Pledge Counts Stable
As Crowds Decrease
By Alex lancelusc

While early counts cast doubt on the success of rush this year, 312 students pledged fraternities and independent living groups as of Wednesday, a large increase from 231 one week prior. Nonetheless, this year's pledge count represents a dropoff from previous years. During the last decade, about 365 students pledged off-campus living groups per year, said Philip M. Bernard, program director of residential life. Housing estimates initially used a baseline number of 250 pledges this year for crowding decisions.

Last year, around 340 students pledged fraternities and independent living groups. Although this year's total did not reach that of previous years, "rush went much better than had been expected," Bernard said.

Dorm crowding decreases
Due to the lower pledge numbers prediction, there was an initial move to preemptively decrease dormitory sizes. Upwards of 100 spaces were cleared to house undergraduates in Tang Hall, a graduate dormitory. Many graduate students in Tang Hall moved to Worthington Place.

As a result, dormitory crowding has decreased significantly. While the residence system can support up to 166 crowds without using lounges in MacGregor House, there are only "a few more than 100 crowds right now," Bernard said. Last year, about 140 students were crowded at the beginning of the year.

Students Protest Move to House All Freshmen on Campus in 2001
By Zareena Hussain

[Activities]

Gathered on the steps leading toward 77 Massachusetts Avenue, students voiced opposition to the decision to house all freshmen on campus in the year 2001, in an open microphone protest last Tuesday.

Protestors criticized the administration for not listening to student concerns, while leaving fraternities, sororities, and independent living groups for the emotional support they provide to incoming students. "I cherish every moment that I've spent at my fraternity and I would feel robbed if MIT took a year of that away from me, or anyone else," said Andrew P. Oury '99, a member of Phi Sigma Kappa.

"This cutting-edge research institution you run can be a pretty hard, cold, soulless place sometimes, and since it receives federal funding as a university, an educational institution, your primary responsibility is not to the Department of Defense, not to industry, but to the student body, to provide them with living options suited closely enough to their individual needs that they feel at home," said Mathew R. Norwood '99, a member of Alpha Delta Phi.

Others said that the decision to house freshmen on campus was the wrong way to address issues related to underage drinking.

"Getting rid of frats is not going to solve the alcohol problem," said Gregoire Laude G. Laude attended Princeton University as an undergraduate and said campus drinking was still a serious problem, despite housing students on campus. However, he added that dorms sometimes act positively to "force unlike people to live together."

Whitney Bocel '02 urged students to act now in opposition to the mandate to house all freshmen on campus before it is too late.

"No one on campus is going to remember what this is all about. If there is going to be something done about this, it's got to be done now," Bocel said.

Others said that the move to house freshmen on campus would ruin the fraternity system.

"What President Yois has decided...

Students sit on the steps of Building 7 Tuesday afternoon in protest of the recent announcement to house all freshmen in dormitories starting in the fall of 2001.

Alcohol Banned at ATO Following IFC Hearing
By Krista L. Niece

Alpha Tau Omega was ordered to be alcohol free until February after the house was found guilty on three counts of alcohol-related violations.

The Interfraternity Council Judicial Committee ruled that ATO had failed to properly close its rush desk before having alcohol at a rooftop event. The fraternity pled guilty to serving alcohol without certification and without registering the event. ATO was found not guilty on a fourth charge of having alcohol at a new member event.

In addition to the ban on alcohol, the fraternity was also ordered to pay a $250 fine.

The Interfraternity Council brought up the charges against ATO on Sept. 2. IFC Judecom Chair Katherine E. Hardacre '99 cited the Student Center after the conclusion of a rush meeting around 4:15 a.m.

"As we left, we heard loud music coming from the area near Anderson Alley," Hardacre said during the Judecom hearing Tuesday. She stopped at ATO to ask the members to turn down the music.

On the rooftop the fraternity shares with Kappa Sigma, she saw "two males in ATO shirts holding beer cans," as well as "strewed beer cans" on the ground among empty containers of soda and pizza.

Though she did not see any new members drinking alcohol, "there to five pledges" wearing ATO jerseys were present, Hardacre said.

ATO claims event not organized

At the hearing, four charges were brought against the fraternity, located at 409 Memorial Drive. ATO pled not guilty to two charges, those of serving alcohol at a rush event and of serving alcohol at a new-members event.

"We do not involve alcohol in rush," said William T. Hockett '99, rush chair and president of ATO. The rooftop party, he said, was "mislabeled as a rush event and mislabeled as a new member event."

Although ATO had closed its deck in Clearinghouse, the computer system that is used for tracking freshmen during rush, it had not gotten personal approval from Hardacre, as is normal procedure.

As a consequence, ATO's rush was not officially over. IFC rules mandate that no alcohol be present during rush.

During Hardacre's testimony, she read the definition of an event from the IFC constitution. This definition, found in the policies for risk management and risk management enforcement section, defines an "event" as "any gathering of people that is sponsored by [a fraternity, sorority or independent living group], occurs on FSILG property or is funded in any way by the FSILG, and which could be construed by any reasonable person as an event." Hardacre said that she judged the gathering on the roof to qualify under these guidelines.

A new member event is an "event which new members are required to attend or which is organized primarily (for though not necessarily by) the benefit of new members, according to the IFC constitution.

Hardacre said that she thought the rooftop gathering could be considered a "closing party," and as such qualified as a new member event.

Hockett contended that it was not an organized event; only a dozen brothers out of fifty were present, plus approximately "five rush members from the opposite houses.

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Daily weather report:

**WEATHER**

**Summer Again!**

By Marek Zebrowski

Starr Report Will Go Online; Clinton Continues Apologies

By Richard A. Serrano

The Clinton administration reached a deal Wednesday night to provide the public with a complete, unexpurgated account of the Whitewater affair. As part of the agreement, the House Rules Committee will hold a vote tomorrow on whether to release the Starr report in its entirety.

The deal was reached after a day of intense negotiations between the White House and the committee. The House Rules Committee, which is responsible for overseeing the release of the Starr report, was initially reluctant to release the full report, citing concerns about the impact on the president's ability to govern.

However, the White House agreed to make a number of concessions in order to secure the release of the full report. These concessions included an agreement to provide the House Rules Committee with a final, one-time, unexpurgated version of the Starr report, which would be made available to the public in an online format.

The deal was seen as a significant victory for the Clinton administration, which had been under intense pressure to release the full report. The agreement also appeared to be a significant blow to Republicans, who have been calling for the release of the full report for months.

The House Rules Committee vote is set for tomorrow, and it is expected to be a close vote. However, the White House is confident that it will secure the necessary votes to pass the measure.

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A weakened President Boris Yeltsin on Thursday appointed his long-term ally, Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin, to lead Russia's ailing economy for a third time, ensuring that his push to stabilize the country's economy will continue.

Chernomyrdin, 68, a veteran of the communist-era, was widely expected to be selected to lead Russia. The appointment will mark the end of the Yeltsin era, as the former premier is expected to step down after eight years in office.

The move comes as Russia struggles with economic problems, including high inflation and a weak currency. The appointment is seen as a sign of the country's commitment to economic reform, but also a symbol of the challenges that lie ahead.

Yeltsin, who is widely considered Russia's first democratically elected president, has faced criticism for his handling of the economy, which has been in a state of crisis for much of his tenure.

The announcement was made in response to the continued weakening of the rouble, which has dropped to a record low against the dollar, and the需要 of further economic measures to stabilize the country. The appointment of Chernomyrdin is seen as a sign of the government's commitment to continuing its course of reforms.

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Institutional Wisdom Watch

Orientation: Much needed improvements were finally implemented. Better late than never.

FEE: You have three hours to write an essay about integrity in web-based testing...

President’s Convocation: Same Chuck time, same Chuck channel. What kind of arrow do you expect?

Residence Midway: This was a genuinely valuable addition to Orientation. Now, if only the IFC stormclouds would relax a bit.

Welcome Dinner: Steak and lobster it’s not, but a nice introduction nonetheless.

Graduate Student Housing Crunch

Amidst all of the fun as to the timing and implications of President Charles M. Vest’s announcement to house all freshmen on campus, I have one simple question: Why? The inordinate organizational time necessary to construct a new dormitory within three years? And if this money has been available, why are graduate students still waiting for adequate on-campus housing?

Graduate students at the Institute tend to be the silent majority. By the very nature of graduate studies, we tend to be focused on issues that impact our narrow subfield and ignore the larger issues. This makes it very easy for our needs to be ignored, because we don’t tend to speak up very often. And besides, we’re older, we can take care of ourselves, right?

I agree that graduate students should expect to take on more responsibilities than they did as undergraduates. Many of us now have spouses and children; many have moved abroad for the first time. However, the housing market in the area around MIT is such that we are becoming over-priced renters. That’s merely the task of finding a place to sleep at night.

When rent control was revoked, the average cost of a two-bedroom apartment in Cambridge and Somerville began to skyrocket.

In most areas of the country, one expects to spend about one-third of one’s monthly salary on rent. Around MIT, most people spend close to half, some as much as two-thirds of their salary, just to have somewhere to live. In order to find affordable housing, we are forced to live with strangers (with no support network for conflict resolution), tolerate apartment conditions that do not meet health or fire regulations, or commute for 45 minutes to an hour just to get to campus.

New that a “crisis” has occurred undergraduate housing, it appears that all the plans for a graduate student dormitory have been shelved. What’s worse is that 140 rooms in Tang Hall, one of the few remaining on-campus graduate residence options, have been

temporally taken away.

I can live with this. Sadly, I’m pretty used to chronically unfunny cartoons in The Tech. However, in the September 3 issue of The Tech, ranDOMEland crossed the line from stupid and banal to downright offensive. I sincerely doubt that I have ever seen a more tasteless display of poor judgment in a newspaper that is regularly read by thousands of students. To trivialize the death of Michelle S. Michelsen ’00 in such a rude, offensive manner causes me to wonder whether or not D’Moon has respect for anyone else on the campus, living or not. Can the readers of The Tech expect a wiscrack about Philip G. Cale ’98 tomorrow? Scott S. Krueger ’01

It disturbs me not only that D’Moon has so little compassion as to voluntarily defame Michelle’s memory, but that The Tech has so little respect that it would actually print such dreck. My opinion of D’Moon has completely bottomed out, and my view of the integrity of The Tech has dropped significantly.

Francisco J. Delatorre ’01
### MIT Should Post Statistics on the Web for Prospective Students

Naveen Sundakvaly

In August, U.S. News & World Report released its annual college rankings. The Institute ranked fourth for the fourth year in a row. That same week, Stanford (number two), Harvard University (number three), and Princeton University (number one) opened their doors to admit new students. However, as always, another batch of students will soon be hounded by the magazine. This year, they had the way in condemning the rankings. Though the university community may hate the magazine, Stanford has gone to the extreme measure of putting its top online so that students can see for themselves. U.S. News & World Report. At the risk of looking like copycats, MIT might benefit from this decision.

Though perhaps an informative source of college information, U.S. News is not an ideal source of information on the topic. The most obvious reason is that they are often biased and subjective. In order to get a more balanced view of which college to attend, one should consider looking at the lists created by other organizations such as the National Research Council (NRC) or the National Science Foundation (NSF).

### Not Literally Labor Day

Michael John. K

Recently a group of local malls ran an advertisement in the Boston Globe, telling the readers they would be celebrating Labor Day in the most fitting way possible. To quote, they would be "working."

While the chutzpah real mall management showed in running this ad is impressive, that is not the only impression the ad has left in its message. The ad is a poor excuse for the meaning of Labor Day. Labor Day is not meant to be a day of leisure. It is meant to be a day for workers to rest and relax. It is a day for workers to have a break from their jobs and to spend time with their families and friends.

Today fewer and fewer workers can enjoy the day off. In fact, it is not uncommon for them to work on Labor Day. This is due to the increase in the number of non-union retail jobs and the decrease in the number of unionized jobs.

### Categories and Weights for U.S. News Rankings

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**Summer Camp**

Bret Altschul

I call upon MIT to rename the Freshman Leadership Program more accurately. Calling it the "Freshman Dorky Summer Camp" is misleading. Many of the students I have spoken to have queer ideas about what leadership means.

Leadership is about much more than being a good student or having a good idea. Leadership is about caring for others. I attended a very traditional leadership training session in college. We were given a list of leadership qualities, and we were supposed to rate ourselves on a scale of one to ten on each of them. At first, I thought that part of the experience wasn't about leadership, and there was no purpose in it. But every day, we did something new. We were expected to help each other, to give each other a helping hand. It was a great experience.

### Not Literally Labor Day

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It's time to put the retail blue laws back on the books and close on holidays such as Labor Day. The blue law was the subject of a heated debate in the early 1900s. It was adopted to protect workers from being exploited and to give them a day off to spend with their families.

The blue law was eventually repealed in most states. However, it is still practiced in some parts of the country, particularly in the south. The blue law is often cited as an example of how the retail industry can be unfairly regulated. Poor benefits, low job satisfaction, and cranky customers are all problems faced by retail workers. The blue law is a way to counteract these problems.

It is not unreasonable to give workers a day off on Labor Day to spend with their families. This is a day to honor the workers who have contributed to our country.

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THE ARTS

THEATER REVIEW
Blue Man Group
Modern art's guerrilla warriors

By Benice P. Otrockzy

Blue Man Group
Charles Playhouse, 74 Warren Street.
Boston
Tickets: $33.54
Call 413-585-3100 for tickets and information on how to see the show for free by volunteering.

This is a story of human corruption, how greed and glamour stuff noble human impulsiveness, and how bright ideals turn into something much less appealing. The story I'm talking about is not the story of 54 the movie (although it should have been) — it is the story of what happened to 54 the movie.

54 was originally supposed to be a chronicle of a downfall of Shane (Ryan Phillippe), a New York teenager, who comes to New York City, gets into the glitzy Studio 54, and then goes from visitor to busboy to bartender, while losing, step by step, his soul. However, this is not the movie I saw.

What I saw was something with the traces of editing scissors in almost every scene. I don’t know whether it was the result of poor testing screenings or an attempt to make a movie more palatable to the TV generation (after all, this is the movie with Mike Myers and Neve Campbell), but the movie was clearly as memetic as any other film. It was a film about a movie, this potentially fascinating plot is or something to be admired, but his acting is almost non-existent, and his character (Gretchen Mol, playing an absolutely generic role) is never repetitive or boring. Each scene is full of surprise, exhilaration and physical, peaking to our inner child.

As a matter of fact, 54 does achieve a seemingly impossible task — it makes the disco days of the seventies, with its copious amounts of drugs, sex, half-baked bodies, lurid costumes, and devil-may-care attitude, feel profoundly boring. I think I’ll take the minute, thank you.

Members of the theatre group Blue Man Group perform their long-running production, Tubes, at the Charles Playhouse.

54 and Rounders
The lasts of independent cinema

By Vladimir V. Zelevinsky

T he years ago, out of four of Best Picture Oscar nominees were independently produced, including the eventual winner, Platoon. The spectacular success of Platoon, Miramax pictures. That was hailed as a turning point for the independent cinema, which, with its shoestring budgets and creative control, had been largely ignored before.

But then, many film critics predicted that the major studios would try to be more creative as well, in order to compete the success of such films as Miramax and October Films — if not for the artistic reasons, at least for the financial ones. After all, something like Pulp Fiction (domestic gross around $5 million) looks like nothing like the major studio's budgets for the major studio's efforts to break into the Museum of Modern Art and a whole new world of creative and cultural possibilities

This was a moment that could and should be like: a funny and furious commentary on the alienation of the individual in a technocratic society where even art has lost its innocence.

Blue Man Group puts fun back in art, engaging the audience in an interactive and almost tribal celebration of artistic innovation. They are the magicians who pull off one trick after another at a pace worthy of David Copperfield.

The relation between Shane and his friends at Studio 54, the married couple Anita (Salma Hayek) and Greg (Brockman Meyer), suffers from all the obvious, nowadays is the independent movies which try to emulate their big-budget counterparts, but only much better, less boring, and often far more interesting. The notorious falsities of Hollywood movies — unnecessary emphasis on the thriller aspects in Platoon, for example — are ignored, the love interest in Bugsy '66 — and the latest two movies from Miramax, are, simply, quite forgettable.

54
Directed and written by Mark Christopher With Ryan Phillippe, Mike Myers, Salma Hayek, New Campbell.

The art world is where the founders of the Blue Man Group emerged from and it is where they belong. Matt Golden, Phil Stanton and Charles, the first started performing their act outside the nightclubs and galleries of New York City. Their production references modern paintings and sculpture, but the Blue Man Group’s Tube is a prime example of how avant-garde art can be priced at a mainstream without big bucks and big names.

The show moved from the street into the cinema, and the group from the New York institution La Mama, where the first performance of Tubes took place in 1991. The Blue Man Group soon found a permanent place in the Arts Playhouse at the Charles Playhouse in both Boston and Chicago. They are set to play as long as the audience keeping coming, and there seems to be no imminent danger of Hartford interest.

The Charles Playhouse has been notably sold out, every performance October 1991.

While the production may have lost much of the urgency and spontaneity of the seven- teenth performance, the Blue Man Group is a prime example of how avant-garde art can be priced at a mainstream without big bucks and big names.

They started in the streets and worked on improving the show for many years. The product that is now showing at the Charles Playhouse is a form of what contemporary art could be and should be: a funny and furious commentary on our modern society.

For tickets and information on how to see the show for free by volunteering.

This is an excellent performance, but doing a horrible Russian accent which sounds nothing like the real thing.

As an anthropological piece, Rounders succeeds quite well, while it didn’t make no more any interest in illegal poker than I was before I saw this movie (which is to say, not at all). I was admittedly quite fascinated to observe the card sharks and learn about the feeding and mating habits of this peculiar species. The film halfway succeeds as an exploration of a gambling addiction; while it doesn’t care in the least to explain why is that Mike can’t resist cards (although I believe Damon’s uncharacteristically bland performance is partly to blame here), it refreshingly doesn’t treat it as a vice.

As a story however, Rounders falls totally and completely.

Why oh why did the screenwriters feel the need to include the totally superficial romantic subplot between Mike and his girlfriend Joe (Gretchen Mol, playing an absolutely generic character)? A lot of time is spent on it, and this relationship ultimately doesn’t matter in the least. The film is more about the film’s central relationship, the one between Mike and Worm. For a while — as a matter of fact, for most of the time — it feels like an emotional center of the film, with Worm managing to make his sordidly highly likable. The worm worming up in their scenes together. As a result, it comes as a crushing disappointment when, toward the end of the movie, this potentially fascinating plot is reduced to a mere convenient plot device, and Worm totally disappears for all of the last act.

With the emotional breakpoint disappear- ing, the ending of Rounders pretty much dissolves as a movie. There is no more subtext, no more social commentary, just a flat out, sensationalized plot of gambling, just a flat out, sensationalized plot of gambling, which has been exposed for what it is.

Allow me to sigh ruefully. The list of films I haven’t enjoyed this year grows at an alarm- ing rate; the one thing is left is the hope that someday during next four months there will be at least some movies which would care more about art than about profit. Maybe they will be able to reach the state of true creative independence.

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Professor Emeritus of Mathematics Irving Segal died while walking near his home in Lexington on Aug. 30. He was 79 years old.

Segal served on the MIT faculty for 38 years. During his time at the Institute, he helped to upgrade and improve the undergraduate curriculum in math.

Segal was born in the Bronx on Sept. 13, 1918. He grew up in Trenton, N.J. As an undergraduate, he attended Princeton University and received his bachelor's degree in mathematics in 1937. Segal went on to receive his doctorate in mathematics from Yale University in 1940. In 1941, Segal was an assistant in nuclear physics. He then went on to work in the Manhattan Project from 1945 to 1948. He then joined the faculty at the University of Chicago, where he eventually became a full professor. In 1960, Segal joined the MIT faculty and became professor emeritus in 1980.

In his early work, Segal studied the applications of algebraic methods to fundamental physics. In 1947, he published a parameter-free theory of the red-shift and an alternative model of the universe. In 1947, he was also a visiting professor at several universities worldwide including Columbia University, La Sorbonne, Lund University, University of Pisa, Aarhus University, College de France, Institute of Mathematics and Theoretical Physics, Copenhagen, and the University of Moscow.

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Over Summer, MIT Sees Many Changes

While many members of the community were away for the summer and for Orientation Week, several important events occurred and decisions were made which will affect this term and beyond. These stories are repeated here, in abbreviated form, for the benefit of those who were away.

Freshmen will live in dormitories

All freshmen will be housed in dormitories starting in the fall of 2001, President Charles M. Vest announced Aug. 25 after the Academic Council unanimously endorsed the proposal.

"This decision represents a major step in our commitment to enhancing our educational community and better integrating student life and learning," Vest wrote in a letter to students, faculty, and staff.

The announcement was timed to occur shortly before last week's release of the final report of the Task Force on Student Life and Learning. The task force has been working for two years to develop a long-term educational plan for the Institute. The report will urge the Institute to house all freshmen on campus, said Dean of Students and Undergraduate Education Rosalind H. Williams.

Vest's decision was made based upon the task force report and "nearly a year of thoughtful debate and correspondence about student housing," Vest also considered the reports of numerous committees that in the past have recommended housing freshman on campus.

"Although the decision to house all freshmen on campus has been made, the details of how the residence system will look in three years have not yet been decided. This fall, students, administrators, alumni, and alumnae will begin to work on plans for the new residence system," Williams said, beginning with the plans for the new dormitory.

The decision came as a surprise to Interfraternity Council President Duane H. Dreger '99, who had attended a meeting with Williams earlier in the day about the task force report.

"I thought it would be sooner," Dreger said. "We figured we'd work on it at the beginning of term." Dreger said that the FSILG system should be able to remain intact even with the changes. "The FSILGs have a remarkable ability to adapt," he said. "I don't think we'd lose anyone from it."

Advisors required at FSILGs

The Institute announced July 2 that all fraternities, sororities and independent living groups would need to have graduate resident advisers this fall, at least one year earlier than had been previously stated.

Rosalind H. Williams, dean of students and undergraduate education, told FSILG leaders of the new plans at a rush chairs meeting and also said that houses would need to be entirely alcohol-free until they hired an RA.

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As of the end of August, nearly all FSILGs had found resident advisers.

Fiji license support withdrawn

Members of Phi Gamma Delta did not move back into their house at 29 Thayer this fall after MIT withdrew its support for the fraternity's dormitory license.

"We still do not know what occurred on the evening that led to Scott Krueger's death," because of the length of the grand jury investigation into his death from alcohol poisoning last September, said Dean of Students and Undergraduate Education Rosalind H. Williams in a letter addressed to Rodney P. Taft '74, a member of Fiji's alumni corporation.

"It is in keeping with its standing practice, has defended any investigation into the death of Krueger '01, and as such cannot determine whether in support Fiji before the Boston Licensing Board, Williams said.

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**September 11, 1998**

Federal authorities last week busted what they said was one of the biggest counterfeiting schemes in United States history, which allegedly used thousands of blank checks to forge billions of dollars from many prominent Philadelphia institutions, including the University of Pennsylvania.

A federal grand jury indicted 38 people on charges of racketeering, bank fraud and other charges related to a massive fake-check scam.

Members of the group allegedly obtained microfiche copies of corporate and business checks and then "fraudulently represented[them]" to printing companies to order books of blank checks, according to a statement released by the U.S. Attorney's office.

Reginald Greene, 38, of Philadelphia's Overbrook Park section — about four miles west of the Penn campus — is accused of being the operation's ringmaster. Greene served 20 months in prison in 1991 on fraud charges. His false identities in Delaware prosecuted him on similar charges but failed to get a conviction and eventually dropped the charges.

Greene's attorney, Dennis Cigan, said Wednesday that Greene plans to plead not guilty. He emphasized the charges so far are simply "acquittals."

"He's been down this road before and knows it's an acquittal and that's all he is," Cigan said.

The scheme, which allegedly began in 1993, centered around large Philadelphia-area corporations, including the Philadelphia 76ers, WPVI-TV, U. Healthcenter, the Cozen and O'Connor law firms and several charitable and educational organizations.

According to the U.S. Attorney's Office statement, Greene's organization was very complex.

Greene and 15 "lieutenants" allegedly ordered tens of thousands of blank checks and then delivered them to various "check passers," who deposited or cashed them.

Check passers often had false identities and disguises, the statement said.

The real victims, though, are the 14 financial institutions and credit unions, which agreed to repay Penn and the other organizations the collective losses of $6 million.

Total losses could have been in the range of $2 billion had more of the group's checks cleared, authorities said.

University officials yesterday were still reviewing the case.

Because the banks have agreed to repay the institutions, it is unlikely that Penn will suffer any economic losses.

Most of the defendants have been arrested and are in custody. Bail hearings are being held this week and next. Cogan said he expects a trial to begin in about six months.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Amy Kurland, who is one of the lead prosecutors for the case, said she expects many of the defendants to plead guilty and that she will try those who don't together.

Agencies including the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Secret Service and the Philadelphia Police Department have been investigating the alleged scheme for several years.

Officials are still trying to determine how the ring was able to obtain the microfiche copies of blank checks. One of the suspects arrested worked for one of the institutions that was victimized, authorities said.

(Daily Pennsylvania, Sept. 10)

**Brock rocks Duke dormitory**

A female resident of Duke's Warnermaker I Dormitory was taken to the hospital early yesterday morning after reportedly being injured in a blast. The device was placed near her dormitory room, said Major Robert Dean of the Duke University Police Department.

Dean described the incident as follows:

The student was returning to her room between 1:00 a.m. and 2:23 a.m. when the device — described by police as a 20-cent plastic Gatolride bottle containing aluminum and some liquid substance — exploded in the hallway outside her room, injuring her left leg and knee.

The victim, who lives in the first-floor triple, said there were two blurs on her floor. The first — which she said occurred at about 1:00 a.m. — was in the hallway outside another nearby room. Upon hearing the noise, the victim said she went to her blackmates' room to talk about the incident.

When the victim returned five minutes later, she said, the door to her room was half open, although this was not sure whether she had left it open originally. As she was writing a message for her roommates on her dry-erase board, the pressure of her writing started to open the door further.

At that time the second device exploded, she said, explaining that the bomb was probably near the door.

The victim's resident advisor said the police, who arrived about 20 minutes later. "I was sitting there on the ground, thinking to myself, 'What the hell just happened?'

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Protest, from Page 1

to do is, from an anthropological
perspective, essentially genocide.

"You can't improve community
by homogenization," said Ted Perk '82, an alumnus of Tau Epsilon Phi.
He cited the decision to house fresh-
men on campus as part of the glob-
al trend to eradicate indigenous peo-
ples. "I want to make sure that future
students have the same experi-
ence," Knaian said.

Media attention discussed
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media attention focused on MIT led
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sing, and 3-dimensional graphics.

Pre-requisites: Intro, Basic WP, Working.

Maple (Maple)

A mathematics program that can perform numeri-
cal and symbolic calculations, including formal and
functional programming. It will be useful for scientific and engineering computations, as well as to general
and financial users.

Pre-requisites: Intro, Basic WP, Working.

Customization on Athena (Dotfiles)

Intended for the intermediate-level Athena user, this
course will discuss the Athena login sequence and
the user-configuration files (dotfiles) that affect
it, as well as changes the user can make to those
and other files to customize their working environ-
ment.

Pre-requisites: Serious Emacs, some Athena experi-
ence

ATHENA MINICOURSE INDEX

Introduction to Athena (Intro)

An introduction to Athena and Athena worksta-
tions. Topics include: what you can do on Athena,
getting an account, logging in, windows, sending
messages, finding help and documentation.

Pre-requisites: Intro.

Basic Word Processing (Basic WP)

Elementary text editing with Emacs, sending and
receiving electronic mail, and using the Athena
printers.

Pre-requisites: Intro.

Working on Athena (Working)

Just the basics: files, directories, job control, and
more. What everyone should know about Unix,
Athena's operating system.

Pre-requisites: Intro, Basic WP.

Advanced Word Processing: EZ (EZ)

An introduction to a combination text editor and
formatter, with text-editing commands that are
similar to Emacs. As a formatter, it is menu-driven
easy to learn when first using it.

Pre-requisites: Intro, Basic WP, Working.

Advanced Word Processing: LATEX (LateX)

An introduction to LaTeX, a widely-used text format-
ter, used for converting a text file into an attractive,
professional-looking document. It is a powerful and
flexible program for the capability to typeset
many foreign characters and very complex mathe-
matical text.

Pre-requisites: Intro, Basic WP, Working.

LateX Thesis (Thesis)

Using the LateX text formatter to produce a fully-
featured thesis that meets all MIT format require-
ments.

Pre-requisites: LateX, some LateX experience

Introduction to FrameMaker (Frame)

FrameMaker is a powerful word-processing and
document-preparation package now available on
Athena.

Pre-requisites: Frame, some Frame experience

FrameMaker for your Thesis (Frame Thesis)

FrameMaker, with a special template, can be used
to produce an MIT thesis that meets all Institute
consulting requirements.

Pre-requisites: Frame, some Frame experience.

Information Resources on Athena (Info Res)

A survey of the communications, help, and other
resources available on Athena.

Pre-requisites: Intro, Basic WP, Working.

HTML: Making a WWW Home Page (HTML)

Covers the basic features of HTML ("Hyper-Text
Mark-up Language") the language of the World-
Wide Web, as well as the steps needed to post your
own Web page on Athena.

Pre-requisites: Intro, Basic WP, Working.

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MIT Refuses Support for Fiji License Reinstatement

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month suspension ended August 15, said Boston Licensing Board Commissioner Ellen E. Rooney, who chairs the board.

Instead. if the Malcolm Cotton Brown Corporation, the alumni group that owns the house, wanted to renew its license, it would have to file a formal application and attend a hearing. The board would take past actions and MIT’s support of the fraternity into account when reviewing the matter, Rooney said.

“We understand that the consequence of our decision is that the board is unlikely to renew the dormitory license to the fraternity,” Williams said.

As a result of MIT’s decision, alumni officials decided not to apply for a dormitory license to house undergraduates during the 1998-99 academic year, Taft said.

The decision not to support Fiji before the licensing board came in early July, said Associate Dean for Residence Life and Student Life Programs Andrew M. Eisenmann ’70.

“We didn’t have the information to act in support or in a negative way before the board, which had indicated that MIT would have to take an “active and supportive stance” for renewal to take place, Eisenmann said.

The action not to support Fiji then, should “not necessarily [be] interpreted as a positive or negative message,” he said.

Licensee Bans Alcohol

The Boston Licensing Board banned alcohol at Beta Theta Pi until 2001 in August as punishment for a July incident at the house.

In addition to the alcohol ban, the board ordered the house’s roof deck dismantled. It also banned the fraternity from housing summer residents.

Boston Police and Boston University Police responded to the house, located at 119 Bay State Road in Boston, after a BU cruiser was pelted by full beer cans on a routine patrol. Officers then broke up a party on the house’s roof deck.

One Boston University police officer, James Barry, was injured severely while avoiding the glass and required surgery for a ruptured disk in his neck. Barry has not yet returned to the force and may not be back because of his injuries, said BU spokesperson Kevin Carleton.

Members of the fraternity have stated that they were not at the party and it involved only upperclassmen and the boarders’ friends.

At an Interfraternity Council hearing, Robert N. Tunick ’99, a representative from the fraternity, said “we acknowledge that a precedent control issue exists” but insisted that “no Betsas were present, no Betsas purchased or consumed alcohol.”

The representatives of the fraternity also testified that it was not unreasonable that some of the boarders had realized the summer residents were throwing a party on the roof deck. Brothers cited numerous reasons for being unaware of the party until soon before the police arrived, ranging from loud music in their rooms to being in the fraternity’s house.

James B. Williams ’99, a brother in BTP, was charged for serving the two kegs used at the event to minors. He was arraigned in Roxbury District Court on Sept. 2.

As part of its sanction of BTP, the board required MIT to report back as to mid-September about the status of obtaining deputy privileges within Suffolk County, which would allow the MIT Police to have the same privileges as the Boston Police and the BU Police in the cities of Boston and Brookline.

Student Center Tenants Change

For the first time since its renovations a decade ago, the Stratton Student Center has changed dramatically. Over the summer, both Newbury Comics and the MIT Museum store choose not to renew their leases.

The Copy Technology Center will replace the MIT Museum in its first floor space this fall. Peter Cunningham, an administrative assistant for the Campus Activities Complex, said that the MIT Museum store wanted “to rethrench their business up the street. CopyTech was well prepared to come in and have spent a lot of time revamping their services including weekend and evening hours.”

CopyTech, which already has two locations on campus, has signed a five-year primary lease with a five-year lease option, and will likely open around October 1, said Philip J. Walsh, director of CAC.

For now, the retail space vacated by Newbury Comics has not been filled.

One possibility was identified by the dining review working group when it reported that students felt there was a significant “lack of seating to support food areas,” Walsh said.

In addition, the Undergraduate Association is currently campaigning for the Newbury Comics vacancy to be used as a social area for students. In May, the UA passed a resolution determining that whenever major renovations were made to the Student Center, the UA would involve itself in the changes, “to try to make the Student Center more of a student center,” said UA floor leader Ryan K. Pierce ’99.

“The idea is to make the Student Center a central location for social interaction,” Pierce added.

Orientation Changes Modestly

This year’s Orientation, while changing its name from the traditional Residence and Orientation week, nonetheless retained much of its old structure.

For instance, sorority rush was completely unchanged. The rules governing fraternity rush changed slightly, mainly to account for the one-day delay in rush from last year, said Duane H. Degeer ’90, president of the Interfraternity Council.

Changing the name of the period to Orientation was designed to mirror the apparent shift in focus from residence selection towards academically oriented freshmen to MIT.

These changes include the one-day display of Killian Court, which traditionally marked the beginning of fraternity rush, and the introduction of several events intended to focus on academics, including a welcome dinner where students will be able to meet with upperclassman and professors for their first official introduction to MIT.

The changes were designed to "make the first days leading into rush much better and much less hectic than in past years,” said Matthew L. McGann ’00, logistics coordinator for Orientation.

The introduction of the Residence Midway on Aug. 28 was one of the most significant changes from previous years. At this event, members representing all living groups participating in rush were on hand to talk to freshmen about their

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I decided to look for some excitement! Naturally the only place to go was...

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I know what you're thinking: Cornell? That's boring! Normally agree, except...

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No Good Can Come of This...

by Jennifer DiMase

Mary knew her freshman year was to be anything but uneventful...

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Friday’s Events
7:00 p.m. – Fear and Loathing In Las Vegas. You might consider a big-screen adaptation of Hunter S. Thompson’s biting satire to be an insurmountable task, but it’s difficult to imagine a director more suited for the job than Terry Gilliam. Admission $2.50. 1 hour, 58 minutes. Room 26-100. Sponsor: LSC.
3:00 p.m. – 70’s Party. Break out your Polyester, bell bottoms, and disco moves for Theta Xi’s 70’s Dance Party! Theta Xi (64 Bay State Road, Boston). Sponsor: Theta Xi.
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Saturday’s Events
9:00 a.m. – Freshman Hike. Get away from campus and check out the finest hiking trails within subway range. About eight miles hike in rough terrain. Student Center, Room 407. Sponsor: Asian Baptist Student Koimoina.
11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. – Graduate Student Whale Watch. Open to all incoming graduate students. Rowes Wharf. Sponsor: Graduate Student Council.
11:45 a.m. – New Student Welcome Picnic. Welcome, class of 2002 and all new students! Come meet college students from across the Boston area at Hurter Park on the Charles River for food (Kalbi), sports, & games! Student Center St.eps. Sponsor: Asian Baptist Student Koimoina.

Sunday’s Events
2:00 p.m. – You Oughta Be in Pictures! Join MIT’s Student Cable Group for the first meeting for the 1999 school year. Learn how you can get involved in television production. Room 3-133. Sponsor: Student Cable Group / MITV.
2:00 p.m. – Titanic. James Cameron’s priceless (and pricey) tale of love and disaster finally arrives at LSC. See it on the big screen, with DTS Digital Sound! Admission $2.50. 3 hours, 14 minutes. Room 26-100. Sponsor: LSC.
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7:00 p.m. – 1:00 a.m. – Dr. Who?: Shilhar’s Stone. Shilhar’s Stone is a one-night Live Action Roleplaying game set in the universe of Doctor Who, a long-running British sci-fi television show. Building 3, third floor. Sponsor: Assassins’ Guild.
8:00 p.m. – Into the Woods. Musical by James Lapine (book) and Stephen Sondheim (music and lyrics). Admission $3 for freshmen. $6 for MIT students; various prices for others. Kresge Little Theatre. Sponsor: Musical Theatre Guild.
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9:00 p.m. – midnight – Graduate Student Night on the Town. All new and current graduate students are welcome to join us. Some people will go to bars and others to clubs. Start in Room 50-220. Sponsor: Graduate Student Council.
10:00 p.m. – Titanic. James Cameron’s priceless (and pricey) tale of love and disaster finally arrives at LSC. See it on the big screen, with DTS Digital Sound! Admission $2.50. 3 hours, 14 minutes. Room 26-100. Sponsor: LSC.

Monday’s Events
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. – LSC New Member Signup. If you missed our open house, it’s not too late to become an LSC member! Come to new member signup to meet our directors and learn more about LSC. Student Center, Room 407. Sponsor: LSC.

Tuesday’s Events
6:00 p.m. – Equestrian Team General Meeting. This is the first Equestrian Team meeting of the year. Come meet everybody. Riders of all levels are welcome. We’ll be scheduling lessons for the rest of the year and going over plans for the season. Student Center, Private Dining Room No. 3. Sponsor: Equestrian Team.
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Iridon, that for the one person in this house who's actually gone through labor...

His teacher I'm not like; has a cruel about. You seem stuck on problem one.

Alan Labor Day. Nothing to do but watch movies at the mall.

Ah, labor day. Nothing to do but watch movies at the mall.

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I'm trying to look stuff up for school, but no matter what I enter, it gives me a bunch of links to porn sites!

C'mon - ask me how my day was.

Andy, please? Ask me how my day was.

I swear, you can't be so selfish sometimes. I'm thinking about everyone else.

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Actually, I think some of those could be white house photos.

Ok, bad example but still...

Talk about the sort of thing that can ruin a guy's reputation.

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I showed up for the first day of school wearing that same shirt as world record gold medalist. We were like twins!

What is called being a surrogate sibling, I meant for Morton.

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Aug. 27: Burton-Conner bike rack, bike secured with a “U” lock stolen, $210; Herman Garage, bike secured with cable stolen, $100; Alpha Delta Phi, wallet stolen, $65; Westgate, check on safety and well being of a child thought to be left unattended.

Aug. 28: Bldg. 10, bike stolen, $60; Bldg. 10, hack; Albion St., assist Cambridge Police with stolen bicycle report; Bldg. W31, assist a student with obtaining a restraining order; Bldg. E25, faulty fire detector causing false fire alarm; rear of Random Hall, safety hazard, abandoned Nitrogen canister.

Aug. 29: Memorial Drive, assist State Police with a motor vehicle accident; DuPont men’s locker room, wallet stolen, $30; Sigma Chi, noise complaint, situation addressed by Boston Police and MIT Police; Lambda Chi Alpha and Phi Delta Theta,噪声 complaints and persons repelling from roof, situation addressed by Boston Police, Bosten University and MIT Police; Beacon Street fraternities, parking problems, Boston Police and MIT Police addressed situation; Chi Phi, amusement ride blocking sidewalk, vehicle left without further problem; Baker House, pocketbook stolen, $150.

Aug. 30: Senior House, pocketbook stolen, $250; Bldg. 68, vending machine broken into; Delta Pi, bike stolen from inside house, $320; East Campus, report of suspicious activity, Next House, Daniel Preston of Columbia St., Boston, arrested for trespassing; Tau Epsilon Phi, Boston, loud noise complaint.

Aug. 31: Lobby 10, Daniel Preston arrested for trespassing and for receiving stolen property; Bldg. 35, CD player stolen, $200; Bldg. 12, 8 CDs stolen; $100; Student Center, ladder stolen, $30; Beta Theta Pi, assist students with coordinating police coverage for an event, complainant calls on reference to fraternity problem; Bexley Avenue, suspicious activity; Bldg. 13, water leak caused by a break of lab equipment; Student House, attempt to locate student.

Sep. 1: Bldg. 12, suspicious activity; Bldg. E52, computer stolen, $400; Bldg. 5, report of male seen leaving women’s room; Bldg. 20, computer stolen, $2,900; Bldg. 7, students on roof, $50 fine imposed; Ashdown, bicycle stolen, $25; Student Center, 1 CD-ROM stolen, $50; coffee stolen, unknown amount; Sigma Nu, backpack stolen, $120.

Sep. 2: Bexley Avenue, student problem; Senior House, banner stolen, same later returned.

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Crowds Distributed Unevenly in Dorms

Rush, from Page 1 year.

This number is expected to go up as off-campus students move in, however.

While crowding has decreased, it has not been evenly distributed among dormitories, Bernard said. East Campus is currently mostly decrowded, with some freshmen living in singles. On the other hand, several of the lounges in MacGregor remain nearly as doubles.

"We feel [the situation] is unfortunate... for freshmen. Usually everyone has a single, but these thirty [residents] are in doubles," said Christina A. Tildenbro '99, president of MacGregor.

"It is a bit of an inconvenience, but we try to make the best of it," said Tildenbro. "We did lose a lot of common space." MacGregor has not been crowded since 1993, she added.

As openings for rooms open up, the doubles will be decrowded, Tildenbro said. "I know that every fresh will be in a single" by next year, she said.

Improvements to the housing lottery this year allowed the number of crowds in dorms to vary from a minimum of "totally decrowded" to a maximum of "totally crowded" based on the relative popularity of a given dorm, Bernard said.

EC was initially less crowded since it had relatively few requests compared to the amount of available space in the dormitory.

In the future, Bernard said that the minimum, "totally decrowded" number for East Campus' housing spaces should be raised to prevent the variation from occurring again.

Because EC was not as highly subscribed as MacGregor, the dormitory still has extra space to house students. Bernard said that students both on- and off-campus will likely be moved to these additional spaces.

Unlike EC, only Random Hall, Bexley Hall, and Senior House were expected before the lottery to have a relatively few number of crowds.

Crowd goes well for fraternities

Neal H. Dorow, assistant dean for Residence Life and Student Life Programs and advisor to fraternities, sororities, and independent living groups, was "generally pleased that rush went as well as it did" this year.

Less spaces for freshmen within the FSILG system itself may also account for the lower number of pledges this year.

Although the total pledge number is about 50 below the average, two houses, Phi Gamma Delta and Sigma Alpha Epsilon, did not rush this year. In addition to the new freshmen, there is also a resident adviser living in each living group for the first time this year who may take the place of a residing freshman.

Fraternity house bills have not increased significantly despite the slighty lower pledge numbers, Dorow said.

Most rush chairs were satisfied with the results of this year's rush, and some fraternities even "exceeded their expectations and are very happy with rush," Dorow said.

Jacob Marcus '99, president of Nu Delta, said that "number wise there wasn't any difference" in their pledges this year. Nu Delta received seven pledges this year, and Marcus said he felt that rush "pretty much went the same as it had since I've been here."

A recent pledge of Delta Kappa Epsilon, Bayon Miller '02, said he "had a lot of fun" during rush and is confident he "made the right decision" by choosing to live in a fraternity.

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Jacob B. Dorow, an assistant dean for Residence Life and Student Life Programs and advisor to sororities, indicated the situation was generally the same as it was last year. He added that the number of rushes went as well as it did in the past.

"We feel that the situation is generally better than last year, but we try to make the best of it," said Dorow.

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McGee, as well as the testimony of two of the prosecution's witnesses. The trial stems from an incident that occurred Dec. 6, 1997 in the Big Bear parking lot.-Kister alleged-

The man entered the room and pointed a gun at one of the room-
mates to be a three-day trial, Ward said. [Indiana Daily Student, Sept. 10]

One grud student indicted
Testimony began yesterday in the trial of Chad Biddlestone, an Ohio University graduate student and environmental activist facing two counts of extortion and one count of theft by deception.

On the first day of what Athens County Court of Common Pleas Judge Michael Ward said he esti-

The report. Snyder was charged with theft by deception.

Biddlestone and McGee were concerned about their situation, she said.

"I lost almost everything," she said. "I still have my shoes and my pants, though. Basically, I still have the bottom half of my wardrobe."

The police are un sure of how the robbery occurred, said.

"I'd like to see more security," Livingston College sophomore Mohammad Choudhry, a House 14 resident, said. "I'd like to see more security."

"I'm definitely [more cautiou s] now, ... my friend, her shoes are missing... stupid little things, we don't even trust people on the floor," Livingston College first-year student Luisa Stabenos, a House 12 resident, said.

Other students said they didn't feel secure on the campus in gener-

"There's not enough security," Livingston College junior Lindsay Ackerman said. "I see the Rutgers police around, but not on campus."

"I lock my door now, put on the chain." Livingston College first-year student Shane Nelson, a House 13 resident, said.

Students also saw it as a reflec-

tion on the University. "I don't feel safe, if anyone can come on cam-

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He is the first MIT student to make the U.S. national team as an undergraduate since 1984.

For the third consecutive year and fourth in the past five, the men's gymnastics team has been named the College Gymnastics Association National Academic Team Champion. Jason Miller '97 and J.C. Olsson '01 earned All America Scholar Athlete status.

To qualify for the honor an athlete must earn at least a 3.50 grade point average on a 4.0 scale and maintain good academic standing. The Engineers finished 12th in the nation in steals and fourth in the past five, the national team as an undergraduate.

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Men's Rugby Club Brings Home Third Despite Several Injuries

By Randy Myers

The men's Rugby Football Club battled injuries and a lack of numbers to place third out of eight teams at the Montreal Irish International Rugby Classic held over Labor Day weekend.

The team had some big setbacks before leaving Boston: Captain Dave Strocker '83 was injured in a gardening accident and couldn't make the trip. Alternate captain Gavin Braithwaite G injured his head in practice and also did not make the trip. Alternate captain Dave Trocker '83 was injured in a weekend gaming accident and couldn't leave Boston. Captain Gert Muller received a beautiful spin pass from Wiggly Jim Miller and took it over the try line. With that conversion and an ensuing penalty kick, MIT led 15-0 at halftime.

The Engineers continued to dominate in the second half and scored twice more, the first by a long run from wing Steve Lasher G and the final score by Randy Myers G who received a pass from team president Todd Nightengale '00 and dove over the try line for the score. Tech held off a late rally and won 27-10.

Game two put the Engineers up against the Montreal Irish in a rematch of the famous Bermuda tournament of 1996 which MIT won 13-10. The home field advantage was evident early as the Irish jumped out to a 14-0 lead on a couple of sketchy calls. However, the Engineers started their comeback with a beautiful up and under from Jaco Pretorius, who caught his own kick and took it in for the score. A successful conversion and a penalty kick closed the gap to 14-10 at the half. "True resiliency manifested itself out there and proved that we can compete with anyone," said forward Fernando Vargas G. The second half started with the Engineers' backs putting on a show. Mario Bresciani scored after a series of passes. The conversion then put MIT up 17-14. The rest of the second half was played a man down as Nikko Mall G was kicked out of the game and suspended for the rest of the day for retaliation. MIT stayed strong and the game ended with a big hit by Ken Myers '98.

In the final game of the day the Engineers faced the Japan Blue Socks, an all-star team consisting of the 39 best players from the greater Tokyo area. In contrast, the Tech squad were left with only 16 players after an injury to Pretorius. MIT fought hard as James Hopkins G made his first career score from wing. Fernando Vargas connected on a penalty kick with 5 minutes to go as Tech found themselves only down 14-13. Vargas then connected on a two point conversion which put Tech up 15-14. The Blue Socks put on a ferocious drive but were stopped one foot short of a score by James Hopkins G as time expired.

The Engineers finished the first day 3-0, however, the lack of depth and key injuries caused MIT to lose its semifinal game against St. Lambert Locker 15-3.