Scott Krueger Dies after Three Days in Coma

Phila Gamma Delta Freshman Victim of Alcohol Poisoning

By Frank Dabek

Representatives of the MIT chapter of Phi Gamma Delta did not respond to requests for comment.

Scott S. Krueger '01

On Friday, President Charles M. Vest released a statement saying "my thoughts and prayers, and those of my wife Becky, go out to Scott Krueger, his family, and all those touched by this terrible incident." Chapter suspended

Following this incident, the MIT Chapter of Phi Gamma Delta has been jointly suspended by MIT and the national Phi Gamma Delta fraternity pending an investigation.

While suspended "only the most basic operations of the chapter are allowed," according to Executive Director of Phi Gamma Delta, Bill Martin. Fiji will not be permitted to hold social events or initiate new members while suspended.

In addition, the Inter-Fraternity Council unanimously passed a resolution agreeing to "voluntarily can- non alcohol policies. Boston Police, Fire Department and EMS officers responded after the crash.

A police officer and the suspect, Jose A. Montanez of Chelsea, were injured.

In his basement room at Fiji, the victim was found unconscious at approximately 12:12 a.m.

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The Dormitory Council also announced late Monday night that all dormitory functions will be alcohol free for an indefinite period of time.

Death Sparks Campus-wide Review

of FSILGs, Rush, and Alcohol Policies

By Jennifer Lane

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Israelis Refuse to Extradite
Maryland Staying Suspect

The Washington Post

Israeli authorities told U.S. diplomats Monday that they will refuse to extradite Samuel Sheinbein to face murder charges in Israel, a development that would keep him in jail along with a companion of killing an acquaintance and burning and dismembering his body.

According to Israeli and American sources, the Israeli officials gave informal notice that they expect to try Sheinbein in Israel instead. If that happens, they explained, the youth holds Israeli citizenship and Israeli law bars extradition of a citizen.

At the same time, Israeli police arrested Sheinbein's father, Sol, and one of the children believed to have helped kill the victim last week and of attempting to disrupt the investigation.

Israelis expressed concern that Sheinbein does not express désire to speak Hebrew and that she would be far from home if imprisoned in Israel, said they still hope he might agree to return voluntarily to face the charges here, alluding to the presence of Israeli relatives making diplomatic efforts toward that direction.

Notified of the Israeli decision, Montgomery County State's Attorney Robert L. Dean said in Rockville that he will assist in preparing the District of Columbia case in hopes of securing an extradition.

House Approves 23-Day Extension
To Complete Work on Spending Bills

The Washington Post

With Congress once again far behind in its budget work, the House Monday approved a 23-day extension of Wednesday's deadline for action on spending bills to allow the House to finish its work for the coming fiscal year to avoid another government shutdown.

The continuing resolution adopted on a vote of 355-57, was worked out in advance by House and Senate GOP leaders and the administration and will assure that most government departments and programs will continue to operate.

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New federal rules today take effect to better ensure accuracy in the credit reports that can make a lender, insurer and sometimes even an employer turn thumbs up or down in considering an application.

The broad-based law regarding reporting of errors, was enacted at the end of 1996 and becomes effective today.
State Department Retracts Sudan Restaffing Announcement
THE WASHINGTON POST

An embarrassed State Department backed off yesterday from its announcement last week that U.S. diplomats will soon be returning to the U.S. Embassy in Khartoum, Sudan.

Issuing a rare retraction, the department said no decision about restaffing the embassy had been made. Last week, State Department spokesman James P. Rubin confirmed a Washington Post story that officials had approved the move, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State Cate Smith defended the decision at a Senate subcommittee hearing, and U.S. Ambassador Timothy Carney confirmed it in an interview with the New York Times over the weekend.

"We got ahead of ourselves," a senior State Department official said Monday. Another official said, "The new policy guidance hadn't been issued when Smith testified." As for Carney, he added, "Jim was reading from the old guidance." State Department officials depicted the gaffe as an honest mistake, arising from the department's belief that an administration review of Sudan policy had authorized sending U.S. diplomats back to Khartoum, from which they were withdrawn for security reasons in January, 1996.

But other administration officials and some congressional staff aides who follow Sudan policy attributed the premature announcement to a disagreement within the foreign policy apparatus about how to deal with Sudan. The State Department has advocated engaging, rather than ostracizing, Sudan's militant Islamic regime.

Virginia Town Unexpectedly Finds Itself on Earthquake Fault

A lot of people in Manassas, Va., thought a truck had rammed into their building yesterday. Or that the roof had caved in. Or that a sonic boom had rolled by. Turns out it was just an earthquake.

At precisely 1:45 p.m., a quake registering 2.5 on the Richter scale jostled the city of Manassas, according to officials with the U.S. Geological Survey. Residents were stirred but not quite shaken: No injuries, collapsed buildings or broken dishes were reported.

"It's what we would call a very minor seismic event," said John Minsch, a geophysicist with the U.S. Geological Survey in Golden, Colo. "If this happened in California, no one would probably even notice."

Historically, there are two active areas in Virginia, according to Martin Chapman, a research associate at Virginia Tech's Seismological Observatory in Blacksburg. One runs along the James River between Charlottesville and Richmond and is known as the Central Virginia Seismic Zone; the other is an area centered on Giles County in southwest Virginia — which had a 5.8-magnitude quake 100 years ago. As for Northern Virginia, scattered earthquakes have shaken residents over the decades.

County officials said they received more than 75 calls about the tremor. "The basic report is that they heard a rumbling or an explosion, and the house or building they were in started shaking," said Kevin McGee, spokesman for Prince William County Fire and Rescue.

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It goes without saying that the death of Phi Gamma Delta pledge Scott S. Krueger '01 represents a tragedy beyond measure. Along with every other member of the MIT community, members of The Tech's staff share the grief of the family, and our hearts go out to them in this hour.

Krueger's hospitalization and death, brought on by alcohol poisoning, has already raised serious concerns about both drinking throughout the MIT community and the system of Greek life. Although details of the tragedy are still unfolding at this time, Krueger's death makes it more clear that the issue of underage drinking at fraternity houses demands more than a typical, bureaucratic response from MIT's administration. The situation is itself broken, and the Institute should take full responsibility.

The Fiji incident has brought MIT's drinking problem before the national press, with CNN and ABC's Good Morning America showing a story on the hospitalization of Fiji pledge Scott S. Krueger '01. It is often said that underage drinking at MIT is minimal compared to drinking at other schools. This accident demonstrates once and for all that the Institute has just as serious a problem as Louisiana State University, where a Sigma Alpha Epsilon pledge died in a similar incident a month ago. Even if there is a wider, national problem with drinking, MIT should be the exception. This university is world-wide for its seriousness of purpose and the high quality of its education. That such an accident could occur at MIT should serve as a warning to the entire community that the Institute has a serious, systemic problem that needs an equally serious solution.

Considering the gravity of the situation, the behavior of the MIT administration to date has been weak to the point of absurdity. In its first press release on the subject on Saturday, the MIT News Office implied uncertainty about "whether alcohol was involved," in spite of the fact that Krueger had a blood alcohol level over 0.410 percent. President Charles M. Vest's statement to the press seemed to shift blame away from MIT. This accident demonstrates once and for all that the Institute has just as serious a problem as LSU in terms of safety and the high quality of its education. That such an accident could occur at MIT should serve as a warning to the entire community that the Institute has a serious, systemic problem that needs an equally serious solution.

The Tech's editorial board has treated this incident throughout as a typical, bureaucratic response from MIT's administration. The administration's treatment of the Fiji incident has failed to deliver platitudes on national and local television stations. MIT has conspicuously kept students in the dark.

The behavior of the administration seems narrowly calculated to serve its own interests, rather than to further the interests of the community in due process. MIT's internal disciplinary procedures demand that incidents under investigation remain confidential. We do not take issue with this system. However, the treatment of this incident thus far falls into a dangerous pattern. The administration has a vested interest in maintaining the fringe system without change due to the structure of its undergraduate housing system. This makes any discussion of the systemic problems at hand much more difficult.

The community is about to enter a serious discussion about what went wrong at Fiji; we deserve more than the standard run-around from the Dean's Office. The administration needs to explain what happened in living groups. If this accident was real, it can no longer be "off the radar screen," as Randolph indicated, MIT cannot call its housing system safe.

MIT is a world-class institution. President Vest has proposed a "campus-wide introspective dialogue," but our community deserves more than that. We deserve an explanation as to how such a tragic incident could have been allowed to happen at MIT. More importantly, MIT needs to take major steps to curb the problem. One death is one too many.

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As a lifelong Massachusetts resident and taxpayer of the new host state millions of dollars. How does one avoid the attacks of a virus? At the risk of sounding like an overprotective parent, the best way is to wear warm clothes, eat right, and get your vitamins. Another good thing to do is wash your hands. I don't mean, constantly wash your hands as Lady MacBeth, but before eating or removing contact lenses, it is always a good idea to give your hands a thorough scrub. Finally, do not be afraid of the virus. It is a virus, a virus that is not a crime. A virus is a virus that is not a crime in your body. It is a virus that is not a crime to mention observant. A big box of tissues is as conspicuous as a giant, red arrow or a bull's-eye. For one thing, tissues are part of the virus's body and can pour beers for a few dollars. The Red Sox can occasionally sell Fenway Park even with sehen players, and while Tedy Bruschi and Brunels keep a large follow- ing, these clubs are part of Boston's essence. When the Patriots are down a couple of touchdowns and involving low-paying, manual labor. Are the sacrifices and compromises necessary to do the work reasonable? Speeches by politicians like Genzyme that contribute to a skilled work force and offer high paying jobs?

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Greek Week Events Involve Community

Katharyn Jeffreys

Last week marked Greek Week, an annual Interfraternity Council-sponsored event. The week was filled with activities including Jar Wars, the Greek Olympiad, evening lectures, and the Greek Week Ball. Emily Choo '00, one of the Greek Week coordinators, said the purpose of Greek Week was “to promote good relations within the Greek community and between the Greek community and non-affiliated students.”

Events encourage spirit

There were two competitions that ran throughout the week, Jar Wars and the Greek Olympiad. Jar Wars was an activity that encouraged participation by affiliated and non-affiliated participants. All fraternities, sororities, and independent living groups, as well as dormitories, had jars assigned to them, which were displayed in Lobby 10 throughout the week. Money was added to the jars, with bills counting as positive credit and change counting negatively.

The Jar Wars winner was Kappa Alpha Theta with $257.96 in positive credit. Second place went to Theta Xi with $168.43, followed by Baker House with $89.10. Overall Jar Wars raised $1435.70, a great increase over last year.

Half of the money raised will go to Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), a charity designated by the winners, Kappa Alpha Theta. The rest will go to the Make A Wish Foundation.

The Greek Olympiad was well-attended, Choo said. An average of 50 participants showed up for each of the Olympiad events, held every afternoon in Kresge Oval.

The competition included games such as tug-of-war, three-legged race, dizzy bat, and a wing-eating contest. Prices and candy were given out each day, with some events counting towards the overall competition.

The Greek Olympiad winner was Theta Xi, who received a $300 gift certificate to Jillian’s. Phi Delta Theta placed second, winning a $150 gift certificate to Sony Theaters. Phi Kappa Theta came in third place.

Education and celebration

There were several events during Greek Week that carried the festivities into the evening, including two evening lectures aimed at educating students.

One evening lecture, featuring speaker Eydie Leibman, was themed, “Responsible Use of Alcohol.” The event was sponsored by Kappa Alpha Theta, and was part of the IFC’s Stars of Education Program.

EmpowerX, a leadership seminar, was “a more entertaining” way of approaching leadership, according to IFC President Chester Cheng '99.

Greek Week concluded on Saturday with two events, a community service project, and the Greek Ball. On Saturday morning, MIT’s Greek honor society, the Order of Omega, held a community service day. Over 80 students participated in projects in the Boston and Cambridge areas. Work such as gardening and painting were done for various groups, including the YMAA, New England Aquarium, and the Museum of Science.

The end of Greek Week was celebrated with the Greek Week Ball on Saturday evening. Approximately 150 students attended the function.

Michael R. Wagner '00 of Phi Delta Theta and Joanna L. Garelick '98 of Sigma Kappa were crowned as the Greek Week God and Goddess. Wagner said that he “felt really proud that so many of my brothers and pledges came to support me. It was a lot of fun.”

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Bad Food Problems Continue at Walker

By Shawnee Estghl

Efforts to improve food service at Walker Memorial's Mess Dining Hall in the wake of last year's discovery of a "worm-like object" in the corn took a hit last week with further revelations of improper food handling.

About a week and a half ago, Emma H. Heitzman '01 started to discover that the milk left out as coffee creamer at Walker had soured. When she alerted a cashier, she was told that the manager had been told about the problem. The cashier "said that they already knew [that the milk was sour] but that nothing had been done," Heitzman said.

Walker Memorial's Director, James Dillon, said that the sour milk was not a problem because hot coffee causes milk to curdle. Dillon said that he had been informed that the milk was sour but chose not to replace it. "If there's a real problem, we'll do something about it, but come on, we don't do blatant things like that," he said.

Kathy Richmond, an Aramark official, also said that the heat of the coffee would eliminate the effects of the sour milk, but she said that the incident was "disturbing to me and of itself." She said that she was "disturbed by the response of the cashier" and that the cashier herself should have gotten fresh milk.

Walker had previous problems

This incident comes less than a year after other food service and handling problems were reported at Walker. Last February, a student found a "worm-like object" in corn served at Walker. The problem was traced to the wholesale provider, Sysco, and MIT Dining officials refused to purchase corn from Sysco until its quality could be assured. Richmond said that Walker has resumed purchasing corn from Walker. "The corn issue is over," she said.

Also last spring, the City of Cambridge Department of Inspectional Services found several important food handling violations. Most of the violations involved failing to serve and store food at the proper temperature.

After a violation is filed by the Department of Inspectional Services, the institution has ten days to remedy the situation. If the problem is not solved after that time period, the institution will be shut down.

At Walker, several refrigerators were fixed and food handling techniques were modified to meet Cambridge standards. "I can assure you that any problem regarding the health department was taken care of immediately," Richmond said.

The entire building was also steam-cleaned at the end of August in response to reports of roaches androach droppings found in and around Walker last spring, Richmond said.

Despite these measures, however, some students are approaching the idea of dining at Walker with more caution. "I found [the sour milk incident] pretty disgusting...I'm trying not to eat there as much...I cook more now," Heitzman said.

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Senior Associate Dean Robert M. Randolph was questioned by members of the press at a conference yesterday.

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"I'm not going to get better until the community says that underage drinking, especially in excess, will not be tolerated," Randolph said. "The key has got to be to build some kind of serious, cooperative commitment."

Any policy resulting from this incident should focus on peer education rather than punitive measures, Randolph said. "The key has got to be to build some kind of serious, cooperative commitment."

Students slow to receive reports

Williams is planning to send a letter to undergraduate students' parents detailing the incident. The letter will explain the current situation and will describe the policies being formed to prevent such problems from recurring. For more immediate coverage of the situation, however, the administration has been relying on the local media to keep students informed, Randolph said.

Monday, Randolph said, Vest was "considering sending a letter to the entire community" formally informing students of the events that transpired over the weekend.

"Information flow is a problem," Carter said. "There's been a lot of grapevine stuff going on," as students pass along rumors and hearsay, he said.

"There would be a lot less anxiety if [students] knew" what was going on, Carter said.

A letter from Vest would probably not be sent to the MIT community until Wednesday, Randolph said. Vest was out of town for an IBM board meeting yesterday and was not available to either write letters or appear at news conferences.

The Boston Police are still conducting an investigation into the events of last Friday night. That investigation has already slowed the flow of information.

We are "getting information as it becomes available," Gilson said. "There's been a lot of information made it difficult for the IFC to take specific actions, he said.

Also, before taking any direct action, the administration is waiting to see the complete police report," Randolph said.

Institute practices under review

The discussions taking place in the media and within MIT over the course of the next month will not be limited to underage drinking. It will also cover issues ranging from housing to Residence and Orientation week.

"I fear it will affect R/O week because of the way MIT is portrayed in the media," Gilson said. Freshmen coming to the Institute next year may be less likely to pledge fraternities due to negative impressions received in the aftermath of this incident, he said.

The incident "has very serious implications for rush next year," Beland said. Also looking towards next year's rush, the administration finds itself publicly wondering whether MIT's residence system needs revamping.

Perhaps the current rush procedures are faulty, Randolph said. We have to question "whether we're asking freshmen to make decisions too quickly.

"I think R/O will be looked at really hard," Randolph said. "We have no incidents for a period of time, and people relax... we can't relax," he said.

The lack of enough undergraduate dormitory housing may also come under question.

"We do need to increase our undergraduate housing," Randolph said. The new graduate dormitory planned to be built at University Park in Central Square "may open some opportunities," he said.

Other issues to be examined include developing a policy for parties "that is respected and honored," and looking into money from student dues that is being spent on alcohol both on and off campus, Randolph said.

It may be time to "really break some barriers" and implement radical changes, Randolph said. "Maybe we should have an alcohol or substance-free area of campus... maybe we need to put adults in the fraternity," he said.

Frank Dabek contributed to the reporting of this story.
time pending a review of the alcohol policies in Institute housing.

Ashesh P. Shah '98, president of Dormcon, said "Hopefully we can resolve this [issue] and come up with new policies that are beneficial to students and to the administration."

Charges possible after incident

"We will press any criminal charges should they develop," said Sgt. Marjorie Hill of the Boston Police Department. Charges of "voluntary manslaughter at the least would result if the student dies," Hill said prior to Krueger's death.

In addition, following Krueger's hospitalization on Friday, Boston Police conducted a license premise inspection of the Fiji house. Following the inspection, Fiji was presented with charges of: serving alcohol to a minor, overdose of alcohol causing serious injury, debris blocking a second floor corridor and bicycle and debris blocking a fire exit in the basement. These charges were violations of Fiji's dormitory license which is in the name of Daniel A. Hermann '98, Fiji treasurer.

According to Hill, representatives of Fiji must appear before a city licensing board to answer the charges.

An official of the licensing board said that the outcome of the charges could range from probation to the suspension of Fiji's dormitory license.

Blood alcohol levels dangerous

According to Arnold N. Weinberg, director of the MIT Medical Department, a blood alcohol level of 0.41 results from ingesting the equivalent of approximately 16 drinks. At this level of intoxication there is a 50 percent chance of death.

Jennifer Lane contributed to the reporting of this story.

Numerous television stations interviewed students after yesterday's press conference about the incident at Phi Gamma Delta.

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After the collision, the BMW continued south, crossing Broadway Street and heading towards Kendall Square. The officer supervising the construction project at the corner of Main Street and Vassar Street, in response to radio calls from the Cambridge police, stepped into the street to stop the car.

BMW "was not slowing down"

As the BMW approached the construction site, the officer, who was not named, realized that the car was not going to slow down. According to Nagle, the BMW "tried to run the officer over." The officer felt that "his life and his safety" were in danger and acted to protect himself, Nagle said.

The officer discharged "more than one shot" into the oncoming BMW, Nagle said. Although none of the bullets hit the driver, they apparently forced the BMW to swerve to the left, either to evade the bullets or to escape east down Main Street.

In either case, the car missed the turn and ran into the median strip on Vassar Street. The car was totalled and the driver was injured.

According to witnesses, Montanez was able to make it out of the BMW under his own power. Witness reports of what happened after that varied. Some said that Montanez attempted to flee on foot and was subdued by police while others said that he just barely made it out of the car. In either case, Cambridge police called an ambulance, which at 2:10 p.m. left the scene with the suspect.

Montanez was arraigned in Cambridge District Court Monday morning. He is facing 15 charges, the most serious one being assault with a motor vehicle with intent to murder, a charge arising from his earlier collision with the police cruiser.

Montanez also faces two charges of assault with a dangerous weapon after his collision with the cruiser and the near-collision with the officer at the construction site. He is also being charged with receiving stolen property and possessing burglary tools, along with several traffic violations.

Montanez was being held without bail until a hearing on Thursday, said A. Brian Heffron, a spokesman for the Middlesex County District Attorney's office. "He's being held because he's a danger to himself and society at large," he said.

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1. Border on dress 51. Scottish cap

2. Fitted top; flared bottom 53. France capital

3. Has had supper 55. Illuminated the Pacific

4. High male voice 56. Set of directions

5. Fuel 56. Satinated hydrocarbon (nail)

11. Has had supper 57. Barometric measure

12. Dug for fruit 58. Set of directions

13. Has had supper 60. Town in Oklahoma

14. Fuel 61. Saturated hydrocarbon

16. Has had supper 62. Peace

17. Conduct 63. Inspiration

19. Species 64. Any other word

20. Has had supper 65. Road substance

21. Has had supper 66. Domesticated animal friend

22. Has had supper 67. Auricle

23. Has had supper 68. Atlantic Ocean


25. Animal friend 70. Ancient vessel

26. Cheese 71. Ancient vessel

31. A small amount 72. 4th letter

32. A small amount 73. Bees or spiders

33. Fu 74. Bees or spiders

34. 11th Hebrew month 75. Hair

35. A Gabor 76. 4th letter

37. Pot 77. Playing card

38. Subject 78. Playing card

40. Ocean 79. Playing card

41. Growth on head of deer 80. Playing card

45. At 81. Playing card

46. Canvas belt 82. Playing card

47. Pop top 83. Playing card

48. Priest's robe 84. Playing card

49. Exotic fruit 85. Playing card

50. Skin an orange 86. Playing card

**Down**

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The ability to be "creative" is often regarded with a sense of mystery and apprehension. Sometimes it is considered the exclusive purview of artists or others with the "right aptitudes." Of the many studies of creativity there is one common conclusion: If we give creativity enough attention, we get better at it. This suggests that creativity is a challenge like any other, a "problem" to be solved. It also suggests that, as with any other challenge, our attitude towards it, our desire for a solution, and our belief in the intrinsic worth of the task are the most important ingredients for success.

The principal obstacle to achieving creative breakthroughs is a premature conclusion that a better solution is not possible. For a "creative" solution is by definition one that is different from those that have preceded it and one that often runs counter to accepted knowledge.

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4. Sufficient immersion in the problem to engage all our faculties.
5. A willingness to pursue solutions until a breakthrough is achieved.
6. Analysis of each attempt to aid in the development of insight.

In these cases where a task appears to be creative, we may also need to intentionally "spark" the creative process. We do this simply by asking how the task can be done better; for "better" implies a different approach, which in turn requires creativity.

There are, of course, other considerations. Especially important are the environment within which we work and the caliber of our associates. As with every other part of the problem solving process, interaction with capable associates can be an important catalyst. However, most important is the awareness that the foundations for creativity rest inward with our attitudes. This includes a recognition that superior creativity is something we must intensely desire and that success does not occur without effort and many false starts.

During our education, we usually are faced with solving problems that have two characteristics: A) We know that a solution exists. B) We know that the solution can be obtained with the techniques under study. When we begin work, these conditions do not hold, and yet we face the challenge of finding solutions. If we are aware of the foundations of creativity during our education we can better prepare ourselves for this challenge.

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Freshman Officers Propose Class Unity

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youth, and we sure gave them a
sparking," said one Dino forward.
The featured match of the day
came just after 1 p.m. as the favored
MIT A side came against their shen-
ni rivals, the MIT Old Boys. Their
were no holds barred in this game as
the MIT A's came out fighting hard.
It was a very defensive game as the
only first half points were scored late
by the A's on a kick by Jaco
Preterous to give them a 3-0 lead.
The MIT Old Boys kept fresh
legs on the field with their large and
constant number of substitutions in
the second half. Each team scored a
try and the Old Boys added a kick to
tie the game at 8-8 with only a
minute left. The addition of a penal-
ty gave the Old Boys very good
field position which enabled them to
put across a second try as time ran
out giving them a 13-8 victory.
The final regulation match of the
day saw the Dinors finish off
Babson 29-5 to advance to the
championship.

In the Boot final, the Gentlemen
defeated the MIT B side 17-7 to
claim the 'best of the worst' prize.
The MIT A side defeated Babson in
the finals clinching third place in the
tournament, while the MIT Old
Boys fell to the Dinors as they
squeaked out a 12-5 victory for the
championship.

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Jill Eich '99 volleys in Saturday's game against Eastern
Connecticut State. MIT lost Inthis consolation game.

UPCOMING HOME EVENTS

Tuesday, September 30
Women's soccer vs. Brandeis University, 3:30 p.m.
Women's volleyball vs. Babson College, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, October 1
Men's tennis vs. UMass-Amherst, 3:30 p.m.

Thursday, October 2
Women's soccer vs. Bridgewater State College, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 1, 6:45 pm
Thursday, Oct. 2, 6:45 pm

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KOL NIDRE SERVICES and are available for students
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A PRE-FAST MEAL will be served at Hillel on Friday, Oct. 10.
Prepayment by Oct. 8 with meal card or cash.

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Friday, Oct. 3, 8:45 a.m.

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GUEST SPEAKER
COMMENCEMENT 1998

The Commencement Committee invites suggestions for the guest speaker at MIT's Commencement Exercises on Friday 5 June 1998 from all members of the community. The Commencement speaker should be one who will be able to address topics of relevance to MIT.

Written suggestions may be dropped off at the Undergraduate Association Office - Room W20-401, Graduate Student Council Office - Room 50-222, and Information Center - Room 7-121.

In addition, suggestions may be filed with Salman Khan - President of the Class of 1998 (SALKHAN@MIT.EDU), Geoffrey Coram - President of the Graduate Student Council (GJCORAM@MIT.EDU), and Gayle Gallagher - Executive Officer for Commencement (GAYLE@MIT.EDU).

Suggestions should be submitted either in writing or electronically by Friday 3 October.

Following a review, the Committee will submit a list to President Vest for consideration. The list will not be made public. President Vest has the ultimate responsibility and authority for selecting and inviting a Commencement guest speaker.

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Rugby Club Hosts Culliton Tournament

By Chris Sumunu

This past Saturday, the rugby club sponsored the first Jim Culliton Memorial Rugby Tournament to raise money for the National Cancer Society. Six teams from around the area played in the tournament honoring former Vice President for Administration James J. Culliton. Culliton died in June, 1996 after a long battle with cancer.

Culliton had long been a great resource for the club as he helped achieve some of its greatest success, including tours to Scotland and Japan.

Over $1,000 was raised during the tournament and was presented to the National Cancer Society during the closing ceremony. Speakers in the ceremony included Culliton’s friends and co-workers.

The tournament began at 9 a.m. with the first match featuring the MIT A side against the Boston Gentlemen. The early hours didn’t knock MIT from jumping out to a quick 7-0 on Steve Lasher’s 40-meter scrum to the try zone. The MIT A’s were able to hold the lead throughout and finished the game with a 17-0 victory.

MIT B squad loses to Babson

Due to good recruiting by the MIT club, they were able to field two squads in the tournament. The second match of the day featured that team, the MIT B’s, against the Babson College Old Boys. For most of the MIT side, this was only their second game but the hard hitting of forwards like Randy Myers G, kept MIT down by only three points at the half.

Babson accounted only for one second half and secured a 15-0 victory, but the MIT side came away pleased with their efforts. “Most of these guys have yet to play a full rugby game,” said coach Steve Wilhite. “Their performance was spectacular.”

The third and final MIT team to enter the tournament was the MIT Boys, a team of past MIT rugby club alumni, many of whom knew Culliton personally. From all over the country they came to support their own and...