MIT Pledges Support for Program To Place Officers in Liquor Stores

By Jennifer Lane

Yesterday, MIT officials broad-
ened their commitment to curtailing underage drinking, pledging Institute support for Cambridge’s new Cops in Shops program, aimed at deterring illegal underage attempts to purchase alcohol.

At a press conference yesterday, Chief of Campus Police Anne P. Glavin presented MIT’s $1,000 con-
tribution to James Tipping, the pres-
ident in some of this illegal activity
of the Cambridge Police.

The program is trying to “put a
dent in some of this illegal activity
of students where are purchasing alco-
hol with false identification,” said
Frank Pasquarello, public informa-
tion officer for the Cambridge Police.

The program has different approach
The Cops in Shops program emphasizes police presence rather than heightened penalties for illegal alcohol procurement. Penalties remain the same.

The purchase of alcohol for someone under the age of 21 carries a maximum penalty of $2,000 and 6 months in prison. The purchase of alcohol by someone under 21 car-
es a maximum fine of $300.

Selling, owning or using a false identifica-
tion to a minor, and the offender may be arrested imme-
diately, without a warrant.

Similiar programs have been implemented in other cities includ-
ing: Osaka, Nels, Urbana, Ill., and Dallas, Tex.

The program includes a massive ad campaign including posters, televi-
sion and radio public service announcements, and educational materials for retailers.

Accordingly, Glavin will begin a poster campaign on the MIT cam-
pus alerting students to the exis-
tence of the program.

For the future, the City of
Cambridge is considering a ban on alcohol delivery within the city, a
move that MIT would wholly sup-
gard, Glavin said.

Facility Reject Move To House All Fresh
On-campus in 1998

New motion promotes faculty interaction

By Frank Dubek

At its Wednesday meeting, the faculty approved by voice vote a substitute motion proposed by Professor of Brain and Cognitive Sciences Stephen L. Chorover stat-
ing the sense of the faculty on the issue of freshmen housing and ori-
entation.

The motion also heard support from the ad hoc committee to review the alcohol policy and the advisory group on orientation and residence 1998.

The motion approved by the fac-
ulty contained six points and called for an examination of MIT’s resi-
dential system, characterized the faculty’s view of the way freshmen should be introduced to MIT, rec-
ognized increased ties between faculty and students and urged that the program undergraduate dormi-
tory be used as an opportunity to experimen-
t with the design of a resi-
dence.

The motion stated that all its im-
tications be based on input from students, staff, faculty, and alumna and that reports would be presented on a timely basis.

Chorover substitutes new motion

This motion was substituted for a motion which Chorover proposed at the last faculty meeting. The pre-
vious motion read: “It is the sense of the faculty that, commencing with the academic year 1998-99, every effort be made to ensure that all first-year students live on campus.”

In introducing the substitute motion, which differed radically from his original motion, Chorover said that he had seen “enormous change in the last month.” He cited “the persuasiveness of arguments on all sides” and said that he had “never seen... as many people say-
ing the same thing.”

Bettina Voelker ’89, professor of civil and environmental engineering, who was opposed to the original motion, seconded the substitute motion. This motion contained a “large number of things we can agree on,” Voelker said at the meeting. Voelker encouraged the faculty to be “open to gradual change and experimentation

New Design Class Studies Land Mines

By Navone Sunkavalli

Next semester, the Department of Mechanical Engineering is offering a new design class entitled Humanitarian Demining.

The class, 2.993 for undergraduates and 2.997 for graduates, includes a trip during Independent Activities Period to Laos and possibly Cambodia to investigate land mines.

“For any design problem, you should go to the location of the problem,” said David H. Levy PhD ’97, director of the Public Service Center Emily B. Sandberg, one of the event’s organizers.

Recognizing that the past semes-
ter has been a particularly difficult time for everyone on campus, President Charles M. Vest said that he thought “it would be great to have an event to bring MIT together in a positive, celebratory manner.”

No fine dining experience would be complete without entertainment, so the Infinite Buffet will also offer the sounds of a jazz quartet and a steel drum band, in addition to the antics of the MIT Beaver mascot and other performers.

In lieu of the event, Lobdell Food Court will remain open all day, according to Kathy Richmond, Marketing Manager. However, Networks will be open all day, serving breakfast, lunch, and dinner.

Buffet initiates planning

The planning of the event began about three weeks ago, when Vest and Deans of Students and

The Weather

Today: Cloudy, 50°F (10°C) Morning: Rain 40°F (4°C)
Evening: Rain 42°F (6°C) Details, Page 2
**WEATHER**

**Sloppy Saturday**

A low pressure system will move into the Northeast this weekend. Expect a chance of rain today and tonight, with another system moving in Friday afternoon that will move in tonight and continue through tomorrow, becoming freezing rain and snow as temperatures drop later Saturday. The system will cause another day of record cold in the high 40s (F) to low 50s (F) Saturday night.

**TODAY:** Mostly cloudy with southwesterly winds from 10 to 15 miles per hour. Chance of showers this afternoon. Highs in the mid 40s (F).

**TONIGHT:** Rain developing and becoming heavy, 90 percent chance. Low near 40°F (4°C).

**SATURDAY:** Rain tapering to scattered rain showers in the afternoon. A 90 percent chance of precipitation with temperatures falling in the afternoon. Early high in the mid 40s (F) to low 50s (F).

**SUNDAY:** Clearing to partly cloudy skies, high 42°F (F)
Group of Egyptian Extremists Taunt President Mubarak

By John Daniszewski

The group that claims it massa- cered 38 foreign tourists this week mocked Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak on Thursday, saying his shake-up of security services will not prevent further attacks.

But Gamaa Al-Islamiya, or Islamic Group, said in a statement faxed to a news agency that it would agree to a truce "for a while" if Mubarak's secular government accepts demands — including stop- ping its campaign against Gamaa members and breaking off relations with Israel.

The taunting communiqué came two days after Mubarak accepted a resignation of Interior Minister Hassan Alfi, upgrading him and subordinates for failing to protect the ancient Hatshepsut Temple near Luxor, where Monday's massacre occurred.

"Oh, Mubarak, removing Alfi is not enough," the statement was headlined, continuing, "A move- ment that leads a people cannot be defeated. The policy of removing ministers and replacing them with others cannot solve the problem of the Egyptian regime."

Government spokesmen said they would not comment on the Gamaa demands but the mood of authorities clearly was to redouble the fight against the radical Islamic group that has undermined the country's lucrative tourism industry and raised questions as to whether the Arab world's largest country is vulnerable to renewed Islamic vio- lence.

Mubarak held an emergency Cabinet meeting Thursday to dis- cuss a draft security plan covering Egypt's tourist sites. Ali Abo, the new interior minister, moved quickly, meantime, to replace top Interior Ministry officials and secu- rity chiefs. In Luxor, he flew, a Nile River city 310 miles from Cairo visited by millions of tourists each year.

"Hundreds of troops have been deployed in Luxor since the attack but he has not deterred cancellations of tourist bookings. The Gamma- attack was the worst terrorist assault in modern Egypt's history and seemed to mark a new chapter in terms of frequency and sheer violence.

Many Devices Aim at Preventing Repetitive Stress Injury

By Carol J. Williams and John-Thor Dahlburg

Having pulled the United States and Iraq back from the brink of another armed confrontation, Russia's leadership has scored its first major diplomatic victory of the post-Cold War era and demonstrated that it takes more than one superpower to keep the world at peace.

Russian Foreign Minister Yevgeny M. Primakov's success in persuading Israeli President Saddam Hussein to lift his provocative counter of U.N. weapons inspectors also testifies to Moscow's reassertion of its interests abroad as are Western leaders.

Most significantly, says officials and analysts, is that Russia's resolu- tion of the tense standoff between Baghdad and the international com- munity enhances the solidarity and authority of the U.N. Security Council by showing that its often- squabbling permanent members can also be allies.

It was the intervention of Russia, which has long enjoyed symbiotic relations with Iraq, that compelled Baghdad to allow unhindered access to its weapons facilities by a U.N. Special Commission seeking to assess Baghdad's compliance with Security Council resolutions order- ing elimination of its weapons.

Russian officials insist no promises or concessions were made to Iraq. But Primakov did vow to press for accelerated, more efficient inspections in hopes that a positive judgment on compliance will be the outcome, opening the way for cas- sing harsh economic sanctions imposed on Iraq's invasion of Kuwait in 1990.

Primakov set off for South America shortly after the hastily convened meeting in Geneva where he won support for Russia's strategy from fellow top diplomats from the Western leaders.

The seat should not be so long that it digs into the back of the legs, and the chair's height should be adjusted so that the feet can touch the floor without dangling, he said. To help improve posture, slip a board, about three-quarters to one-inch thick, beneath the low- er back. The board should be at or slightly below eye level,

The metabolism of alcohol may continue long after the last drink of alcohol. Some individuals experience considerable alcohol withdrawal 8 to 12 hours after the last drink of alcohol. Rapidly ingesting alcohol skips this first attempt at detox- ification of alcohol.

Liver metabolism of alcohol is an active process that commands both metabolic machinery and resources. There are important genetic and environmental factors that affect the metabolism of alcohol.

Alcohol is metabolized by a series of reactions that begin in the digestive tract and continue in the liver. Gastric enzymes (alcohol dehydro- genase) begin to break down alcohol even before it is absorbed. Rapidly ingesting alcohol skips this first attempt at detoxification of alcohol.

Alcohol itself induces increased activity in the enzyme systems that leads to its metabolism. Alcohol or ethanol is converted into acetale- hyde, and then to acetic acid (Acetic acid in dilute solution is vinegar.) Here are the chemical formulas:

\[ CH_3CHO + NAD \rightarrow CH_3COCH_2 + NADH + H^+ \] (acetaldehyde) Ethanol

\[ CH_3CHO + H_2O \rightarrow CH_3COOH + H^+ + H_2O \] (acetic acid)

If a person is on some medications, including aspirin, before drinking, the drugs may prolong the effects of alcohol because they inhibit alcohol dehydrogenases.

About 90 percent of ingested alcohol is metabolized. The remaining 10 percent is excreted unchanged in urine and in exhaled air. The largest amount of the alcohol is excreted due to the high filtration rate of the kidney result in some excretion of alcohol and account for the odor of alcohol on the breath of an

The metabolism of alcohol is a chemical process which occurs at a fixed rate. Drugs, caffeine or similar efforts do not alter the rate at which alcohol is metabolized.

The metabolism of alcohol may continue long after the last drink of alcohol. Some individuals may be metabolizing alcohol as much as 12 hours after their last drink.

How does your body metabolize alcohol?

Driving while intoxicated at a blood alcohol concentration of 0.10 or greater is illegal in most states. Many states have zero-tolerance laws for drivers under 21. To avoid the risk of being arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, always drink responsibly.

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Reject Draconian Alcohol Policies

At Wednesday's Faculty meeting the ad hoc committee to review alcohol policy put forth a set of extraordinarily draconian proposals on alcohol with little acknowledgement of their massive implications. With their sweeping scope and ludicrously extreme standards, the proposals would in effect create a dry campus and impinge, probably illegally, on individuals' personal funds. Their definitions are unreasonable and inappropriate, and we strongly urge President Charles M. Vest and Academic Council to reject them.

The proposals as they stand expand on Vest's current ban on the use of Institute funds to purchase alcohol at events where alcohol is served and also propose banning the purchase that, with possible exceptions for those who receive prior approval based on adherence to the committee's standards. This ban would likely have been implemented not by the senior officer in each area. In the case of student events, that person would be Dean for Student Life Margaret R. Bates. But the committee defines Institute funds as if they were spent by anyone on any event even tangentially related to MIT, including personal funds. Their definition would include, for example, money spent by an MIT fraternity, money spent at an off-campus function in any way connected with MIT, or money spent by anyone on any MIT property. As Clay said, the committee would like to get rid of alcohol altogether.

But the scope of this definition is ludicrous, as Clay himself illustrated in an example he gave of the application of the rules. Clay said that if he invited some students from a class he taught to an informal dinner at his house, the funds he spent on his own pocket on the dinner would qualify as Institute funds. Indeed, President Vest himself would be in violation of the committee's standards if, in his office or in Institute-owned quarters, he held a dinner and had a student under 21 as his guest. It is doubtful that such ridiculously overreaching definitions could hold up in the courts. The committee's proposals are so extreme that people do have personal freedoms outside of MIT that, within the limits of the law, permit them to spend their own money any way they would like.

Initially, this ad hoc group appeared to be a simple administrative review group for the Institute's alcohol policy chaired by Clay, who has been most remote from the issues. But their recommendations go far beyond the scope of a mere review, however, in effect, the group has put forth a bold recommendation for a major paradigm shift. Considering that the scope of the committee's review was so wide, students should have been included as members on the committee, which was already a pandering to those administrators, it seems unlikely that there will be real faculty-student interaction during R/O.

The faculty proposals for orientation represent an idealistic wish list without any mechanism for implementation. The powerful focus on alcohol that masks the difficult experience will still be present, and little will change.

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I’ve had the chance to be a part of a new student group on campus. They’re calling themselves the Community Engagement Network. It’s a group of students who are passionate about making a difference in the community. They’ve raised funds to support local organizations and have organized service projects to help those in need.

For me, being a part of this group has been a rewarding experience. I’ve had the opportunity to work with others who share my values, and it’s been fulfilling to see the impact we’ve made together. It’s exciting to see how much can be accomplished when people come together.

I urge others to get involved in similar initiatives. The world needs more individuals who are willing to step up and make a difference. Whether it’s through volunteering, fundraising, or organizing events, there are many ways to get involved and make a positive impact.

Let’s continue to support one another and work towards a better future.

And we have to be aware of the potential hazards of drug use. It’s important to stay informed and make smart choices to keep ourselves and others safe.
"...The gameworld of Terra is actually a living, growing entity..."

The Adrenaline Vault, 20 October 1997

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Jonatha Brooke: 10¢ wings

**A good duo splits into one has-been, one no-show**

By Joel M. Rosenberg

*Special Report*

When I first heard *The Story* back in 1992, I thought that they had one-upped the Indigo Girls as the folk-rock-chick duo by taking themselves and their songs less seriously, without compromising their sound or their message.

Their first album, *Grace in Gravity* (Elektra 1992) had songs about the Little Mermaid and one of Gary Larson's *Far Side* Sundays. The second album included a tune about societal obesity and a reprise sung by some Mariachi singers.

There was no third album. Artistic and philosophical differences caused the 12-year partnership to end, and since then Jennifer Kimball has been slowly trying to build a solo career, something that Jonatha Brooke did right away.

Jonatha's first "solo" album (actually released as Jonatha Brooke and *The Story*, for marketing purposes), *Plumb* (Blue Thumb 1995), lacked a certain something that *The Story* had—perhaps humor, perhaps soul; perhaps Jennifer. Brooke's new release, *10¢ Wings* (Refuge/MCA Records) lacks something even *Plumb* had—something new to offer.

Apparently concentrating on *simplicity*, that's largely successful, although simple is not necessarily better.

"Because I Told You So" is a nice tune that has some nice tension building and resolve, but sounds awfully like stuff from her last album, something even *Plumb* lacks.

Apart from the songs, made the music sound more depressed, and moved it from the folk section, where they shined, to the chick-rock section, where there's more competition and less ambition. Perhaps falling into the category of "coffee pop," everything sounds contrived, like they're all destined to be drive-time tunes that come and go in a week. It sounds bad, but it's disappointing to see two sub-par offerings coming from this talented artist.

Jonatha has a great voice, and a great concept of how to use melodies and harmonies in funky, unique ways. But the songs are sort of lifeless, almost forced. "It's about relationships, my last innocent year and more changes than I could have imagined," is what it says in the press release. Which is fine, only these changes seem to take some of the poignancy from the songs, making the music sound more depressed, and moved it from the folk section, where they shined, to the chick-rock section, where there's more competition and less ambition. Perhaps falling into the category of "coffee pop," everything sounds contrived, like they're all destined to be drive-time tunes that come and go in a week. It sounds bad, but it's disappointing to see two sub-par offerings coming from this talented artist.

**The UA Presents:**

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The UA will award 2 individuals with a scholarship for a free Kaplan Prep Class for the MCAT, LSAT, GMAT, or GRE to be used anytime within a year.

If you would like to apply, please pick up an application from the UA office (Student Center 401) and return it by 5PM Wednesday December 3.

The winners will be notified by phone and announced right here in the *Tech*.

Questions? Contact June at x5-9396 or junekim@mit.edu

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**Scoop**

By Teresa Huang

We're on Scoop 84 right now, and curious little me wants to know what you think of this here column. Do ya read it? Send your thoughts, questions, expressions of wonder to me at scoops@umass.edu. If you have a weekend entertainment fix for me, pass it on and I'll consider including it. Be warned, this isn't an event listing service, so unless your dog barking recital screams writer in me, no guarantees you'll see it here.

Poor man's supper: Eating out isn't always a good idea because it's tougher on your wallet than on your waist. Good thing there's the Poor House on 909 Boylston Street in Boston across from the Hynes Convention Center. Go on Saturday nights between 6 and 11 p.m. and get any burger on their menu for half price. This weekend, the burgers on the happy hour menu go there on Saturday night, so the burgers are flowing out of their kitchen and the service is FAST. When you're hungry like a wolf but only have $5 to your name, the Poor House has a meal for you.

The early bird catches the best deals. Feel like putting your pre-Thanksgiving work? Punt with a purpose and start your Christmas shopping early. Film is having its biggest sale of the year this Friday and Saturday, to head to Downtown Crossing or theCambridgeSide Galleria this weekend with credit card in hand and get ready for steals and deals galore. Get up to 60 percent off almost everything in their stores, including clothing, jewelry, appliances, and shoes. Women save an extra 33-50 percent off already reduced clothing. If you've been unsatisfied with your MIT-issue pillow, buy any pillow in their bedroom department and get a second one for only $1. These incredible prices are in effect both days from 8 a.m. to midnight. Who said the best sales were after Thanksgiving?

Move over, Mickey. The only reason Disney re-released *The Little Mermaid* last weekend was to battle Twentieth Century Fox, who releases its biggest animated feature Thanksgiving? *Anastasia!* featuring the voices of Meg Ryan, John Cusack, Christopher Lloyd, and Kelsey Grammar, offers its own look at the legendary mystery princess. It's about relationships. "It's about relationships," Rosenberg says. "It's about relationships," Rosenberg says. "It's about relationships," Rosenberg says.

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**FACULTY RULES YOU SHOULD KNOW**

The Faculty have a number of regulations designed to ensure that you are able to get the most out of your educational experience. Here are some of these rules:

**Brought to you by the UA STUDENT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL POLICY (SCEP)**

**EVENING EXAMS:**

- "That's the equivalent of a quiz that could be given in a normal one-hour class period." The duration of an evening exam may not exceed two hours.

- "The week that an evening exam is given, a regularly scheduled class (lecture or recitation) shall be canceled or, alternatively, no homework shall be due that week.

- No evening exams or review sessions are to be scheduled on Monday evenings, and faculty are urged to avoid scheduling exams or review sessions on Wednesday evenings.

- "Students who have a conflict between a scheduled evening exam and other scheduled activities or extracurricular activities will be provided with an exam on another alternate date.

**NON-ACADEMIC TIME: 5 TO 7 PM**

"It is the responsibility of faculty to avoid scheduling classes that might conflict with non-academic events that students might wish to attend during this time. Faculty should send exams to theRegistrar's Office to be distributed because it is not possible to schedule exams during the time they are giving exams to another class.

**COMPREHENSIVE EXAMS:**

- "It is inappropriate for comprehensive examinations (exams covering most of the term's work) to be given at any time other than during the final exam period.

**RELIGIOUS ABSENCES:**

- Any student who is unable to attend classes or participate in any academic activity, or work requirement on a particular day because of his or her religious beliefs and practices, shall notify the student's instructor of this fact as soon as possible upon return and the student's instructor shall notify the Registrar's Office of this fact.

**RIGHT TO REPORT VIOLATIONS:**

"All M.I.T. attacks will be reprimanded or discriminated against for violating any of the following policies, rules, and procedures.

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Thursday, November 27, 1997

The Department of Urban Studies and Planning Presents the first of two Martin Luther King Jr. Lectures

Ernesto Cortes
Southwest Regional Director
Industrial Areas Foundation
Martin Luther King Fellow, MIT

"Power Politics and the Revitalization of American Democracy and Civic Culture"

Tuesday, November 25, 1997
Room 6-120
12:30-2:00pm
Experimental Play Juxtaposes Humans With Electronics

Katie Jeffreys
Staff Writer

A graduate student in the Program in Media Arts and Sciences has created a system that allows people to interact with computer characters in the production of a play. Claudio S. Pinhanez developed "It/I," an experimental theater play which uses state-of-the-art computer technology to create and control a computer graphics character on stage screens. The play consists of two characters, a human, played by Joshua Pritchard, and a computer-controlled one. The person interacts with the computer, as it trains him to follow orders, and it plays games with him. This is a reversal of roles, with machine controlling man, resulting in a "real fantasy," Pinhanez said.

The live interaction between man and machine is facilitated with the use of three cameras suspended above the audience that construct images of the actor's silhouette. These vision systems were created by John Liu G and Chris Bentzel G. A program then analyzes the data and the computer character reacts to the actor's actions with animated graphics, sounds, and lighting effects. "The idea is to build something active enough for a scripted situation," Pinhanez said.

Program reacts to actor

While the computer's abilities are limited to those specified in the program, the behavior is not entirely predetermined. It reacts to the human's movements, causing each performance of the play to be different. For example, when the human grows tired of the computer's games and decides not to play, the computer gets angry and throws virtual bricks at the actor. The system allows for a unique form of performance art. "The question is: How can we use this in other applications?" Pinhanez said.

In addition, Pinhanez envisions his interactive technology becoming part of everyday life. "The problem with video games is that the action happens on the wrong side of the screen," he said.

By putting cameras in living areas to "augment the physical reality" using interactive sounds, pictures, and video. This would allow for a mood to be set in one's environment that corresponds to their activity and state of mind.

Pinhanez studied theater in Brazil, and was very interested in computers as well. After coming to the United States five years ago, he began thinking about interactive computer theater, before the appropriate technology was available. In the summer of 1996, Pinhanez went to Japan and was able to create a four-minute interactive piece. He began working on It/I last May, and he is now looking to take it to other venues.

It/I can be seen in the Media Lab today, Saturday, and Sunday.
Off Course by Hugo

WE HAD TEN INTERVIEWS, AND ALL I GOT WAS THREE MUGS, PINEAPPLE SOAP, AND NINE REJECTION LETTERS.

SOAP?

YES, IT'S FROM THE ONE COMPANY THAT DIDN'T REJECT ME. THEY WANT ME TO MOVE TO JAPAN OR FRANCE.

WON'T JAPAN ARE YOU SERIOUSLY CONSIDERING GOING THERE?

I DON'T KNOW. I HAVEN'T TRIED THE SOAP YET.

Glenn, D.N. by Jessica

Geez Albert, your hair is getting pretty long.

Really?

Come on, we'll get you a whole new look so all the chicks will dig you!

Aack!

How's the job search going?

Terribly.

The Story So Far: While the Yakuza plots against him, Rhino-Man gets a surprising visit from two FBI agents investigating the "X-Files".

Rhino-Man by Zachary Emig

After introductions have been made, so what exactly are these "X-Files" you mentioned?

They are FBI cases that go unsolved. The ones that cannot be explained by mainstream science.

Such as?

Such as UFOs, alien abductions, mutant freaks, and government conspiracies.

Really? I would think the FBI has better things to spend its time on.

A skeptic, eh? If you're so sure UFOs don't exist...

What do you call that?!!

Noun Poetry by Katy-Cat

plae to fan

Please don't mess my hair.

George the garbage man

Harakhty

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Congratulations to Wendy Mao and Tom Woodfin who both knew that it was the Fabian Society, a group of late-nineteenth century British socialists, who took their name from Roman general, Quintus Fabius Maximus Cunctator, "the delayer." Wendy and Tom each win a pair of tickets and a large popcorn, both provided by LSC.

Some public opinion has turned against papparazzi in recent months and they have been criticized for their habit of "swarming" around celebrities. This is an apt description, because the word "papparazzi" is Italian for "buzzing insects." Movie director Federico Fellini used "papparazzi" as the name of a celebrity-hungry photographer in La dolce vita, and the epithet has stuck ever since.

Showing this weekend at LSC:
- Fri 7 & 10 p.m.: Air Force One in 26-100
- Fri 7:30 p.m.: Strangers on a Train in 10-250
- Sat 7 & 10:30 p.m.: Pulp Fiction in 26-100
- Sun 4 & 7 p.m.: Air Force One / Pulp Fiction in 26-100

This feature was brought to you by the CAC Program Board. Today's factoids provided by the MIT Quiz Bowl team.

PUZZLE SOLUTIONS

Across
1. Unhappy
4. Return money
8. Sweep
12. Goodwin
13. Area for sports
14. Haiti!
15. Do over
15. Take forcefully
19. Do
21. Allow
22. Put foot forward
24. Perfect number
26. Dash
29. Silk net
31. Rest
33. Shell fish
34. Rock band of 1970's
37. Eon
40. Fishing reel
42. Gov. police agency (abbr.)
44. Steps over a wall
46. Castle ditches
49. Military student
51. Shell fish
52. Baby's garment
55. Drowned roof
56. Refusal
57. Jap. sash
58. Refusal
59. Oat's boat
60. Leached wood ashes
63. Egyptian sun god

Down
1. Man's title
2. Plane verb
3. Kipling's lady
4. Swing leaves
5. Build
6. Moscope
7. Pen fluid
8. Cat appendage
9. Stevens's crest
10. Tag
11. Energy
12. Red Peel
13. Scotland river
14. Take forcefully
15. Take forcefully
16. Red fruit
17. Champion
18. Scotland river
19. Dot
20. Man's name
21. Put foot forward
22. Begin
23. Growth
25. Poster
26. Myself
27. Alert
28. Distinguished

45. Champion
46. Military student
48. Corporation (abbr.)
50. Shell fish
51. Shell fish
53. Soft material
54. Prepar's golf ball
55. Hat
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Vest, Deans Deem Buffet Event Recipe for Increased Morale

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Undergraduate Education Rosalind H. Williams heard from students that morale was generally down. All of the end of the term is always tough, Vest and Williams decided that a community event would be appropriate. Vest and Williams then contacted Anthony J. Ives G, Assistant Dean Katie O’Dair and Sandberg because of their extensive contact with students and event planning experience. “With all the students that come through the Public Service experience, I always thought it would be appropriate. The team began to meet with a small group of PSC staff and students to discuss possible ideas. “We wanted to do something uniquely MIT that everyone could enjoy,” Sandberg. Thus the idea of an Infinite Buffet “Everyone loves free food,” she said. The team came up with a proposal and budget, which was approved by Vest and Williams. “Even the president has a few discretionary dollars in the budget, so I was pleased to fund this,” Vest said. “I’ve never had to plan an event so intensively and quickly before, but it’s all worth it,” Sandberg said. “It’s been really neat seeing so many groups on campus — the Campus Activities Complex, Residence and Campus Activities, Physical Plant, etc. — come together to work on this,” Ives said.

Buffet not first community event The Infinite Buffet is not the first community-building event at MIT. Until several years ago, the entire MIT community, including living groups, staff and faculty, would form teams to participate in Johnson Games, a sort of field day held annually at MIT. However, attendance began to dwindle because the event required a full-day commitment, Sandberg said. “I have high hopes that this will be a wonderful event,” Vest said.

Applied Non-academic Period

The Undergraduate Association Council met Monday and considered the following resolutions:

A resolution to oppose randomized housing assignments for freshmen passed, 15-0-2.

A resolution of condolence in honor of Michele Michelson passed, 17-0-0.

A resolution to establish a single undergraduate student government was tabled. The resolution would urge the Dormitory Council and Interfraternity Council to disbanded and join with the UA to form one student government.

A resolution concerning the expansion of non-academic hours passed, 10-0-2. The resolution recommends that no academic activity be held from 5 to 8 p.m., Monday through Friday. The current non-academic period is from 5 to 7 p.m. on weekdays.

The Council also heard a report from Shaswate Edgithi ‘99, a representative from the committee on the first year program. Edgithi informed the council of her committee’s decision to recommend that all freshmen be housed on campus.

Course on Land Mines

To Be Funded by DoD

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Humanitarian Demining class, the materials science and engineering department is conducting research on the characterization of materials in land mines, and the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science is investigating the building of a sensor to recognize the various signatures of land mines. “The class is fun,” Levy said, “We have the potential to have an impact on a worldwide problem.” It will be a unique experience and far from any experience MIT students have had, Levy said.

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Faculty Present Reports on Alcohol and Orientation

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with the residential system.

There was debate on the motion, and it was ultimately amended. Professor of Earth, Atmospheric and Planetary Sciences, Charles C. Counseling was the most vocal opponent of the plan. Referring to the clause which advocated "bring- ing the system into fuller alignment with MIT's education mission," Counseling said, "life is multi- dimensional and MIT's educational system does not span that whole space." Continuing a vector space metaphor, he said, "Living groups help our students to mature and to learn the... orthogonal compo- ments" of life.

President Emeritus Paul E. Gray '34 proposed an amendment striking the clause including "a delay of rush for those students who want it." The amendment passed 41-16.

Neal H. Dowey, associate dean and advisor to fra- territiness, sorori- ties, and independ- ent living groups said after the meeting that the clause "might have been redundant." Dowey said "under our current rules, "after R.O. ends, students cannot come free to rush" and is limited by only students own constraints.

Ildo Gilon '88, president of the Interfraternity Council, said that the clause was a "reflection of the ear- lier motion." Professor of Literature Henry Jenkins, housemaster for Senator House, proposed a friendly amend- ment to add a clause to the final point which stipulated that reports would be released "to the MIT com- munity" as well as to the faculty. Chorover accepted the amendment.

Most in favor of motion

The motion as amended was paused by a voice vote of the facul- ty. President Charles M. Vest said that he was "pleased" with the motion as passed by the faculty.

"I do not believe it would have been appropriate to ask all freshmen to live on campus in the fall of 1998," Vest said of the previous motion.

Vest said that he hoped the motion would lead to a "stronger sense of overall community within MIT" while maintaining the diversi- ty of individual living groups: "There is strength in that diversity." Chorover, who proposed the original "sense of the faculty" motion, called his original motion "really an attempt to learn what the sense of the faculty is but I was "never close to my primary interest in moving freshmen to campus," Chorover said. We now have the chance to "move the system to a better level of stability," he said.

Christopher D. Boland '80, presi- dent of Fenway House, said that the meeting "went spectacularly." This was incredi- bly positive," Boland administr- ated an iil-talk voting list for interested stu- dents to contribute to the debate. There is no question that we influence the debate," he said of the group. The "recommenda- tion" was: let... that we talked about at meetings and pub- licized," he said.

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Unstoppable 49ers Will Run Over Chargers Like a Runaway Truck

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against the Redskins. Regardless, I still don't like Dallas. Take G.B.
The Bills and Oilers are both coming off losing weeks and both have dismal 6-5 records. Flip a coin... take the Bills.
The city of Indianapolis reportedly threw a parade today to celebrate the Colts' first victory of the season. Unfortunately the season started eleven games ago. Take Detroit.

Things were so bad with the Patriots last week that they can only get better. The thing is, better than last week isn't saying much. Take Miami making a little run at the Jets.

Minnesota has a good team this year. They just have a funny tendency of stumbling for no apparent reason, like last week against the Lions. The Jets have a bad team this year, and even though Bill Parcells has worked wonders, he will come up short this week. Minnesota will be on the ball.

The Bears were distressed to hear of the Colts' victory last week because it meant they are now tied for dead last in the NFL. Needless to say, Tampa Bay victory last week because it meant they are now tied this week. Minnesota will be on the ball.

Carolina has a rough year but 6-5 isn't so bad for an expansion team. It must be depressing to them to be four games behind the Niners. Of course, the Rams are four games behind the Panthers. Take Carolina.

San Francisco is like a runaway truck. Nothing can stop them, especially the Chargers. San Fran goes 11-1. The Jaguars are still tied with the Steelers in the AFC Central and the Bengals shouldn't be much of a problem as they win to stay tied with the Steelers. Not only is Kansas City just one game behind Denver, the Chiefs have proven they can beat them too. Do you feel a huge playoff game brewing in the near future? Take the Chiefs easily over the Seahawks.

The Redskins have stumbled their way down to a terrible season, but in an effort to motivate the team, coach Norv Turner has declared that they have a special role in the NFC as spoilers. Take them to knock the Giants back into a tie with Dallas.

Monday Night Special: After a close loss last week to the Chiefs, you can bet Elway and Co. will have something to prove at home on Monday Night in front of a national audience. Especially since the Rams is the only other team the Broncos have lost this season. Look out for a lean Denver machine to terrorize the Raiders.

Raiders is the only other team the Broncos have lost in front of a national audience. Especially since the Raiders are ranked fifth in the east. Of course, the Chargers are ranked eleventh. As a team the Engineers are ranked fifth in the east and third in New England behind Williams College and Amherst College.

Wrestlers Begin Year with Wins at Roger Williams Open

By Han Chou

The wrestling team began its season at the Roger Williams University Open last Saturday. Having lost just a few starting varsity wrestlers from the previous season and seeing the return of several other wrestlers from injuries, the team began this tournament with high expectations. These expectations were fulfilled early. Several wrestlers battled their way through to the semifinal rounds, where competition stiffened.

Both Ivan Aguayo '00 (134 lbs.) and captain Matt Migliano '98 (heavyweight), who had five wins and one loss on the day, finished at third place in the tournament. One notable individual performance include captain Andrew Ziskin '98 (lightweight), who had two dominating wins to finish third place in the tournament.

The team is confident that the season ahead will yield even better results. Some wrestlers, including Aguayo, are planning on dropping to lower weight classes for more serious competition later in the season.

The next home meet is on Dec. 4 at 7 p.m. in the DuPont Gym.

Spikers Garner Honors As Team Ends Season

By Roger Crosley

Betsy Salihammer '99 has been selected to the All-New England women's volleyball team. Additionally, Salihammer and teammate Jill Eich '99 have been selected to the New England Women's All-Conference team. The team lost to Wheaton College in the first round of the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III national championships held last Friday night at Wellesley College.

Water Polo

Water polo player Zac Lee '99 has been selected to the College Water Polo Association second team. Lee is the only player from a Division III institution to be named to either the first or second team.

Football

Six football players have been named to the GTE College Sports Information Directors of America Football Academic all-district team. Defensive tackle Brad Gray '98, defensive end Kevin Trelster '98, linebacker Mike Batywe '99, and running back Troy Gayeski '98 are all repeat selections onto the all-district team. Kevin Clarin '99 was selected to the all-district team for the first time. All six players will now appear on the national GTE Academic All-America ballot.

Tennis

The mid-season collegiate men's tennis regional rankings have been released by the Intercollegiate Tennis Association. MIT appears prominently in the three categories. Eric Chou '00 and Jim Matsuyuki '98 are the second ranked doubles team in the east. Additionally, Chen is ranked eighth among singles players, with Matsuyuki ranked eleventh. As a team the Engineers are ranked fifth in the east and third in New England behind Williams College and Amherst College.

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The Tech
**Niners Extend Streak To 10 as Patriots Flop**

It was a big week in the NFL last week. Denver lost to K.C., a huge game that propelled the Chiefs to within a game of Denver for the AFC lead. The NFC Central is one of the more powerful divisions in football this year, but you wouldn’t have known it by the performances of Green Bay and Minnesota. The Vikings got hammered by the Lions in Detroit, and Indianapolis broke its winless streak by upsetting the Packers. Amazingly, the Colts haven’t won a game all year and they beat the Packers? For all those who haven’t figured it out yet, no, not for Green Bay this year.

And, of course, any recap would not be complete without mention of the Patriots. They had a most unimpressive game. One of their worst performances in recent (and extended) memory. Only a last second touchdown saved them from being shutout 27–0 which would have been their first shutout in 12 years. Perhaps the Patriots were trying to shake off hangovers from their carousing last week, jumping off stages into crowds and stuff. Whatever it was, they played something more akin to little league baseball than professional football. They failed to get a first down until midway through the third quarter! You don’t have to be a football fan to know that is horrendous. They really were playing baseball: three strikes and you’re out for most of the game. New England needs to stop worrying about the playoffs and start worrying about finishing above .500. As promised, the 49er watch continues: San Francisco clinched a playoff berth already by disposing of Carolina 27–19. The Panthers and yer out for most of the game. New England needs to stop worrying about the playoffs and start worrying about finishing above .500.

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**SPORTS**

**Harriers Finish Season Strongly At Snow National Qualifier Meet**

By Ray Molinar

The men’s cross country team put on their snow gear as they headed to the starting line of last Saturday’s race at the University of Southern Maine. Five inches of freshly fallen snow compounded with a generally hilly layout made for an exceptionally demanding National Qualifier meet. A vain early morning attempt to clear the course managed only to leave most of the five-mile path covered with ice and mud, a small improvement over the parts still covered with snow. Everyone knew the race had to be slow, but this only left more room for the tactical engineers to make their mark. With only three teams qualifying for nationals, the Engineers had their work cut out for them as they entered the meet. Failing in the last few meets, they were ranked ninth in New England after being as high as third in the middle of the season. Additionally, neither Mike Parkins ’99 nor Chris McGuire ’98 were considered contenders to win any of the six individual qualifying spots despite running evenly with the powerhousehouses throughout the regular season. MIT had something to prove and they were ready to show it.

Conservative start

As the gun went off the engineers settled back for a fairly conservative start. Knowing that the difficult course and demanding weather would punish those who pressed too hard at the beginning, they set themselves up for moves later in the race. Parkins and McGuire stayed just off the lead throughout the third quarter. You don’t have to be a football fan to know that is horrendous. They really were playing baseball: three strikes and you’re out for most of the game. New England needs to stop worrying about the playoffs and start worrying about finishing above .500.

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**Fencers Foil Opponents with String Of Victories in Weekend Competition**

By Dailé Jiménez

The men’s and women’s fencing teams ran through the competition at meets last weekend. The men competed on Saturday against Boston University, Brandeis University, and University of Massachusetts, Boston. The women competed on Sunday against the University of New Hampshire, BU, UMass-Boston, Wellesley College, and Brandeis. Both teams defeated every single competitor. The men’s team managed an impressive but close 14-13 win against Brandeis, one of the toughest schools. Brandeis has been an exceptionally difficult team to beat in the past, “even before I came here,” said Jarek Koniusz, head fencing coach. Parkins was UMass-Boston’s • constant against which the men managed a 16–11 win. Against BU, the difference was more marked with a 22–5 win. The foil team managed to remain undefeated against BU with a 9–0 win and sabre came in with an 8–1 victory.

Impressive examples were set by sabrist Brian Bower ’98 who was undefeated 8–0 against all three schools. Evangelos L. Elfarzin ’98, also on sabre, was close behind with a 6–1 record. Sabrist Allen Chen ’00 also contributed to the team win with a 5–2 victory.

In the men’s épée team, Matthew S. DaPlessie ’98, although injured, managed a 6–1 victory while foilist Andre VanHove ’91 won 5–2. The women’s team managed to stay on top of the winning game all through an arduous meet. Beginning the day with an excellent record, the women managed a 20–12 win against BU and a 23–7 win against UMass-Boston. Wellesley and Brandeis, historically some of MIT’s toughest challenges, found themselves at a loss with an MIT record of 10–3 against Wellesley and a 16–16 tie against Brandeis which was broken in favor of MIT for accumulating 14 more touches than their opponents.

The women’s épée team had some great representation in terms of fencers who won an impressive amount of victories. Meredith A. Rising ’98, fencing while injured, managed to remain undefeated against all four schools, 18–6. Noer Srasz ’98, winner of the New England Collegiate Invitational individual fencing competition this year, scored 15–2 against the four schools.

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**UPCOMING HOME EVENTS**

**Fridays, November 21**

Women’s basketball Tip Off Tournament, 2 p.m.

**Saturday, November 22**

Women’s basketball Tip Off Tournament, 2 p.m.

**Monday, November 24**

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