Microsoft Loses Bid For Sloan Research

By Sanjay Basu

MIT and Harvard University won a court battle yesterday against Microsoft when a federal judge decided two professors would not have to release sensitive audiotapes made as part of academic research.

Microsoft sought for access to several hours of taped interviews with Netscape employees, including Chairman Jim Barksdale and co-founder Mark Andreesen, collected by Professor of Management Michael Cusumano at the Sloan School and Professor David Yoffie of the Harvard Business School.

While writing the book Competing on Internet Time: Lessons from Netscape and its Battles with Microsoft, the two researchers gathered information on Netscape's business dealings through these interviews. Both researchers claimed the documents were extremely sensitive and protected under First Amendment academic freedom rights.

The judge, U.S. District Court Judge Richard Stearns, who previously handed down the same decision, ruled yesterday that forcing the researchers to disclose the tapes would be harmful to the researchers and to the intellectual process.

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Activity Funding Doubles Following Appeals

By Kevin R. Lang

Funding allocations to student activities nearly doubled this year in light of increased funding from the Institute. Traditionally the Finance Board has had approximately $97,000 to allocate for a given school year. This year the funding was nearly doubled, allowing us over $150,000 for the year," said UA Finance Board Chairman Ira F. Gerhardt '99.

Last semester, then-Provost Joel Moses PhD '67 announced a $200,000 increase in funding for student activities. The funding allocations were announced at the September 28 meeting of the Undergraduate Association council.

An additional $25,000 was approved for student activities that appealed their decision.

Baker Party Prompts Alcohol Policy Review

By Douglas E. Heimbarger

Officials from the Dean's Office are investigating last weekend's alcohol-related incident at Baker House and considering what new measures if any should be taken as a result of the incident. "I hope that in a couple weeks, a couple of months, we can say that the system worked" with this incident, said Dean of Students and Undergraduate Education Rosalind H. Williams.

The Dean's Office is currently investigating several individuals in connection with the incident, said Dean for Students Margaret R. Bates.

Those who "clearly have a role in planning" the event could potentially face disciplinary action, Williams said. Any actions will be taken "quickly and fairly," Williams added.

Any actions taken against students are protected under the federal Buckley Amendment, which prohibits the release of student records without consent.

Late Friday night, a 20-year-old Simmons College student was taken to Massachusetts General Hospital after attending a party at Baker, received 100 percent of a $6,850 appeal, increasing their funds for 1998 to $23,470. The UA usually receives $17,000 in a given year. Gerhardt said that the UA receives 100 percent of its request for increased funding.

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Two parties were allegedly taking place that night, one on the third floor with around 300 participants, and one on the fourth floor with around 100 students, sources said.

Party size raises concerns

The third floor party in particular raises concerns, Williams said, because of its large size. "It's unusual for a party to get this large and not be sponsored by the dorm." The investigating process itself has served to warn other residents, Williams said: "The steps that have been taken... have very clearly put everyone in Baker on notice."

Williams said the investigation process that occurs when dormitory follows incidents is similar to the investigation of suspended fraternity following alcohol incidents there. Fraternity suspension is generally held as a building measure until investigations of incidents are complete, Williams said.

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Secretary of State Madeleine K. Albright warned President Slobodan Milosevic of Yugoslavia Thursday that "unless it all goes" for him to comply with international demands to withdraw his troops from Kosovo province before NATO launches punitive air strikes against his country.

At the same time, however, Albright dispatched U.S. special envoy James D. Thornton, who took a coldly toneless message with Milosevic in Belgrade this week, to convey a final warming that the Yugoslav leader faces "the grave of consequences" unless he accepts the terms of a cease-fire stipulated by United Nations.

In a sign that Holbrooke may be making some progress toward reaching a deal with Milosevic, he will be joined at Friday's meeting with Milosevic by James O'Brien, a State Department lawyer who helped write two U.S. draft proposals to grant Kosovo partial autonomy under the ethnic Albanian majority.

Civilian Casualties High in Colombia

Los Angeles Times

Civilians here are under attack from three guerrilla forces, seven private armies and even the national army and police force, which all systematically violate the rules of war, according to a two-year study released Thursday.

The report, Human Rights Watch found that civilians are now the biggest casualties of Colombia's prolonged conflict. Last year, 2,183 civilians were killed for political reasons, compared with the 1,252 civilians killed in 1996.

"Indeed, battles between armed opponents are the exception," the study noted. Instead, "combatants deliberately and impudently target and murder non-combatants as they flee their enemies."

The lack of respect for civilian lives and rights does not bode well for the success of this country's nascent efforts to end three decades of fighting, human rights activists warned. "For Colombia to build a lasting peace, it is imperative to incorporate protections for civilians," said Jose Miguel Vivanco, executive director of Human Rights Watch Americas.

The report is the first to strongly criticize all parties involved in Colombia's civil war. Previous documents had focused on the role of the army and police, and increasingly calling attention to abuses by the private armies that call themselves "self-defense forces".

Yeltsin Has No Plans of Resigning

Los Angeles Times

Responding to calls that he resign, Russian President Boris N. Yeltsin came out of seclusion Thursday to insist that he has no intention of leaving the scene early.

"Greeting senior police and military officers in the Kremlin, Yeltsin made a point of reminding them that he is still their commun- der-in-chief" — and "until 2000, it will remain so."

Yeltsin's appearance — one of only a few in recent weeks — came a day after more than a million Russians marched in the streets and told the president that his reign had "run its course."

"I do not plan to resign," Yeltsin said. "...and I am going to serve until the end of this year."

The same question might be asked of the recently mighty U.S. dollar, which lost a nearly unprecedented 3 percent of its value against the Japanese yen in a day and a half of chaotic trading before regaining some ground Thursday afternoon.

The jaw-dropping volatility in global stocks, bond and currency markets in recent days, a worsening of the wild swings that have dominated markets since summer, has even veteran investors shaking their heads.

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But if they prevail in November, they are expected to return to their Democratic base and join what is likely to become an extraordinarily bitter struggle against Republicans over the remaining two years of Clinton's second term.

Signs of the coming fury could be heard on both Democrats and Republicans in the uncharacteristi- cally full House chamber. Mindful of the dramatic moment of the day, lawmakers pounded their fists, waved their arms and argued in tough, almost-always-artisan language about how they believed the inquiry should proceed.

More often than not, they hardened back to the ghosts of Congresses past, recalling the Founding Fathers at the nation's birth and Rep. Peter Redd, D-N.J., who just a generation ago presided over the House's impeachment review in Watergate.

But Democrats argued that it was in a rush to judgment; they demanded but did not get a limited inquiry, warning that an open-ended investigation would open the gates for a Republican stampede through the myriad scandals that have dogged the Clinton presiden- cy.

Stock Market Volatility Strikes Fear Into Hearts of Investors

By Thomas S. Mulligan
Los Angeles Times

Economists, investment strategists and even individual investors count on the financial markets to send intelligible signals about the direction of the business cycle. But what is the Dow Jones industrial average trying to say when it plunges nearly 300 points in a day and a half of chaotic trading before regaining some ground Thursday afternoon? The jaw-dropping volatility in global stock, bond and currency markets in recent days, a worsening of the wild swings that have dominated markets since summer, has even veteran investors shaking their heads. "This is as wild and nutty as it gets," said Stan Weinstein, editor and publisher of The Professional Tape Reader market newsletter in Hollywood, Fla. "The last few days have been awful."

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For policy-makers and investors alike, there is something of a cause-vs-effect issue now. Are the markets signaling that deeper economic problems are brewing? Or will the markets' swings precipitate economic problems that otherwise would not have developed?

While it's well understood that the financial markets don't necessar- ily mirror the real economy — not on a day-to-day basis, anyway — there is increasing worry that the fever and frenzy among traders will infect consumer and business confidence and do lasting economic dam- age.

Meanwhile, more cautious investors are just trying to get out of the way, and their lack of bidding can also exacerbate the volatility.

WEATHER

Situation for Noon Eastern Daylight Time, Friday, October 9, 1998

Upper Low Woes

By Marek Zebrowski

After a long spell of beautiful fall weather, wet and unset- tled conditions will dominate the Columbus Day weekend. As temperatures will be mild, but fair weather for the Columbus Day itself and for Tuesday.

Today: Cloudy with rain showers, interspersed with peri- ods of sunshine. Winds slowly backing from the southeast to near the Southeast. High 66°F (19°C).

Tonight: Cloudy and foggy, with light rain and drizzle. Low 52°F (13°C).

Saturday: Mostly cloudy and cooler, with some lingering precipitation reluctantly departing eastwards. High 61°F (18°C), lows near 50°F (10°C).

Sunday outlook: Partly cloudy, with some sunny intervals. Highs in the low to mid 60s (16-18°C), lows near 50°F (10°C).
Iran Says It Repelled Talibam Attack; Militia Denies Claim

By John Daniszewski (AP) Jul 9

Iran claimed Thursday that it had beaten back an attack on a remote border post by Afghanistan's ruling Talibam militia, saying it inflicted heavy casualties in what would mark the second such arms-faced attack after more than a month of threats and saber-rattling.

But the Taliban dismissed the Iranian claims of a three-hour battle as propaganda, denying that any such engagement had even taken place. And Iran's report of fighting could not be verified independently because observers have been denied access to the border area.

Even if some encounter did occur, it appeared doubtful by late Thursday that it represented the start of a much-feared war between Shiite Muslim-ruled Iran and the mainly Sunni Muslim Talibam. Iranian spokesmen said calm conditions had resumed all along the border between the two countries.

Iran and the Talibam, an extremist force that claims to be promoting the world's purest form of Islam, have become bitter rivals over differences in their interpretation of Islam and charges that the Talibam - which controls 90 percent of Afghanistan's territory - has oppressed the Shiite minority in that country.

Antipathy flared into open hostility last month after the Talibam admitted that its soldiers had killed eight Iranian diplomats and an Iranian journalist after conquering Mazara-i-Sharif, a northern stronghold of resistance to the Talibam.

Iran's report of the battle Thursday came as a senior U.N. envoy was leaving Iran for Pakistan, where he hoped to meet with Talibam and Pakistani officials to try to defuse the danger of a regional conflict.

By making public the reported clash, one Western observer here speculated, Iran may have hoped to convince U.N. special envoy Lakhdar Brahimi, Talibam leaders in Afghanistan and new Pakistani friends that a real war is imminent unless the Talibam responds urgently to Iran's demands to end the war.

Bin Laden Followers Indicted By Grand Jury for Embassy Attacks

By Michael Grunwald (WP) Jul 9

A federal grand jury in New York returned a massive indictment Wednesday charging four disciples of Islamic militant Osama bin Laden with participating in a terrorist plot to kill Americans. The plot allegedly included the bombings of the U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania on Aug. 7 and the training of militia that attacked American soldiers in Somalia in 1993.

The 238-count indictment represents the most comprehensive account so far in the U.S. law enforcement campaign against bin Laden's network of Muslim extremists and marks the first official allegation that an American citizen participated in his violent conspiracies.

Wadad el Hage of Arlington, Texas, a former personal secretary in Sudan to bin Laden who was charged with perjury last month, was indicted Wednesday for his alleged involvement in the plot.

The indictment continues the Justice Department's efforts to portray bin Laden as the man in the middle of international terrorism, alleging that notorious Middle Eastern terrorist groups such as Gamaa Islamiya and the Egyptian Islamic Jihad "operated under (the) umbrella" of bin Laden's lesser-known al Qaeda. The document also names as unindicted co-conspirators Islamic Jihad leader Ayman al Zawahiri, Gamaalader Ahmed Refai Tahla and former Gamaa leader Sheikh Omar Abdel Rahman, who provided spiritual guidance to the World Trade Center bombers and is now serving a life sentence for plotting to blow up several New York City landmarks.

The indictment also provides new details about the East Africa bombings, which killed 284 people and wounded more than 5,000 others. For example, it alleges that Mohammed Rashed Daoud al Owitali and a co-conspirator named Azzam "filmed a videotape to celebrate their anticipated "martyrdom" and claimed credit on behalf of a fictitious organization before driving the truck that blew up the U.S. Embassy in Nairobi.

Instruments on Doomed Swissair Flight Showed Problems

By John Daniszewski (AP) Jul 9

The pilot on Swissair Flight 111 spoke of problems with flight instruments just seconds before the cockpit voice recorder cut off, investigators said Thursday.

"The first officer's instrument displays were affected during the last few seconds of the recorder conversation," said Vic Gorden, chief investigator for Canada's Transportation Safety Board. "Precisely how they were affected is not clear."

At a news conference in Halifax Thursday, investigators also said that the cabin crew was in the process of serving a meal to passengers when the pilots decided to divert the Geneve-bound plane to Halifax. The meal service was suspended and passengers were told they would be landing in Halifax in 20 minutes, Gorden said. Instead, six minutes after the recorders cut off and the pilots lost contact with air traffic controllers, the MD-11 plunged into the Atlantic last month, killing all 229 people aboard.

Investigators are still trying to understand a series of error codes, or faulty data, that appeared on the flight data recorder about 90 seconds before the recorder stopped. The faults crop up in 30 to 40 of the measurements on the recorder. Investigators don't know if the data indicates faulty electrical equipment or wiring problems.

Gorden said the safety board will draw no conclusions from the data until key electrical components of the plane have been retrieved. Investigators are working under a tight deadline to recover wreckage before winter storms scatter the debris. Diving in the 180-foot deep waters was suspended last week after all accessible human remains were recovered. A special heavy-lift barge that will use a crane to lift wreckage is being brought in.

Portuguese Writer Saramago Wins Nobel Prize for Literature

By Samuel Gratacap (AP) Jul 9

Portuguese novelist Jose Saramago, whose entrancing tales and playful skepticism about history and reality make him one of Europe's most original contemporary writers, was awarded the Nobel Prize for literature Thursday.

The 75-year-old author rose from obscurity late in life to become the grand old man of Portuguese letters. Saramago is the first writer in Portuguese, the language of 140 million people around the world, to win the prize. Saramago's 19 novels, four plays and three volumes of poetry form an iconoclastic body of literature that champions the common man and challenges conventional views on religion and the goal of a united Europe.

The Swedish Academy said it chose Saramago, a contender for several years, because his work, "sustained by imagination, compassion and irony, continually enables us to apprehend an elusive reality."

Undergraduate Association
MIT's Undergraduate Student Government

Concerned About New Housing Policies?
make your voice heard

Join the UA Committee on Housing and Orientation for a student forum discussing the new dorm and changes in housing policy.

Wednesday,
October 14th
8pm
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Congratulations to the new freshman class council!
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A Simple View

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Letters To The Editor

Serious Problem, Nominal Solution

Naveen Sunkavalli

The ostensibly purpose of President Charles Vest to house all freshmen on campus starting in the year 2000 is "enhancing the quality of student life and learning," as stated in Vest's open letter to the community and better integrate student life and learning in terms of the experimental "house" program. Freshmen stay in their little offices and dormitories to the farthest corner of the room which, I could have sworn, was not there a day before when I was on tour before the arrival.

Naveen, sweating not hot was happy with keeping my computer and hi-fi system all the time. My mother complained that my room smelled electricity, something which I've never noticed before, and she blamed the smell on all the electronic equipment in my room. Despite my reassurances that there was no smell the rest of the year and my arguments that the equipment was on and off too would result in damage, she insisted that I turn off my computer and hi-fi every night before I sleep. My mom kept half-jokingly connected to this story about the phenomenon that I tend to trigger off store alarms every now and then even when I'm just entering the store.

That time, I did not pay much attention to what they said, after all, I found it ridiculous that merely having the computer or hi-fi would create an electrical field of significant strength. And I'm sure the real reason why I trigger off store alarms is my continual obsession with turning off my computer at night. My mom insisted that this behavior was beneficial to me, so they arranged for my computer at night. My mom had been powered down all the electronic equipment, even though it takes more purchasing power and they advised me to keep my equipment while it's turned down at the piano and hammering out a piece of music. My mom thought were quickly swept away last year.

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Laws, on the grounds that their proposal did not address public-safety concerns. Superior Court Justice Carol Ball quickly dismissed the challenge, though, and a greenhouse of fume was maintained in an unincorporated manner, but did allow the city to require that the new event speakers incite violations of the law.

"Politically, it's great," Mass. Committee on Public Safety spokesman John Rosenthal said. "It's a big win for us." Since the city's decision was made almost entirely based on what the police thought was necessary, the event was allowed to proceed without further incident.

The lead story on the Boston Globe's Metro page Sunday was: "Marijuana rally held at Boston Common in defiance of city ban on large public events.

Cook not only attended the rally, but spoke at it, openly identifying himself for all to see as the lead lawyer for the state's legalization movement, and as the party's only candidate for governor. In a speech that was well received by the crowd, he praised the legalization measure and its sponsors.

Another person I spoke with was Elvy Musikka, one of only eight people legally certified to distribute marijuana in Massachusetts. She said she didn't think the bill would make much difference, although, admittedly, she doesn't see it as a major issue.

But, formula or no formula, every movie has its moments of pure wonder. The first shot of the movie where Woody Allen is the king of the anthill. And the moment where the characters in the movie are silently discussing the significance of the ant's actions. In a fully immersive CG animation, it's hard not to feel transported.

To be fair, all this doesn't really impede the movie. The plot of "Antz" has enough rich detail and visual ingenuity to hold one's attention. In addition, the film is beautifully made, and the animation is inspired, with the most memorable being the "human" perspective on the ant world. The Prince of Egypt is a fine animated film, but it seems to be missing the touch of ant magic.

For the next step - trying to hold much interest, although, admittedly, many people may find the movie boring. The Prince of Egypt is a fine animated film, but it seems to be missing the touch of ant magic.

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Zinc
A masculine French bistro
By Duangjai Samranvedhya

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I first went to Zinc this past summer, to celebrate my first birthday ever. Since Zinc is located next to Bernacci's, around the corner from the Hard Rock Cafe in Boston, I expected service to be in the same category, considering the pizza and hamburgers being served next door. I was quite surprised by the magnitude of the food. Zinc is certainly not a hang-out place for college kids: It's filled with yuppies and middle-age types. But as a place for occasional culinary dining, Zinc is a good choice.

Zinc features a bar in the front and a typical French bistro table arrangement in the back (lots of tables for two along the walls), which explains the noise. Typically, a good restaurant pays its customers is the bread. Zinc is certainly not a type of fish which has already established itself on fashionable menus in New York and Boston restaurants. Again, the chef at Zinc served us with one of the best fish dishes I've had. The first went to Zinc this past summer, to celebrate my first birdie ever. Since Zinc is located next to Bertucci's, around the corner from the Hard Rock Cafe in Boston, I expected service to be in the same category, considering the pizza and hamburgers being served next door. I was quite surprised by the magnitude of the food. Zinc is certainly not a hang-out place for college kids: It's filled with yuppies and middle-age types. But as a place for occasional culinary dining, Zinc is a good choice.

The appetizers run from $8 to 15, entree $20 to 30, all having exquisite, finely chopped vegetables (love it!), yellowfin tuna toss, with a prinkle of Roquefort on top. I ordered the least expensive item on the menu, the steak, which if fresh are very crispy and tender. Intense flavors were packed into the sauce. The steak had a slight charcoa! trace to it, but was tender. The garnish was a paper-thin slice of potato chip, with three herbs, bay leaf, parsley, and one other herb, slid inside the chip pocket. You can see the herbs through the potato, showing the level of craftsmanship that goes on in the kitchen.

My friend ordered skate wing in clam soup. For those who do not know, skate wing is a type of fish which has already established itself on fashionable menus in New York and Boston restaurants. Again, the chef at Zinc served us with one of the best fish dishes I've had. The snack was the perfect opener to a satisfying entree. For those with heavier pockets, Zinc has half a bottle of Chateau D'Yquem at $213. Overall, Zinc was very good, which it had better be considering the prices. Although Zinc is not extraordinary, I would love to go back again and again. Remember that you can also order the least expensive item on the menu, share an appetizer and dessert with your friend, and indulge. I would say Zinc is almost there. My friend and I ordered profiteroles with pistachio ice cream and chocolate sauce. It was very good, but not exactly in my palate. Maybe it was because they ran out of the dessert I really wanted. All desserts cost $8. The best thing turned out to be a tiny glass of Sauterne, $8. It was the most delicate thing with the sweetest aroma. I have to admit dessert wine is quite self-indulging, but I'm glad I indulged myself that day. For those with heavier pockets, Zinc has half a bottle of Chateau D’Yquem at $213.

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CONCERT REVIEW

Barenaked Ladies

They were great on Monday; they'll be great on Sunday

By Satwiksai Seshasai

The Barenaked Ladies are one of North America’s hottest bands this year, made unmistakably clear after their concert at the Fleet Center on Monday, which sold out in just 24 minutes. Over 15,000 devoted fans were on their feet all night as BNL filled the arena with their brilliant style of folk-pop music. Their stage show was an incredible combination of songs from their albums and spontaneous stories for the city of Boston. Lead singers Steven Page and Ed Robertson displayed their hyperactive humor with songs saturating Boston Market Chicken, the Boston Garden, and City Hall Plaza.

The band mostly played songs from their most recent album, Stunt. After singing the band’s most popular songs “When You’re Gone,” Page swapped for high drama as we follow two pairs of identical twins, separated from each other. When they coincidentally meet in their respective brothers by a shipwreck, a whimsical family relationships is played out. The Aquila Theatre from London has pur- sued this noble ambition to impressive critical advance. Therefore, a delightful surprise when a theater

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By Bence Ovcszky

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*By Katie Jefferys*

"The PC is fundamentally a disaster," said Donald A. Norman ’57 yesterday to a packed audience in Room 34-101 as he promoted his new book, *The Invisible Computer.*

In his book, Norman states his belief that "that there is a fundamental mismatch between what industry provides and is able to provide and what the consumer is seeking." Therefore, both groups need to reevaluate the use of technology.

He recommends that "technologies move from a technology centered world to a human centered world." The complexity of technology should increase with time in order to make it more simple for the user.

Computers, as the title of Norman’s book indicates, should be invisible. By this, he means they should be as unobtrusive as the motors in a coffee grinder or an egg beater.

These appliances each serve a definite purpose using the same basic technology, Norman said. Such an appliance is simple to understand and use, because it only serves one purpose, he said.

So should it be with computers, Norman said. He cites automatic teller machines as a notable example of these “Information Appliances.”

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**Speaker Dubs PC *A Disaster***

By creating smaller components that serve a definite purpose and can “talk” to each other, technology becomes mobile as well, he said.

However, the risk of integrating so many small components is that there is a greater chance of failure and incomparability, Norman added.

As a result, "open worldwide standards" must be established, Norman said. This will allow competing products to maintain compatibility, he said.

**Industry competition faces decline**

The competition in the computer industry today is steadily decreasing, Norman said. This affinity for one product over another is apparent throughout history as new technolo- gies are introduced. In many cases of competition, consumers think "I don’t care who wins... just give me the best," according to Norman.

He emphasized that in many cases, it is not the best use of the technology that prevails, but the one that appeals to the mass market.

Thus, an inflexible standard is set, changes to it are difficult. As an example, Norman offered up the impact of basing all upgrades to operating systems and software on previous versions. When this occurs, the industry cannot make the drastic changes necessary to simplify and beat utilize the available technology, Norman said.
How does your body metabolize alcohol?

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

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

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

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\text{CH}_3\text{CHO} + \text{NAD} \rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{COOH} + \text{NADH} + \text{H}^+ \\
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- 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 large surface area of the lung and 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 individual who is drinking.

- The metabolism of alcohol is a chemical process which occurs at a fixed rate. Showers, 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.

Most MIT students drink safely and many don't drink at all. Whatever your choice, these tips may help you or a friend in need.

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Chaplains see listing in MIT Directory

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So how long am I supposed to leave this bleach in?

Do you think it was safe to apply it to my whole body? Albert?

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Aaargh! Newton! Wash that stuff out now!

Uh, too late.

Aack! My precious locks!

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Down with Science

My guess is that I won't be seeing her again in the near future.

Oh? Let me guess—she asked you about the external...

Oh come on! Why does everyone know this?

So how did your date go the other night?

Well, it's pretty easy to tell that you don't have balls...

by Jennifer DiMase
**Dilbert**

by Scott Adams

- I have time to do one of these two assignments.
- It's not my policy to fire morons, Donald. Firing is expensive.
- It's my policy to make your job so unpleasant that you quit.
- Only two more years and I'm vested.
- Put this strip on your nose to get more oxygen to your brain.
- I'm hoping it will make you a more interesting conversationalist.
- How 'bout that?
- I'm no longer optimistic.

**Miss Christopher? What's it be ok wrong if I got a different copy of this book that you handed out?**

- It's the copy my brother Peter had when he took this class.
- And you don't need any extra reminders that you're following in his footsteps?
- No no - I just don't want to get bitten by coyotes.
- How am I supposed to get an answer out of him?
- Miss Christopher? What's it be ok wrong if I got a different copy of this book that you handed out?
- Peter, have you seen my homework? No, you might try asking Peter.
- Jason, have you seen my homework? No, you might try asking Jason.
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**FoxTrot**

by Bill Amend

- There's a saying that if you put enough monkeys in front of typewriters, one will eventually bang out the works of Shakespeare.
- I figure if it can work for "Hamlet," why not also for a "Hamlet" book report?
- Oh, man - check actually out the gibberish that on this one was my page.
- What's with all this gobbledygook? Wrote coming out of the computer printer? Program to generate random letters of the alphabet.
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A study undertaken in 1991 by the MIT Colloquium Committee indicated that many undergraduates were "confused by what constitutes academic honesty" and unsure of the amount of collaboration allowed.

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Many professors, however, encourage their students to work together on assignments. The 6.170 homepage even gives instructions on subscribing to the class zephyr instances on Athena.

"As a general rule, the amount of cheating is low," said Professor Paul L. Penfield Jr. ScD '60, head of the department of electrical engineering and computer science. "The students here are here because they love [the work] and they enjoy it."

"We always try to make it as clear as we can" to what extent student collaboration is allowed, Penfield added.

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 Finance Board Decisions

## Finance Board Decisions

### Vary Among Groups

The Finance Board, from Page 1, every year, primarily because of the organization's size and substantial involvement in student activities.

According to Gerhardt, Finance Board's goal is "funding groups and events that have or will have a strong presence on campus, as well as helping new groups get started."

Finance Board hopes the increased funding this year would help many organizations fully fund their activities, Gerhardt added.

Each term, Finance Board finances many student groups with funds received directly from the Institute. Groups can request funds at the budget compilation meeting in the previous term. If any given group feels that more funds are needed, appeals can be made at the start of the term. Groups that did not make initial requests can also apply for funds at this time.

Finance board places strict limitations on how the allocated funds are used. Funds cannot be used to buy food except for cultural and international events. Other stipulations in this year’s appeals included limitations on transportation costs, fundraising, and IAP costs.

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Source: UA Finance Board
Police Bust Prostitutes at Rutgers University Party

Four individuals — including at least one Rutgers College student — and two guests were arrested early Sunday morning in what appeared to be a prostitution ring at an off-campus party being connected to the university, police said.

Laurel Levine, a 37-year-old Hampton, Va., woman; Tiffany Rhodes, 23, and Aqueelah Howard, 21, with prostitution.

Police charged Gregory Wilson Jr., 29, with promoting prostitution and maintaining a nuisance. Wilson’s three roommates — Obena Linton, 23, Rutgers College senior Ryan Brown, 22, and Bryan Kahn, 19 — were charged with maintaining a nuisance and illegal sales of alcohol. Wilson was released on $2,500 bail, and Linton and Brown were released on their own recognizance.

In addition, police charged Tiffany Rhodes, 23, and Aqueelah Howard, 21, with prostitution. Rhodes was given an additional charge of possession of marijuana under 50 grams.

Lt. Les Levine of the New Brunswick Police Department said police were prompted to stake out the three-story home after they received calls advising a pay-at-the-door party with lap dancing, "special VIP rooms" and "very tight security."

Based on the information we received and the fact that they were charging a charge, and the sexual overtones of the fler, we set up surveillance," he said.

In an interview with The Daily Targum, Wilson said the incident was all a misunderstanding, "I don't even think much about it," he said. He said he intends to argue in court that the police could not come into his home because they did not have a warrant.

Levine said over the course of a three-hour surveillance Saturday night, police observed nearly 100 people paying for admission to the house.

"Several people were milling in and around the area," he said. "There were several local residents with whom we were familiar and for the most part what we assumed to be college kids."

He said police entered the house at about 12:15 a.m. Sunday, where they found 175 patrons, about 95 percent of whom were male, and a strong smell of marijuana.

"People started scurrying around and running out the front door," Levine said. "We spoke to the people who actually lived in the house." Levine said police discovered the residents of the house had been running a raflle in which the winner would have sex with Howard or Rhodes.

He said police found Howard and Rhodes on the second floor of the house half-dressed. In a second-floor bedroom, Levine said police found condoms, a bed and two chairs officers believe were used for lap dancing.

(Daily Targum, Oct. 6)

Va. tech students abduct stripper
Police arrested and charged a Virginia Tech student and member of the Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity with abducting an exotic dancer and her boyfriend.

Ryan Worsh, a senior accounting major, allegedly held 18-year-old Michelle Russell, an exotic dancer who works for the Always Dancer Show, and her boyfriend, against their will late on the night of Sept. 20, according to the Blacksburg Police Department.

The fraternity called the service and requested an exotic dancer, identifying themselves as professors at Virginia Tech having a bachelor party, said Larry Hincker, the associate vice president of university relations at Virginia Tech, referring to a statement Russell made about the incident.

Hincker said Russell went to the fraternity and performed. Afterward, some members of the fraternity asked her to come dance in a private room.

They then asked her to perform a strip act and when Russell refused they held her and Chereevosnyk against their will.

(7:30 - 9:00 pm)

Kent State protests hate speech
A Student Anti-Racist Action and Lesbian Gay Bisexual Union rally began Tuesday morning with chants of "down the charges," escalated into verbal attacks on Kent State administrators and police and ended peacefully with a march to the Office of Judicial Affairs.

The rally, organized in protest to assault and disorderly conduct charges against student Ben Brucato and graduate Chris Stringer, also focused on the difference between free speech and harassment.

"We have to go where the investigation of the case takes us," Senior, Tyler, a freshman pre-political science major, said she was behind Brucato.

"I don't see how the issue here is more of a hate speech issue," Tyler said.

"I think it's just because he is protecting himself, and he stands for the protection of others," Brucato said.

Brucato said hundreds of students signed a petition that circulate the campus asking the university to drop the charge and for the university to recognize Spingola's 0ffence.

"This university, this police department, is charging tudents for what they have committed and for the university hasn't yet brought charges against the boy, they have used it against the students," Merryman said.

Merryman said the Office of Judicial Affairs has received over 40 letters from parents, students and faculty protesting, "bans on student speech.

This is not an appropriate thing to allow at a university," Merryman said.

In a statement issued before Tuesday's protest, Nancy Scott, vice president and dean of Enrollment Management and Student Affairs, said: "As we carefully examine the incident and consider our campus over the past several weeks, we are struggling with two very difficult issues, how to respect the rights of speech, while considering the rights of others and how to maintain a community of safety and civility that is respectful and where safety and civility is not compromised."

"These are difficult issues that require us to examine our levels of respect and civility," Scott said.

"While we do not yet have the answers to all of these questions, we want to ensure all students that their concerns are not being ignored. We have committed to get the students and staff who make up our community involved in the development of policies and opportunities for dialogue and discussion."

Brucato ended the rally with a request for students to follow him to the Office of Judicial Affairs, where he was scheduled to be advised of the university charge against him.

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**Researchers Assert Microsoft's Request Hurts Their Efforts**

*Microsoft, from Page 1*

Cusumano has faced similar demands before: in 1995, after co-authoring the book Microsoft Secrets, the Justice Department asked him to reveal the research he used for the book. Dr. Cusumano refused and the Department dropped their request.

Cusumano said that this latest book, due for publication Oct. 20, may have only questionable relevance to the antitrust case. He reported to the Journal that the book does not examine anticompetitive business deals with Microsoft, but does suggest that the company "pushed for market share too aggressively"—a suggestion that may backfire on Microsoft lawyers.

Regardless of the book's content, both MIT and Harvard agreed to protect the professors' research and filed objections to the subpoena in Federal Court in Boston.

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**College protect research interests**

Harvard and MIT feel that this could be devastating to the research efforts of both universities, Yoffie stated in an interview with The Wall Street Journal before the decision was handed down. "Everything we do is based on being able to establish trust and promise confidentiality to people we work with, and if companies think notes and tapes could later be used against them in court, our ability to do this kind of research will be undermined."

According to the Journal, a Microsoft spokesman replied, "Microsoft has no desire to interfere with their ability to conduct research, and we are willing to work with the professors and the universities to ensure their confidentiality information is protected as well as all the rest of the confidential information in this case has been protected."

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Oracle Corporation, a Microsoft competitor, also filed its own objection against the subpoena on grounds that Microsoft is manipulating the judicial process in order to determine its competitor's most sensitive commercial information.
Disgruntled Student Wields Knife in Va. Tech Office

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[Daly Keri Sauri, Oct. 8]

Virginia Tech student wields knife

A disgruntled student threatened to stab a university official at the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid Wednesday afternoon, making his way into the building after being denied in a prior attempt.

While not much was known about his credit hours having been blocked due to his financial aid inadequacy, according to Virginia Tech police officer Jeremy Williams. The suspect arrived at Burruss Hall to find the building again with a closed knapsack in his hand.

Williams approached the student and asked him to go to the police. Several minutes later, assisting officers arrived on the scene.

As the incident occurred Tuesday evening in downtown Blacksburg.

Ross Norton, 29, of Abingdon, Va., was taken into custody outside of Burruss Hall after he exposed what Eric Famisan, a Bollo's employee who served Norton a $5 drink, said he told him it wasn't enough.

Famisan said Norton then pulled the knife from his pocket and flashed the weapon at his side. With a $5 bill clearly in sight, Norton attempted to pay the $2.39 for his beverage.

Police arrested Norton for larceny and forcefully removed the knife. Several minutes later, assisting offices arrived on the scene.

Norton was arrested by the Blacksburg police on accounts of obstruction.

When Norton attempted to pay the drink with a $1 bill, Famisan said he told him it wasn't enough.

“Either have it where there's no drinks or you can drink in all of them, not just certain ones,” he said.

As an incentive for students to avoid alcohol abuse, the Residential Living Committee will offer a series of awards to students who refrain from misusing alcohol.

Students who go off campus to drink and come back to the dorms and they can walk and talk and are not banging into the walls and are not falling down, there is no problem,” Svistulich said.

If they come back and can't show their I.D. cards, and they don't know their names and need assistance to their rooms, that's a problem and will preclude them from receiving an award.

Resident directors and assistants, along with other students, nominate individuals who support established programs, display good behavior and refrain from misusing and abusing alcohol. The committee then convenes to select an individual or an entire floor of a residence hall worthy of winning an award.

"We want to give awards and provide incentives to the people who adhere to the following criteria. Students cannot have a record of alcohol violation or misbehavior related to alcohol on or off campus.

Students must actively participate in support activities and programs designed to decrease the amount of alcohol on campus. Some of these programs include activities held in residence halls, the University-wide alcohol-free program, Alcohol Awareness Week and the Wellness Fair.

Students must act as good role models by displaying responsible behavior, mutual respect and leadership capabilities.

An award is also given to a floor that actively participates in and follows the criteria established by the Residential Living Committee. Awards are donated by organizations that support the University's efforts in curtailing the consumption of alcoholic beverages in residence halls.

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By Randy Myers

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As early as the second mile of the five-kilometer course, the Engineers showed that they were the team to beat. With Mike Parkins ‘99 and LaMondia Feldman ‘02 in the top two, the team already had lead. The rest of the team was not far behind, putting up a inspiring victory in a talented pool of athletes.

The team’s second pack also proved strong, with both Phil Louisto ‘99 finishing strong in 20th place and Ed Gehl ‘00 mounding out the top five with an impressive 3rd place finish. Chris McGuire ‘02, back from injury, and Frank Johnson ‘00 were not far behind, filling out the rest of the varsity spots with 36th and 42nd place finishes, respectively.

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