Rain Drives Kick-Off Out of Killian Court

By Brett Altschul

Intermittent rain yesterday forced Killian Kick-Off, the event that opens rush, out of the court that shares its name and into Johnson Athletics Center. The new location caused several changes to the program. The three speakers who were scheduled to introduce the various living options all gave abbreviated versions of their speeches.

Ashish P. Shah '98, president of the dormitory council, took two sentences to tell freshmen to enjoy rush. Bonnie S. Cheung '98, president of the women's conference, told women that rush was for fun. Heimburger Rodriguez then started rush with the traditional phrase: "Let the rush begin!"

Skits entertain freshmen

Before hearing the speakers, the freshmen saw several performances, had a chance to mingle with upperclassmen, and ate ice cream. At the beginning of the kick-off, the freshmen were seated in Killian Kick-Off, relocate to the Johnson Athletics Center because of rain.

Summer Construction Continues Well into R/O Week

By Douglas E. Heimbigner

An unusually high amount of summer construction in MIT dormitories has spilled over into Residence and Orientation Week, wreaking havoc and angering some residents.

At Senior House, Shawmut Design and Construction was scheduled to finish major construction on a new portico and grand entrance by 5 p.m. yesterday, said Ronald J. Catella, a project manager for Physical Plant who oversees the project. "It's very close to done," Catella said. "As far as accessibility and usability, everything will be okay."

Earlier in the summer, construction closed both entrances to Senior House, forcing residents to either prop open a loading dock or not gain entrance to the dormitory, according to Senior House President Victor P. Moralez '98.

"You couldn't win; either it was open and there was some security hazard or it wasn't and you couldn't get into the house," Moralez said.

However, administration officials said that the problems were not serious. "These particular things probably happened for only times of five or ten minutes," said Senior House Manager Jack Ahern. "It's just like you're going for hours on end and not being able to get in."

Problems plague renovations

A steam line under the sidewalk in front of Senior House was found to be in poor condition, forcing contractors to replace it as part of the project, Catella said.

As a result of the steam line replacement, the project was delayed almost two weeks, said Carl A. Jay, project manager for Shawmut.

Communication between Senior House residents and the construction company also disintegrated over the summer, Moralez said. "Originally, we were given a very definite plan" for which entrances and exits would be closed. However, eventually residents had to search for which exits and entrances were available. "They didn't live up to even the most minimal standards" of communication, Moralez said.

"We met with the students on Monday and got a list of their concerns about the construction, which are now being dealt with, Jay said.

After all students return in September, they will be invited to look for construction workmanship problems to be fixed. The students will then have a meeting to address "the quality of the workmanship," Jay said.

The Department of Housing and Food Services also attempted to encourage as many residents as possible to move out from Senior House during the reconstruction, Ahern said.

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CPs Arrest Convicted Bomber

By Daniel C. Stevenson

A New England man who accused the Campus Police of harassment when they arrested him last month is a convicted terrorist bomber who was once on the FBI's "10 Most Wanted" list.

Richard J. Picariello, 48, was arrested for trespassing and other charges in the lounge on the second floor of the Student Center on the evening of July 22.

Picariello was convicted in 1977 and 1978 for bombing an airplane at Logan Airport, National Guard trucks, a courthouse, and a power company headquarters, for robbing a bank, and for interstate transportation of explosives. He served federal and state sentences for those crimes until 1993, and was imprisoned in Maine for parole violations.

Picariello has spent more than 25 years in prison for various crimes.

Picariello alleges that Campus Police officers harassed and brutalized him and is filing a lawsuit against MIT, according to a poster distributed around campus.

"We believe Mr. Picariello was not assaulted," said Senior Vice President William R. Dickson '56. The matter "will play itself out in court."

Claimed to be waiting for meeting

Around 6:20 p.m. on July 22 a Campus Police officer "approached [Picariello] and asked him who he was and did he belong there," said Brian Heffron of the Middlesex County District Attorney's office. "At that point Mr. Picariello attacked the officer and kicked him," Heffron said.

The poster claimed that Picariello was waiting for a meeting in La Sala de Puerto Rico. However, the only meetings in the Student Center were for the Division of Planetary Sciences, which had the entire building booked for that week according to the Campus Activities Complex.

Picariello was arrested for disorderly conduct and assault and battery. He was arraigned the following day in Cambridge District Court on charges of disorderly conduct, assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, trespassing, and resisting arrest. The weapon was Picariello's foot when he kicked the officer.

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Clintom Urges High Court To Uphold Diversity Ruling

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Two days after John Paul II was buried, the Vatican announced earlier today that the Pope had named 11 cardinals to replace 11 cardinals who had resigned or died during the previous two months.

The announcement was made by the Vatican's Holy See Press Office. It said the new cardinals were:

- Cardinal George Pell, Archbishop of Sydney, Australia
- Cardinal Angelo Becciu, Archbishop of Rome, Italy
- Cardinal Jose Saraiva Martins, Archbishop of Lisbon, Portugal
- Cardinal Vincent Nichols, Archbishop of Westminster, England
- Cardinal Luis Ladaria Ferrer, Archbishop of Lisbon, Portugal
- Cardinal Basilio Rodriguez, Archbishop of Madrid, Spain
- Cardinal Leonardo Sandri, Archbishop of Rome, Italy
- Cardinal Josip Bozanic, Archbishop of Split, Croatia
- Cardinal Jean-Louis Vannier, Archbishop of Paris, France
- Cardinal Norberto Rivera Carrera, Archbishop of Guadalupe, Mexico
- Cardinal Antonio Cañizares, Archbishop of Madrid, Spain

The new cardinals will be eligible to vote in the upcoming papal conclave to elect a new Pope.
Rush is About Research
The Best Possible Choice

Rush is a very exciting and confusing time for freshmen. It is so short that it's easy to make a mistake and pledge the wrong fraternity.

I rushed nine fraternities and pledged one. Only later did I learn of my great mistake. A crisis occurred at the fraternity after rush, and I found out the true personality of the fraternity. The behavior of the brothers changed, and I uncovered the dark side. I felt like a captive, betrayed. I wanted out. Fortunately, the understanding people who do house hearing took matters in their own hands and helped me depledge. I found out later that I wasn't the only one in my pledge class to depledge that fraternity, although it already was the fault of my first friends had suffered being put in the wrong place.

I don't think that the entire Greek system is to blame. I think that there are some very good fraternities out there that help lift up a person from the masses, dazed and confused by constant commotion. The successes in the fraternities becomes a nerd working in a closet. Social interaction is of utmost importance because it is a key to changing the world. Many a scientist has come up with a great idea but couldn't announce it to the world because he}


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Erratum

Because of an editing error, the column by Douglas E. Heimburger in yesterday's issue of The Tech, "During Rush, Think Long-Term or Have a Great Time," incorrectly claimed that Interfraternity Council President Eddie Glenn '98 would be speaking at Killian Kick-Off. Interfraternity Council Rush Chair Jorge F. Rodriguez '98 was in fact the one to kick off rush last night.

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Plan for State-Minted Quarters Runs Against Tradition

Preconceived Notions Can Taint Rush for Everybody

Have you ever been mistaken for being someone you're not? It happens to me a lot. If I'm not mistaken for being Jewish, I don't have a problem with that. But I have major concern with the superficiality that creates the mistakes.

With the Waldo matter, I discovered that I can not wear red stripes. When I do, my phone dings. However, I'm more confused about being mistaken for being Jewish. I don't have a problem with that, but I have major concern with the superficiality that creates the mistakes.

In all these cases, preconceived notions that other people have had have resulted in incorrect assumptions about me. Even say these preconceived notions others are examples of stereotypes. The trouble is that as most with stereotypes, these misperceptions are only skin deep.

For those who are starting MIT and hoping that their next few years here will be free of stereotypes that may have plagued them during high school, think again. You're about to face them head-on in a little something called rush.

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Take a good look, because you may not be seeing much of this quarter anymore. The state-designed quarters would be minted by the U.S.; five new quarter designs would appear each year, starting in 1999. And yes, according to wire-service reports, the commemorative designs would be in actual circulation, just like the quarters in your pocket.

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Our action was not taken well. In a recent debilitating trial, we thought we might succeed. In the context of the intelligence and academic freedom, this is blatant political censorship. Though we can sympathize with how the administration might wish to protect some freshmen from what some may consider an unwelcoming pamphlet, we find it hard to fathom how keeping freshmen ignorant constitutes a higher ideal than letting the freshmen read our pamphlet and decide for themselves. Are freshmen till to be treated like children, unable to reason for themselves?

Historically, censorship is used by tyrannical regimes to suppress dissent. MIT claims to have a different opinion on our barring — that one reason we were censored is because there was no possibility for discussion in a freshman mailing. But how would censoring us have possibly aid the purposes of discussion? Our entire purpose was to do what we can to inform, persuade. Our pamphlet is 16-text small-margin pages of small-foot print, peppered with numerous calls for e-mail feedback.

We mailed the freshmen out of an act of civil disobedience against what we considered an unjust attempt to suppress our opinions and to suppress discussion. We decreed weeks of our lives and paid $1,000 out of our own pockets to finance the mailing. And feedback we did, we have received over 500 kilobytes of e-mail, with more expected to come.

To those who would challenge us: Meet us on the open field of intellectual discourse, because it’s the idea that really matters. Leave censorship and punishment for a darker age. And to the freshmen and anybody else who’d like to share your ideal and vision of the greatness of MIT, we are looking forward to meeting you.

Jason C. Davis and Han Y. Huang, co-founders of the MIT Extropians, can be reached at extropian@mit.edu.

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Extropians Matter Is Not About Free Speech

It disturbs me that some people are trying to frame the recent incident with the MIT Extropian as a free speech issue. The Extropian’s right to free speech has not been violated. What MIT did was decide that what the Extropians had to say was not appropriate for a particular forum. Had MIT demanded that the Extropians shut down their World Wide Web site and refrain from distributing literature at all, I would think that the allegation of censorship have some merit. But that hasn’t happened.

Even if an MIT group distributes literature with a disclaimer stating that its views are not directly endorsed by MIT, the message is still there. That MIT is supporting the existence group. This in and of itself is a powerful statement. If MIT is supporting a group with space and money to promote, money to promote, MIT has the right and the responsibility to see that the groups it supports are benefiting the MIT community in some way.

To make an analogy, the First Amendment right to free speech does not require that the editor of a journal like Nature accept and publish material that doesn’t meet the journal’s standards, and it doesn’t prevent the editors of the journal from making publica-

tion of an article contingent on the author making changes. If an author’s submission to a journal is rejected, that author has the opportunity to find another forum to present his or her work in. It is not a violation of the First Amendment for a private organization to decide what is and is not appropriate for its forum.

The scenario I have just described is a business deal. The journal gives something beneficial (money) to the author in exchange for a piece of work that will benefit the journal. The case with MIT and the Extropians is not so clearly a business deal, but it remains that MIT has given some benefit to the group and has the right to reach and freedom positive in return. If a group like the Extropians wishes to distribute information that is harmful to the MIT community, the group has a right and responsibility to find a forum elsewhere to express its ideas.

Amy M. Smith '98

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didn’t know how to communicate (and he didn’t bother to learn how).

To especially active dormitories and fraternities can be hard work. It’s not the natural thing to do. Those who do become the world’s leaders because they can communicate with the world while maintaining composure and peace that cannot be shaken by anything in the outside world.

Both dormitories and fraternities have lessons for the individual: It is very important that incoming freshmen make the right deci-

sions in their own personal-ity — and they can always change their mind later if things don’t work out.

We Beebee ’00
Transfer to Johnson Modifies Traditional Killian Kick-Off

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on the bleachers. The assembly opened with the announcement of the groups that won the raffle, surprise gifts, traffic jam, and poster competitions during Project Move Off Your Assumptions. Next, several upperclassmen performed skits on various aspects of rush and early life at MIT. The montage of scenes addressed the issues of fraternity referrals, sexual identity, and parental objections. It also featured the post-rush problems of a student who failed to balance academics and parties. The Mines and the Choralaires, two a cappella groups, then sang their sets to the freshmen. One freshman expressed dissatisfaction with the songs, singing "Let the rush begin," from the bleachers. Then the freshmen were allowed to disperse around the floor of Johnson, to meet upperclassmen and eat ice cream.

After the socializing, the freshmen reunited themselves, along with the upperclassmen, on the gym floor. The speakers spoke from the top of the bleachers.

Freshmen have mixed feelings. Many freshmen felt that the kick-off was neither stellar nor awful. "I didn't really mind," said Sonja J. Ellefson '01. However, she added, "It would have been better outside." Many freshmen also were unsure about what rush would really be like. "Maybe it's good; maybe it's bad," said Rami Muas '01. "I'll just have to rush and find out."

Fraternities "all sound the same," said Michael J. Tsui '01. "First they tell you they're unique."

During the rush survival sessions, it was decided to move the kick-off to lunch, said Dean for Student Life Margaret R. Bates. Too much equipment in Killian Court would be damaged by rain, she said.

Attendees took information given by the speakers. "As a dorm person, I feel gangbom by the Donor's president's speech," said Jacob B. Schwartz '98. Zararanya Hussain contributed to the reporting of the story.

Panhellenic Rush Obeys Tight Schedule with Ordered Events

By Zareena Hussain

Yesterday, another class of freshmen women began to rush MIT's five sororities. "It's a great time to meet people," said Jamie A. Buller '99, president of MIT's chapter of Panhellenic Association, the national organization governing sororities. Rush for women began after Killian Kick-Off when women leaving Johnson Athletics Center were approached by various members of Panhel and encouraged to attend the women's convocation held in Kresge Auditorium.

Women presented living options

Women who attended the convention were introduced to the president of the five different panhellenic groups that rush women. In addition, representatives from the traditionally black sorority Alpha Kappa Alpha, which rushes later in the year, were also present, Buller said.

At the end of the convocation, women were able to visit the independent living groups that sparked their interest at the convocation or move on to sorority rush by meeting with their Rho Chis, temporarily deaffiliated sorority members who advise freshmen women throughout the rush process.

Those who continue with rush are led on tours of the five different sorority rush rooms. Each visit to a rush room during the tour consists of a ten-minute presentation by the sorority sisters for prospective rushes.

The tours are followed by two open house periods in which rushes can revisit the sororities they are interested in. The first open house session was held yesterday evening and a second today from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Selection process begins

After the open houses, visits are by invite only. After attracting a certain number of invitations, rushes cut down their choice of sororities down to three by informing their Rho Chi. Then, they can attend theme parties which each are one hour in length on tomorrow evening.

The theme parties are "more individualized than previous parties," Buller said.

After the theme parties, on Monday morning, rushes receive their preference party invites from sororities. At this point, the rusher must limit the number of sororities they are rushing to two. Rushers will attend their preference parties beginning at 6 p.m. on Monday. Each preference party lasts an hour and fifteen minutes.

"The preference parties are a little more formal and more individualized, more one on one," Buller said.

After the preference parties, rushes fill out preference forms in which they rank the two sororities they are rushing to in either first or second choice. These preference forms are used in conjunction with lists the sororities compile after their preference parties of rushes to whom they want to extend bids.

Ultimately, each rusher is extended only one bid, Buller said. "It's a mutual selection process," she said.
It are freshmen participate. Many musical theatre groups, and many intramural sports. They are also members of Theta Xi.

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Epsilon Theta is a coeducational fraternity located at 259 Saint Paul Street in Cambridge. The house typically has about 27 Brothers. The fraternity is heavily involved in varsity sports and has many partners. The Theta Chi pledge program lasts eight months.

The fraternity is multicultural Jewish but is all-male fraternity situated at 428 Memorial Drive in Cambridge. About 54 people live at SAE on Broadcom. The Delta Kappa Epsilon is an all-male fraternity located at 437 Commonwealth Avenue in Boston. The house typically has about 36 Brothers. The fraternity is heavily involved in varsity sports and has many partners. The Theta Chi pledge program lasts eight months.

Phi Beta Epsilon Phi Beta Epsilon is an all-male fraternity located at 400 Memorial Drive in Cambridge. The house typically has about 34 Brothers. Members of the fraternity are heavily involved in theatre, dance, and literary activities; the fraternity is a literary society. The house is also heavily involved in varsity and intramural sports.

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By Zareena Hussain

ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

Yesterday, at 6:16 p.m., Interfraternity Council Rush Chair Jorge F. Rodriguez '98 said, “Let the rush begin,” and so began, for many freshman men and women, a once in a lifetime experience.

For the next two to three days, freshmen may explore their living options by rushing fraternities, sororities, and independent living groups, and touring dormitories. During this time there exists a wide and sometimes confusing array of activities offered by fraternities and independent living groups in which freshman can participate.

“Anything you can think of [fraternity] probably do,” Rodriguez said. Activities offered range from parties to paintball, he aid.

A few houses do it later on,” said David C. Day '98, chair of the IFC Judicial Committee. Freshmen may begin pledging fraternities on Monday morning, Day said.

There are three status levels used to define fraternities once bids are extended. When a fraternity is status two, they are still accepting referrals for possible pledges from other fraternities. Status one is used to describe a fraternity which is no longer extending bids but still waiting for freshman who have bids from more than one fraternity to pledge. Status zero means that the desk is closed and the fraternity is no longer rushing.

Many rules govern fraternity rush

Fraternity rush is defined more by sets of rules than any ordered calendar of events.

Last year, fraternities began enforcing a dry rush. Houses are not to have alcohol anywhere in the presence of freshman during rush, Day said.

“The bond of brotherhood is not defined by alcohol,” Rodriguez said. “The idea is to allow freshman to make a clear-headed decision and not be influenced by alcohol,” Day said.

Another major rule involving fraternity rush involves the hiding of freshman. It is a violation of rush rules to "hide" freshman not by registering them in the clearinghouse system, Day said.

The intention is to give other houses a fair chance to meet the freshman, Day said.

There also exists a no bad-mouthing rule, during rush. Fraternity rules are not allowed to speak badly of other fraternities to freshman. “[Bad-mouthing] is detrimental to everyone,” Day said.

Referrals to be more positive

In addition, there have been some changes to the rules regarding referrals, which occur when a fraternity recommends that a rusher explore different housing options.

Instead of the rush chair assigning referrals, which occur when a fraternity member acts as a referral chair, the IFC has an assigned referral chair. Each house is in charge of referral, each fraternity has an assigned referral chair.

“We are watching referrals more closely,” Day said. The IFC wants to avoid fliers, in which a fraternity simply tells a freshman that they are no longer being considered as a pledge for the fraternity, Day said.

“We want to make sure that it’s done positively,” he said.

“The fraternity rush chair] wasn’t taking the appropriate time to make sure the referral was positive and constructive,” Rodriguez said.

The IFC is also keeping a constantly updated list of fraternity members who still need pledges, Rodriguez said. This list is sent out to other fraternities for purposes of referral, he said.

Violations to be tried

To prevent rush violations and punish offenders, the IFC has an internal system of enforcement and policing.

Each house is assigned a temporarily deaffiliated investigator from within the IFC to be a recorder and advogate for the house. Each investigator is responsible for three to four houses, Day said.

During rush, the investigation meeting nightly with the IFC Judcom chair and discuss any evidence or possible violations. Once rush is over, the information will be compiled and discussed with the rush chair. Most reports of rush violations are then "house verses house," Day said. Trial for rush violations will be held within the first month after rush.

The biggest mistake a freshman can make is closing themselves off, said IFC president Eddie Gilson ’98. Freshman should be encouraged to explore all their opportunities.

But while organizations like the IFC seek to involve as many freshman as possible the decision to participate is ultimately up to the rusher.

“No one can push you to do rush, it’s your decision,” Rodriguez said. “A freshman is totally in control of his or her rush.”

Campus housing always an option

Even when a freshman has committed to live in a fraternity or an independent living group, he still has the option to move on campus if off-campus life is not for him. “We guarantee each freshman a place in the residence system,” said Neal H. Dorow, associate dean for residence and campus activities and advisor to FSILGs.

But even with this option, a freshman may remain unhappy. “I can’t promise them it will be their first choice,” Dorow said.

Rush Terms

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badmouthing: saying negative things about another fraternity, sorority, or independent living group; prohibited by rush rules

bid: an official invitation to join an FSILG

Clearhouse: the computer system used to track freshmen moving among FSILGs. Students can make themselves invisible to living groups in Clearhouse by contacting the Residence and Campus Activities Office in W-205-549.

crowding: the result of a housing system filled beyond normal capacity. Certain rooms are “crowded” from singles to doubles, double to triples, etc.

dormcon: Dormitory Council. Dormcon represents students living in the dormitory system and manages dormitory rush.

flushing: slang term for encouraging rushers to leave a fraternity or FSILG and then referring them to another living group.

FSILG: Freshman Speaking Intelligent Living Group. FSILG is a forum for freshmen to discuss her or his fraternity.

housing lottery: the Ames-based lottery used to determine dormitory housing; lasts from 4 p.m. tomorrow through 3 p.m. Monday.

IFC: Interfraternity Council, the governing body of all FSILGs; manages FSILG rush

Judcom: Judicial Committee, Judcom supervises the rules of living groups and events for violations of rush rules. Both Dormcon and IFC have their own Judcoms.

Panhel: Panhellenic Association, the local chapter of the national sorority association and a sub-group of the IFC; manages sorority rush

pledges: who new members of some fraternities and sororities are called after an initiation program but before they become full members

pref parties: the last parties held by sororities before bid lists are

Rho Chi: temporarily deaffiliated sorority member who acts as an impartial counselor for women rushing sororities; cannot mention or discuss her sorority

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August 23, 1997

The Tech

“Two "apes" place a black obelisk in Killian Court yesterday. Upperclassmen don’t seem to tire of creating references to the movie 2001: A Space Odyssey.”

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Courthouse in Portland, the poster alleges that Picariello handed him a bag and told him to wait at a crosswalk while he went into a nearby store. Picariello then proceeded to proceed to trail 15-year state sentence for the bombing.
Many Dorms Face Construction Delays

Construction, from Page 1

ence of temporarily housed freshmen in the dormitory, she said. Originally, the construction was scheduled to start at the beginning of the summer, but was delayed, said Chris Nolan, general manager of maintenance and renovation for Housing and Food Services. "A lot of it was finding funding to do it, then finding an architect to do it," before construction could begin. The construction is now ahead of its revised schedule, Nolan said. At MacGregor house, contractors are replacing the patio due to a history of leaks beneath it.

Senior House construction continues into R/O Week, angering residents.

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Hey Albert, we're going to find that free food! It's a good idea, Newton! I'm starving.

Hold it, you guys aren't freshmen therefore beat it. Just act natural, ok guys? Heh heh.

My first mit frat party... food swags, music sweats. I've been to jr. high dances better than this! I thought you mit people had better social lives than this.

Hey Albert, you can come back... and the woman... laugh!

Ha ha ha ho ha hah! Welcome to "hell", kid.

I heard that chip is selling his bicycle. Oh yeah, quite a tragedy.

Well, he liked the bike and all but he has to sell it. And I think he's going to have a little trouble letting go. Really? Why?

He's prepared this questionnaire for prospective buyers.

Saturday, August 23, 1997
6:30p: MacGregor. MacGregor's never


6:00p: Epsilon Theta. Hey, look! J's come

6:00p: Phi Delts. Steak, German House. German Cookie Bake-Off and Decorating. Come join in the 

6:00p: La Maison Francaise. La Maison Francaise. DING! DING! We wrote it, rehearsed it, and we're eating like Barbarians: no 

7:22p: TE~. Coup of the Veggie Feast!. You'll have to come over to find out the Alpha Delt patio. Call 576-KICK-'I/T

9:00p: S nlor House. Come to Senior ed h' 

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10:43p: La Maison Francaise. La Maison Francaise. Soiree Cinema Francais: Les 

7:00p: You know what something would be great? If you went on a date in a restaurant in 

2:00a: Senior House. Exercise 'lour right 

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12:17a: Random Hall. Eaten a lot of good 

6:30p: Random Hall. Do you play chess? 

4:00p: MacGregor. MacGregor's never 

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**Residence**

All day: ZN. Sigma Nu Carnival

All day: 9AM. Hungry yet? The grill will be in full swing at ZBT for a cookout every day this week. Look for it in front of the best in Boston. Call 437-7596 for more details.

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All day: Theta Chi. Come see our house.

All day: Epsilon Theta. Come to Latchis! You have never seen such a mask!

Rather humorous all day, becoming partly entertaining about 2PM.

All day: WILG. Rush is full stalls! Stop by or call for more information on our apple bobbers, New Hampshire moonshine, invitations necessary and house tours expected.

2PM: ZBT. Breakfast - 1500 Granville Rd. Call 253-6794 or 253-1263 for a ride. Can Afford!! Come visit the Garment District with us and rifle amongst cheap furs, or go for a last-minute escape from wherever you are. Call 492-6983 or a ride. WILG's Murder Mystery Cafe. 253-6799 or 354-1263 for a ride.

2PM: Epsilon Theta. FIMO AND SCULPTURE! Come to the ZBT Beach Trip! Join us as we head out to St. George Island on a last minute trip. We'll have lunch, a canoe cruise to the Island followed by some po~t BBQ frisbee followed by an overnight camping trip.

2PM: Pi Lambda Phi. Dinner Truck - 909 South St. Call 267-4935 for a ride.

2PM: Theta Chi. Come on a canoe trip! Nothing like Granny used to make it, with breakfast come the DRIVING RANGE/MINI GOLF. Call 267-3170 for a ride.

2PM: Pi Lambda Phi. DING! DING! (576-2792) and we'll prepare you for your bike a~d tour the Boston le~s maisons de langues. A New House ... At least a trip to the Boston Common. Call 492-6983 or a ride.

2PM: Delta. BREAKFAST - 1780 Commonwealth Ave. Call 267-3501 for a ride.

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