divided into eight halls with four double rooms and six single rooms. There are two all-female floors and four all-male floors in Random.

Freshmen at Random Hall will live in doubles, said Jonathan R. Blandford '98, rush chair. Many freshmen move into singles their sophomore year.

Random Hall is a "small dorm," Blandford said. "People know most people here" and feel extremely safe, even not locking their doors.

During rush, Random Hall will be making liquid nitrogen ice cream as well as featuring arts and crafts and "caffeine tours" of campus.

Random Hall is located north of campus on Massachusetts Avenue, near Central Square.



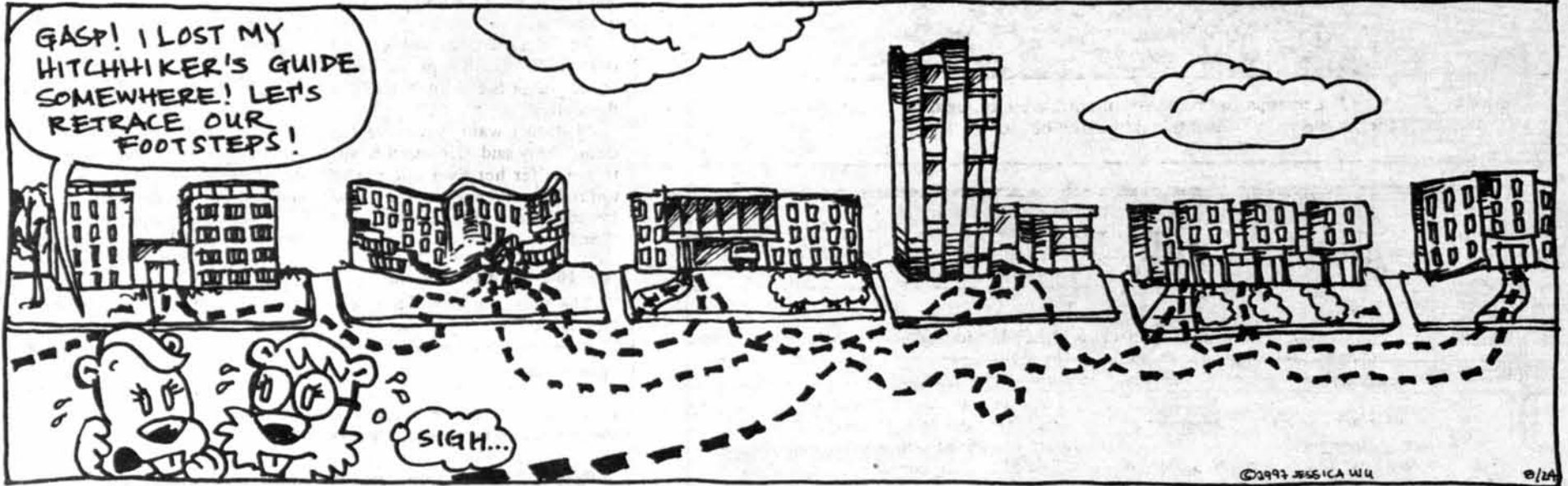
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Random Hall.

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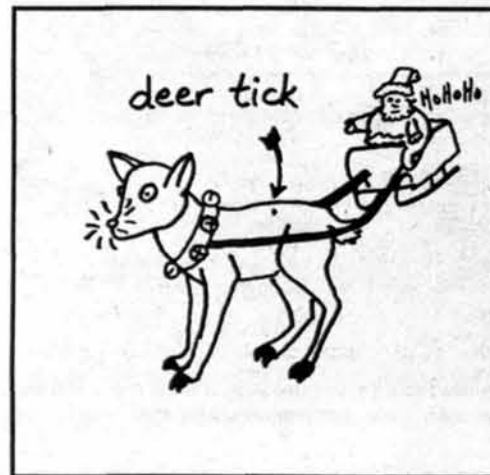
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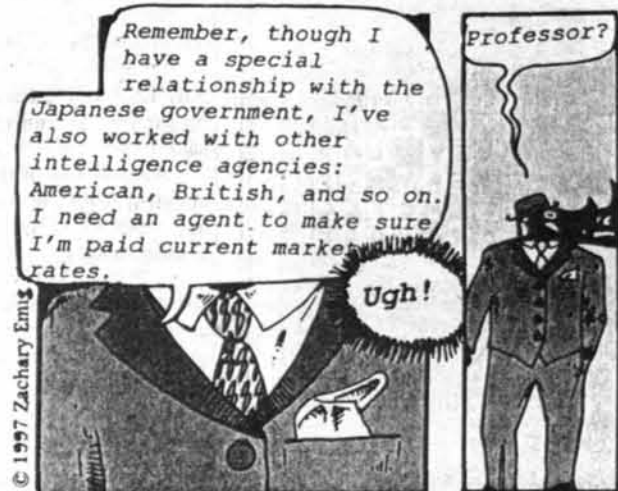
by Katy-Cat



## RHINO MAN

Recap (First printed 4/25/97)

by Zachary Emig



To be continued...



DAVID TARIN—THE TECH

Events ranging from beach trips to breakfasts mark fraternity rush. At Sigma Phi Epsilon yesterday, Angel E. Sanchez '98 rapels down the side of the house.

## Queer-Friendly Places in Boston

### Publications and Services

**GLASS:** Gay, Lesbian, Adolescent Support Services, located just across the bridge in Boston  
**BAGLY:** Boston Alliance for Gay and Lesbian Youth  
**Bay Windows:** Free publication targeted at the gay community  
**Bromfield Street Education Foundation:** publishers of *Gay Community News* and *Outright Conference*, located on Stanhope Street

### Businesses

**Mocha:** coffee shop, located in Copley square  
**Glad Day Bookstore:** located across from the Boston Public Library  
**Grand Opening:** women's sexuality boutique, located in Coolidge corner  
**Trident Booksellers:** located on Newbury Street  
**J.P.Licks:** popular ice cream shop, located on Newbury Street  
**We Think the World of You:** bookstore, located on Tremont street

SOURCE: R/O SEXUAL ID COMMITTEE

### Clubs

**RYLES:** 18+ lesbian club, located in Inman square, open Sundays  
**Campus:** 19+ mixed club with strict carding policies, located down the street from the Middle East (Thursday and Saturday nights)  
**Quest:** 19+ mixed club with strict carding policies, located on Boylston street, south of the Fenway Park (Monday and Friday nights)  
**Avalon:** 21+ slightly upscale gay club, not strictly carded, located on Landsdowne Street next to Fenway Park (Sunday night)  
**Buzz:** 21+ gay men's club, not strictly carded, located on Stuart St. in the theater district (Saturday night)  
**Paragon:** 21+ gay club, not strictly carded, located on Massachusetts Avenue south of City Hospital (Saturday night)  
**Axis:** 19+ gay club, located on Landsdowne St. next to Fenway Park (Tuesday night)  
**Karma:** 21+ gay club, carding variable, located on Landsdowne Street next to Fenway Park (Wednesday night)

# Pink Tour Spotlights Gay-Friendly Dorms

By Zareena Hussain  
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

Yesterday, students were led on a "pink tour" of campus dormitories as one of the many activities offered by the Residence and Orientation Sexual ID Committee.

Tour participants visited various dormitories on campus while being given an idea of the queer-friendliness of each dormitory by dormitory residents.

"From talking to freshmen, the major thing they were concerned about was where to live," said Sarah A. Perry '99, who was a tour leader and a member of the R/O Sexual ID committee.

The tour went through several dormitories so that participants could judge the dormitories for themselves.

"I didn't want to decide for them," Perry said. Her intention was to not offer her own opinion to unfairly influence the minds of freshman but to "let them decide for themselves."

### New House, a diverse dorm

The first stop on the tour was New House.

"It's a west campus dorm, so it's socially more conservative," said Jeffrey S. Kahle '98, New House tour leader and desk captain. However, the presence of the language houses and Chocolate City does do something to add a more open flavor to the dormitory as a whole, he said.

"Because of the diversity, it's one of the more open dorms," Kahle said.

"We welcome any and all students, especially queer ones, and we do our best for them to feel welcome and comfortable," Kahle said.

### Tour bypasses Bexley's anti-rush

The next stop on the tour was Bexley Hall. The pink tour was the only freshman tour that was given a full tour of Bexley, Perry said.

Participants were led through the back door of the basement by resident, tour leader, and R/O Sexual ID committee member Terrance D. Harmon '99.

"The dorm is so liberal, it feels like you're on east campus, except you're on west campus," Harmon said.

One queer-friendly event that Bexley conducts is its annual cross-dressing party.

"You feel you are able to say what you are" in Bexley, Harmon said. "You can do what you want to, and [others] don't really care."

### Campus resources highlighted

Also included in the tour were some on-campus resources for students.

The first stop after Bexley was the office of Counseling and Support Services in room 5-106.

Another location on the tour listed as an important resource for queer students was the Cheney Lounge in room 3-310. The lounge was specifically built for undergraduate women. It includes a kitchen, a living room, a study room, beds, showers, lockers, and bathrooms.

Women exasperated by their housing situation may use the lounge as a temporary haven in which to study or sleep.

The lounge has a combination which can be obtained by women from the office of Counseling and Support Services.

### EC pushes open-mindedness

After being introduced to some campus resources, participants returned to touring dormitories on the other side of campus. The first stop was East Campus.

"It's a pretty cool dorm. It's pretty liberal. It's nice," said Alison M. Novak '00, East Campus tour leader.

"You could go to Senior House for the extreme coolness," Novak said, "East Campus is a little mellower."

"East Campus is a really diverse community," said Gisele M. Proulx '98, an East Campus resident. "The only thing that is not tolerated is intolerance," Proulx said.

### Senior House very tolerant

The last stop on the pink tour this year was Senior House. On hand to greet freshmen were a number of openly gay residents who showed them their rooms and a little of the character of the dormitory. At the same time, they handed out pins for Transgender, Bisexual, Gay, and Lesbian Awareness Day.

"I've found Senior House to be very supportive. It's a very tolerant place," said Perry, who lead the tour of Senior House.

Senior House boasts an annual bondage bathroom formal and a vegetarian bisexual cooking group, Perry said.

### More R/O events planned

The pink tour was just one of several events designed to cater to the needs of lesbian, bisexual, gay, and transgender students on campus.

Today, a fruit festival will be held from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Johnson Barbecue Pits, offering freshmen the opportunity to converse with upperclass students.

On Friday, Queer Club night will take students to local queer clubs.

In addition, Queer Elsewhere is open every night from 8 p.m. to 4 a.m. during rush.

# Ninth-Term Housing Affects Dorm Crowds

Crowding, from Page 1

addition, MIT policies such as guaranteeing eight terms of housing and guaranteeing all freshmen housing on campus also affect crowding levels, Eisenmann said.

The number of ninth term housing requests that are granted also affects crowding though this year only 12 of 70 requests were granted, on par with previous years, Bernard said.

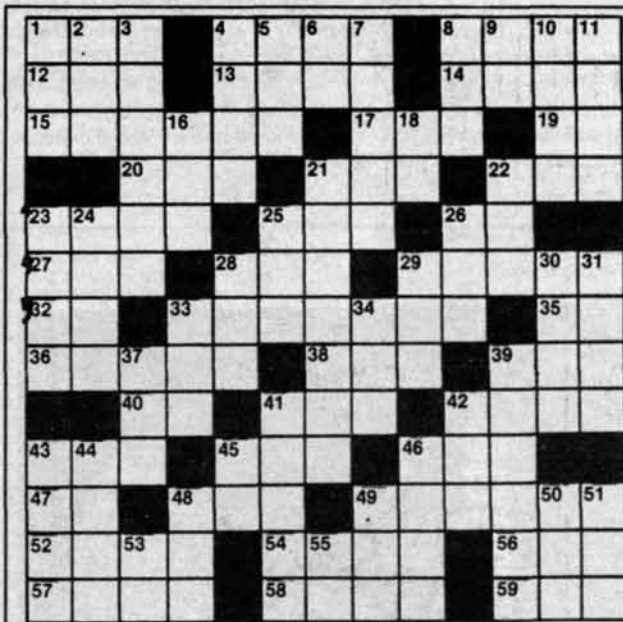
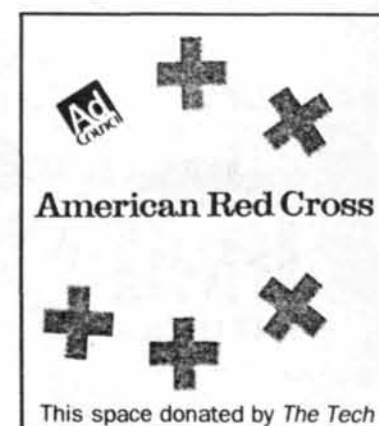
Altering any of these policies or constructing new housing options are "all parts of the puzzle," Eisenmann said.

### Dormitory rush affects crowding

"Unfortunately [crowding] has to be done," said Ashesh P. Shah '98, president of the Dormitory Council. "The last couple of years have been pretty good" for the crowding load, he said.

"It's a fine line," Shah said of the effect of dorm rush on crowding. "If you try to promote fraternity rush you get complaints and if you don't enable them [to rush] you get stuck with the freshmen."

"I think that the school should build another dorm," he said.



- 11. Oklahoma town
- 16. Had supper
- 18. Notice (abbr.)
- 21. On the side
- 22. Black street substance
- 23. Make even around the edges
- 24. 9th Greek letter
- 25. Saloon
- 26. Vessel for drinking
- 28. He
- 29. Angry
- 30. Biting remark
- 31. By oneself
- 33. Were (sing.)
- 34. Cloak

- 37. Faintly lit
- 39. Plan for organization
- 41. Explosion
- 42. Mother (slang)
- 43. Walked upon
- 44. Helper
- 45. Verb
- 46. Musical note
- 48. Painting
- 49. Prompting gesture
- 50. Unit
- 51. Direction (abbr.)
- 53. Preposition
- 55. Translated (abbr.)

### PUZZLE SOLUTIONS FROM LAST ISSUE



### ACROSS

- 1. A long distance
- 4. Present
- 8. Inhabitant of Denmark
- 12. Mined mineral
- 13. Space
- 14. Image
- 15. Sell again
- 17. Tree fluid
- 19. Nickel symbol
- 20. Utah Indians
- 21. Limited (abbr.)
- 22. Spread grass for drying
- 23. Period designated
- 25. Reddish brown colt
- 26. Western state (abbr.)
- 27. Fish eggs
- 28. Cap
- 29. Wall painting
- 32. Impersonal pronoun
- 33. Telephone illegality
- 35. Rocky Mt. state (abbr.)
- 36. Title for lady
- 38. Bar of metal or wood
- 39. Fish appendage
- 40. Are (sing.)

### DOWN

- 41. Papersack
- 42. Method
- 43. Scottish cap
- 45. Total
- 46. Rocky hilltop
- 47. Smallest state (abbr.)
- 48. Medical group (abbr.)
- 49. Usual
- 52. Smell
- 54. Shock
- 56. Woman's name
- 57. Mar
- 58. Oak
- 59. Golf implement
- 1. Preposition
- 2. Is (plural)
- 3. Start again
- 4. Strong wind
- 5. Anger
- 6. Iron symbol
- 7. Delicious
- 8. Brief plunge in water
- 9. Actinium symbol
- 10. Not any

SOLUTIONS IN THE NEXT EDITION OF THE TECH

# Interphasers Propel, Prepared, Into R/O Activities

Interphase, from Page 1

social. I met people I want to room with, good friends that helped me through homesickness and the strangeness of a new place and some people that can party. I truly feel like I have a network of people I can fall back on if I need anything.

I also discovered that living in a dormitory has lots of distractions. People will come by and chat, have really interesting things to do and just hang out talking till the wee hours. It's a lot of fun, I have to admit, but it could very easily hurt

your grades.

Another thing I learned is that no matter what the myth that's floating around says, sleep is actually important. In the first few weeks, I stayed up to watch the sunrise at rooftops while talking so much I almost had no voice after a couple of days.

After I got to know almost everyone and found a group of people I was comfortable with, I found that it was much easier to actually get some studying done.

My Residence and Orientation Week began with the Undergraduate Association's "Games @ MIT"

event at Lobdell's on Wednesday night. While most freshmen were just breaking the ice, once most Interphasers arrived, we had the dance floor going.

After hearing upperclassmen speak of their varied experiences through rush, I knew what to expect and was very eager to join in the excitement and anticipation of the Class of 2001.

The entire Kresge auditorium presentation was actually the most interesting part of R/O to date. Although the whole idea of class unity reminded me of high school

and football games, President Charles M. Vest was surprisingly funny and I was very amused by the *Men In Black* skit.

While I came in open-minded, I'm not sure what assumptions I was supposed to get away from during MOYA. I admit that it was a good way to get to know other freshmen but the name game was a bit too much — I still can't remember anyone's name at this point from the group.

The following afternoon, talking about the skit that hadn't happened even before it actually happened with people that ended up discussing the MIT Extropians instead felt pretty confusing.

Then there was the Johnson-not-Killian Kick-Off in which we crowded around each other and tried to find a space where we weren't doing any physical damage to one another.

The excitement could be felt amongst the fraternity members and men around me until someone yelled "Let the rush begin!" and the guys were hurled out while the women exited in single-file and in

decorum but not having quite as much fun.

I can't speak for what happened to the guys as they were circled by men wearing Greek letters and carried off to Boston and Cambridge but just to say I had tried it I joined many of the freshmen women in going to the Women's Convocation.

I've never thought living in a sorority would be my style, but since I like to be open-minded, I gave it a try. After breaking off into groups with our Ro Chis and talking about the rushing process for women, I decided that my gut instinct was right and sisterhood was not something for me.

Listening to other freshmen walking through campus, I am very glad I was here this summer because I'm not so lost when it comes to directions, which classes to take and which professors are better. If you see a group of people hanging together around campus and screaming "Pi!" you'll have probably found us. Don't be shy and say hello, introduce yourself and we'll try to share some of what we've learned.

## FSILGs, Dorms Left Out of Confusion

Daily Confusion, from Page 1

Friday's Student House events, "most of the people that we got we grabbed from Johnson" at the end of Killian Kick-Off, Horr said.

Other than a few rushees whom Student House had contacted over the summer, by yesterday afternoon there had been very little rush traffic at the house, she said.

Additionally, no women went to Student House after the Women's Convocation, Horr said. That may have also been due to the fact that the "women were somewhat led to believe that they needed to go with their rho chi's [sorority rush counselors]" and participate in sorority rush, she said.

The rush activity has been "a lot less than what we expected," said Sig Ep rush chair Antonio B. Avila '99.

The way the R/O Committee has been dealing with the problem "has been very unhelpful," said

Christopher D. Beland '00, rush chair for Fenway House.


Distributing an addendum "was left up to us," Beland said. "If we didn't get our act together, nothing would have happened."

### Problem stems from program

The *Daily Confusion* process began over the summer, when living group and activity leaders were contacted by the *Daily Confusion* editors. The group leaders submitted to the editors a list of Athena usernames authorized to enter events for that group. Then, those authorized users accessed a program on Athena to add their group's events.

The events in question were missing because of an error in user permissions and the authorization process, Chan said.

Because of this error, events submitted by certain groups did not appear at all in the *Daily Confusion*, Chan said.



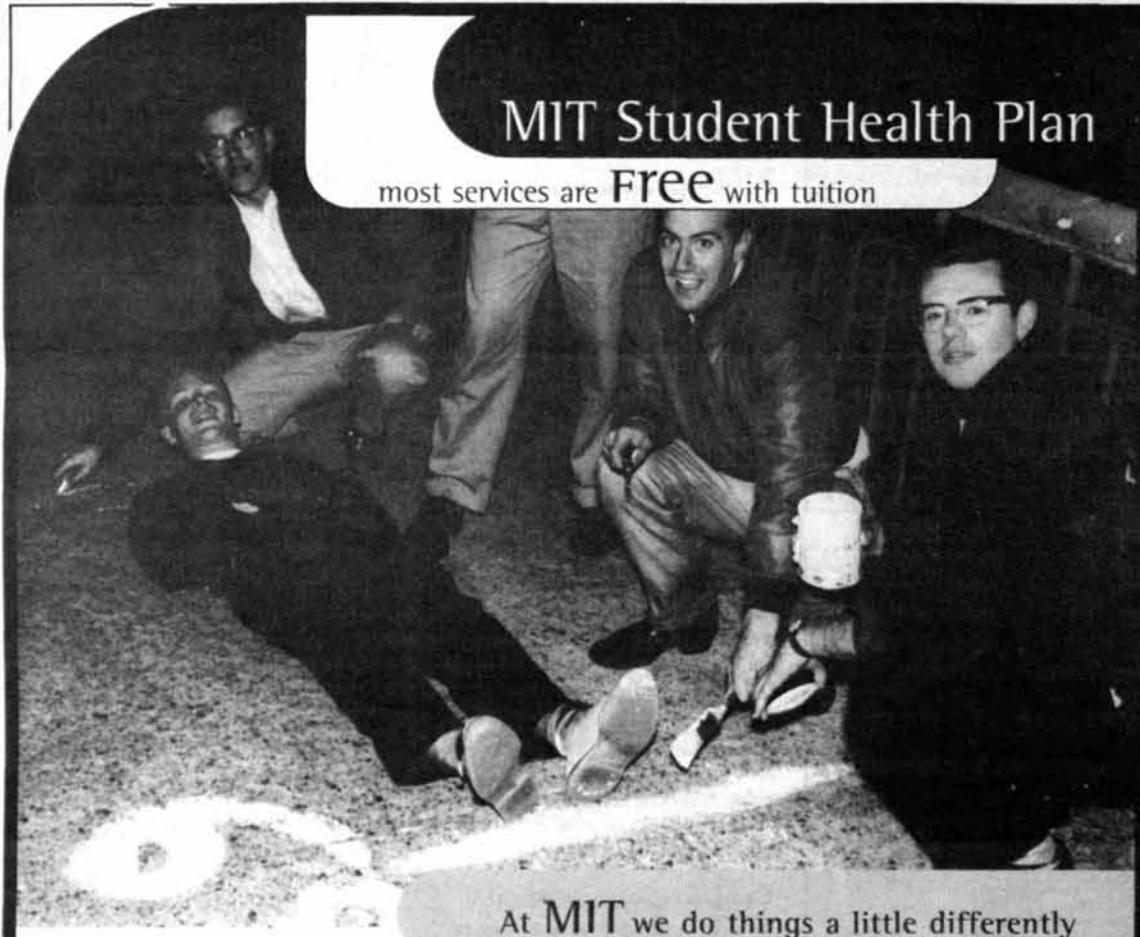
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beauty. Current Haus Masters and alums will take you step by step through the tresswinging process, complete with demonstrations, hands-on learning, and helpful advice for your technique.\*

3:00p: **MacGregor**. Come watch or participate in the jousting tournament\*

3:00p: **Russian House**. Canoeing and Kayaking on the Charles - don't fall in :)\*

3:01p: **WILG**. Those crafty WILG women are at it again. Come by for **bookmark making**. Anything to make those textbooks more cheerful! Call 253-6799 or 354-1263 for a ride.\*

3:04p: **pika**. one fish, two fish, raw fish, veg fish. come learn to make sushi at pika, it's easier than you think, and our imitation crab and avacados don't bite back the way most fish do. roll yourself in seaweed and call 492-6983 for a ride over.\*

3:17p: **Random Hall**. Why does everything cosmically significant happen at 17 past the hour? Come and ask us. While you're at it, we'd love to give you a tour.\*

3:44p: **TEΦ**. **FAO Schwartz Trip**. If you like hearing "Welcome To Our World Of Toys" over and over until your spleen ruptures, call us. See toys that cost more than the average motorcycle. Call 262-5090.\*\*

3:47p: **Random Hall**. We have a Mystery Hunt for you. Made from the World Famous MIT mystery hunt, this was written by a resident, and is a lot of fun. Come try your hand at a variety of puzzles and problems.\*

3:51p: **AΔΦ**. ...beware the jub-jub bird, and shun the frumious bandersnatch. Call 576-BRILIG (576-2792) and come to AΔΦ, the land of the Jabberwock.

4:00p: **La Maison Française. La Maison Française**. La Cuisine: Aidez-nous vous préparer un grand diner, 5ème étage, New House 6.\*

4:00p: **Senior House**. FREE ELECTRIC SHOCKS!!! We've got 9 Volts and wet sponges, you've got the nervous system!! What could be better? (Note: this event comes with all the warnings of a big scary roller-coaster).\*

4:00p: **Burton-Conner**. Stop by Burton-Conner and check out what we've got cooking on our grill! Burton-Conner's famous Infinite Barbecue is still going on at the Burton-Conner BBQ pit.\*

4:00p: **WILG**. Black and White Sphere spinning before me...Is it Art? No! It's Soccer! Come Play! Call 253-6799 or 354-1263 for a ride.\*

4:00p: **MacGregor**. Come by and splash our House President in the dunk tank!

4:00p: **German House**. Traditional German Haus Cookoff! Whether you are a gourmet or a totally inexperienced cook, come and learn the secrets of German cuisine as you help us prepare an exquisite dinner.\*

4:00p: **New House**. Barbecue in the New House courtyard! We've got corn, hot dogs, burgers (meat and veggie), the works. Come have lunch and play some volleyball, or try our miniature golf course.\*

4:01p: **La Maison Française. La Maison Française**. Help us prepare a typical French House dinner. We'd make you chop onions, but hazing is illegal. 5th floor of New House 6.\*

4:14p: **pika**. it's 4:14, a palindromic time, what better way to celebrate this than to do something completely unrelated, like beadmaking? it's happening at pika as we speak... drill a hole in your phone and call 492-6983 for a ride.\*

4:17p: **Random Hall**. We are painting a mural on the wall of our dorm. Come help. It will be fun and you'll get a chance to make a big mess.\*

4:20p: **pika**. frisbee. disc. ultimate. practice your throwing arm. practice throwing your arm. practice gripping a frisbee with your teeth. it's frisbee in the park by pika. call 492-6983 for a ride in the flying saucer.\*

4:30p: **WILG**. Come play all day with CLAY! Or build beautiful art objects. Your choice. Call 253-6799 or 354-1263 to join us!

4:30p: **Nu Delta**. Movies, pool, ping pong, etc. at the house

4:33p: **Epsilon Theta**. FIRE ESCAPE TOUR! Let Elina (your favorite Fire and Safety Officer) show you our means of egress and our porch! If you're good, she might let you try on the red fire hat and play with Nancy the FSO lobster...\*

4:37p: **Epsilon Theta**. FIRE ESCAPE TOUR, take II. The Evil Imposter FSO has been sacked by Chris, the real FSO and Chris will now continue the tour without trying to convince you to try out the Invisible Fire Escape...\*

4:41p: **Epsilon Theta**. FIRE ESCAPE TOUR, take III. The Hideously Clever Imposter FSO has been sacked by Laura, the really real FSO, who will now complete the tour without showing you our Super Sekrit Wormhole to campus.\*

4:47p: **Random Hall**. Do you want to learn how to customize your Athena account? (do you HAVE an Athena account yet?) You will eventually, so get ahead of the curve and get help in the random cluster.\*

5:00p: **AEI**. Thanksgiving in August! AEPI is dishing out a traditional thanksgiving dinner with all the trimmings. Call 247-3170 and we'll save you a place at the table. You'll be thankful you called!\*

5:00p: **Theta Chi**. Come with us on our boat cruise as we tour the Charles Basin and Boston Harbor. Dinner's included! Call 267-1801 for a ride over to our house.\*\*

5:00p: **Pi Lam**. Want to see Boston night life? Call Pi Lam 267-4935\*\*

5:00p: **MacGregor**. Probably your last chance to eat cotton candy at our carnival!

5:00p: **Phi Deltas. Phi Delta Theta**. Pizzeria Uno's. Twelve types of gourmet pizza. All you can eat. \*Nuf said.\*\*

5:00p: **New House**. We've got corn, meat, and veggie meat, so come to the BBQ and stay for a game of volleyball!

5:17p: **Random Hall**. We are still showing movies in our front lounge. There is plenty of popcorn and soda, so sit back and relax. Come be yourself.\*

5:21p: **pika**. indian food in a few hours... mmm... tasty... spicy... gloppy... and filling... to work up an appetite, come join our only vaguely serious game of frisbee in the park. call 492-6983 for a ride.\*

5:26p: **pika**. pika: home of the intramural frisbee team voted "most likely to have fun" and "most likely to confuse the opposition" by our own housemates. come toss a disc around with us. (no, you don't have to be able to throw forehand with two arms behind your back to have fun). 492-6983.\*

5:30p: **Spanish House**. todaTODAVIA ESTAMOS DANDO GIRAS DE LA CASA. WE STILL AHAVE FOOD. TOO. COME BY. sSEGUNDO PISO DE NOEW HOUSE 4. ...\*

5:30p: **Senior House**. The word "barbeque" comes from the American Spanish "barbicoa." You don't need to know that to come to our BBQ, but you should remember it anyway since you never know when a piece of information like that could come in handy.\*

5:33p: **pika**. the doll is cursed. that's bad. come to pika. 492-6983.\*

5:34p: **pika**. but you get a free frogurt. that's good. come to pika. 492-6983.\*

5:35p: **ZY**. Feel like some grub? Well, if you do, head on out to the range with us...we'll rustle some up for you too. Mmmm - tasty.\*

5:35p: **pika**. the frogurt is also cursed. that's bad. come to pika. 492-6983.\*

5:36p: **pika**. but you get a free choice of toppings. that's good. come to pika. 492-6983.\*

5:37p: **ZY**. No, we weren't talking about caterpillars. In fact, the food that we're getting is going to tasted quite a sight better than caterpillars. But don't just believe it - come see for yourself.\*

5:37p: **pika**. the toppings contain potassium benzoate. hmmm. come to pika anyways. 492-6983.\*

5:47p: **Random Hall**. We have an all-you-can-eat food bar in our main lounge for the low down price of... FREE (minus the \$10,000 cover charge for tuition)\*

5:55p: **Epsilon Theta**. No bells for barbecues. They're outside, you see.\*

6:00p: **ZBT. PRIME RIB DINNER!** Need we say more? Stay around after dinner when we go out for some LASER TAG and BILLIARDS. Vegetarian meals available. Call Rick for rides at 232-3257. \*\*ZBT, THE NON-PLEDGING FRATERNITY \*\*\*\*

6:00p: **AΔΦ. AΔΦ Mexican Dinner**. Fasten your seatbelt and stow that bag, it's an enchilada and burrito dinner! Call 576-BURN-ME (576-2792) for a ride to the haven of the habanero, jalapeno, and chili peppers.\*\*

6:00p: **Epsilon Theta**. SHISH-KABOB BARBECUE. Make your own skewer full. Vegetarians get to laugh at the rest of us - their food cooks faster! S'Mores for dessert. Call 3-8888 for a ride and skewer.\*

6:00p: **Burton-Conner**. Burton-Conner's Infinite Barbecue is still going on. Stop by for some great food before it's over.\*

6:00p: **MacGregor**. We got meats and veggies for the eatin! /bf BBQ all day\*

6:00p: **Sigma Chi**. Boat Cruise Set sail into scenic Boston Harbor with us on a gorgeous yacht. We'll be dancin' up a storm and eating great food on the water. This is one event you will never forget.

6:00p: **Nu Delta**. Seafood Dinner

6:00p: **German House**. Dinner and Cinema at Deutsches Haus This savory meal is a German House tradition that goes way back. We'll be serving up some authentic german house specialties, followed by a night of good movies. Feel free to join us at any time!!!\*

6:00p: **Phi Deltas. Phi Delta Theta**. Excitement is in the air while brothers prepare for one-of-a-kind Road Rally! It's an adventure not to be missed! Hungry? We've got all kinds of Uno's Pizza here, waiting to be devoured.

6:00p: **New House**. It's a BBQ! Have some corn and burgers, play some volleyball, and try our miniature golf course!)

6:01p: **WILG**. Time for our Boston Dinner where we've got everything from Boston Baked Beans to Boston Cream Pie! And to drink? Anything but tea, of course. Give us a call at 253-6799 or 354-1263 anytime!\*

6:04p: **pika**. rumors of our assimilation have been greatly exaggerated. call 492-6983 to dispel the myth.\*

6:10p: **Baker House**. Mmmm... Home cooked Spaghetti Dinner at Baker\*

6:17p: **Random Hall**. When it gets dark, we will start playing some video games on our 10 foot movie screen on the roofdeck. Then we will start our all-night movie festival.\*

6:18p: **AEI**. Missing home? Be welcome at ours for thanksgiving dinner, there's still some food left. Call 247-3170.\*\*

6:22p: **TEΦ**. Italian Dinner! Meet with "The Godfather" over a nice Italian Dinner and discuss whether or not to use a fabric softener when laundering your money. Call 262-5090 for an offer you can't refuse.\*\*

6:30p: **La Maison Française. La Maison Française**. Grand Diner: Gorgez-vous du diner fabuleux que nous avons préparé. 5ème étage, New House 6.\*

6:30p: **Sigma Chi**. Run to the Border Unwind with us as rush comes to a close at the Border Cafe-Boston's finest Mexican restaurant. Great food, great company...what more do you need?!!\*

6:30p: **pika**. Dinner is served at pika! Tasty indian food of all shapes and sizes. Call 492-6983 for a ride over...\*

6:31p: **La Maison Française. La Maison Française**. Dinner: Hungry after all that cooking? Or maybe your hungry from walking up four flights of stairs. Either way, you can join us for a delicious home-cooked meal. 5th floor of New House 6.\*

6:45p: **WILG**. WILG FOOD !!! Give us a call at 253-6799 or 354-1263 for a ride!

6:47p: **Random Hall**. Come watch the Wings of Honeamais on our roofdeck.

This elegant movie is our Rush Chairs' favorite.\*

7:00p: **EN**. Trip to Jillian's for Billiards and Vide Games

7:00p: **ZBT. SHOOT YOUR FRIENDS** when ZBT takes you out for ARENA LASER TAG. VIEW YOUR STATS after you finish to check your confirmed kills, then SHOOT SOME POOL on tournament-quality billiards tables! Call Rick for rides at 232-3257. \*\*ZBT, THE POWERHOUSE OF EXCELLENCE \*\*\*\*

7:00p: **Senior House**. Your day has been a quest of heroic proportions, a mission to discern from amongst the shimmering mirages and siren songs that accost you a true haven: the perfect dorm. You feel beads of sweat making their slow passage down your face, your throat as dry as parchment desiccated by desert sands. Suddenly, you are blinded by pure, brilliant light, and an angel appears before you singing, "Senior Haus, Senior Haus!" Is it a figment of your tormented imagination, or a true portent? Why not come by Senior Haus and find out?\*

7:00p: **Theta Xi**. Get away from it all and mellow out on our Boston Harbor Cruise. Great views of the Boston skyline, plus dancing below deck. Don't miss the boat! P.S. Dress warmly. 266-2827\*\*

7:00p: **Epsilon Theta**. ROAD RALLYE! Join a car team and zoom around Boston on a wild quest for the answers. Call 3-8888 for quite a ride.\*

7:00p: **Pi Lam**. It's Taco night at Pi Lambda Phi. Taco taco taco! Taco! Tacotacotacotacotaco... whew. It's always a good time.\*\*

7:00p: **MacGregor**. Tired of fancy dinners, come for our home cookin at the never ending /bf BBQ!\*

7:00p: **Phi Deltas. Phi Delta Theta. Road Rally**. Race through the streets of Boston to reach the secret destination first. It's a scavenger hunt, Phi Delt style - guaranteed to be one of the most exciting and memorable adventures in your life. A definite don't miss!

7:00p: **New House**. BBQ and Volleyball @ New House! You can always just relax in our air-conditioned play room too. Come play twister, learn to fold origami, decorate cookies, talk to upperclassmen...there's tons of stuff to do!

7:17p: **Random Hall**. We are still giving tours. If you're already seen Random, see it again, for the first time.\*

7:17p: **pika**. there's still fantastic indian food left to eat at pika. call 492-6983 and the samosamobile will show up and smother you in its lightly fried folds.\*

7:21p: **Epsilon Theta**. ROAD RALLYE CONTINUES. "Effingham Falls. Population: 10..."

7:22p: **TEΦ**. Only one hour until the Crock Opera! Get your arse over to TEP right away so you can get a good seat! 262-5090\*\*

7:29p: **pika**. Ever run into a firewall on the internet? We have a real live solid firewall in our house that you can run into (proxy server not included). Open <http://phones.pika.mit.edu/492-6983> for a ride.\*

7:30p: **New House**. We're still BBQ-ing and playing volleyball, so come join the fun! Stay for a game of miniature golf!

7:37p: **Russian House**. Dinner Le Grande: Food may be served :) Russian House Dinner is a tradition we all cherish. Prepared from start to finish by the residents and social members, it is not only a delicious meal, but also a social event, a chance for all of us to get together no matter how busy the day gets. Come join us for a traditional Russian dinner... It's a great opportunity to meet the residents... and it's MANDATORY for prospective Russian House members. Enjoy the conversation, the jokes, and, last but not least, the home-cooked Russian food.\*

7:47p: **Random Hall**. Our food bar is giving way to a desert bar. We've got something for everyone; from chocoholics to lactose intolerant people.\*

7:56p: **Epsilon Theta**. ROAD RALLYE CONTINUES. "Welcome to New Hampshire..."

7:59p: **WILG**. Liberty Cafe Come get coffee with us at the wackiest underground (literally) cafe in Cambridge. Call 253-6799 or 354-1263 and we'll take you there.\*

8:00p: **La Maison Française. La Maison Française**. Soirée Cinéma Français: Venez voir La Cité des Enfants Perdus et mangez de la nourriture sucrée avec nous! 5ème étage, New House 6.\*

8:00p: **ZY**. Few things get you as relaxed after a long, tough weekend of rushing fraternities as a casual game of poker. Come and partake of the excitement - there's nothing like it.

8:00p: **ZBT. LASER TAG/BILLIARDS** still in full swing. See 7pm.\*\*

8:00p: **Senior House**. I scream, you scream, we all scream...! Maybe after we're all hoarse ice cream and cookies and jell-o and other good stuff will be served.\*

8:00p: **AEI**. Rack 'em up at Boston Billiards, the best pool hall in Boston! This is your cue to call 247-3170.\*\*

8:00p: **Nu Delta**. PLAY ARCADE GAMES and pool at Jillians!!!

8:01p: **La Maison Française. La Maison Française**. French Movie Night: Are you tired of watching movies where you understand what's going on? If so, come see The City of Lost Children. 5th floor of New House 6.\*

8:02p: **ZY**. Or if you're not into poker, hang out and make some home-made ice cream. Or any of a number of other activities. We've had enough stress for the weekend - come let yours out.\*

8:02p: **pika**. Ace Frehley stuck his tongue out. Richard Nixon did his famous Nixon pose. Marvin Minsky begat artificial intelligence. We all know what Madonna did. act on pure instinct- call 492-6983 and come over.\*

8:10p: **Baker House**. Relax and watch a movie or two.\*

8:17p: **Random Hall**. Take a break. Come over, sit down, put your feet up, and weave a basket.\*

8:22p: **TEΦ**. You'll laugh, you'll cry, you'll throw rotten vegetables at the actors (we provide rotten vegetables). It's TEP's 22nd Annual Crock Opera! Critically acclaimed! "I couldn't believe it!" -Ripley "This isn't art...it's a crock!" -N.Y. Times. Dial 262-5090 for a ride.\*\*

8:30p: **pika**. mit's a jungle. come get your war paint. bodypainting at pika. 492-6983\*

8:37p: **pika**. always wanted a(nother) nose ring? tattoo? pika's not a licensed body modification studio, but we've got peroxide, bodypaint, and henna. call 492-6983.\*

8:47p: **Random Hall**. We are making liquid Nitrogen ice cream in our main lounge. Come see what else you can do with this versatile substance while eating the ice cream.\*

9:00p: **Spanish House**. QUIERES VIVIR CON NOSOTROS? POR SUPUESTO! THIS IS YOUR LAST CHANCE TO COME TO A MEETING AND FIND OUT WHAT LIVING HERE IS LIKE. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO LIVE IN LA CASA, YOU MUST ATTEND ONE MEETING.\*

9:00p: **MacGregor**. Home made frozen drinks / bf daiquiris\*

9:00p: **New House**. Movies under the stars! Have some popcorn and popticles, stick your feet in the kiddie pool on the terrace, recline on a couch in the lounge, even-ile in the grass (blankets provided), and watch movies on our screen in the courtyard! There will also be games and marshmallow toasting. If you like, you can sleep over and stay for breakfast too. (pillows/blankets provided) :)\*

9:05p: **pika**. rubber. potato. fish. that junky plastic keychain MIT gave you. carve any of these things and dip it in paint and you'd be doing printmaking at pika! call 492-6983 for a ride.\*

9:17p: **Random Hall**. The random movie marathon continues with Drunken Master II. Come see Jackie Chan in all his glory, as he kicks, punches, and out manuevers gravity on a ten foot screen.\*

9:34p: **Epsilon Theta**. ROAD RALLYE CONTINUES. "Instructions for crossing the Canadian Border..."

9:35p: **Epsilon Theta**. ROAD RALLYE CONTINUES. "OK...now I'm sure we're lost."

9:47p: **Random Hall**. Rush workers, frozen by the liquid nitrogen, thaw out.\*

9:57p: **Epsilon Theta**. ROAD RALLYE CONTINUES. "What do the instructions say about Z'hadum?" "If you go to Z'hadum, you will die." "Oops..."

10:00p: **AΔΦ**. Dance Party! Shake dat body. Bust a move. Strike a pose. There's nothing to it. Come dance with AΔΦ and the women of WILG next door and party all night! Call 576-VOGUE-VOGUE-VOGUE (576-2792) and we'll pick you up from any location.\*

10:00p: **Senior House**. College students must work hard to insure that they get their daily intake of the four food groups: caffeine, sugar, sodium, and fat. Have YOU been eating properly? If not, we at Senior Haus can help! Our specially trained dieticians will prepare nutritious snacks such as Rice Krispie treats, ice cream, and jell-o to give you the healthy edge!

10:00p: **Epsilon Theta**. ROAD RALLYE CONTINUES. And the winner is...\*

10:00p: **Burton-Conner**. Games Night at Burton-Conner! Come play board games and fun activities. Food and beverages will be provided.\*

10:00p: **WILG**. Colored lights, great music, and the guys next door. It's our patio DANCE PARTY with Alpha Delta Phi! Call 253-6799 or 354-1263 for a ride!

10:00p: **MacGregor**. Virgin daiquiris, the only cure for a hot days thirst.\*

10:00p: **Sigma Chi**. The Main Event Join us in our antique bar for some crazy games. You'll have to see this event for yourself to believe it!!

10:00p: **New House**. We're showing movies in our courtyard outside, so have some popcorn and popticles and watch from the terrace, the lounge, or lay in the grass. We'll have games, a kiddie pool, and marshmallow toasting too! If you like you can sleep over and stay for breakfast! (pillows/blankets provided). If it rains, movies will be on a screen indoors.\*

10:02p: **pika**. forage for playgrounds in the pika vicinity. from the smallest swing to the largest 360-degree tube slide, no playground is too daunting to an intrepid explorer. call 492-6983 for a ride.\*

10:17p: **ZY**. The games are going on without you! What's the matter? Get over here!

10:17p: **Random Hall**. In case you are possibly hungry, we have plenty of food, drink and sugar left to fill even the emptiest stomachs.\*

10:18p: **ZY**. Please?\*

10:22p: **TEΦ**. Yuppie Ice Cream in the Back Bay. Come on over and consume metric butloads of ice cream in the company of more BMWs than anywhere else. Call 262-5090 for some J.P. Lickin'\*

10:29p: **pika**. and there was nary a clean expanse of paper to be found... join in the printmaking ruckus at pika (call 492-6983 for a ride!)\*

10:30p: **La Maison Française. La Maison Française**. Nous avons encore des crêpes et de la glace. On ne peut jamais avoir assez de sucre. 5ème étage, New House 6.\*

10:30p: **Theta Chi**. Hungry? That's good, because we're serving up lots of pizza any minute now. Come on over or call 267-1801 for a ride.\*\*

10:30p: **Pi Lam**. Tired of running around for the last 2 days? Come relax on Pi Lam's roofdeck. 267-4935 There might even be a taco left.\*\*

10:31p: **La Maison Française. La Maison Française**. Eat food and play games. 5th floor of New House 6.\*

10:37p: **Russian House**. Nostalgya Party! (The Lost Kremlin) - Come to one of the famous Russian House Parties!!! This crazy bunch will show you how it's done...\*

10:44p: **WILG**. We're still dancing the night away, and the DJ's are taking requests. Show us the moves from YOUR hometown and we'll show you the latest from Boston! Call 253-6799 or 354-1263 for your ride to the hottest DANCE PARTY around!\*

10:47p: **Random Hall**. The origami cranes are starting to get restless. Come and make them paper bowls for their food, or else they'll revolt and take over MIT!\*

11:00p: **Burton-Conner**. Wanna have some good ole' fun playing games. Come by and get to know some Burton-Conner residents. We'll have snacks and beverages.\*

11:00p: **Pi Lam**. Imagine the feeling of power that you will feel when you eat ice cream on a great height. Consider the adrenaline-laden feeling of vertigo as you stare down at the ant-like people five floors beneath you while spoonful after spoonful of rich, creamy frozen dessert spoons its way into your gaping mouth... Ice cream on Pi Lambda Phi's roofdeck.. 267-4935.\*\*

11:00p: **New House**. Movie nite under the stars! We've got games, marshmallow toasting, and a kiddie pool out too, so you can dip your feet and watch movies from the terrace! Too hot to sleep? You're welcomed to lay in our air-conditioned lounges- sleep over and stay for breakfast! (pillows/blankets provided). If it rains, movies will be on a screen indoors.\*

11:11p: **WILG**. Make a wish!\*

11:17p: **Random Hall**. George Clooney's a wuss. See Batman the way he was meant to be, with a real square chin. Watch Mask of the Phantasm, the animated Batman film, on the roofdeck.\*

11:23p: **AΔΦ**. And the silken sad uncertain rustling of each purple curtain Thrilled me—filled me with fantastic terrors never felt before; So that now, to still the beating of my heart, I stood repeating, "Tis some visitor entreating entrance at my chamber door, Some late visitor entreating entrance at my chamber door. This it is, and nothing more." -Poe Visit us late at our door... there's still a dance party with both the brothers of AΔΦ and the women of WILG next door. Call 576-RAVEN (576-2792) for a ride.\*

11:23p: **Epsilon Theta**. ROAD RALLYE CONTINUES. "Maine! At least we're back in the right country now..."

11:47p: **Random Hall**. Munchie's run! Come compete with Randomites to see how quickly you can go from sitting in the front lounge, thinking about being thirsty, to sitting in the front lounge, sipping a cold Munchie's beverage from the next-door mini-mart.\*

12:00a: **Senior House**. F'ckhead the Demon Squirrel speaks: Acorns! Acorns! I demand you bring me acorns!\*

12:00a: **MacGregor**. Want a midnight snack? Come by our never ending /bf BBQ\*

12:00a: **New House**. Too hot to sleep? Come lay in our air-conditioned lounges, or dip your feet in the kiddie pool on the terrace and enjoy the night-time view of Boston. There will be games and marshmallow toasting, and movies under the stars. you're welcomed to sleep over and stay for breakfast too. (pillows/blankets provided) :)\*

12:17a: **Random Hall**. Some people say that Spacewarp marbles are limited to 3 mph. Some say that with railgun technology stolen from the patented Low-Foley Potato Mortar, marbles can go superluminal. Care to test this theory?\*

1:00a: **MacGregor**. Time to rap up the /bf BBQ, eat up!

1:00a: **New House**. Bored? Too hot to sleep? Come play games in our air-conditioned play room or toast some marshmallows! We've got a pool out on the terrace so you can dip your feet and watch the city lights across the river. If you like, you can sleep over and stay for breakfast too. (pillows/blankets provided) :)\*

1:17a: **Random Hall**. Time for more strange films on the roodeck. Come see Wide Sargasso Seas and remark on how strange movies can get.\*

2:00a: **Senior House**. All good people are asleep and dreaming...but if you've got insomnia or you're just plain bad, give Senior Haus a visit and fraternize with your fellows.\*

2:17a: **Random Hall**. The obsession with 17's is contagious, you know. See if you've started changing your daily planner to schedule meetings with your advisor at 17 past the hour...\*

2:47a: **Random Hall**. Football war! Watch the clams fight the peckers fight anyone else who's awake!\*

3:17a: **Random Hall**. Did the Orange Tour leave you with nothing but dirty clothes and an appetite? Come on over for pancakes, eggs, sizzling bacon, or anything else you care to gorge on!

3:47a: **Random Hall**. Did you have the soup for breakfast? Aliens is on the roofdeck, so come watch the director's cut (letterboxed!) of this epic film. Watch for the duct tape scene at the end...\*

4:17a: **Random Hall**. Come watch the desk worker display the Top Ten Stupid Deskworker Tricks To Stay Awake.\*

4:32a: **Epsilon Theta**. ROAD RALLY FINISHES! "Hey! Where'd everybody go?!"

4:47a: **Random Hall**. 30 meters.... 20 meters.... 10 meters....0 meters, sirl! Where are they.... argh! (Aliens continues)\*

Activities

1:00p: **Hillel**. Brunch at Hillel(W11)\*

In case of emergency, dial 100 from any MIT phone. Other important numbers: Campus Police: 253-1212 Med Center Emergency: 253-1311 R/O Center: 253-2500 UAA: 253-6772 Nightline: 253-8800 Delta Psi or St. Anthony Hall: please see No.6

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NOTE: A single asterisk (\*) following a listing indicates a coed or female living group. A double asterisk (\*\*) indicates an activity to which women are cordially invited.

## The Daily Confusion Sunday, August 24, 1997

## Residence

- All day: **ΦΚΘ**. Ever been to Newbury St? Come and check out JP Licks and other notable Newbury Street locations. Also enjoy a picnic on the roof deck while checking out a fantastic view. Call 437-7795 for a ride.\*\*
- All day: **ΑΔΦ**. Come sailing with ΑΔΦ on the Charles River! Don't love the water all that much? **Ultimate Frisbee!** Rollerblade from Cambridge to Boston and back with the self-proclaimed world-famous Rolling Power Vac's! Just call 576-ULTIMATE-FUN (576-2792) for a ride.
- All day: **Epsilon Theta**. Visit Epsilon Theta's amazing stuffed pets! Since they've lost their names, we're going to need your help naming them! Call 734-9211 or MIT x3-8888 for a ride.\*
- All day: **Theta Chi**. It's not too late to meet our brothers. Call us anytime for a ride and a house tour. 267-1801.\*\*
- All day: **WILG**. Meet the women of WILG! Plenty of everything to do - or nothing, if you prefer - so stop by anytime. Feel free to call 253-6799 or 354-1263 for a ride. *No invitations necessary!*
- All day: **New House**. Tour new house and take a breather in our **airconditioned Play Room!** We have lots of couches for sitting on, and we're NEVER out of food. You can also have some fun and jump on the mattresses, draw on the walls, learn to fold origami, decorate cookies, watch movies, play ping-pong, piano, and games, (like twister and jenga among other things), and try out the **New House miniature golf course!** Questions? Call desk @3-6561, 8am-2am. :)\*
- 6:47a: **Random Hall**. We've got a jigsaw puzzle that needs finishing and another that needs starting. For everyone that got lost during the Orange Tours, we still have some breakfast left.
- 7:17a: **Random Hall**. Breakfast is served! Sugary cereals with a lot of cartoons and as much milk as needed.\*
- 7:30a: **Pi Lam**. Haven't woken up yet? Don't worry. Pi Lam is serving breakfast all morning. Come and enjoy all the breakfast foods you've grown to love. No tacos yet, but be patient. Pi Lam 267-4935\*\*
- 7:55a: **Epsilon Theta**. DING! FIRST BELL! Breakfast in five minutes.\*
- 7:56a: **Epsilon Theta**. Elliot, could you please stop ringing that <ensored>-bell?!?!? It's too early!\*
- 8:00a: **La Maison Française. La Maison Française**. Petit Déjeuner: Des bagels, des croissants, des beignets, du lait, du jus, et d'autres choses. (Nos recherches indiquent qu'on va pas remarquer si nous utilisons l'inscription d'hier de nouveau.) 5ème étage, New House 6.\*
- 8:00a: **ΑΔΦ. ΑΔΦ Stuffed Omelet and Pancake Breakfast**. Ready for some food? It's ready for you! Come to ΑΔΦ for an amazing flapjack feast. Call 576-FEEDME (576-2792) for a ride over.\*\*
- 8:00a: **AEΠ**. It's time for breakfast: Bagels, Eggs, Omelets, French Toast, Cereal, Muffins, you name it we've got it. Call 247-3170 for a ride.\*\*
- 8:00a: **Epsilon Theta**. DING! DING! BREAKFAST IS SERVED! Omelettes made to order! Call 3-8888 for a ride.\*
- 8:00a: **Burton-Conner**. Movie Marathon and Ice-cream.\*
- 8:00a: **WILG**. Feel like going for a job? Come on over to WILG for some **Exercise**. We'll even match your pace! (That is, if your not too fast for us!) Call 253-6799 or 354-1263 anytime!
- 8:00a: **Pi Lam**. We're here. Where are you? Call and tell us: 267-4935\*\*
- 8:00a: **Baker House**. Bagel Breakfast in Baker Lobby. Stop by!\*
- 8:00a: **Phi Deltas. Phi Delta Theta**. Belgian Waffle Fest. Belgian waffles smothered with your choice of delicious fruit compotes. Need we say more? Save that energy, 'cause you'll be needing it once we head out on our Canoe Trip, promising to be the wildest and wettest adventure ever on the Concord River.
- 8:01a: **La Maison Française. La Maison Française**. Breakfast: bagels, croissants, donuts, milk, juice and cereal. (After extensive research, we have determined that it's too early in the morning for you to notice if we include the same Daily Confusion entry two days in a row.) 5th floor of New House 6.\*
- 8:01a: **Epsilon Theta**. WHAM! The person responsible for the incessantly ringing bell has been sacked.\*
- 8:01a: **WILG**. Wander over to WILG and wonder at our **Waffle Breakfast**. Call 253-6799 or 354-1263 for a ride.\*
- 8:14a: **ZΨ**. Do you want a breakfast fit for a king? Funny you asked...it turns out that we have just that. Anything that you could possibly want, better than you could have dreamed.\*
- 8:16a: **ZΨ**. Except maybe caviar. But it's been said that fish eggs for breakfast disturb the roots of your fingernails. So that's better for all. Come over and enjoy the eats anyways!\*
- 8:17a: **ΑΔΦ. ΑΔΦ Stuffed Omelet and Pancake Breakfast**. Get moving, sleepyhead! It's time for Uncle Bleck's patented Monster Pancakes! Pour on the syrup and the butter, enough to make you scream. Call 576-PANCAKE (576-2792) for a ride.\*\*
- 8:17a: **Random Hall**. We still have breakfast. We're starting to make candles in our front lounge. It's surprisingly fun and quite useful when power goes out. We will be giving tours all day long so now is a good time to start.\*
- 9:00a: **ZBT HUNGRY?** Why not come over to ZBT for breakfast? We've got waffles, pancakes, toast (French and otherwise), juice, coffee, eggs, cereal, everything! And what's more... This is the stuff we **USUALLY** eat for breakfast. Call Rick for rides at 232-3257. \*\* ZBT, THE POWERHOUSE OF EXCELLENCE \*\*\*
- 9:00a: **Senior House**. Aaaargh! It's the early morning of Official R/O Sunday, and where is a frosh like you going to find food? Anywhere on campus, actually. But if you're a hepcat, you should know where to go: Senior Haus, the hostess with the mostest!\*
- 9:00a: **Theta Chi**. Come on over for breakfast on us. We'll be serving all the pancakes, eggs, bacon, sausage, and hashbrowns you can eat. Call 267-1801 for a ride.\*\*
- 9:00a: **Epsilon Theta**. It's early, so sleep in at ET! We guarantee no-one scary will wake you up. Remember that, Barry: NO scaring the freshthings.\*
- 9:00a: **Burton-Conner**. Stop throughout the morning for Breakfast at Burton-Conner!\*
- 9:00a: **Nu Delta**. Breakfast
- 9:02a: **WILG**. In the WILG living room we prefer to think of Sunday as Saturday: The Sequel. And today's **CARTOONS** are even better - we'll even skip the commercials. Call 253-6799 or 354-1263 for a ride.\*
- 9:05a: **pika**. there, pretty as a picture. ach, zombies! there, pretty as a picture. late sleeper? early riser? walking dead? breakfast at pika for all temperments.\*
- 9:16a: **ΑΔΦ Breakfast!** Late riser? Get up! French Toast! Waffles! Danish! Ham! Bacon! Sausages! Oranges! Strawberries! Cornucopia of wondrous food! Dial 576-ABUNDANT-FEAST (576-2792) for a ride.\*\*
- 9:17a: **Random Hall**. Make and decorate your own kite for the BBQ this afternoon. Come learn how they fly, it's not as obvious as you might think.\*
- 9:22a: **TEΦ. Paul Bunyan & Babe Breakfast**. A hearty breakfast sure to give you enough energy to do something. 262-5090\*\*
- 9:22a: **pika**. What do compressed fuel gases and a common household grain have in common? Well... not much... so we decided to give them something in common... and that's Flaming Oatmeal, today's breakfast. call 492-6983 and watch the caramelization begin.\*
- 9:30a: **Spanish House. TIENES HAMBRE? COCINAMOS PAN TOSTADO A LA FRANCÉS Y ENSALADA DE FRUTA. COME Y DISFRUTE CON NOSOTROS. PRIMER PISO DE NEW HOUSE 3.\***
- 9:30a: **Pi Lam**. Sunday at Pi Lam is a legendary, incredible event. The aftershock will be felt for miles. Be at the epicenter for to infamous Trolley Tour. 267-4935
- 9:47a: **Random Hall**. We have lots of games to play, things to do, and people to meet.\*
- 9:59a: **ΑΔΦ**. Don't go on some Megalame walking trip! Be there for our killer blading expedition! Call ΑΔΦ at 576-ABEC-7 (576-2792) for a ride.
- 10:00a: **ZBT. GOT SKILLS?** Bring 'em over to ZBT Sunday morning for **PICKUP BASKETBALL**. Blackout courts, double rims, the works! After all that, be sure to stay and relax at our afternoon **PICNIC/BARBEQUE**. Call Rick for rides at 232-3257. \*\* ZBT, THE NON-PLEDGING BROTHERHOOD \*\*\*
- 10:00a: **ΣΝ**. Boat trip
- 10:00a: **ΦΚΘ**. How's your frisbee toss? In the mood to get away from the city? Come play frisbee and picnic on George's Island.
- 10:00a: **ΑΔΦ. Sailing, Tennis, & Blading**. Sound like fun? Come on down to ΑΔΦ and join the Rolling Power Vac's for a blading expedition to Boston and back, or sail with Bill and the gang, or play tennis, or Ultimate, or... heck, call 576-PLAY-SPORTS (576-2792) for a ride.
- 10:00a: **Senior House**. The Annual Senior Haus Heavy Metal Breakfast! Come meet your future best friends: Caffeine and Sugar. Donuts, coffee, little packets of sugar (maybe even nondairy creamer if you're lucky)-the breakfast of champions!\*
- 10:00a: **Theta Xi**. Start your day right with danishes and pastries at our Continental Buffet Breakfast...266-2827\*\*
- 10:00a: **Epsilon Theta**. **CARD GAMES YOU'VE NEVER HEARD OF!** Ever played Dalmuti? What about Once Upon a Tale? Have you played Cthulhu, the Mercifully Uncollectable Card Game? Come try it out at ET! Call 3-8888 for a ride.\*
- 10:00a: **Burton-Conner**. Outdoor Water Sports and Activities.\*
- 10:00a: **WILG**. Looking for some good clean old-fashioned fun? Try your hand at WILG's **Taffy Pull!** Okay, maybe it's not so clean... 253-6799 or 354-1263\*
- 10:00a: **Russian House**. Once again, our Russian-style breakfast. Ahh, you missed it yesterday? Don't miss our hearty kasha today.\*
- 10:00a: **Phi Deltas. Phi Delta Theta**. **Canoe Trip**. The wildest and wettest adventure ever on the Concord River! Bring a towel (just in case...) We'll stop down the river to have a picnic and play some soccer and volleyball.
- 10:00a: **New House**. Come try the Essigman's **Famous Pancakes**, or sample some **International Breakfast Foods** (compliments of the language/cultural houses), and relax in our airconditioned dorm! We're always happy to talk.\*
- 10:03a: **pika**. (vintage) shoes and (painted) ships and (drawings stamped with) sealing wax, and (statues aged the color) of cabbages, and (busts of) kings. it's a trip to the immense Museum of Fine Arts with your trusty guides Emily and Shaida.\*
- 10:07a: **Epsilon Theta**. It's Rush! (tm) The Collectable Card Game! Have you ever played it? Neither have we! Come help Will invent it! Call 3-8888 for a ride.\*
- 10:15a: **ZΨ**. Climb Rocks With Zeta Psi!
- 10:16a: **ZΨ**. Well, they're not real rocks...but we are going to an enormous rock climbing gym to try to safely scale the walls, hang in the air from a thin rope - basically pretend to be Spiderman for a while.
- 10:17a: **ZΨ**. So come climb with us!
- 10:17a: **ΑΔΦ**. Come sailing with ΑΔΦ on the scenic Charles River! Join us as we dodge the river's searing acid belches and attempt to navigate to safety under Bill's steady hand! Just call 576-CLEAN-RIVER (576-2792) for a ride.
- 10:17a: **Random Hall**. We have a basement games triathlon. Play football, pool, and air hockey to your hearts' content. While you are at take a tour.\*
- 10:18a: **AEΠ**. Breakfast: Continental breakfast taken to the extreme. Call 247-3170 for a ride\*\*
- 10:22a: **TEΦ. Coffee Hour**. Mmmm... Donuts! We do this every week to wake up Sunday mornings. Come steal the comics and slam Ask Marilyn with us! Call 262-5090 for a ride.\*\*
- 10:30a: **Pi Lam**. Pi Lambda Phi's Trolley Tour. It's been a blast for longer than any of us can remember, and we've never been arrested... yet. Call 267-4935
- 10:31a: **Epsilon Theta**. Come help Gabriel take over the world!\*
- 10:32a: **Epsilon Theta**. Or maybe you're better off coming over and joining us in the titanic struggle to keep Gabriel from taking over the world...\*
- 10:45a: **Theta Chi**. We're going to Canobie Lake Amusement Park, featuring some of the best ROLLER-COASTERS New England has to offer. Call 267-1801 for a ride.\*\*
- 10:45a: **Pi Lam**. Never seen Boston? Even if you have, you've never seen it like this. The loose cannons at Pi Lam present the incredible Trolley Tour. 267-4935
- 10:57a: **WILG**. Grab a towel, sunscreen, a camera, and a friend. We're going on a **BEACH TRIP** to Ipswich that you won't want to miss. Call 253-6799 or 354-1263 for a ride.\*
- 11:00a: **La Maison Française. La Maison Française**. Pique-nique à Kresge Oval. (à côté de la Student Center.)\*
- 11:00a: **Phi Sig. Canoeing Trip**. Spend an afternoon away from the hectic rush environment and join us paddling down the Taunton river.
- 11:00a: **Senior House**. Eat, drink, and be merry, for this is the only time in your MIT existence that you will be showered with free food and random kindness just for being who you are. Unless, of course, you live at Senior Haus. (Well, the free food stops after Rush, but there's random kindness all year long...though I think the police have another name for it...)\*
- 11:00a: **AEΠ**. We are going up the river (but with a paddle): canoeing on the Charles. Call 247-3170 - if we can canoe, so can you!\*
- 11:00a: **Theta Xi**. Need to relax? Get away from the craziness on our Canoe Trip. Oh, and come prepared to get a little bit wet.... 266-2827\*\*
- 11:00a: **Theta Chi**. Don't like roller-coasters? That's all right, come to the BEACH instead for a cookout and some volleyball, frisbee, and fun in the sun. Bring your swimsuit! Give us a call and we'll come and get you. 267-1801.\*\*
- 11:00a: **WILG**. Who says there's no art at MIT? Come play **Pictionary** in our lounge and display your skill. (Talent not required) Call 253-6799 or 354-1263.\*
- 11:00a: **Pi Lam**. The Trolley is pulling out, so get on board. The most fun you'll ever have on four (or is it six?) wheels. Pi Lambda Phi's renegade Trolley Tour: 267-4935.
- 11:00a: **Sigma Chi**. Boston Walkabout Never been to Boston before? Come join us as we set off to go on a walking tour of the city. You can choose where you want to go--downtown to the Hancock Building, shopping in bustling Fanueil Hall, visits to the Aquarium, omni-theater, or historic public gardens. You're the boss for this event and you'll have the experience of our brothers to show you around. Lunch will be provided.\*
- 11:00a: **Nu Delta**. **PICNIC at WELLESLEY!!!** Play sports, hang out, relax, etc.
- 11:00a: **German House**. European Style Pancake Breakfast Join Deutsches Haus for some european pancakes, juice, coffee, and other goodies which await you. Don't forget to bring your appetite!\*
- 11:00a: **New House**. Hungry? Hot? Come relax in our **air-conditioned play room** and have some **pancakes and international breakfast foods @ New House**.\*
- 11:00a: **pika**. hay! clay! papier-mache! come scheme and design a gigantic papier-mache figure to adorn our living room wall (yes, we live in a real house with a real living room). then get all dirty and build a mold out of clay. hurry, the clay's only slimy for so long...\*
- 11:01a: **La Maison Française. La Maison Française**. Picnic: sandwiches, fruit salad, and non-regulation frisbees. Kresge Oval.\*
- 11:15a: **Pi Lam**. For a good time, call 267-4935 - Pi Lambda Phi's Trolley Tour of Boston, Wellesley, and other women's schools in the area.
- 11:16a: **WILG**. We're off to **Crane Beach**, rated amongst the top five in New England. Don't miss out! (Sorry, swimsuits not provided.) Call 253-6799 or 354-1263 for a ride.\*
- 11:17a: **Random Hall**. Come help plan a mural to be painted on our lounge wall.\*
- 11:22a: **TEΦ. Arbor Eat-Um trip**. Trees. Dirt. Squirrels. Ride the T with us and play frisbee (even before we get off the T). We'll pack lots of sandwiches and soder for a picnic. Interested? Call 262-5090.\*\*
- 11:30a: **Spanish House. SIRVEMOS ALMUERZO EN 30 MINUTOS EN EL PRIMER PISO DE NEW HOUSE 3. NO DEBES DECLINAR. eNCHENCHILADAS EN MOLE, TLACOYOS, ARROZ MEXICANO Y MASI!**
- 11:37a: **Russian House**. Toons part deux: debut of the toons prepared the day before - Watch Russian Cartoons with our own innovative subtitles, masterfully made by our own translation staff (relevance not guaranteed or necessary).\*
- 11:47a: **ΑΔΦ**. The nascent sport of HillJumping was invented on this trip last year, but now you can join the Alpha Delt's in bringing this low-gravity pastime into the popular eye. Our trip to Hopkinton includes burgers and hot dogs, frisbee and football, volleyball and more! Call 576-SERIOUS-AIR (576-2792) for a ride!\*
- 11:47a: **Random Hall**. Spacewar! is still around. Come help a finish cool roller coaster.\*
- 11:55a: **Epsilon Theta**. DING! FIRST BELL! Tacos in just five minutes.\*
- 12:00p: **ZBT. PICNIC/BARBEQUE** at the lovely Lars Anderson Park in Brookline. There will be burgers, franks, chips, watermelon, water guns, sandwiches, softball, football (nerf and otherwise), frisbee, soccer, and good times. Call Rick for rides at 232-3257. \*\* ZBT, THE POWERHOUSE OF EXCELLENCE \*\*\*
- 12:00p: **ΑΔΦ. ΑΔΦ Fun in the Sun**. Join the brothers of Alpha Delta Phi in a cookout at Hopkington Park. Toss around the football and the frisbee, and our Rush Chair and President. We hear the lake is extremely cold this time of year. Heh heh heh. Call 5-GET-HIM (576-2792), and we'll pick you up before we take off.\*\*
- 12:00p: **Spanish House. COMIDA MEXICANA. ENCHILADAS DE POLLO (Y QUESO PRA LARA LOS BVEGETERIANOS) EN MOLE. MROMMMM MOLE. ILATLACOYOS, ARROZ MEXICANO, Y POSTRE! PRIMER PISO DE NEW HOUSE 3.\***
- 12:00p: **Senior House**. Dean's Belching Contest!! Show them who's the Master! Carbonation will be provided and prizes will be awarded!!\*
- 12:00p: **Epsilon Theta**. TACO BUFFET. Look at all these fabulous prizes! Amazing taco shells! Mounds of glorious shredded cheese! Lettuce like you've never seen before! Beef and bean fillings! Call 3-8888 to redeem your winning numbers.\*
- 12:00p: **Burton-Conner**. Infinite Barbecue - Outside at BC BBQ pit.\*
- 12:00p: **WILG**. The Emptiness...How to fill the Emptiness...**Eat Something!** Lunch at WILG!\*
- 12:00p: **MacGregor**. The never ending BBQ starts again!\*
- 12:00p: **Russian House**. AHOY! Annual Soccer Cup. Come to play or just cheer.\*
- 12:00p: **New House**. We're still serving **brunch**, so come have our **pancakes and international breakfast foods**, relax in the play room, and enjoy the **air-conditioning!**
- 12:00p: **pika**. papier-mache at pika. the giant mold lies ready in the backyard... now time to rend brown paper bags limb from limb in a primitive display of fauna vs. flora. then submerge in cornstarch and layer into papier-mache.\*
- 12:10p: **Baker House**. BBQ and Volleyball out back at Baker House!\*
- 12:17p: **Random Hall**. We are holding a giant BBQ on our roof deck. Come eat Hotdogs, Hamburgers, Chicken wings, and all sorts of salads. We will be flying kites and play freeze tag as well.\*
- 12:22p: **TEΦ**. Come play with TEP's 40 amp, 3 phase Fryolator of Power as we go **Bobbing for French Fries!** Prizes go to those who can keep their eyebrows. Free ride to Mass General Hospital afterwards. Call 262-5090 if you need a ride.\*\*
- 12:27p: **pika**. cheap rush events mean lower housebills at pika... come make art out of waste... clay, recycled bags, and cornstarch equals a fabulous frenetic papier-mache face. call 492-6983 for a ride over in a car made of only newspaper and flour.\*
- 12:30p: **Phi Deltas. Phi Delta Theta**. Missed our Canoe Trip? No problem. Come on over anyway, and we'll hang out. No pressures, no stress, nothing to worry about.\*\*
- 12:47p: **Random Hall**. Eric has dragged out his giant bubble making kit. He has various geometric shapes as well. Come watch a master at work. Bubbles contain the secret of life- just ask Eric.\*
- 12:50p: **ZBT. IT'S NOT TOO LATE** to make it to the **ZBT PICNIC/BARBEQUE**. Call Rick for rides at 232-3257.\*\*
- 1:00p: **ZΨ**. Ever wondered what the coolest stores on Newbury Street were? Well, so have we. But maybe we can come to a consensus here.\*
- 1:00p: **ΑΔΦ. More Fun in the Sun**. We're still at Hopkington Park, but you can still join us in the second shipment of people. Call 576-WAIT-FOR-ME (576-2792), and we'll reserve a spot for you in the grass in Hopkington (yes, we said grass, and no, you won't find much of it on this campus).\*\*
- 1:00p: **Senior House**. You Know You Want a Mohawk. So come to the Senior Haus Punk Rock Beauty Shoppe, for hair dying, buzzing, styling, and all of your other freakish beauty needs! You don't need to be a punk to enjoy fabulously colored and styled hair (or lack thereof)! Brandish your weirdness!\*
- 1:00p: **Burton-Conner**. Are you hot walking about in the sun all day? Stop by Burton-Conner for some water sports. Be prepared to get soaked!\*
- 1:00p: **MacGregor**. 5 hour long carnival begins, jousting tourney, dunktank, cotton candy\*
- 1:00p: **Russian House**. Internation Volleyball Tournament: Come help us kick the other Language Houses'asses back to House 5!\*
- 1:00p: **New House. Pancakes and international breakfast foods @ New House!** Come brunch in the **airconditioned play room** and jump on some mattresses, or chat with upperclassman.\*
- 1:00p: **pika**. still covered in ooblek and tiny bits of paper... add your own touches to the papier-mache monstrosity growing on a table in our back yard. and help brainstorm about starting a puppet group at MIT.\*
- 1:00p: **TEΦ. Lunch!**\*\*
- 1:01p: **pika**. Joining of ferrous metals using electric arc and oxyacetylene techniques. Descend into the post-industrial wasteland of pika's backyard. Clamp a helmet on your head, wipe the sweaty grime from your brow, and bend yourself to the work at hand. Your guides Ben, Holly, and Leila will teach you the basics of wirefeed and gas welding.\*
- 1:06p: **Epsilon Theta**. The Epsilon Theta Lecture and Workshop Series presents "Cute People Are Cute: Part I of the Foundations of Lauraism." The top minds in the field will be presenting their findings.\*
- 1:17p: **Random Hall**. Come watch us make liquid nitrogen ice cream, and make some yourself. The Great Random Rush BBQ is still going on as well if you're really hungry.\*
- 1:29p: **pika**. Norse rhymes with horse. Hair rhymes with bear. Nerd rhymes with bird. Diesel does not rhyme with orangutan, nor does enamel. Irrespective of that, blue does rhyme with zoo, and pika will be going there with you (that is, if you want to go to the zoo.) Zoo zoo zoo. Come to pika first, then you can go to the zoo. But don't be blue, because going to the zoo is a happy occasion.\*
- 1:30p: **Spanish House. COME BY FOR A TOUR OF LA CASA. PUEDES CONVERSAR EN ESPAÑOL, O COMER UNOS POSTRES DELICIOSOS. SOS. MEET OUR TUTOR DARA, FLIP THRU OUR PICTURE ALBUMS, LISTEN TO MUSIC, AND RELAX IN OUR BIFG 'OL COMFORTABLE COUCH. 2ND FLOOR OF NEW HOUSE 4.\***
- 1:30p: **Pi Lam**. Lunch at Wellesley. Have fun playing Ultimate Frisbee, getting into squirt gun fights, or just relaxing, eating, socializing, and a whole bunch of other -ing words.
- 1:30p: **MacGregor**. Food for everyone at the never ending BBQ!\*
- 1:30p: **New House**. You can still grab some **pancakes** or some **international breakfast foods @ New House**.\*
- 1:31p: **pika**. In case the last entry about zoos and orangutans was not intelligible, it should be known that pika will be going to the zoo. Zoo.\*
- 1:44p: **TEΦ. Water War II**. Kind of like Quake, but different. We provide the water and dry shirts. Give us a call at 262-5090 for a rip-roaring good time.\*\*
- 1:47p: **Random Hall**. Do you have a musical inclination? Come join some Randoms and sing show tunes around our piano. If you'd rather watch then participate, we will be showing the movie of your choice in the front lounge, complete with lots of buttery popcorn and cold shakes and floats.\*
- 2:00p: **La Maison Française. La Maison Française**. Grand Bataille d'Eau. On fait la guerre contre La Maison Allemande. 5ème étage, New House 6.\*
- 2:00p: **Senior House**. Arts'n'Krafts Time!-Unleash your tormented creative spirit. The denizens of the art world may laugh now, but in another hundred years you will be revered as the Finger Painting Master.\*
- 2:00p: **Epsilon Theta**. Rollerblading, canoeing, ultimate, and much more... fun whether you're athletic or not. Some of us have never been on blades before! Call 3-8888 for a ride.\*
- 2:00p: **Burton-Conner**. Hungry? Well Burton-Conner's Infinite Barbecue is still going on. So stop by the BC BBQ pit!\*
- 2:00p: **WILG**. Satisfy your English taste with tea and crumpets while enjoying a game of croquet. And remember ladies, pinkies up! :P Call 253-6799 or 354-1263 and we'll send the carriage round your way.\*
- 2:00p: **MacGregor**. Have a caricature artist draw you from 2-6pm\*
- 2:00p: **German House**. Franco - Prussian War Beat the heat of rush and cool off with a (water)gun in hand as we fend off the Frenchies once and for all!!! We'll supply the weapons.\*
- 2:01p: **La Maison Française. La Maison Française**. Franco-Prussian Water Battle: Where were you during the Franco-Prussian War? You don't remember?! Well, join other clueless people and learn nothing about history as you try and soak would-be germans. Meet on the 5th floor of New House 6.\*
- 2:10p: **Baker House**. Popsicles and Snow Cones at Baker House!\*
- 2:17p: **Random Hall**. We're making soaps in the front lounge. Come join us- just don't get confused with the people making candles.\*
- 2:22p: **TEΦ. Tie Dye or Die Trying!** It's 5am (TEP time), and you just finished making a shirt out of tree bark with your teeth. Now you want to tie-dye it lavender and chartreuse. We buy **Manly Man Tie-Dye Chemicals**. Even in other colors besides purple. Stomp on over to TEP or call 262-5090 for a ride.\*\*
- 2:30p: **Phi Deltas. Phi Delta Theta**. The stresses of Rush wearing on you? Come on over to simply relax. We promise no pressure and no additional stress.\*\*
- 2:47p: **Random Hall**. We are still making things with Fimo clay and paper. Come show us what you can do.\*
- 2:56p: **pika**. bad idea: waxing the cat. good idea: waxing a wick. Candle making at pika. call 492-6983 for a ride.\*
- 2:57p: **pika**. good idea: bronzing your baby shoes. bad idea: bronzing the baby. Nope, we're not bronzing at pika, still making candles.\*
- 2:58p: **pika**. good idea: whistling while you work. bad idea: whistling while you eat. come have a snack and make candles at pika. (492-6983)\*
- 3:00p: **Spanish House. STORY HOUSER. AMILCAR TELLS WHY HAVING A TAMAGOTCHI IS BETTER THAN A LIVE PET. OR, IF YOU'D RATHER, TAKE A TOUR OF OUR HOUSE, CHILL WITH US IN THE LOUNGE, OR JUST EAT SOME DELICIOUS POSTRE. 2ND FLOOR OF NEW HOUSE 4.\***
- 3:00p: **Senior House**. Learn to Tireswing from the Masters! The tireswing: a focal point of our courtyard, the central manifestation of our Haus culture. Tireswinging: an ancient art, passed down by word of mouth from one generation to the next, in which courage and daring interplay with grace and