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MIT Shines in Programming Contest, Putnam Math Exam

By Susan Buchman

MIT has been well-represented by its students in recent prestigious academic competitions. In the world finals for the Association for Computing Machinery International Collegiate Programming Contest, the MIT team placed first of teams from the United States and fifth overall.

The contest was held on February 28 in Atlanta, Georgia. The MIT team consisted of Daniel G. Adams '01, Mihai Badou '01, and Hristo I. Bojinov '99. They were coached by Assistant Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science Martin C. Rinard. The team had eight programs to code, test, and perfect in five hours.

MIT and the other teams in the top six all solved six problems. "The only, and very small, difference was time," Bojinov said. "We were very close to becoming world champions.

The team previously placed second at the regional competition, because they were poorly co-ordinated, but they practiced more for the world championship, Bojinov said.

"The preparation lasted for most of February," he said. "What we worked on together was team strategy - who solves what problems and when.

"At the actual competition we have a single computer and we need to make sure that we use this resource well," Bojinov said. "Thanks to our coach, Professor Martin Rinard, we were able to work together as a team very well by the finals.

Teams Design New Storage Systems In TBP Engineering Design Contest

By Krista L. Nece

Nine teams competed for $500 in prizes at the twelfth annual Tau Beta Pi engineering design contest. The teams, which were composed of three or four freshmen and sophomores, met Tuesday evening for two hours to invent a creative, realistic solution to a specific design problem.

TBP, the national engineering honor society, is the event's sponsor.

The society also holds the L. V. Finkle Lecture and is responsible for MIT students being admitted to the Boston Museum of Science for free.

The contest, held in room 4-270, had several purposes, said Anand Venkatraman '99, one of the organizers. These include letting underclassmen know about TBP and to give them an "early idea of what engineering is about." The contest is also geared to teach the importance of teamwork and public presentation, "which we think are the essentials of being good engineers," he said.

Contest offers a practical problem

This year, the contest centered around a major problem currently facing MIT - the possibility of housing a significantly greater number of undergraduates in dormitories. The teams' task was to design a 2-by-3-by-6-foot organism which would maximize storage space and minimize roommate conflicts.

"We try to make [the question] relevant to what the students have experienced at MIT," said Maroli E. I. Kamvyssis '99, one of the event's organizers and a former contestant.

"Two years ago the design was for a snow-removal machine," Kamvyssis said. "That was the year we got hit by a blizzard.

The participants agreed that the problem was close to home. "Right now I'm in a crowded double," said Daniel Ingram '01, a contestant.

Comics

Representatives of the Counseling and Support Services office, the Dean's office, and the Medical Department will be available from 10-12 a.m. today in the Office Lounge of the Student Center to talk about any concerns raised by the death of Philip C. Gale '98.

The Weather

Sunday: Clear. 64°F (18°C)
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India Installs Nationalist Government Amid Concerns

By Kenneth J. Cooper

The Washington Post

India installed a new government dominated by Hindu nationalist Prime Minister V. P. Vajpayee, whose party won a third term in office in December, in a move that could have far-reaching consequences for the world's largest democracy.

The new government of Prime Minister V. P. Vajpayee, who was under investigation for two terms, has already taken some steps to strengthen India's secular values. The government has committed to fighting corruption, improving the economy, and maintaining the country's nuclear weapons program.

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India has been a key player in the region, and its actions will certainly have an impact on the stability of the region. The United States has been a long-time ally of India, but there have been recent concerns about the relationship between the two countries.

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Clinton’s Testimony Confirmed And Attacked by New Evidence

By David Willman and Alan C. Miller

WASHINGTON

Evidence challenging the truthfulness of President Clinton’s testimony about his personal dealings with two former White House aides appeared Thursday to become stronger in one instance and more muddled in the other.

A Beverly Hills, Calif., friend of former intern Monica S. Lewinsky testified before a federal grand jury after telling investigators that she was among those Lewinsky told of having a sexual relationship with Clinton. Both Lewinsky and the friend, 24-year-old Natalie R. Ungvári, attended Beverly Hills High School. Ungvári declined to comment after she testified. The president has denied under oath having sexual contact with Lewinsky.

In a related development, House Speaker Newt Gingrich (R-Ga.) said Thursday that, when Independent Counsel Kenneth W. Starr’s investigation is complete, he wants a bipartisan panel of lawmakers to evaluate whether impeachment proceedings are warranted.

Meanwhile, new questions were raised about Kathleen E. Willey, the former White House aide who has told the grand jury and a national television audience that on Oct. 29, 1993, Clinton groped her near the Oval Office.

The editor of the supermarket tabloid Star said that his publication had tried without success to buy Willey’s account since last July, when her encounter with Clinton was first reported by CBS News.

Phil Bunton, the tabloid editor, said it was not until early last month that a lawyer representing Willey “suddenly seemed to bite.” Bunton said that the lawyer, Daniel J. Gecker, told a reporter for the tabloid Feb. 6 that his client “might be prepared to talk for at least $300,000.” “He [Gecker] told us that she had heavy debt and she needed to clear them and she needed at least $300,000 to set herself straight,” Bunton said.

Willey, 51, was paid no money for granting the prime-time interview that was broadcast Sunday night on CBS’s “60 Minutes,” according to a network spokesman.

New Mexican Nationality Bill Allows Expatriates to be Citizens

By James F. Smith

MEXICO CITY

A Mexican law that takes effect Friday will allow millions of Mexican-born Americans and their children to hold Mexican nationality as well as U.S. citizenship.

Analysts say the law could have far-reaching practical effects — even potentially reshaping the flows of people and money between the United States and Mexico — and might set off cross-border political repercussions as well.

The Nationality Act revokes the previous rule that took away Mexican nationality from those who became citizens of another country. Furthermore, the new act broadens eligibility for nationality to include children of Mexican-born people. And the law is retroactive: Those who would have met the revised terms in the past may now claim back their Mexican nationality. Those eligible have five years to apply.

The law permits Mexican dual nationality but not dual citizenship, a distinction that will prevent dual nationals from voting in Mexican elections or holding high office here. Some Mexican Americans are now pushing for full voting rights in Mexican elections.

Among the most significant changes in the new law is the removal of investment restrictions imposed on foreigners in Mexico, which some expect to unleash greater capital flows by Mexican nationals to Mexico.

For example, Ramona Dominguez de Felix now plans to buy her coastal retirement home. Foreigners are barred from buying property within 100 kilometers of the frontier or 50 kilometers of the coast for national security reasons — a law written with Mexico’s loss of half its territory to the United States in the 1800s still very much in mind.

“This will enhance the economic mobility of both countries, especially in the regions near the border,” said Miguel Angel Gonzalez Felix, a senior Foreign Ministry official who helped craft the law and some of the constitutional reforms.

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Evaluating Immigration Day

Patrick's Day Might Be a Celebration of Immigration

Michael J. Ring

This past Tuesday, Suffolk County held in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts a holiday known as "Immigration Day." It's the first national holiday to honor the history of the city of Boston: Immigration Day.

The holiday, celebrated each March 17 in the city of Boston and three other local municipalities, commemorates the day in 1776 when the British occupants of Boston were driven from their residence. By some happy coincidence, this event actually fell on St. Patrick's Day, How fortuitous that the Irish, who have made such a significant contribution to our society have a holiday featuring the plight they faced in Ireland.

Patrick's Day reminds us of the contributions of the Irish to American society. It is a tale of the struggles of an immigrant population that was forced to leave their homeland upon emigration from the Old Country, and then worked its way up through society to achieve success.

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meetings and salutations from the world over on March 20, marking the first day of spring by encouraging our fellow American to go one day without meat and without animal products. The Meatout, like the Snookout, is intended to help people kick the 'meat habit' and encourage them to eat a diet healthy for their bodies, their environment, and their souls. This year the Vegetarian Gourmet will feature recipes and nutritional advice in reviews to speak a bit about the myths and realities of vegetarianism and throw out some interesting information. The Vegetarian Gourmet can be reached at gourmet@the-veg-mt.com.

Myths and Realities

Myths about Vegetarianism are rife.

According to the World Health Organization, vegetarians as a group are among the healthiest people. There are no populations in the world which have both high meat intakes and high or average rates of colon cancer. There are also no populations in the world which have both low meat intakes and high or average rates of colon cancer. Vegetarians have considerably fewer problems with heart disease, high blood pressure, stroke, kidney disease, diabetes, peptic ulcers, gout, arthritis, irritable bowel syndrome, h pylori, constipation, diverticulosis, and hemorrhoids (oh the humanity!), obesity, asthma, trichomycosis,iodine deficiency (which can cause goiter, bone deformities, eye problems, and of course, goiter, bone deformities, eye problems, and of course, goiter)

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**Dangerous Beauty**

By Vladimir V. Zeleznovksy

**STAFF REPORTER**

Directed by Marshall Herskovitz
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Mar. 22: Joe Diffie, Martina McBride, Lee Ann Womack, with 2 p.m. matinees on Saturday and Sunday. $45 to $60. Curtain is at 8 p.m. $26.

Apr. 10: Spring Funk Fest. featuring Kristin Flanders and others. $20 advance, $23 at door. Curtain is at 8 p.m.

April 11: Squirrel Nut Zippers.

Tickets: 423-NEXT.

261 Main Street, Worcester.

Apr. 24: Medeski, Martin, & & SameAsYou.

SameAsYou.

Apr. 26: Jonatha Brooke, with Dee Williams.

Women Songwriters, featuring Gerard Malanga and others. $10. Curtain is at 8 p.m.

Loeb DramaCenter, 64 Brattle St., Cambridge. Information: 495-0500. Playing April 2-5 and 17 through 21, and at 7 p.m. on March 12, and 19. Curtain is at 8 p.m. $26 through April 5. Curtain is at 8 p.m. $21 for students and seniors, free for students and seniors.

Palladium

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Arts on the Avenue
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Mar. 19: Jazz in the Valley, featuring Roberta Gambarini. $35 or $55. Curtain is at 8 p.m.

Mar. 18: Great Jones Street, featuring Keb Mo. $23 in advance, $26 at door. Curtain is at 8 p.m.

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Mar. 16: 100 Proof, with Parliment-Funkadelic. $20, plus $3 service fee. Curtain is at 8 p.m.

Mar. 15: Our Lady Peace, with Black Label Society.

Mar. 14: The Charlie Hunter

March 10: Atlantic City, featuring Venetian Snares. $35 or $55. Curtain is at 8 p.m.

Mar. 9: Matt Pond, with Peter Gabriel. $20 or $35 service fee. Curtain is at 8 p.m.

March 8: Tim Reynolds and the Squirrel Nut Zippers. $20. Curtain is at 8 p.m.

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by Hugo

Well here's the shirt.
I saw it at Urban for
$40 and I knew that
it had to be mine!
So I waited
Two days
until it went
on sale...

WELL, HERE'S THE SHIRT.
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LOLA!
BONDI'S GIRL MAGNET!

I LOVE COURSE 3!

Perhaps...

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DAMN EL NIÑO!
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by Scott Adams

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... FOR A MAN OF HIS HYGIENE, HE DON'T STEAL AS MUCH AS YOU'D THINK. I SUSPECT HE'S ON DRUGS.

AND THEN HE SAYS YOU'RE PRONE TO ANGER AND DENTAL. IS THAT TRUE?

NO!!
By Anthony R. Salas

Congratulations to Andrew Wilhach and Jennie Hango, who both knew that capuccino acquired its name because its color was similar to that of the hoods of the Capuchin monks, a branch of the Franciscan order. The 19th-century French author of "The Human Comedy," Honoré de Balzac, was renown for his marathon work sessions and his addiction to black coffee. He would often drink several pots over a ten-hour period. It has been suspected that his untimely death at the age of 51 was due to caffeine poisoning.

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Puzzle Solutions

ACROSS
1. With 10 Across Mecca
2. Fence
3. Maine college town
4. Egyptian god
5. Combination form of field or soil
6. Ancient Iraqi city
7. Dawn
8. Legal document
9. 20 Across disease this time of year?
23. Lisa
24. Flying pro
25. Type of Unix
26. Shingles
27. 30 Across, to the USPS
28. Streets in French
29. Avenues, to the USPS
30. Domestic
31. Eludes
32. Nomadic Russian reindeer herders
33. Hypnotic state
34. Almost
35. Tabula
36. Fashion designer Cassini
37. Somalia
38. 1998 Place for 4 Across
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40. Strange, French
41. 11 Across (with)
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43. SIDS
44. 7th-
45. List maker
46. Airline ref.
47. Common preposition
48. Tea
49. Above
50. Latin 101 verb
51. Appalachian
52. Professional
53. Part of SIDS
54. 7th-
55. Year in which John XVIII became Pope
56. 7th-
57. Turtle order
58. Bottoms
59. 7th-
60. Official decree
61. T. Rex
62. Player for Coach K with
63. Formaldehyde
64. Ooze
65. 7th-
66. Bottoms
67. 7th-

DOWN
1. Opponent
2. Leader of some imperfect clothes
3. Door handle
4. Soul, Latin
5. Hit song by The Kinks
6. Spanish cowboy
7. Peeks with theater
8. Fellow player
9. Courmar distension
10. Small deer
11. Grimm character
12. Author Lean
13. Goes bad, as fruit
14. 6th-
15. Egyptian god
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New Election Will Have Stricter Rules

Elections, from Page 1

The board's decision. Oppold said that if he had lost the election by a large margin he believed that no re-election would have been held. Carter, however, said that the board had no knowledge of the results of the original election.

New election planned

A new election has been planned and will begin April 1 with a meeting between candidates and voters. A debate will be held April 2 and balloting will take place from Friday, April 3, until Wednesday of the next week.

There will be no paper balloting for the new election, and no e-mail campaigning will be allowed. "All mail, under any circumstances, cannot be sent by a candidate," said Jeremy D. Sher '98, a member of the UA executive committee.

One hundred dollars, out of the 400 available to candidates for campaigning, will be subsidized by the UA, Sher said. The "UA is recognizing that we screwed up," he said.

The board's decision had recommended reimbursing candidates for the original election, but the executive committee decided to reimburse them in the upcoming election instead.

"A candidate ought to be able to run a decent campaign with [100 dollars]," Sher said.

According to UA Executive Committee member Ryan K. Pierce '99, "no direct sanctions" will be leveled against Oppold, despite the recommendation of the board to do so. We want "to leave sanctions up to the voters," Pierce said.

Oppold responds to decision

Oppold took issue with some of the board's decisions. "I thought that I had legally gotten around the rules against mass mailing," he said. Oppold placed a disclaimer on his petition which asked them to add their e-mail addresses only if they wished to receive campaign mail.

Oppold also said that "my idea of a petition drive and the judicial board's idea of a petition drive differ." The review board questioned several of Oppold's actions during the petition period. "What I really wanted to do was gain support," during the petition drive he said.

AU election rules regarding petition drives are murky. Election rules state that "Candidates may not begin campaigning, except for petition drives, until three days after their petitions are turned into the election commission.

"I'm very confident going into the new elections," Oppold said.

Building 20 will be demolished this Spring to make way for a new Electrical Engineering and Computer Science building. Constructed as a temporary building during World War II, Building 20 later served as the birthplace for achievements ranging from strobe-scope photography to advances in the science of linguistics. "We wanted to celebrate," a daylong celebration honoring the people who worked in Building 20 and achievements made there in the past 55 years, will be held in Edgerton Hall (34-103) on Friday March 27th.

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Students selected for interviews will be contacted to schedule an interview slot.

The Council for the Arts at MIT offers free tickets for MIT students to Luis Alfaro in “Politicized Body”

Los Angeles-based performer, 1997 MacArthur Foundation Genius grant winner and Emmy-nominee Luis Alfaro brings the east coast debut of his new show Politicized Body to the Theater Offensive, Sells Out!

Performed to rave reviews in London, Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Mexico City, Politicized Body is Alfaro’s deliciously seductive work about food, body image, and the politics of race and gender. The show is based on four characters from his Emmy-nominated short film Chicanoamor.

Salvador Rodriguez, and embittered and disillusioned Chicano Studies professor who worries that his students have traded ‘70s pickets for ‘90s conferences.

Misty Guerrero, an unmarried teen mother full of both hope and despair over the birth of her daughter.

Phillip Escandido, the heartbreakingly superficial “Gap” manager who likes making people look “clean” but the harder question requires more creativity than your knowledge, so even if you know what topics are going to be on the exam, you can study all you want and it’s not going to help too much.”

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The solutions. The highest score on this year’s test was a 92 (out of a possible 120), and the median score was a 60, meaning that over half of the approximately 2,500 students nationwide who took the test received a score of zero.

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**SPORTS**

**Nordic Ski Team Ends Season On High Note With Kleiss' Win**

By James Berry

Last week, the MIT Nordic Ski Team travelled to the foot of Mt. Washington in Bretton Woods, New Hampshire for the United States Collegiate Ski Association Championships. Teams from all over the country came to compete in the final races of the season.

The Women's 10K Classic and Men's 15K Classic both took place on Wednesday, March 11. Competition began in the morning with the women's 10K classic race. At 9:00 a.m., the thermometer just peaked over 10 degrees. Cold temperatures didn't phase the skiers in the long race, however, as Jessica Kleiss '00 finished strong in 11th place, and Adrienne Slaughter '98 broke into the top 20.

Later that morning the men's 15K Classic; also a mass start, got underway. Skiers started out behind the lead pack, bringing down five people behind him. Jim Berry '99 found himself in the middle of this mess, and it took him several seconds to get untangled. He came back strong, however, to finish in 4th place, just 50 seconds behind the winner. Jeff Doering '99 also had a strong race, finishing 13th in a pack of five skiers.

Derek Southwell '01 raced hard to a 20th place finish. First-year skier Chris Bruce '98 enjoyed good conditioning and solid waxing to finish ahead of a pack of more experienced skiers.

**UPCOMING HOME EVENTS**

- **Friday, March 27**
  - Sailing vs. Boston University, 3:00 p.m.
- **Saturday, March 28**
  - Baseball vs. Springfield College, noon
  - Women's Crew vs. Radcliffe and Northeastern, 9:45 a.m.

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