Baltimore to Become President of Caltech

By Stacey E. Blau

OPINION EDITOR

Baltimore '61 will head to the California Institute of Technology this fall to become the school's next president.

Baltimore — a Nobel laureate and pioneering biomedical researcher as well as a prominent public figure on national scientific issues — accepted the appointment to Caltech's presidency on May 13.

"Caltech is such a remarkable institution," Baltimore said. But he said that the decision to accept the appointment and leave MIT was a difficult one. "MIT has been extremely good to me," he said.

Baltimore leaves a long and distinguished career at MIT. With few interruptions, he has spent over three decades here, first as a graduate student from 1960 to 1963 and later as a postdoctoral research associate. He returned to MIT in 1968 as junior member of the faculty and, save a few years, has been here ever since.

Baltimore was the founding director of MIT's Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research — one of the foremost facilities of its kind in the world — heading it from 1982 to 1990. In 1995, he was named an Institute professor, a select title given to only a handful of professors in recognition of their achievements.

OPINION EDITOR

By Carla Fung

MIT will hold its 131st commencement today in Killian Court, presenting 2,035 seniors and graduate students some 2,230 degrees from MIT's five schools and 21 academic departments. About 8,000 relatives and guests are expected to attend the exercises.

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Congress Sends $8.6B Disaster Relief Bill to the President

By John E. Yang and Robert C. Berkley

Congress approved an $8.6 billion disaster relief bill Thursday, sending it to President Clinton for a promised veto over two key policy issues included in the measure.

The legislation, with its $5.4 billion for states recently hit by floods and hurricanes, and $1.9 billion for repairs to federal buildings in Bosnia and the Middle East, could be delivered to the White House as soon as today. The legislation was sent to the president right back with a veto message.

"It's a bill that is going to go down to the White House," said Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D. "My hope is that the Republicans will keep the car running for us."

Republicans countered that the president should accept the bill.

"I don't believe either one of these provisions is worth a fight," House Appropriations Committee Chairman Bob Livingston, R-La., said of the two issues Clinton opposes. "We're sending the president a bill he can sign."

Senators quickly responded to the president's threat to veto the legislation. There was no indication that the 97th Congress was prepared to respond to the president's threat to veto the legislation.

Democrats sought political advantages of their own, with Daschle using a satellite hookup to report that Congress would be debate on the issue of whether the president must be in the room when the Senate votes on the bill.

The officials added that if he does not, he must be present for the vote to be valid.

"I am satisfied Gen. Ralston's conduct was neither prejudicial to good order and discipline nor discrediting to the armed forces," said a White House official in charge of the case. "There is no evidence of sexual misconduct."
Clinton Stands by Weld Choice
Despite Helms' Reservations

By Helen Dewar
THE WASHINGTON POST

President Clinton is standing by Republican Gov. William F. Weld of Massachusetts in his choice for ambassador to Mexico despite objections to Weld from Senate Foreign Relations Committee Chairman Jesse Helms, R-N.C., the White House reiterated Thursday.

But the road to confirmation could be long and difficult if Helms uses his considerable power to block the nomination and if there is no big push from either party on Weld's behalf.

"He has strong bipartisan support and we believe that we'll work through any concerns that may be out there successfully," White House spokesman Ann Lusatto said.

Other Clinton aides said they have no intention of giving up on Weld and probably will not unless they receive strong signals from both parties that the nomination is doomed. They did not express great anxiety, noting that a dispute is among Republicans and serves to underscore GOP divisions.

Clinton press secretary Michael McCurry said Clinton has talked to Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., and said "Weld might begin with an apology," noting he had read somewhere that Weld may have "said something unkind about the chairman." This may or may not have been a reference to a comment by Weld during his unsuccessful campaign against Sen. John F. Kerry, D-Mass. Weld refused to say whether he would vote to retain Helms as Foreign Relations chairman if he were elected to the Senate.

Others have suggested Helms may be holding Weld hostage for his own policy or for ways he did with a group of ambassadorial nominations when he was pushing for a State Department reorganization bill. But Helms does not seem to be angling for anything now, and colleagues note he is rarely shy about telling the world what he wants when he takes hostages.

Still others said Helms was miffed the administration did not inform him of its intention to name Weld before the impending nomination was disclosed by the Boston Globe, although several sources said they doubted that was sufficient reason for Helms to oppose it.

Ending Long-Standing Tradition,
NYSE Plans Trading in Decimals

By Brett D.弗龙舒
THE WASHINGTON POST

The New York Stock Exchange announced Thursday that it will start trading stocks in dollars and cents by the year 2000.

Responding to political pressure from Washington and concern from other U.S. stock exchanges, the directors of the NYSE voted to set up a 200-year-old practice of quoting stocks in fractions, and instead move to pence. Other U.S. stock markets are expected to adopt decimalized pricing as well.

Pricing stocks the way grocery stores price bread and cheese will make it easier for investors to understand how much they pay and receive when trading stocks.

For example, Microsoft Corp. stock changed hands at 120-9/16 per share. In the future, investors won't have to do the mental calculation to translate that to $120.56.

A move to pence would also transfer money — as much as $3 billion a year, according to a study at the New York University School of Law — from the purses of Wall Street market makers to the pockets of investors.

That's because if stocks trade in increments of pence, competition will force Wall Street dealers to bid slightly more when buy orders come in from investors, and ask for slightly lower prices when selling.

Stocks now trade in increments of eightths of a dollar, or 12-1/2 cents. The NYSE said that later this year the exchange will let competition among financial markets decide how small the price increments will be.

All major foreign stock markets use the decimal system. But the U.S. stock exchanges have followed a convention based on the 18th-century Spanish dollar, which was denominated in eighths, or "pieces of eight," according to Robert Sobel, a historian of the exchange.

Coalition Sanctions Against Iraq
Are Eroding, Analysts Say

In defiance of U.S. policy and pressure, a growing number of America's partners in the coalition against Iraq are sending diplomats back to Baghdad, striking commercial deals and increasing direct contacts with Saddam Hussein's regime, according to U.S. analysts and Iraqi opposition officials.

The accumulated impact amounts to the most serious erosion of economic and diplomatic sanctions since the international campaign led by the United States was launched to isolate Iraq after its 1990 invasion of Kuwait, the sources contended.

The moves to restore and improve ties with Baghdad by European and Arab allies of the United States have accelerated to an unprecedented pace in recent months, and come as U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright has weakened Washington's stance against Hussein's regime.

"There's no doubt about the growing sanctions' erosion ... and it's going to get worse," said Phoebe Marr, an Iraqi expert at the National Defense University in Washington. "We're going to need to do a better job of public diplomacy to hold the line."

To many analysts, the current trend's long-term danger is that it signals a shift in the framework of debate over Iraq's future.

Immediately after the Persian Gulf War in 1991, attention was focused on when Hussein would be ousted. As he disproved predictions of an early demise, the issue became how long he would struggle to hold on.

Albright Describes U.S. as Model
For Democracy, Free Markets

LOS ANGELES TIMES

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, with the acridic pomp of a Harvard graduation as her backdrop, offered the clearest vision of the post Cold War world yet articulated by the Clinton administration, sketching a global order open to every nation that embraces democracy and free markets.

"No nation in the world need be left out of the system we are constructing," Albright said, speaking from the same stage on the steps of the Memorial Church that George C. Marshall used as secretary of state to launch the reconstruction of Europe 50 years ago to the day.

In essence, Albright described a new world order of nations made in the image of the United States. Her audience of Harvard alumni, including a contingent from the class of 1947 that hosted Marshall's address, applauded the unabashedly patriotic tone.

"Since George Marshall's time, the United States has played the leading role within the international system, not as the sole arbiter of right and wrong, for that is a responsibility widely shared, but as pathfinder — the nation able to show the way others cannot," Albright said.

Although there is nothing new in a secretary of state endorsing the work of the international war crimes tribunal in The Hague, the prominence Albright gave the issue could set the stage for a showdown between the secretary of state and the Pentagon, which is reluctant to commit U.S. troops to track down indicted war criminals.
Letters To The Editor

Proflanity in Technique Was Not Necessary

I am very disappointed at the Technique staff’s decision to include obscenities in this year’s Technique. Both places where the f-word occurs in the paper were justified to me. There is a page of various explanations of our favorite acronym, HTTP, superimposed over the f-word. Also, there is one of the more prominent sayings of the editorial: “I Hate This ___ Place.” Though it may represent a criticism of the administration, it lowers the quality of an otherwise very well put-together view of MIT life.

I purchased Tech as a student and I would have had a lasting memory of MIT that I could look back on and share with others. The obscenities bother me personally and make me not want to show to certain other people it would also offend. I hope the year’s editors give some thought to this policy.

Alum Murat Zaim

Improving Tech Comics Could Do Wonders Toward Improving MIT

Though there is the occasional article that supports and endorses the idea of a “modified” ROTC, there is only one portion of Tech that, in fact, the comics section. It is literally one of the few prints of color in the otherwise monotonous pages, administering much need of dose of humor. The comics section should be more open to the activities of the immersive staff and resources. The introduction of the “Dilbert” cartoonists will I find this year’s print remains much room for improvement.

Forest in my mind is the new serial “Neon Poetry” that seems to have sneaked in this years, I would say more into the MIT’s. These cartoons are far better than the ones that are past in the pages labeled “comics.” I would instead buy a “Neon Poetry” that seems to have sneaked in the pages labeled “comics.” I would consider buying a subscription to more such cartoons. I would love to see a “Neon Poetry” that seems to have sneaked in the pages labeled “comics.” I would consider buying a subscription to more such cartoons.

Can it be that this campus is without a single cartoonist who knows what is funny?

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Departing Editor Reflects On Term Full of Surprises

Column by David D. Hsu

EDITOR IN CHIEF

As I prepare to leave The Tech as a freshman almost three years ago. I joined because I enjoyed writing but didn't know if I had the time to work on a newspaper. I was placed on a newspaper before - I skipped my high school senior year to improve my high school grades. Take a year off. I thought, how hard could it be?

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Husain Offers Cheek, Pom-Poms for Commencement

Column by A. Arif Husain

Column

To a long ride from the airport but a bit shorter than I remembered. Every T train arrives perfectly timed, so it passed quickly, but in the bus I thought that the bus route was too long. I feel like the bus was too crowded but the air was fine, all the while the street was empty. At the main campus a hectic work-out. The air was chilly, and I had the dormitory off-campus working to clean their dormitory room. Here we do get great on and off-campus job opportunities. In some of the stories I heard last week, Aramark food is at least somewhat edible, and we don’t have to use it. It’s nice, too, that we can buy our own food. I commented on how nice our dormitories are, which cannot be said for many of those at state-run institutions. As a whole, our dormitories are pleasant and have a lot of space. At least some of the dormitories are run down. But, at the same time, at least some of them are really quite nice. In fact, some of the dormitories really do have a lot to be happy about here at MIT.

Grants, classes and so do a lot of times. But at least MIT does give us a break from academia, we can go to the dormitories and talk to other students about their classes and time on campus. The whole student body of MIT has the same group of people for four years. And when you think about it, the dormitories are the best place to be for a lot of people, and they are a lot of fun. The last time I spent time on campus, I probably would have liked to go there. But if I had the opportunity to meet people and live in one of your buildings, the last time I spent time on campus was perhaps the last time I spent time on campus. So, with that in mind, I am confident. It was brought to my attention that Miss Sabeti will be the last speaker before United Nations Secretary General Kei Annan delivers his speech at the ceremony. At the same time, I am also happy to see that Mr. Annan will be here to deliver his speech at the ceremony. As a whole, MIT does have a lot of problems. Limiting my nostalgia, it is perhaps the joy of being from this place that makes me want to return. The dormitories and the student body of MIT are all good things.

Activities and support could definitely build. I have seen similar groups to try to raise my indignation and grow up. I have seen the results of my class, which I assert that MIT students have little control over, Huang informs us that "Dammed for Life." I have seen that some people feel we are floating in a sea of racism here at MIT. Recently, I have seen some students who feel that their race and ethnicity are what defines them. And then there’s the question of whether people seem to be so insensitive. Perhaps everyone is so insensitive to your concerns, perhaps is it likely. Has anyone been turned down for a job because of his or her race? I have seen that some people feel that they are being discriminated against. Believe me, I am sorry that people feel that way. It is the worst thing to give a tired secretary General a morning boost. Thu , I think it would be generous to say that Mr. Annan was referring to the Johnson Athletic Center.

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Finally, there’s perhaps the most important matter of all — the strong communities that we do build here at MIT. Many of my friends have told me that the dormitories are a strong community, and they have told me that some people feel we are floating in a sea of racism here at MIT. Recently, I have seen some students who feel that their race and ethnicity are what defines them. And then there’s the question of whether people seem to be so insensitive. Perhaps everyone is so insensitive to your concerns, perhaps is it likely. Has anyone been turned down for a job because of his or her race? I have seen that some people feel that they are being discriminated against. Believe me, I am sorry that people feel that way. It is the worst thing to give a tired secretary General a morning boost. Thu , I think it would be generous to say that Mr. Annan was referring to the Johnson Athletic Center.

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"I could never divide myself from any man upon the difference of opinion, or be angry with his judgment for not agreeing with me..."

Sir Thomas Brown (1605-1668)

"Yeah, right!"

Stacey & Blau (1976-)

Join The Tech's opinion department at page 54, and ask for Anders or Stacey.
With a tight plot and great characters, Con Air flies

CON AIR
Directed by Simon West
Written by Scott Rosenberg
Starring Nicolas Cage, John Cusack, John Malkovich, Alice Kim, Nick Chinlund, Rachel Ticotin, Colm Meaney, M.C. Gainey, and Ving Rhames.

By Jonathan Litt

Jerry Bruckheimer, along with his late pal Don Simpson (who died of a drug overdose last year), have produced some of the most successful action flicks of the last two decades, including Beverly Hills Cop parts I and II, Top Gun, Crimson Tide, and The Rock, which together have grossed over one and a half billion dollars worldwide. It's fitting that most of his plots involve cops and soldiers, because his movies are executed like a carefully planned assault on the audience. You do not simply watch a Bruckheimer movie, you experience it as if you were meant to take part in any of the various shootouts, arguments, fights, or explosions that are the staple of his genre.

If you're in the mood to be immersed in hyper-muscular entertainment, you can't go wrong with Bruckheimer, and Con Air is no exception. Con Air is about as much fun as summer movies get, and is recommended for anyone disappointed by the lackluster summer opener The Fifth Element and The Last World. (The Lost World may be a box office hit, but I have yet to meet anyone who was impressed with anything other than the computer-generated dinosaurs.) The amazing thing about Con Air is that it has two elements rarely seen together in a full-fledged action flick: an intelligent and well-written script, and absolutely superb performances from over half a dozen major characters.

Nicholas Cage plays Cameron Poe, an Army Ranger who is sent to prison for accidently killing a drugged man who threatens his pregnant wife. Perhaps the only major plot hole is the lack of a decent explanation for why Poe does not simply plead self-defense. The willingness to accept any plot element that involves someone getting screwed by the judicial system. While in prison, Poe decides to hold off meeting his newborn daughter until after he's released so she won't see him in the company of thieves and murderers.

After eight years Poe is finally accepted for parole, and is scheduled for transport on a maximum security airplane that is at the same time scheduled to popped a new prison with a motley crew of manic criminals. Led by the cunningly resourceful Cyrus "The Virus" Grissom (John Malkovich), the criminals take control of the plane, much to the chagrin of Poe who just wants to get back to his wife and daughter. However, Poe successfully hides his true identity as a "good" criminal, and manages to secretly communicate with the authorities on the ground that he is working on their side. Needless to say, after much madness, mayhem, and several plane landings and take-offs, he saves the day with the help of U.S. Marshal Vince Larkin (John Cusack).

It is not so much the plot of Con Air that makes it interesting, but the way the script consistently chugs along without a single dull moment or sleepless scene. There are enough hilarious lines and devious plot developments to leave you both laughing and sitting on the edge of your seat for the majority of the movie. There is also a lifetime's worth of crashes, shootouts, and explosions. Screenwriter Scott Rosenberg should definitely be credited for covering all of his bases. (In fact, he will be—let's say it before his aunt and uncle and afterwards we were swamped with people hoping to relay a congratulations to him. His aunt and uncle pointed out that he has a small cameo as the cops dealer in the final scene of the movie.)

However, most of the credit should go to multiples of stars in the movie, and probably to the casting directors as well. It is easy to imagine a horribly-acted version of this movie, and I have to admit that my expectations weren't high as I walked into the theatre. Nicolas Cage has a much more impressive presence than he did in The Rock, and his movie is back in town, weaving a story of his life that is-quite unlike any other he's played. He appears to be in control of his material, and his performance as Poe is much more impressive than the one in The Rock. The movie is a fitting finale to the successful Poe series, and it should make for an interesting conversation and a good time.

April (Marie Danvers) and Bobby (Davis Gaines) get acquainted in the musical Company.
Boston rocks this summer

S
ummer time sure doesn’t mean beach time in
Boston, but it does mean concert time. And
there are some pretty good acts coming around to Great Woods and Harborside, the
two big venues for when the weather is warm.
Tickets for all shows can be purchased by calling
423-NEXT (or 423-6000 if you want to talk to a
human). Lots of Newbury Comics and Strawberries
locations also sell tickets. Enjoy the shows — what
better way is there to spend a cool June evening than
on a lawn in Mansfield?

Great Woods

Indigo Girls – June 6
Special guest Ulali.

WBCN River Rave – June 7 & 8

The Moody Blues – June 11
With the Festival Orchestra.

Dave Matthews Band – June 12 & 13
Special guest Bela Fleck & The
Flecktones.

The Ozzfest ’97 – June 14
Featuring Ozzy Osborne, Black Sabbath
with original members Ozzy Osbourne,
Toni Iommi & Geezer Butler, Pantera,
Type O Negative, Fear Factory,
Machinehead, and Powerman 5000.

John Mellencamp – June 16
Special guest Amanda Marshall.

ZZ Top – June 18
With special guest Cheap Trick.

Allman Brothers Band – June 20

WKLB Boston Country Sunday – June 22
Featuring Vince Gill, Pam Tillis, Bryan
White, and Trace Adkins.

Rush – June 23

No Doubt – June 26
Special guests Weezer and Face To Face.

Styx – June 27
Special guest Pat Benatar.

Lynyrd Skynyrd – June 28
Special guest Paul Rodgers.

Smokin’ Grooves 1997 – June 30
Featuring Cypress Hill, Foxy Brown,
George Clinton & Parliament, Funkadelic

& The Mothership, The Pharcyde, Erykah
Bad and The Roots.

Further Festival – July 1
Featuring The Black Crowes, Ratdog with
Bob Weir & Rob Wasserman, Mickey
Hart, Bruce Hornsby, and moe.

Bush – July 6
Special guests The Jesus Lizard.

Lollapalooza – July 8
Featuring Orbital, Tool, Snoop Doggy
Dogg, Tricky, Korn Jon Spencer Blues
Explosion, Korn & Julian & Damian
Marley & The Uprising Band.

70s Supershow – July 10
Featuring The Village People, KC and The
Sunshine Band, Kool & The Gang, Vicki
Sue Robinson, Thelma Houston, The
Tramps, Motion, hosted by Deney Terrio.

Aerosmith – July 11 and 12

Boston – July 15

Tina Turner – July 18 & 19
Special guest Cyndi Lauper.

Counting Crows – July 20
Special guest The Wallflowers.

The Lilith Fair – July 22
Featuring Sarah McLachlan, Tracy
Chapman, Paula Cole, Fiona Apple, The
Cardigans, Juliana Hatfield & Victoria
Williams.

Santana – July 25
Special guest Ruste Root.

Steve Miller Band – July 26
Special guest Eric Johnson.

Live – July 30

The Who – July 31

Queensryche – August 2

The HORDE Festival – August 8
Starring Neil Young & Crazy Horse, Beck,
Primus, Widespread Panic, Soul
Coughing, Ben Folds Five, Leftover
Salmon & Cake Like.

Allman Brothers Band – August 22

Bryan Adams – August 23

Frut of the Loom Tour – August 24
Featuring Travis Tritt, Hank Williams Jr.,
Charlie Daniels Band, and Jo Dee
Messina.

Jimmy Buffett & the Coral Reeder Band
– August 28, 30 & 31

Zenith Blues Music Festival – September 7
Starring B. B. King, Special guests The
Robert Cray Band, Tower Of Power, and
Jay Geils, Magic Dick, Bluesetime.

Harborside

The Beach Boys – June 21

G-3 – June 22
Featuring Joe Satriani, Steve Vai, and Kenny Wayne
Shepherd with special guest Robert Fripp.

Kenny G – June 26
Special guest George Benson.

Manhattan Transfer – June 27

Al Jarreau – June 28
With special guest Boney James.

Wynonna – July 9

Lyle Lovett – July 2

Dance Across America – July 10
Featuring La Bouche, Amber, Jocelyn Enriquez,
Quad City DJs, 3 Fun Factory, and Crush.

 Huey Lewis and the News – July 11

An Evening With Crosby, Stills and Nash – July 12

UB40 – July 14

New Edition – July 16

Buddy Guy – July 18
With G. Love and Special Sauce.

Aretha Franklin – July 22

John Michael Montgomery – July 25

Reggae Explosion – July 26
Featuring Third World, Maxi Priest and The Wailers.

Legends of Motown – August 1
Featuring The Temptations and The Spinners.

Shawn Colvin – August 2

Mary Chapin Carpenter – August 3
With special guest Gillian Welch.

Chicago – August 6

An Evening With Patti LaBelle – August 7
With a 60 piece orchestra.

Jethro Tull – August 10

Daryl Hall & John Oates – August 12

Tony Bennett – August 14

Kenny Loggins – August 15

Natalie Cole – August 17

Sheryl Crow – August 19

Ray Charles – August 21

Ziggy Marley and The Melody Makers – August 22
With Big Head Todd and The Monsters.

Sneed O’Connor – August 28

Jewel – August 29

An Evening With Gipsy Kings – September 4 & 5

Johnny Cash – September 11

Nanci Griffith – September 13
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Getting in on the first floor with bands on the rise

By Joel Rosenberg

STAFF REPORTER

BEN FOLDS FIVE

5/27 The Paradise
5/28 Lupo’s

Being right is bittersweet. It’s really great seeing a band you liked before everyone else making it big, and knowing that it’s everyone else jumping on the bandwagon and not you. And yet, when the others start jumping on you at the concert, you question why you wanted everyone else there.

A bit of nothing never stopped me before, though, and Ben Folds Five gave two great shows two nights in a row in the greater Boston area. Having just come back from Japan where they had been for a few weeks, Ben complained about jet lag but showed his wear very little.

Their following has grown considerably since their second album, Whatever and Ever Amen, especially given the airplay their single “Battle of Who Could Care Less” has received. The Paradise was mixed with old and new fans, and bassist Robert Sledge kicked through a nice selection from their old and new albums.

In Providence the next night, despite Lupo’s gloom clad in obnoxious red t-shirts around, the all-age crowd got a bit rowdier. A nice election from their old and new album. Lupo’s goon clad in obnoxious red t-shirts and bat Robert ledge kicked through a Amen, especially given the airplay their ingle received. The Paradi e wa mixed with old “Battle of Who Could Care Les “ ha fan and new a Fold , drummer Darren Je e, wear very little.

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Community Honors Many for Contributions to MIT

By Brett Atchue

On May 14, members of the MIT community gathered in 18-250 to honor those who had contributed to the university or who had made significant progress toward an internship.

Chair of the Faculty, Lawrence S. Miller, announced that Mr. Magnet had been presented over the awards ceremony and introduced the awards ceremony with high spirits and enthusiasm. The awards were presented to students and staff members for their contributions to the MIT community. The awards were presented to students and staff members for their contributions to the MIT community.

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Imaging Search Engine Emerges Victorious in $50K Competition

By Zareena Hussain

1997 Truman Scholar Jacobo Orenstein-Car- dona '97

Imaged emerged victorious in the citizen competition "Image Search Engine: Work to win the 1997 Truman Scholarship.

With this plan in place to create an image-based search engine.

The team, which was composed of Pamela R Lipson '93, Satyraj R G, and Pawan Sinha '92, received a $30,000 grant prize. They plan to begin marketing the engine, which they call "the golden retriever of image databases," at the end of the year.

Advisors to the team were Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science W Eric L Grimson PhD '80, Professor of Brain and Cognitive Sciences Tomaso Poggio, and Chris Daly.

Following close behind was the e-pen team, which hopes to provide software to enable the efficient trans- scription of notes from marker boards. The other runner-up, Eastern Delta Corporation, plans to develop and market 3-D display systems. Both won awards of $10,000.

The $50K, entrepreneurship com- petition is entirely organized and run by students. It is intended to encourage students within the MIT community to use their own talents and draw upon outside resources to launch new business ventures.

Imagen creates new visual search

The members of the Imagen team saw a huge marketplace for the database technology they had developed. "In recent years we had been working with digital image libraries that could automatically classify images based on their content," said Lipson. "While we were working on the technology two significant trends developed. The first was that the number and sizes of digital image libraries were growing rapidly. The second trend was the increasing popularity of the World Wide Web, which placed vast graphical content at the disposal of the general users," he said.

E-pen aids board transcription

The idea for e-pen came to its creator, Yoram Chery '97, while he was a Teaching Assistant for Digital Systems Lab (6.11) critiquing stu- dents' project ideas.

Invariably, omission and transcrip- tion errors would occur, re ulting in miscom- munication between the board's content and paper. Lately, omissions and transcription- tion errors would occur, resulting in delays and needless problems for some teams," he said.


"I somehow came up with some new exciting display technology that is more cost-effective than stuff the military is using. That invention, coupled with my desire to run a high-tech firm, are the seeds for what we're doing now," he said.

Linda Umemoto, Sandra L. Batista, Belinda Jimenez, George E. Karmazin G, Jorge L. Mendez G, and Lori Park, worked with Fahadra on the project.

Teams benefit from competition

"The competition is a great edu- cational experience, but also a way to launch real companies," said Will N. Cherman, the lead student organizer for the competition.

In the eighth year of the competition, 26 companies have been formed as a result of the con- test. Over $40 million has been invested in these companies and over 200 jobs have been created, Cherman said.

"In the competition, members found the experience invaluable. "Entering The 50K, Entrepreneurship competition seemed like a great way to learn how to write a business plan and understand what it is involved in start- ing high-tech entrepreneurial ven- tures," Chery said.

"This year's competition had a tremendous amount of instructional support with manageable contact milestones," he said. "That made the whole process of writing a busi- ness less intimidating to a non-busi- ness-savy engineer, like me.""

"The $50K competition was a perfect way for us to formalize our ideas about taking our academic research in the area of machine vision and transforming it into a commercial product." Lipson said. "It provided a clearly laid-down timeline for development of a busi- ness plan and offered invaluable support and advice to help us achieve each milestone along the way."

Many of the teams in the compe- tition were comprised not only of MIT students, but also of students from other schools and of people already working in businesses. MIT students were encouraged to seek outside resources in order to create well-balanced teams, Cherman said.

The rules' only stipulation was that at least one current MIT student must be a principal contestant on each team.

Judging entries difficult

All teams who submit entries are given a critique of their business plan. "We want to make sure we give good, real world feedback to contestants," said Joseph G. Hadzima Jr. '73, a judge for the contest.

Teams are judged on the basis of the size of their estimated market, the ingenuity of their idea, and the clarity of the business model, as well as the likelihood of success based on the written plan and oral presentation.

Of the winners, "each had some real positive things and each had some flaws but, they were all very good," Hadzima said. "The judging was easier in previous years because only a few teams would stand out."

"We've created a monster with all the great plans," Hadzima said. "In the real world these would be right up there with the best."

The judges "liked the fact this year that the organizing committee did a lot to get more balance on the teams," Hadzima said. "The stu- dent organizing group did a phe- nomenal job, from the judges per- spective." Undergraduate students can ben- efit from the competition by being on the organizing team. "$50K is like a Harvard College," he said. "It's a great experience for those who want to entrepreneurship experience themselves.

MIT Student Wins Truman Award for Public Service Work

By Zareena Hussain

1997 Truman Scholar Jacobo Orenstein-Car- dona '97

While many MIT students look forward to careers as computer pro- grammers, doctors, or engineers, one MIT student has chosen to devote himself to a career in pub- lic service and has won a $30,000 scholarship to help him achieve his goal.

Jacobo Orenstein-Car- dona '97 is one of the recipients of this year's Truman scholarship, which are awarded by the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation. The foun- dation was established by Congress in 1975 to fund the education of stu- dents preparing for public offi- cemen or public service.

A senior in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, Jacobo Orenstein-Car- dona , $3,000, can be used for under- graduates study, while the rest of the award is applied to a recipient's graduate education.

Orenstein-Car- dona is a senior in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, who gradu- ates this year with degrees in history and public policy, plans to spend the next year at Harvard Law School back in his home in Puerto Rico. After that, he intends to go to gradu- ate school to study history, the polit- ical sciences, or education. After graduating, he plans to work on attend- ing law school.

While at MIT, Orenstein-Car- dona received the Andrew Kelly Gold Medal for research and was named a fellow for his re- search. Orenstein-Car- dona is a senior in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, who gradu- ates this year with degrees in history and public policy, plans to spend the next year at Harvard Law School back in his home in Puerto Rico. After that, he intends to go to gradu- ate school to study history, the polit- ical sciences, or education. After graduating, he plans to work on attend- ing law school.

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becoming a Truman scholar begins in one's junior year. One can also apply in their senior year if there was no Truman scholar to represent the state or territory in the previous year, said Professor of History Anne McCants, a Truman Scholar and MIT's representative to the scholar- ship program.

Between ten and 15 MIT stu- dents begin the application process each year, McCants said. On-cam- pus interviews in November help select which students will be sent on for consideration by the foundation. After the on-campus interview, MIT helps students to prepare their applica- tions to the foundation.

After the applications are reviewed, the next step in the process is a regional level interview, which requires the students to fly to their home state. After the inter- views, one student is selected from each state/territory. There are also some at-large scholarships which usually are awarded to stu- dents in large states such as California, McCants said.

"In order to be chosen, the Truman scholar must "in some way convey a sincere desire and a coher- ent plan of action to commit to a life of public service and a fairly broad sense of themselves and their place in their community," McCants said.

"The Truman scholarship seeks people with true commitment to public service. I hope I was able to convey that to the Truman Foundation because they perceived that commitment in me," Orenstein-Car- dona said.

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Excerpts from *Technique*

**What's the best thing you've learned at MIT?**

*Arrogance is contagious.*

*Pain is temporary, glory is forever.*

*That I'm not going to send my kids here.*

*Academic performance is often inversely proportional to general overall intelligence, social skills, and common sense.*

*That our literature degrees are bachelors of science.*

*Don't look at the ceiling in Lobby 7 on your way out — you'll bang your face on the door.*

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*How and where to get free food.*

*How to get stuff by pretending to be a winner.*

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ROTC Report Emphasizes Reinsurance

By Zareena Hussain
CONTRIBUTOR CORRESPONDENT

The ROTC Implementation Team, charged with creating a modified ROTC program at MIT and promoting changes in current national policy which discriminates against homosexuals, released its annual report at the May 21 faculty meeting.

The report summarized the team’s progress during the past year, highlighting the Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Financial Aid approval of MIT’s reinsurance policy, which provides financial support to students disenrolled from ROTC due to their sexual orientation. The report also discussed the team’s work toward a modified ROTC program which centered on proposed changes in the Institute’s Air Force ROTC program.

The report also acknowledged the continued discrimination within the ROTC program. “There is no progress in ending discrimination within the ROTC program since the faculty voted in April 1996. The legal barriers still exist,” the report said.

In 1996, the faculty called for the creation of a modified ROTC program to be open to all qualified MIT students as well as a supplement to financial aid package for those who lose ROTC scholarships as a result of their sexual orientation.

Team will focus on AFROTC:

The team decided to propose a set of modifications to the Air Force ROTC program, according to the report.

“We had to start somewhere. It wouldn’t have been prudent to do all three [Army, Navy, Air Force] at once,” said Sarah E. Gallop, assistant for government relations and spokesperson for the team.

“Our goal is to develop a program that centers on leadership, team-building, and other personal skills that are consistent with our goals for undergraduate education. This thrust is consistent with other campus initiatives to develop leadership skills among our students,” the report said.

“It’s a tremendous opportunity for MIT,” said Air Force ROTC Director William D. Rutley, referring to the potential to create an inclusive model for ROTC while working within the current law.

Most other campuses with ROTC programs have made little effort towards eliminating discrimination, the report said, and noted that two schools had taken steps backwards. Two schools in the University of California system that had banned ROTC from their campuses have reinstated the programs.

In addition, MIT’s attempts to alter the ROTC program legally have yet to bear fruit. All cases challenging the federal “don’t ask, don’t tell, don’t pursue” law remain at federal circuit courts. One case was appealed to the Supreme Court after the law was upheld at the level of the federal circuit court, but the court declined to hear the appeal.

Legal initiatives remain ‘dormant’:

Three cases within California’s 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals are likely to result in a ruling that the federal policy is unconstitutional. When there are conflicting rulings within the federal circuit courts, the Supreme Court is more likely to hear an appeal, Gallop said.

“When a case reaches the level of the Supreme Court, you’ll see a quick mobilization between lobbyists and schools to file an ‘amicus’ brief,” Gallop said. “‘Amicus’ or friend of the court, briefs may be filed by any interested party wishing to express an opinion to the court. The brief would most likely be filed under the leadership of the American Council on Education, Gallop said.

“The reality of this issue right now is that it’s dormant. It’s just not on the radar screen in Congress,” Gallop said.

“Eventually I stopped struggling because I realized it wasn’t doing anything,” Tom said. “I was scared, terrified. I didn’t know what to do,” she said.

“Eventually I stopped struggling because I realized it wasn’t doing much. I remembered what people always said: to cooperate and give him everything.”

“After that, he turned me around so that my back was to the door and pushed something kind of small and sharp against my back,” she said. The robber took roughly $18 in cash, an inexpensive watch, a gold bracelet valued at $300, and a $75 pendant. Chuang said.

Just then, Cindy W. Tom ’97 entered the restroom. The room “was really quiet,” Tom said. She saw two pairs of feet in one of the stalls and thought that “it might be a couple making out.”

The robber “locked the stall door and said something like ‘Don’t talk or I’ll kill you,’” Chuang said.

“I made a quick decision based on the fact that he wasn’t hot, he wasn’t serious, and that any weapon he had wasn’t going to do serious damage to me,” she said. “I decided to yell again. I yelled ‘Help!’ I’m being robbed, call the police now!”

Tom quickly left the bathroom and called the Campus Police on a nearby phone. The robber fed the bathroom, running down the hallway next to the dry cleaners, Tom said.

“I contemplated chasing after him, but decided not to,” Chuang said.

“I am freaked out, not so much by what happened, but by the fact that I go to those bathrooms a lot, the fact that a lot of other girls do too, and the fact that it was 9 p.m. and in the Student Center.”

“You always think it’s safe,” Tom said. “Everybody goes to the Student Center late at night.”

“We’re all really innocent until something like this happens,” Tom said.

Police mount response:

The Campus Police response was “substantial,” Glavin said. At least seven or eight officers responded to the initial call for help, including officers in cruisers, on motorcycles, and on foot patrol.

The CPs mounted a “fairly intense” response.
The Dormitory Council in cooperation with the Residence and Campus Activities office, has released a new policy that affects men from living groups and active social groups. This policy is a result of the freshmen's request for more freedom to socialize and participate in activities.

One of the most visible changes to this year's rush schedule will be the increased presence of group activities on campus. In previous years, sororities and fraternities were required to have their rush activities on campus before the official beginning of dormitory rush. This year, the freshmen will be able to choose their own activities, regardless of what group they belong to.

In addition, the freshmen will be able to attend events on campus without being supervised by upperclassmen. This change will allow freshmen to attend new events that will be organized by the freshmen themselves.

The new policy will also help freshmen to organize events and activities that are more suitable to their needs. The freshmen will be able to communicate with upperclassmen to plan events that will be more fun and engaging.

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The following incidents were reported to the Campus Police between May 11 and June 4:

May 11: Bldg. W35, three juveniles arrested for trespassing; Westgate lot, attempted larceny of 1986 Isuzu Trooper; Killian Hall, cash stolen from wallet, $80.

May 12: Bldg. E51, harassing phone calls; Westgate, bicycle that appeared to be stolen recovered, unknown owner.

May 13: Bldg. 4, wallet stolen, $31; New House, harassment; Student Center plaza, bicycle stolen, $75; Bldg. 68, 1) backpack and contents stolen, $196; 2) suspicious activity to a data drive.

May 14: Women's Independent Living Group, suspicious activity.

May 16: Bldg. E18, tools stolen, $550; Rear of Bldg. NW12, suspicious activity.

May 17: East Campus, backpack stolen, $150; Ashdown, graffiti; Student Center, bike stolen, $20; Bldg. 7, tools stolen, $50.

May 18: Student Center, backpack with passport stolen, $100.

May 19: Bldg. 36, bike stolen, $325; Bldg. E34, handbag stolen, $50; Bldg. 5, annoying e-mail; Briggs Field, gym bag stolen, $5.

May 20: Bldg. 18, wallet stolen, $175; Bldg. E23, suspicious activity, Hayden Library, two backpacks stolen, 1) $50, 2) $140.

May 21: Student Center, money order stolen, $60; Bldg. 7, assault between persons known to each other.

May 22: Bldg. 3, suspicious activity; Student Center, cash stolen, $100; Bldg. 20, refrigerator stolen, $160; Baker House, backpack stolen, $400.

May 23: Bldg. 54, suspicious activity; Student Center, cash stolen, $150; Westgate, Yanwu Zhang G, of 796 Main St., Cambridge, arrested for domestic assault.

May 24: East Campus and Senior House, noise complaint; Bldg. E17, computer stolen, unknown value.

May 25: Tang Hall, several items stolen, $235; Baker, suspicious activity, Bldg. 18, wallet stolen, $40.

May 26: Tang Hall, backpack stolen, $25.

May 27: Memorial Drive, report of suspicious person, State Police arrest same.

May 28: Bldg. NW14, refrigerator stolen, $400; Bldg. 18, annoying phone calls; Bldg. 18, attempted larceny; Albany Street, general assistance.

May 29: Killian Court, ladder stolen, $150; Bldg. 3, harassment; Alpha Delta Phi, VCR/receiver stolen, $550.

May 30: MacGregor, harassing e-mail.

May 31: Sloan lot, tires stolen from Honda Accord.

June 1: Sloan lot, two Honda Accords broken into, 1) tires stolen, 2) space and jack stolen recovered on first vehicle; Bldg. E19, report of suspicious person.

June 2: Bldg. 20, computer stolen, $4,000; Bldg. 4, video camera stolen, $1,500; Hayward St., bicycle stolen, $90; 33 Mass Ave., bicycle stolen from rack, $250; Bldg. NE43, computer parts stolen, unknown value; Student Center basement women's restroom, assault robbery, $18 cash taken, victim screamed and suspect fled the area; Bldg. 7, graffiti.

June 3: Bldg. 12, vacuum cleaner stolen, $250; Bldg. 9, case of coffee stolen, $150; Barton bicycle rack, bicycle stolen, $250; Bldg. E51, malicious damages; Bldg. 54, James Dementius, of the Woodmullen Shelter, Boston, arrested for receiving stolen property and other related charges; Bldg. 18, backpack containing checkpoint stolen, $20; Next House, Zhao Meng MENG, of 201 Pleasant St., Arlington, arrested for thefts and other related charges; Tang Hall, 1) jewelry and cash stolen, $240; 2) computer and compact discs stolen, $1,775; Delta Phi, 1) camera stolen, $500; 2) necklace stolen, $30.

June 4: Bldg. 14, fax machine stolen, $295; Alumni pool, watch, soap and $10 cash stolen, $50; Bldg. 5, annoying phone calls; Bldg. W11, motorcycle stolen, $7,500; East Campus courtyard, tools stolen, $150.
UN Secretary-General Annan Has Long Diplomatic History

By Dan McGuire

Kofi A. Annan SM '72, the seventh secretary-general of the United Nations and this year's Commencement speaker, has led a remarkably intriguing life. His studies have brought him from his home in Ghana to St. Paul, Minnesota, Geneva, Switzerland, and to MIT.

After a year at MIT as a Sloan Fellow, Annan graduated from MIT in 1972 with a master's degree in management. Annan worked his way up through the ranks of the international civil service to hold important positions in the United Nations, overseeing offices in both the administrative side of the UN and in the organization's peacekeeping operations.

In the former Yugoslavia, Annan supervised the change from the United Nations-led Protection Force to the NATO-led Implementation Force in accordance with the 1995 Dayton peace agreement.

Annan also negotiated the release of more than 900 international staff and Western hostages held in Iraq following that country's invasion of Kuwait in 1990. He also initiated discussions on the "oil-for-food" formula to ease the recent humanitarian crisis in Iraq.

Most recently, Annan served as under-secretary-general for peacekeeping operations, overseeing them during a time of explosive growth in UN-mediated compromises and international cooperation. Twenty-six of the 41 peacekeeping operations organized by the UN during its existence have been undertaken since 1989.

Annan has also been involved in the day-to-day administrative operations of the United Nations. He served as the assistant secretary-general for program planning, budget, and finance, as the assistant secretary-general for human resources management and as the security coordinator for the United Nations system.

Annan was born in Ghana in 1938 and attended the University of Science and Technology in Kumasi, Ghana. He completed his undergraduate work at Macalester College in St. Paul, Minnesota, graduating in 1961 with a degree in economics. He pursued graduate courses at the Institut universitaire des hautes études internationales in Geneva before coming to MIT in 1971.

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John Deutch: From the CIA to 5.60 in One Year

By Stacey E. Blau

Institute Professor John M. Deutch '61 returned to MIT in January 1994 after a four-year stint in Washington that began with the No. 3 position in the Defense Department.

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Appointment to the helm of the Central Intelligence Agency

And just what does Deutch make of his new position? "I have seen the movie "Papillon" with Steve McQueen," he asks. "I feel like I have already escaped from Devil's island," he says, alluding to the movie's prism setting, where immaturity and brutality rule. "Being in Washington is very intense and it is exciting, also very full of stress," Deutch says. "So after a four-year period in Washington working on significant issues, getting back to a life of more normal and less daily activity is very welcome."

Deutch, who continues to work in the area of chemistry, has been far from idle since his return to MIT. He says he has gotten back into research again and has recently thrown himself into a scholarly conversation about the past. Deutch has also been traveling and giving speeches about foreign policy around the country.

This past term, Deutch made a guest lecture appearance in Thermodynamics and Kinetics (5.60), a class he will be teaching next term. "This term, as well as in the class the best presentation of 3.06 in 10 or 15 years. I hope to make Department likely to be one of the sessions carried on C-SAP.

Armed Robberies Infrequent on Campus

By Daniel C. Stevenson

Critics, I'm sure, only one or two or armed robberies happen on or near the MIT campus each year. Since the murder of Yvonne K. Rasmin '94 in September 1992, the most serious crime at MIT in decades, there have been four robberies on- and off-campus, according to Campus Police reports and The Tech files.

Sept. 20, 1992: A female freshman was assaulted on Atlantic Street near a building at 2 a.m. (off-campus)-Oct. 14, 1992: Four people were robbed at gunpoint near the Nuclear Reactor Laboratory (NW12) at 9:15 p.m. (off-campus)-Oct. 25, 1993: A male挺好off-campus near a Yankee field-Oct. 17, 1993: There were two incidents (on an Amherst Avenue and between Buildings 54 and 64) around 2:30 a.m. involving five people on bicycles who showed a small handgun and demanded money. In both cases, the robbers fled after the victims gave them money.-Oct. 13, 1993: A man used a knife to take a student's wallet near Ashdown House at 2:30 a.m.-Dec. 10, 1993: Two students were robbed at knife point near Huntington Hall, a building on Longwood Avenue in Boston used at the time by MIT as a dormitory. (off-campus)-April 10, 1994: A male student was threatened at 10:45 p.m. with a knife and robbed near Pearl Street and Massachusetts Avenue (off-campus)-Sept. 23, 1994: A male student was robbed at a Kendall Square ATM (-off-campus)-Jan. 23, 1995: A man approached a student on the Harvard Bridge, threatened him with an unseen gun, and fled with $40. (off-campus)

Jan. 17, 1996: An MIT employee was mugged on Wadsworth Street near the 5.60 building (off-campus)-June 6, 1996: The victim claimed he was robbed at knife point at the ATM on the corner of Massachusetts Avenue and Vassar Street. According to the Campus Police, "an investigation by Cambridge Police and BayBank security determined the complaint unfounded." (off-campus)

John M. Deutch '61

He says that the new Task Force on Student Life and Learning, which is examining MIT's educational mission, "is going to be interesting and through. I think it's a very timely task force to have, and I look forward to seeing what [it] has to say."

Deutch says that re-engineering, the Institute's sometimes-criticized ongoing effort to reduce the costs and complexity of MIT's administrative and other processes, represents a worthy goal.

"I'm not as familiar with re-engineering as I am with some of these other matters, but from what I have been able to decent, I think it has a bad rap, with the faculty," Deutch says.

"The characterization that re-engineering is just a slogan that has proven to be very costly and mineable the point," he says. "We have a responsibility to continue to examine what we do and how we do it to ensure that we get the best value for our dollar."

"Even if it's been done wrong," Deutch says, "the objective is a worthy one." Long-term decision-making processes like re-engineering are often drawn out, usually because achieving a consensus on issues is often time-consuming. "Well, there's nothing that I like better than doing things quickly," Deutch says only half-keepily about decision-making. But achieving consensus is also important, in time-consuming, he says.

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By Douglas E. Helmberger
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

While those graduating today will soon lose their Athena accounts they will still be able to keep touch with one another by using a permanent e-mail address at MIT made available by Alumni Network Services' e-mail forwarding for life service.

The new e-mail addresses will have the suffix '@alum.mit.edu' instead of the '@mit.edu' that graces the end of electronic mail addresses held by students, faculty, and staff.

The e-mail forwarding service was first made available at MIT in June of 1996 and has already been used by more than 5,000 alumni and alumnae of MIT, said Margaret Bruzelius, director of Alumni Network Services. "The service makes it easy to stay in touch with friends, colleagues, and the Institute.'

Seminars and others wishing to create an e-mail forwarding address can visit http://web.mit.edu/alum/ans to initiate the process.

Unlike normal Internet service providers or MIT's Athena network, which store mail on a hard drive for users to collect, e-mail forwarding services are designed only to redirect messages to another e-mail address. However, while other e-mail addresses may come and go, an address through Alumni Network Services will have the advantage of permanence, she said. "They only have to give their address once to their friends and colleagues,' she added.

Alumni will choose a user name, which can contain up to 20 characters. "The user name will be Alumni account name if it isn't already taken by someone else,' Bruzelius said.

While e-mail forwarding will prove useful, there is little chance that alumni will eventually receive full access to Athena, Bruzelius said. "Financially, it would be an incredible investment,' she said.

To ensure security, the system uses personal certificates similar to those used in MIT's WebSIS student information system. The technology ensures the privacy of alumni mailing information, Bruzelius said.

Other services planned for future

While e-mail forwarding is one of the first services to be offered by alumni network services, it will not be the last, Bruzelius said.

Alumni can already take advantage of the directory assistance program to find the e-mail addresses of other alumni. The service is being upgraded to a more comprehensive directory, she said.

Between now and September, alumni network services plans to supplement electronic mail services with electronic chat and conferencing programs.

'We envision offering virtual club meetings, seminars, reunions, and more, making possible the inclusion of many people who cannot make the trip to Cambridge,' Bruzelius said.

The conferencing system, which will use a secure site already created on the World Wide Web, will not interact with Athena's Zephyr service. "It's totally independent. It will be alumni talking with alumni and recent grades and things like that,' Bruzelius said.

However, there are some plans to include undergraduates in the conferencing system, she said. "Ideally, it would be great if when you get your Athena address you could also get your e-mail forwarding address,' she said. "Then you could take advantage of those services from day one,' she said.
Coming to the Bay Area?

The MIT Club of Northern California would like to welcome new graduates coming to the Bay Area:

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David Baltimore to Serve as Caltech's 6th President

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him a significant role in scientific research, and we hope to work in common cause."

Baltimore and MIT have a number of institutional and faculty collaboration such as LIGO [the Laser Interferometer Gravitational-Observatory], Vest said. Baltimore will succeed the retiring president of Caltech, Thomas E. Eberhart. Baltimore will be the school's first permanent president in 35 years.

Baltimore has long history at MIT

Baltimore has spent the vast part of his career at MIT, where he established himself early on as a leading biomedical researcher and pioneer in virology. "I knew Baltimore the day I arrived in Cambridge," Vest said.

"I think the only person in history who has been told he won a Nobel Prize by his wife," he said. Baltimore's wife, Alice Huang, a distinguished biologist who has spent the last six years as the dean of science at New York University. "He will leave us, but not to go to California with Baltimore. Baltimore is originally from Great Neck, N.Y., a New York City suburb where he grew up. He played tu-tu in the school of architecture and with two other schoolmates—one of whom was Francis Ford Coppola. After graduating from Swarthmore College, he spent a year as a graduate student at MIT and then left to earn his doctorate at Rockefeller University. He later returned to MIT for post-doctoral work.

Controversy comes to an end

Baltimore's appointment at Caltech comes just under a year since the decision last June that vindicated him and Immanuel-Kari of any wrongdoing, vindicating Baltimore's stance.

Caltech looks for a leader

In Baltimore, Caltech hopes to find a president who will give the school a new direction. "The controversy about what a school like Caltech should be, and what it should stand for," said Kip Thorne, Caltech's Feynman professor of physics and chief of the school's presidential search committee.

Research schools like Caltech and MIT are facing a number of major issues—among them the depletion of research funding, the relationship between universities and industry, and the potential loss of the best and brightest from universities and the cost of education.

Caltech's aim was to find someone who understood these changes, Thorne said, because the next 10 years will be crucial ones for research universities to find direction.

"We found no one with nearly as much potential as David Baltimore," Thorne said.

Baltimore's history of outspokenness, leadership and fortune-telling also made him a prime choice in Caltech's view, he said. Caltech is one of the nation's top research schools with roots in pure physical sciences and it is looking to someone who can play a role in a large number of national science policy debates in biology over the past several years. Finally, the role of engineering and the implications of the Human Genome Project to the university. He also has been involved in two previous controversies that could give Caltech an edge in the development of a proposed industrial park for high-technology companies in Pasadena, where Caltech is located.

The Los Angeles area labs of Cambridge and Silcon Valley, in "(in) the name of academic research industry, particularly biotechnology, and the importance of preserving the image of the school that Baltimore found appealing.

Baltimore was the school's first president who had a Ph.D. in physical sciences. "That was an acci- dent," he said. "We have a new initiative in the biological sciences before they ever considered Baltimore as a candidate for the school's presidency and will contin- ues to pursue it in that arena," Thorne said. "I believe David will begin to make an impact."

Baltimore's appointment has won praise at academic and national lev- els. Thorne said that Caltech's facul- ty search committee and a committee composed of members of Caltech's board of trustees were unanimous in their support of Baltimore for the school's presidency.

"This was the person the faculty really wanted and the trustees really trusted," Thorne said. "We have a complete agreement.

The Los Angeles Times weighed in on the issue in an editorial, call- ing Baltimore's appointment "savvy and significant.

Caltech pursues Baltimore

Baltimore did not actively seek out the presidency at Caltech. "I did not pursue the position at all. They came and asked me," Baltimore said.

He first interviewed at Caltech for the position in December. The school faculty presented a distinct image of the school that Baltimore found appealing.

But he was still the job in April, "I came back and stayed for two weeks" before he and his wife returned to MIT, he said. "I was a very difficult decision.

His friends, however, and has a feeling that is a little more than a day and a half later," he said.

One of Baltimore's first plans when he moved into his new job was meeting with people and figuring out how the school works, he said.

Baltimore's experience at MIT, where he served as director of central intelligence at MIT, has also been useful. "I did not pursue the position at Caltech," he said.

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Senior, Tech Week Provide Fun, Games

By Mary K. Tse
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

For the second year in a row, Tech Week coincides with Senior Week and Commencement, making the last few days chock full of events and activities for new MIT graduates and alumni.

Senior Week began Saturday with a field day and barbecue for about 200 people. The field day is a new event that this year's Senior Week committee initiated. "We had a caricaturist who was a hit with the seniors, a moon-bounce, mini-golf, and mini-bicycle races with prizes of MIT hats and Newbury Comics gift certificates. We also gave out special ribbons as plates for the barbecue," said Lori A. Maiorino '97, co-chair of the Senior Week Committee.

Other notable Senior Week events included a trip to Rhode Island on Sunday which was complete with games and a clam bake and a comedy night and moonlight canoeing trip on Wednesday. "Technology at Play," featuring a canoeing trip on Wednesday, "is a way to be relaxed and happy, and to say congratulations for a job well done," Sabeti said.

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Cycling Team Concludes Successful Racing Season

By Rachel Brown

The MIT Cycling Team, fueled by Powerbar, enjoyed a successful 1997 road racing season. The season started strongly with three individual upgrades after the first race (Critérium) at Columbia University. Rookie Nina Bhakti '98 and Jay Liston '99 dominated the men's and women's fields, respectively, in just their first ride and didn't delay in upgrading to C level races. Rachel Brown made her road racing debut with a convincing win over the women's B field and upgraded to women's A for the rest of the season.

In his first year, James Mattis G, also proved himself on the road by earning several top 5 placings in C's (Columbia, Rutgers University, and the University of Pennsylvania) and upgraded to race men's B alongside fellow MIT racers Kyle Becker G and Jeff Roth G.

MIT competes in the Eastern Collegiate Cycling Conference (ECCC) which includes all the teams from schools in Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey and New England. Cyclists from each team can race in whichever category (men's A-D and women's A-B) they choose, as long as they can keep up with the grueling pace of the race.

Men's and women's A's are the national level races and are worth the most points for overall team standings. Team MIT was in top form as the racing season drew to a climax at the Eastern Championships hosted by the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y.

MIT does well at Championships

Each team from the ECCC was present at championships, ready to do battle. The first event of the weekend was the Individual Time Trial, which is also referred to as "The Race of Truth". Using high-tech aerodynamic wheels, handlebars, and helmets, riders are sent from the start line at 30 second intervals to bullet through a smooth 5.6 mile course, with no idea how fast others are speeding through the course.

MIT's best performance was from men's A rider Jeremy Hackney G who thundered through in just 13 minutes 7 seconds to earn seventh place and lots of points for MIT. Other fine performances came from smooth pedaling John Kout G, who snagged a 10th place finish and some points in men's C, and Rachel Brown, who placed 12th in women's A for a few points.

Mattis placed 12th in men's B with 14:11 adding to the total. Captain Keith Shushurah G scored no points in men's A with his 25th place finish 13:44 effort, second only to Hackney on the MIT team.

The afternoon's road race deterred all but a hardy few as fierce storms brought the temperature crashing down. There were no points earned here, but Bhakti, Liston and Brown braved the treacherous weather and hill-climbs to complete their respective 39 mile races.

The rest of the team, along with over 50% of the other riders, ducked out for shelter and heat from the 43 degree temperature and downpours to regain feeling before their 39, 52, and 65 mile races were complete.

MIT gets 6th at Team Time Trial

Sunday dawned fair and mild, a perfect day for the Team Time Trial. The TTT is similar to the ITT but faster because of the drafting and relaying techniques of an experienced team.

In the TTT up to six members of a team begin at the same time, quickly forming a small pack. The team's overall performance is gauged by the time that the back wheel of the third rider that crosses the line. MIT fielded a men's C team which rode very smoothly. Konz, Bhakti, Liston, Taliun Simo G, and Mark Spiller G returned with a fifth place finish in the 12 mile trial. Sunday afternoon was spent racing multiple laps around a 1.2 mile loop of the West Point campus. The loop twisted downhill into a 120 degree turn where it met a flat stretch which lead to a short 9% upgrade followed by a winding uphill to the line.

In the men's B, Mattis rode a perfect race only to have victory snatched from his grasp by a crash close to the final sprint on the 21st lap. Jay Liston placed 6th in men's C.

Shushurah roared out of the final sprint on the 26th lap to earn points and a 14th place finish in men's A. In his first season as an A, Shushurah's riding had been steadily improving, and he placed accordingly throughout the latter half of the season.

Hackney's effort in the men's A race should not pass unnoticed. Hackney was prominent in several breaks, and managed to score first place in a prime lap (prime lap in the middle of the race for points), though unfortunately his strategy wasn't quite enough to place in the final sprint. The MIT cycling team agreed that this had been a great season, rich in improvement and achievement.

In Second Year Women's Ultimate Earns a Top 25 National Ranking

By James Savis

The women's ultimate team placed third at the Northeast College Regional Tournament over the weekend of May 10-11, scoring a comeback 13-4 victory over Brown University, ranked fifth in the national standings. The MIT women's team is ranked 16th nationally.

The team narrowly missed qualifying for one of two northeast spots at the College National Championship tournament to be held at the University of California at Davis. The pool play on Saturday, MIT defeated the University of Rochester, 13-1 and Amherst College, 13-4, but lost to seventh ranked Yale, the second seed, 12-7, to finish second in the pool.

On Sunday, MIT was seeded third due to a weak second round performance. MIT's team rank, 19th nationally, was enough to earn a spot at nationals. MIT, ranked 19th nationally, found itself down 4-1 against Brown, the fourth seed, and held on to win the game, 8-7. The MIT team was again against Cornell, who had lost only a single game to a Northeast team this year.

MIT shocked Cornell by taking a quick 3-0 lead with a strong zone defense and big-play offense. The team's 10-7 victory earned them a spot in the regional championships.

Again, Yale prevailed, 13-5, earning their third straight trip to nationals. MIT had one more opportunity to go to nationals; the game for second place was against Brown, who had just eliminated the stunned Cornell team.

But after taking a 4-2 lead, the MIT team, playing with just two substitutions, succumbed to exhaustion, losing 9-5. At the East New England Sectional Tournament the previous weekend, MIT placed second behind Brown University. MIT defeated Tufts University 12-6, McGill University 13-4, Wellesley College 12-7, Boston College 13-3, and Harvard University 13-0. MIT defeated Yale.

In only its second year, MIT finished the season with a 15-4 record and a top 25 national ranking.

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Sports

Athletes Finish Year with Many Awards and Honors

By Roger Crosley
SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR

MIT's two number one tennis players have been named the East Region Rookies of the Year. From the women's team, Maralani Nakamura '00 was named. Nakamura is a star dropped a first round match at MIT.

Merrillees' achievements honored

Field hockey player Katherine Merrillees '99 was named the winner of the Massachusetts Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women's Achievement Award. Merrillees is a two time America All-Selection and a two time player of the year in the New England Women's 8 Conference. Merrillees was honored at the MAIAW's annual meeting at Brandeis University.

Runners make NCAA's

Chris McGuire '99 and Mike Parks '99 each won distance events at the New England Division III Championships. McGuire won the 5,000 meters and in the process qualified for the NCAA Championships held Memorial Day weekend in LaCrosse, WI. Parks won the 3,000 meter steeplechase, and had previously qualified for the NCAA's. As a team, the Engineers finished third behind Williams College and Springfield College.

John Wallberg '97 has been named to the GTE College Sports Information Directors of America Spring At-Large-All-District first team. Wallberg, the NCAA Division III national champion in the 35 pound weight throw, now appears on the national Academic All-America Spring At-Large ballot.

Baseball players honored

The Conant Athletic Conference recently named its baseball All-Conference team and three MIT players were honored. Pitcher Will Nelson '98 was named to the first team for the second consecutive year. Nielsen ran up a 3-1 conference record with an earned run average of 2.08.

Named to the second team were first baseman Joel Morales '99 who hit .348 with 7 doubles in conference play, and centerfielder Steve Vetter '97 who swung at the bat at a .387 clip.

Water polo players honored

Four MIT water polo players have been named to the American Water Polo Coaches Association Men's All-Academic Team. Named to the Superior level were seniors Matt Lai '97 and Konameckic '99. The "excellent" level showcased Mark Levitov '98, and Adrian Gomez '99.

Barber earns All-Conference

In the PILC Lauren Lague defeats former Tom Barry '97 of MIT was an All-Conference selection for the second consecutive year. Barber was also tapped to participate in the Annual New England East-West Senior All-Star Game which was held May 16-17 at the University of New Hampshire.

Merrillees' achievements honored

Women's rugby club finished second in the National Championships which were held May 10-11 at the University of Providence, R.I.; coming in 2nd with a score of 12-12.

The women's rugby club finished their season with a 3-1-1 record this spring. The season started with their first annual spring tour, during which a break, the team traveled to the San Francisco Bay area to play the Berkeley and Bay Area Sh-Hawks club and tied that match, 12-12. It was a challenging match for the team because they are used to playing against collegiate teams. The team was forced to raise their level of play to the club level and put up a strong fight against the California teams which were playing outside all winter long.

After this match the team traveled to Santa Cruz and played the University of California at Santa Barbara Rugrats, and won that match 22-0. Due to shortages of players it was a challenging match, but it was played with great spirit and a real field goal everyone had ever seen, which overlapped miles of mountainous coastline.

Team takes third in tournament

Warmed up by the spring tour, the team started their regular season with a 30-0 game against Dartmouth College's B side. Then the Division II MIT team competed in a New England Division I tournament in Providence, R.I., coming in third in their section by defeating Yale University (7-5) and the University of Southern Connecticut. A defeat by the University of Connecticut (13-10), gave the team their only loss in the entire season.

The first two games were played in freezing rain and the team had to fight hard against Yale. However, with strong defense in the back line and great kicking by the forwards, they secured position of the ball and managed to get a breakaway which landed close to the center of the goal posts to secure the conversion kick, giving MIT the 2 point edge to victory.

In the UConn game, the teams were tied at 16-16 until the last few minutes of the match, when a penalty awarded to UConn gave them the opportunity for a kick to goal, which gave UConn the extra three points needed to defeat MIT.

The second day of the tournament was warm and sunny, and to the continuing surprise of the Division I teams, MIT defeated Southern Connecticut in a similar breakaway try and conversion kick combination. The back line again showed increasingly strong passing and kicking techniques, and the scrum was well played with MIT dominating the Southern Corn line.

Team shutouts home games

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Lightweights Finish Seventh Nationally

By Erik S. Ballesley

The varsity lightweight crew team advanced to the final day of competition at the NCAA Division III East Regional Championship at Williams College. It fell one win short of qualifying for the national championships, finishing among the number one seed Williams, 7-0.

On May 9, the fifth seeded MIT faced twelfth seed Franklin and Marshall College and came away with a 6-1 victory. The team said the win was a result of improved rowing.
The Canadian band Moxy Frivous performed in the Student Center Saturday, May 17th in a concert sponsored by LSC.

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