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GETTING SUCKED IN — Freshman Marc Farrell enters Phi Kappa Sigma's Vortex during Residence Midway last night in Johnson Athletic Center.

GREG KUHNEN—THE TECH

Living Groups Court Students at Midway

By Kristen Landino
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

Freshmen got their first taste of the MIT housing options last night at the residence midway.

MIT's living groups converged on Johnson Athletic Center as a prelude to the rush which will begin today at 12:45 p.m. in Killian Court.

Upperclassmen distributed information pamphlets, rush books, and business cards to freshmen as a lure to stop by their living groups during the coming days. Bexley Hall's absence was consistent with their anti-rush philosophy.

Each dormitory's display tried to give freshmen an idea of what life was like at their residence.

To emphasize their social environment, Baker did not distribute pamphlets but had a number of residents on hand to discuss life at Baker.

Random Hall residents sported

yellow tape with the words "non-conforming material" printed in black letters.

One Senior House resident wore a dress made with only a Senior House t-shirt and masking tape.

Many of the fraternities had similar displays with pictures, rush books and smiling fraternity members.

Phi Kappa Sigma displayed "The Vortex." Freshmen climbed into a black tunnel to view pictures of the house's biannual Scuffle party.

Beta Theta Pi set up couches and coffee tables to emphasize the laid-back atmosphere of their fraternity.

Freshmen appeared to be using the time yesterday evening to begin winnowing their options. Anna Parish '03 said, "I'm pretty sure that I'm going to live in a dorm but I haven't really looked around enough to figure out which one I like the most."

Residence at Caltech Marked by Choice

By Karen Robinson
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

This article is the second in The Tech's series of articles profiling residence systems at MIT's peer institutions.

As Undergraduate Association President Matthew L. McGann '00 told the Class of 2003, MIT's housing is somewhat unusual in that incoming students choose their housing and live with upperclassmen. Our unusual system is matched by that of the California Institute of Technology, which is based on "a kind of hybrid dorm-frat known as a house," said Bryan Eastin, Caltech '01.

There are seven on-campus houses: Blacker, Dabney, Fleming, Lloyd, Page, Ricketts, and Ruddock. Each "comprises a kind of extended family," Eastin said. Members of a house eat together every evening, and most socializing also takes place within a house.

Like MIT dorms and living groups, houses have distinct personalities. Caltech junior Celeste Yang, said the "moles," or tunnel hackers, often live in her house, Blacker. Page and Fleming residents, she said, are often more athletic.

Freshmen choose houses

During the first week of classes, freshmen live in temporary housing and "do rotations" — eat lunch and dinner at a different house every day. At the end of the week they designate four houses in which they would like to live. Every student is placed in one of his four choice houses, said Biff Yamazaki, in the Caltech Housing Office. "Most people get into either their first or second choice," Eastin said.

Students move after having been at Caltech for two weeks, during their first term. According to Eastin first term is already "a swirl of colors, sounds, hopes, and hormones. The extra bit of craziness added by moving after two weeks is hardly noticeable."

Houses also select freshmen

House members meet after dining with the freshmen during rotations, and discuss them. At the end of rotations houses, too, rank the freshmen they thought would fit well at that house. "I have a feeling that the upperclassmen know where the freshmen should go better than the frosh know themselves," Eastin said. "In every case I know of a frosh being disappointed by which house picked them, that frosh subsequent-

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SIPB Turns Over Website to Institute

Athena 8.3 features maintenance improvements; quota also increased

By Anna K. Benefiel
STAFF REPORTER

After six years, the Student Information Processing Board relinquished <http://www.mit.edu> to Information Systems to mirror the official MIT home page.

SIPB has controlled the domain name since 1993, when the site was one of the first 100 on the web. "As a group, we've known that this has been coming for a couple years," said SIPB Chairman Gisele M. Proulx G, "and we're trying to work with Information Services to make a smooth transition."

When the site was established, "www wasn't a big deal," said Matthew K. Gray '99, author of the original SIPB site. After World Wide Web Consortium member Timothy R. Berners-Lee recommended www over other prefixes, the issue of domain names took on greater significance, Gray said. Berners-Lee, who invented the Web, is now a principal research scientist in the Laboratory for Computer Science.

Lauding the "close relationship" between I/S and SIPB, Gray said, "it makes sense for www.mit.edu to be the MIT homepage."

The www site receives an average of 500,000 hits a day, with six percent of visitors from MIT and 94 percent from outside the Institute, Gray said.

Athena system updated, improved

The domain name was only one of the several changes to the Athena computing network that took place

this summer.

The Athena Cluster Service Team installed approximately 100 new Sun Ultra 5s, Ultra 10s, and SGI O2s and upgraded all Athena

machines to the new Athena 8.3 release.

Most features of the 8.3 release

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ANNIE S. CHOI—THE TECH

FROSH FISH — Bexley Hall hackers hung fish at the entrance and left sprinklers running to drive freshman away.



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WORLD & NATION

Hurricane Dennis Picking Up Steam, Eyeing Florida Land

LOS ANGELES TIMES

MIAMI

A strengthening Hurricane Dennis swirled menacingly along the southeast coast Friday, kicking up surf in Florida while threatening to blow ashore in the Carolinas early next week.

Forecasters said the storm's maximum winds could rise to 110 miles an hour or more as it paralleled the coastline on a northward trajectory.

Late Friday the center of Dennis was located about 300 miles southeast of Cape Canaveral, and moving north-northwest at seven miles an hour. Top winds were estimated at 80 miles an hour.

Dennis pounded the northern-most Bahamas on Friday. Especially hard-hit was Great Abaco, which saw the eye of the storm pass over just before sunset. Ham radio operators reported wind gusts of more than 60 miles an hour, according to forecasters at Miami's National Hurricane Center.

Computer models predicted the hurricane would gain strength once it cleared the Bahamas and moved out over the warm waters of the Gulf Stream. Those same computers say that the hurricane would likely strike the Carolina coast sometime late Monday or early Tuesday.

Maryland Drought Aids Police in Hunting for Marijuana

THE WASHINGTON POST

The drought that's aggravating home gardeners, pool owners, and golf course caretakers has been a boon to at least one group: police officers who hunt out marijuana plants.

With the shrubs and underbrush that generally conceal marijuana turning brown in the sweltering heat, carefully tended — and religiously watered — pot plants are sticking out like very sore, very green thumbs, law enforcement officials say.

Police in Maryland and Virginia regularly embark on airplane flights over private property and public parks in search of illicitly grown marijuana. Sgt. Kirk Holub, head of the Montgomery County, Md., Police Department's narcotics division, said that from above, the "emerald green" of marijuana stands out in a field turned barren from lack of rain.

"It's made it easier to identify the crops. It's just a lot harder to find cover," Holub said. This week alone, officials in Maryland have seized more than 100 marijuana plants. Arrests have nearly doubled, from 54 last year to about 100 so far this year.

So far this year, about 2,500 marijuana plants have been found in Maryland, up from 2,200 — or \$4 million worth — at this time last year.

In Virginia, which hasn't suffered the same rainfall deficits this summer as Maryland, officials have seized more than 7,500 plants, compared to roughly 10,000 seized in the same period last year, said First Sgt. J.C. Lewis, head of the Virginia State Police Marijuana Eradication Program.

The problem for marijuana farmers has to do with the stubby root structure of their chosen crop. The University of Mississippi's Mamhoud Elsohly, who researches marijuana for the National Institute on Drug Abuse, the nation's only legal provider of marijuana for research, said cannabis roots extend a scant six inches into the ground, unlike the roots of, say, cotton plants, which grow far deeper and require less water.

The Catch-22 has attracted the attention of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws Foundation, a Washington-based pot-advocacy group. Marijuana growers "know if they go out and water the crops, it'll draw attention," said Allen St. Pierre, the group's executive director, who added that several pot farmers have told him that they are "definitely concerned about their outdoor crops."

WEATHER

Muggy Rush

By Annie Choi
PHOTO EDITOR

As the weekend begins we can expect uncomfortable conditions. Humid and sticky through the weekend, there will be about a 30 percent chance of showers although the hopes and prayers of Interfraternity Council members make rain distinctly less likely at least in the Killian Court area. Today brings morning clouds and highs in the low 90's.

Muggy conditions may be alleviated with light 10-20 m.p.h. winds, though staying in a climate controlled environment is much more appealing. Such a strategy, however, could limit one's rushing possibilities to, well, New House. We might as well stay in our air conditioned news room or those 15-passenger vans that most living groups will be using to cruise Memorial Drive today. Tonight will be clear and cooler, with balmy temperatures in the low to mid 60's. The weather will be less humid and comfortable for sleeping if the hectic orientation schedule grants you that opportunity.

Sunday will be partly cloudy, but slightly muggy, with a high of 81° that will cool down to the low 60's by dinnertime. The weather will be better than today, though we are far from blue skies and picture perfect conditions. All we can do is imagine we are lounging on a beach in Cancun instead of the steps of the Stratton Student Center.

Today: Morning clouds, high near 91° F (33°C).

Tonight: Clear and cool. Low 66°F (18°C).

Sunday: Partly cloudy, muggy, high near 81° (25°C).

The Tech news staff contributed to this weather report.

Mexico's Former Lawman Faces Laundering Charges

By Esther Schrader
and James F. Smith

LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON

Mexico's former No. 2 lawman has been charged by federal authorities with laundering more than \$9 million in drug payoffs through a Houston bank, a move officials hailed Friday as a major victory for U.S. and Mexican anti-drug forces.

Former Deputy Attorney General Mario Ruiz Massieu was taken into custody late Thursday at his New Jersey home. He has been under house arrest there since 1995, first on a minor customs charge and then as he fought extradition.

On Monday, a federal grand jury in Houston indicted him on 25 counts of laundering narcotics proceeds, aiding racketeering and conspiring with drug traffickers.

The indictment alleges that Ruiz Massieu had an associate make cash deposits ranging from \$40,000 to \$800,000 into his bank accounts at Texas Commerce Bank in Houston during 1994 and 1995. Most of the deposits consisted of \$20 bills bundled in rubber bands, stuffed into suitcases and delivered every few weeks — hundreds of thousands of dollars at a time.

The deposits were made during and immediately after Ruiz Massieu served as a senior law enforcement official in Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari's administration.

Mexican Attorney General Jorge Madrazo Cuellar on Friday welcomed the news of Ruiz Massieu's indictment, saying Mexico had collaborated with the U.S. government in building the case. "This repre-

sents an important step against impunity," Madrazo said in a statement.

U.S. Customs Commissioner Raymond W. Kelly said in a statement that the charges show "the enormous corrupting power of drug money. (Ruiz Massieu) was a top official who violated the public trust. There is no worse crime than this for law enforcement officials."

Ruiz Massieu's lawyer, Cathy Fleming, called the charges "politically motivated" and said her client intends to plead not guilty.

At a hearing in Newark, N.J., on Friday, U.S. Magistrate Judge Joel Paisano set bail at \$500,000. Ruiz Massieu and his wife co-signed the bond, which allows him to return to his rented house in a Newark suburb. A date for his arraignment in Houston had not been set.

The arrest of Ruiz Massieu follows years of frustrated attempts by U.S. and Mexican officials to bring him to trial for alleged involvement in drug trafficking and money laundering.

He was first arrested by Customs officials at Newark International Airport in 1995, on his way to Spain with \$45,000 of undeclared cash in his briefcase. He had fled Mexico amid charges of taking payoffs from one of Mexico's most notorious drug traffickers when he headed Mexico's anti-drug effort, and of obstructing the investigation into the 1994 assassination of his brother, Jose Francisco Ruiz Massieu, a top official of the ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party.

Mexican prosecutors contend that Mario Ruiz Massieu was trying

to protect the man convicted in January of masterminding that murder, Raul Salinas de Gortari, the brother of Mexico's former president.

Raul Salinas also is believed to have profited from the drug trade. Swiss authorities have identified about \$115 million they say is protection money paid to Salinas. He is being held in a Mexican jail.

The U.S. charges connected with Ruiz Massieu's undeclared cash were dismissed soon after they were filed. But Ruiz Massieu has been under court-ordered house arrest ever since, fighting deportation proceedings by the Immigration and Naturalization Service. He wears an electronic ankle bracelet to monitor his movements, and is forbidden to leave the premises much of the time.

Mexico has been seeking to have Ruiz Massieu returned to face other charges stemming from its own narcotics and bribery probe, and the Clinton administration has sought to cooperate with the Mexican request. Separately, Ruiz Massieu has been seeking asylum status that would allow him to remain in the United States.

The criminal case against Ruiz Massieu began to fall into place last year, officials said, when a former senior Mexican police official, Adrian Carrera Fuentes, told a federal grand jury in Houston that he had turned over millions of dollars in drug bribes to Ruiz Massieu. The bribes — consisting of U.S. currency stuffed into two suitcases — were delivered to Ruiz Massieu in a Mexico City parking lot.

Russian Cosmonauts Abandon Space Station Mir, Ending Era

By David Hoffman
THE WASHINGTON POST

MOSCOW

Russian cosmonauts abandoned the space station Mir Friday, closing the hatch of the 140-ton platform that over its lifespan has symbolized both the Soviet Union's great power aspirations and Russia's recent decline into a country plagued by one crisis after another.

Cosmonauts Viktor Afanasyev and Sergei Avdeyev, along with Frenchman Jean-Pierre Haignere, waved goodbye as they moved from the tubular space station to the Soyuz-TM vessel. Three hours later, they detached from Mir, leaving it unmanned. They were expected to return to Earth within a few hours, landing in Kazakhstan.

"We are leaving the station in an unusual way, when there is no other crew, with bitterness in our hearts," said Afanasyev on the departure. "We are leaving a bit of Russia, something we built in space, and it is unknown what we will build in the future."

Eventually, if funds are not found to keep Mir aloft, it will be brought down and allowed to burn up in the atmosphere over the Pacific Ocean early next year. Its destruction will be an inglorious and painful end to the 13-year saga of the longest-manned orbiting space station.

The final decision to give up Mir came after a strenuous but ultimately unsuccessful drive to find commercial sponsors. The Russian Space Agency at one point offered to use it for advertising. Later, an idea was floated to make a film about it. This year, a British businessman flirted with the idea of tak-

ing a space ride to raise cash, but backed out. A joint U.S.-Russian program of sending American astronauts to Mir expired. Appeals to the Russian public were met with indifference.

Russian space agency officials have said it would cost \$250 million a year to keep Mir running aloft, but Western experts have suggested the actual cost may be about \$100 million.

The leadership of Russia's space program insisted up to the last day that the space station is workable. Yuri Grigoryev, deputy chief designer at Energia, the Russian rocket corporation, told the Russian Tass news agency that studies had shown the station could remain in space until 2003 to 2005.

A key consideration in the decision to scrap the Mir was Russia's participation in the next generation of space platforms, the 16-nation International Space Station. The United States had urged Russia to close down the Mir so it could use its limited budget for parts of the new international station. Russia's work on the new station has lagged way behind schedule because of financial problems.

The Mir's base block was lofted by the Soviet Union on Feb. 20, 1986, and its original service life was rated as five years. Over the next 13 years, it hosted 24 international scientific programs and 17,000 scientific and technological experiments. Researchers from 15 countries flew aboard the station, which carries 11.5 tons of scientific gear. Mir hosted a total of 102 cosmonauts and astronauts; in 1995 a Russian cosmonaut, Valery Polyakov, logged the longest stay in space, completing a 437-day mis-

sion on Mir.

In its later years, work aboard Mir became anything but routine. Astronauts have described it as a flying do-it-yourself repair ship, which required almost constant attention. Several accidents were near-catastrophic, including a fire. The most serious was the June 25, 1997, collision of an unmanned Progress cargo vessel with Mir, which punctured the skin of the space station and threatened the lives of the two Russian cosmonauts and one American astronaut on board.

The crash, during a failed docking procedure in which a Russian cosmonaut was using a joystick-like control system to guide the cargo vessel, made useless one of Mir's five attached modules, the Spektr, and raised many questions about the cost and viability of the aging station. Later repairs reclaimed some of the Mir's internal functions for experiments.

According to Interfax, in six to eight days, the Russian ground controllers will issue orders to Mir to shut down the main computers and the "gyrodines" that preserve its orientation to the sun. The station then will begin to drift.

Much of the station's electronic gear was disabled by the outgoing crew, but some basic systems will continue to operate, and ground controllers are said to be able to restart the equipment on board if need be.

According to Russian space officials, if no financing can be found — which seems virtually certain — a "liquidator crew" will be flown to it next February or March to begin the final preparations for bringing Mir down.

Turkey Faces Psychological Aftershocks of Deadly Quake

By Mary Beth Sheridan

LOS ANGELES TIMES

GOLCUK, TURKEY

For Nilgun Ulgen, Turkey's deadly earthquake never ends.

Night after night, the 20-year-old is trapped once again under the concrete chunks of her devastated five-story apartment building. People are screaming. Everything is pitch black. She cries desperately: "Help! Get me out!"

Then she wakes up. She is safe, in a makeshift wood-and-plastic tent, her worried mother at her side.

Like Ulgen, tens of thousands of survivors of the Aug. 17 earthquake in northwest Turkey are beginning to suffer psychological aftershocks such as fear, despair and nightmares. The massive scale of the loss produced an unusually high level of depression for a natural disaster, say Turkish psychologists. Some victims are expected to experience the kind of severe trauma suffered by Vietnam veterans.

Turkish government hospitals, aid groups and psychologists are scrambling to set up counseling

clinics and hotlines. But they are concerned that this developing country lacks the professionals and resources to cope with widespread psychological problems.

"Thousands will begin to experience the memories. They'll have flashbacks, fear, depression. This is what's coming," warned Emre Konuk, president of the Istanbul chapter of the private Turkish Psychologists Association.

In the days after the magnitude 7.4 quake, survivors were numb with shock and terrified of another temblor. But for many, the impact of the disaster — whose death toll as of Friday was at least 13,472 — didn't sink in. Victims threw themselves into digging out loved ones or finding shelter.

Now that most survivors have settled into tents, however, they are being hit with an emotional tidal wave as they come to grips with the sudden jolt that shattered their lives.

Ulgen and her three siblings try to block out the memories of the quake that destroyed their grand-

mother's house, trapped them for hours and killed their 18-year-old sister and 11-year-old brother.

"When you ask them about the disaster, they don't want to talk," said their father, Hudaverdi Ulgen, who was in the Netherlands when the disaster occurred.

But at night, the four siblings lie awake on their mattresses, unable to sleep. When they finally nod off, the tent fills with murmurs. In their dreams, they are reliving the disaster and their fear as they waited to be rescued.

A doctor visits the family's tent daily to examine the 80-year-old grandmother's cuts and bruises. But there is no treatment for the family's psychological wounds. Hudaverdi Ulgen snorted at the idea, insisting that the family will forget their pain and go on.

Thousands of survivors, however, are expected to seek psychological help. Government hospitals have set up a 24-hour hotline and are scrambling to establish psychological clinics in devastated cities.

Accidents Up Despite Safeguards in New, Faster Amusement Park Rides

By Dan Eggen

THE WASHINGTON POST

Spurred on by customer demand and dramatic leaps in computer technology, roller coasters and other amusement park attractions are bigger, faster and louder than ever.

The latest coasters scream along at nearly 100 mph. Another popular attraction drops passengers in a free fall from heights comparable to a mid-size skyscraper. And in Ohio, one theme park is building the tallest coaster in the world — one that would take riders 310 feet above the surface of the Earth.

But after four deaths this year aboard amusement park rides, many of those who love the new thrills also are beginning to wonder if those thrills are safe.

Experts say the same technology that has improved the rides has led to major advances in rider safety, allowing computers and electronic switches to monitor speeds, locations and whether everyone is buckled in properly.

The measures are aimed at protecting people from a variety of mishaps and mistakes, industry representatives said, though little can be done to stop thrill seekers determined to thwart precautions, as may have been the case this week at Paramount's Kings

Dominion in Virginia.

Timothy Fan, a 20-year-old college student from New York, rode the Shockwave roller coaster Monday night as it climbed 95 feet before plunging its standing riders through a steep vertical loop and a sideways spiral. As his train was slowing before returning to the station, investigators said, Fan wriggled free of the safety harness, then fell accidentally to his death.

"If I undo my seat belt and open the door of my car when it's going 70 mph down the highway, you can just imagine the dangers I'd face," said Chance Hester, safety manager at Kings Dominion. "We instruct riders to follow the rules, but we can't make them follow the rules."

Yet with the number of amusement-park injuries nearly doubling in the past five years, some experts say too many modern rides depend on riders to ensure their own safety. Recent deaths and mishaps have prompted legislators to call for tougher regulation of the amusement park industry.

"The public is expecting more and more and more, and the park operators are giving them more and more and more," said William Avery, a veteran safety manager who runs an Orlando consulting

firm. "That's OK to do that. But when you reach the point that personal safety relies on participation from the rider, then you've probably gone too far. We may have reached that point."

Manufacturers, designers and safety experts say modern amusement rides are built to avoid nearly all foreseeable problems. Industry studies also show that about 80 percent of all injuries are the result of rider error.

Jerry Aldrich, an Orlando amusement safety consultant, said the restraints on many newer rides include a microchip sensor that tells the operator whether the safety bars are latched. The computer controlling the ride won't allow it to proceed until all of the restraints are locked in place, he said.

"The casual mistake won't result in a problem," said Aldrich, who worked for Disney Corp. for 27 years. "You have to want to get around it. ... I can't think of any rides that could not be gotten out of if you really wanted to do it."

Hester said that the Shockwave's hydraulic lock system, which operates the safety harnesses, is designed with fail-safe measures that allow for almost complete failure of the harnesses while keeping riders locked into the trains.

FCC Adopts New Rules to Improve Government Wiretapping Abilities

By Shu Shin Luh

THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON

The Federal Communications Commission Friday approved a series of telephone industry standards aimed at bringing law-enforcement wiretaps into the digital age, to the displeasure of groups that see a threat to privacy rights.

The FCC order will require telecommunications companies to provide six of nine new surveillance capabilities that have been on the "wish list" of the Justice Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The new surveillance standards will affect a range of companies, including long-distance providers, local service carriers and wireless phone companies, because of the alterations the carriers need to make to meet the requirements.

With the new rules in place, for example, phone companies will have to equip their cellular towers to

allow court-authorized traces of cellular phone calls. They also will have to equip their services so that wiretaps can be made of conference calls.

Companies also must put equipment in place to enable law enforcement officials to learn the phone number that a person calls after dialing a 1-800 number to connect to a long-distance carrier.

The FCC rejected the idea of requiring telephone firms to inform law enforcement agents whether a wire tap is working or when a customer whose phone is being tapped changes features such as call-waiting or voice mail.

The FCC will require telecom providers to meet the rules by next June 30. However, the FCC asked for more time to study wiretaps of so-called packet-mode communications, used on the Internet and increasingly for voice communications. The FCC said if the standards were applied to those areas, investigators could gain access to the content of a call at times when

they were legally allowed only to trace the call's source. The agency asked the industry to come up with a solution by September of next year.

The FCC order implements the 1994 Communications Assistance for Law Enforcement Act, which was a response to complaints by law enforcement agencies that they were losing their ability to conduct wiretaps and other forms of electronic surveillance because of rapid new digital technologies.

The Center for Democracy and Technology, a civil liberties advocacy group, said it is outraged by the FCC's decision.

"The FCC basically sided with the FBI, putting aside any privacy concerns," said James X. Dempsey, senior staff counsel at the center. He said the center is considering appealing to the courts.

The FBI and the Justice Department applauded the FCC's action, while industry reaction was mixed, with some companies complaining about the cost.

Panel Upholds Pentagon on Gulf War Syndrome

LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON

The latest federal panel to examine "Gulf War illness" concluded Friday that the Pentagon has been on the right track in its search for causes of the mysterious ailment and ruled out speculation that it might be the result of exposure to low-radioactivity artillery shells and bombs.

In an interim report that was condemned by some veterans' activists, the presidential advisory panel said that the Pentagon's investigation was generally "credible," although it criticized certain narrow aspects of the work.

The Special Oversight Board on Gulf War Illness, headed by former Sen. Warren B. Rudman, R-N.H., recommended that defense officials expand their fact-gathering efforts and include examination of possible genetic factors.

In the aftermath of the 1990-1991 Persian Gulf war with Iraq, more than 20,000 U.S. veterans complained of a variety of symptoms that they believe are related to their participation in the conflict. The complaints include fatigue, nausea, joint pain, memory loss and flu-like symptoms.

Some activists have put increasing emphasis on a theory that the complaints have arisen because of the depleted uranium coatings on some artillery shells and bombs.

Using 'Data Mining' Technology, Amazon.com Stirs Controversy

THE WASHINGTON POST

"The Microsoft File: The Secret Case Against Bill Gates" is a bestseller among Microsoft employees.

At MCI WorldCom, they're buying "The Electronic Day Trader." At the Library of Congress, "Gary Null's Ultimate Anti-Aging Program" is a hit.

All this is revealed by the online bookseller Amazon.com, which has started featuring thousands of individual bestseller lists calculated by Zip codes, workplaces and colleges — wherever its customers are ordering from. With a mouse click on its World Wide Web site, you can peek behind the scenes at the books that specific groups are reading, the compact discs they're listening to and the videos they're watching.

Amazon describes it as "fun," happily announcing the feature, Purchase Circles, in a press release last week that was followed by a number of media reports.

Late Thursday, however, citing customer complaints, the company began backtracking. Customers can now opt out of having their data collected, as long as they're savvy enough to read the fine print and send an e-mail to the company. Companies can choose not to be included by sending a fax.

The episode underscored the power of Web technology to collect vast detail about millions of consumers and zoom in on the data in ways unprecedented in the annals of marketing.

"We're taking chances; we're innovating here," said Amazon spokesman Paul Capelli. "This program is building community and adding a unique feature that never could have existed before the Internet."

The chief executive of the trade group to which Amazon belongs, the American Booksellers Association, had a different view.

"This is outrageous," said Avin Mark Domnitz. "One of the things that people are afraid of with computers is that they are so powerful, (that) they collect extraordinary amounts of information about individuals. We could create an environment where people are afraid to go online."

No one interviewed Thursday was particularly bothered by Amazon compiling lists by individual Zip codes — that's just a more specialized version of the national and regional lists that have been a feature of the book trade for decades. The concern was instead over the hundreds of lists specific to individual corporations, colleges and universities, and a sprinkling of nonprofit groups and government institutions.

"You can't say there isn't a privacy invasion here," said Robert Biggerstaff of the National Association Mandating Equitable Databases, a consumer group. "It's not traced back to the individual, but they are invading the privacy of the company."

Burger King Remains Defiant in the Occupied West Bank

THE BALTIMORE SUN

MAALE ADUMIM, OCCUPIED WEST BANK

The Burger King in this Jewish settlement remained open for business Friday, defiant in the face of a controversy that has bedeviled Middle East diplomacy for decades: Where are Israel's borders?

On Thursday, the fast-food chain's corporate headquarters ordered the the Burger King here to shut down because the franchise is for Israel and the restaurant is located in this sprawling Jewish settlement in the disputed former Arab territory that Israel has occupied since the end of the 1967 war.

Israeli-American businessmen Mishulam Riklis, the owner of the 46 Burger King restaurants in Israel, is taking legal action to make sure the Jewish settlement outlet remains open.

A lobbying campaign by Arab Americans and Muslims succeeded Thursday in persuading Burger King to forbid its Israeli franchisee to operate in Maale Adumim. Burger King in Miami contended that it had been misled by the franchisee about the location of the Maale Adumim outlet.

Leading American Jewish organizations came to the defense of Riklis and the settlement.

Burger King operates 84 outlets in Saudia Arabia, Kuwait, United Arab Emirates, Oman and Qatar. Its competitor, McDonald's, has a policy against opening franchises in the disputed occupied territories.

Jewish settlements in the occupied territories are a hot button in the Israeli-Palestinian relationship. The Palestinians argue that every settlement is an attempt to extend Israeli sovereignty to their land. Israeli settlers do not deny this, but they argue the land is theirs by God-given right. The future of the settlements will be determined in the final negotiations between Israel and the Palestinian Authority.

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Touring the Lifts

A Quick Look at the Best and Worst of MIT's Elevators

Eric J. Plosky

The subject of elevators has, throughout the past few years, been addressed many times on this page. Previous writers, however, have confined most of their harangues to the maligned Student Center elevators. Converting one of those two slowpokes to express operations, servicing just the first and fifth floors, "is an idea whose time has come," declared Anders Hove '96 on September 27, 1996 ["Student Center Needs Express Elevators"]. A year and a half later, Naveen Sunkavally '01 advocated drastic measures to implement the express-elevator idea — physically disabling buttons "2" through "4" on one of the control panels ["Student Center Express," March 10, 1998].

Fortunately, I don't propose to reignite that particular debate. Nor, for that matter, do I even want to discuss elevator etiquette in general. (With one exception: I would like to remind readers of 1970s energy-conservation stickers imploring able-bodied would-be lift-jockeys to walk one flight up or two flights down in order to reduce the number of stops each elevator must make. I mean, how lazy can you be?)

No, this piece simply relates, in general, to elevators on campus. There are a large number of them about, and few students really know much about them. Ancient but still-in-service elevators are hidden in strange places; new ones added as part of renovation projects often go undiscovered by most. For the benefit of those interested, what follows is a description — a catalog — of some of the more interesting elevators on the main campus of MIT. The list is by no means comprehensive, and it is entirely subjective. (Surprise.)

I will briefly mention the lethargic *Student Center* elevators. However bad as you may think them now, they were, not too long ago, far worse. The "close-door" buttons weren't installed until recently; even though they don't work too well, it's far more satisfying to be able to push *something* than it is to simply have to stand and wait for the doors to close.

Around the corner from the two passenger elevators, across from the Coop store on the ground floor, is the far more interesting *Student Center freight elevator*. This massive device, little used by students, has a suitably monstrous portcullis and makes agreeable clanking noises as it trundles along.

Across Mass. Ave. are the main Infinite Corridor elevators — the one in *Lobby 7* and the two in *Lobby 10*. These, however, are less interesting than other elevators in the main academic complex that attract scant attention. The *Rotch Library* elevator, tucked away in Building 7, is futuristic in appearance but an unbelievably slow mover. The *Building 3* passenger lift, like that in Rotch, has a single-pocket door, but seems to be concerned less with appearance. Makes sense; the Rotch elevator is used mostly by bespectacled architecture-and-planning library types, while the Course 2ers in Building 3 are often carrying interesting machinery in place of books. There's also a *Building 3 freight elevator* at the other end of the building; it's similar to, but smaller than, its Student Center counterpart.

The bizarre little elevator in *Building 8* travels only from the third floor to the basement of Building 16, with stops along the way at the first and second floors of the Infinite Corridor. Its purpose is to create wheelchair-accessible connections between Buildings 8

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and 16, which, except on their fourth and fifth floors, respectively, are separated by stairs. A product of the Building 16 renovations, this little elevator would seem to have the highest ratio of doors to travel distance of any elevator on campus.

The nearby elevators in *Building 16* were also spruced up during recent renovations, but do not in my eyes compare at all to the speedy, no-nonsense elevators in *Building 56*, across from the Athena cluster. The two

Building 56 lifts are everything elevators should be, and certainly the best on campus. They're fast, they're responsive (if you press "door close," the doors immediately snap shut), and they're well-designed — two of the only elevators on campus to have duplicate interior control panels, one on each side of the door.

A pair of elevators is located in *Building 9*, but can't be accessed except by a short flight of stairs leading to Lobby 7. This arrangement is surely one of the most peculiar stair/elevator pairings on campus. In contrast, the wheelchair lift at the *Building 1* exit to Mass. Ave. was installed specifically to solve an access problem.

Building 66 is home to one of the most peculiar elevators on campus. The floor display isn't on a separate metal plate; it simply appears above the door as if it was a design oversight. Furthermore, this elevator goes all the way down to 66's subbasement, a truly frightening environment in which can often be found the most unusual sorts of discarded equipment. A *Building 66 freight elevator* is visible from the subbasement, but it's cloaked in mystery and no facts could be obtained about it by press time.

Let's backtrack a bit to *Building 6*, which has two strange elevators whose outer doors must be manually swung open. Scavengers scuttling back to their dorms with IBM XT's found in the basement, take note: these elevators are for passengers only. No freight!

Finally, those interested in taking a long, long elevator ride will probably want to end their macabre tour of campus lifts by visiting *Building 54*, the infamous Green Building. Just remember, there's a \$500 fine for riding the elevator to the top floor and then busting out onto the roof.

Other intriguing elevators can be found on the fringes of campus. East Campus has a teensy elevator that shuttles between the basement and the first floor of the east parallel. The MIT Press building, or some building around there, has a freight elevator that does the Student Center's one better with its manual control. Buildings 13 and 34 have huge passenger elevators, and a hidden lift is tucked away in a dark corner of Walker, providing access to Pritchett on the upper floor. And there are probably some not-on-the-blueprints elevators scattered around, connecting steam tunnels to secret passages. Explore — bring your spelunker's helmet.

The Evolution of Education

Naveen Sunkavally

My original lead for this column was going to be: "Tack another item to the list of Dumb Things going on in the world today. The Kansas Board of Education voted earlier this month to eliminate virtually any mention of evolution from the state's school science curriculum."

But after thinking a bit more deeply, I concluded that Kansas's decision is not All Dumb. On one hand, the decision scares me both for its intrusion on my expectations of church-state separation and for its possible ramifications on students' education. On the other hand, it does introduce a heavy and necessary dose of skepticism into schools that, in the end, may make us all better scientists.

The decision is not immediately binding. Kansas's 304 school boards still have the final vote on whether to adopt the state board's standards. However, the decision does mandate that, starting in the 2000-2001 school year, the state 7th-grade through 10th-grade tests will no longer ask about the big bang theory and the origin of the species.

Other states have taken similar measures. In Alabama, for instance, biology textbooks come with a sticker disclaimer that calls evolution a "controversial theory some scientists present as a scientific explanation for the origin of living things." "No one was present when life first appeared on earth. Therefore,

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any statement about life's origins should be considered as theory, not fact," it continues.

What scares me about Kansas is that schools might suddenly decide not to teach evolution at all. Teachers might figure that, since the state tests are not covering material on evolution, that material is not as relevant nor as important for students to learn. Or teachers might figure, even though they know evolution is worth teaching, that it's not worth the trouble confronting the creationist fundamentalists.

Or, worst of all, not only may teachers scrap evolution from the curriculum, but they may also decide to teach only creationism. Some schools in Kansas have already adopted textbooks that suggest an "intelligent designer." And one Kansas teacher is quoted in the *New York Times* as saying, "We've covered all views. We've read Genesis in the classroom."

Excuse me? Genesis in the classroom? Exactly how many views do you think this teacher covered? Do you really think that students in Kansas really read from the Vedas or the Koran, or other religious texts? When creationists invoke the concept of an "intelligent designer," it's merely an attempt to foist the Biblical interpretation of the world on students in the classroom.

What's also disturbing is the way the fundamentalist creationist lobby has modified its tactics over the years. More than a decade ago, a Supreme Court decision ruled that states could not force the teaching of creationism. Now I fear creationists, instead of trying to get their Biblical view of creationism into the classroom, are making it so that evolution cannot be taught either. It's a case of a bully in the playground: "If I can't have it my way, no one else can have it *their* way."

Not teaching evolution, or only teaching creationism, is bad. But presenting evolution as a theory, corroborated by a certain set of evidence and contradicted by another set of evidence, is good.

As scientists, we often blur the distinction between theory and fact to such an extent that science itself becomes blind and religious. The Alabama textbook sticker, though extreme itself and brought about by the more extreme elements of society, helps to remind students to retain an objective, scientific attitude towards the world.

Students need to be taught to be critical of everything they learn. I hope that, once the Bible-thumping fundamentalist elements dissipate, schools in Kansas will encourage this type of skepticism.

Silencing the Squawk Box

Cellular Phone Users are Dangerous on Highways, Annoying in Theaters

Michael J. Ring

The wireless cavalry of road warriors cruising across the nation has hit a roadblock in America's heartland.



The city of Brooklyn, Ohio, a Cleveland suburb, has outlawed talking on those cellular monstrosities while a motor vehicle is in operation unless a driver can keep both hands on the wheel. While police are currently giving warnings, beginning

next month they will enforce fines of up to \$100 against the traffic scofflaws.

The need for this law should be crystal clear to anyone who has ever been cut off by a swerving gabber on the expressway. Cellular phone users pay attention to their conversations, not the road. And when a talk-happy motorist possesses a hand-held phone and must take (at least) one hand off the wheel to chatter, the recipe for traffic disaster is even greater.

Two organizations have concluded that cellular phone use while driving is a major handicap to safe operation of a motor vehicle. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has found that using a cell phone while driving increases one's chance of being involved in an accident. And a study in *The New England Journal of Medicine* demonstrated that cellular phone use quadruples one's chances of being involved in a collision.

Hurried, self-important yuppie businessmen are sure to dislike the new regulation, but Brooklyn's ordinance is a needed safety measure and should be adopted by communities around the nation. A motorist forced to pull over to make or receive a cellular phone call is a motorist who is not going to run down a

child or rear-end another car because he or she was paying more attention to the phone than the road.

These new traffic regulations are not the only new restrictions that target cellular phone users. Slowly, restaurants and other public accommodations are beginning to restrict cellular phone usage. Many in the public are also growing tired of the incessant interruptions caused by cell phones.

You know the typical scenario: you've forked over nine bucks for some cramped theater seat, your feet planted in a sticky film of dried cola. After adjusting yourself into a position from which you can see over those in front of you, you finally begin to enjoy the

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film. And then ... zap! The shrill ring of a cellular phone echoes through the theater, taking your concentration off the movie and focusing your thoughts on vigilante justice against the cell phone aristocracy.

You can probably guess I don't own a cellular phone, nor do I want one. The price and terms of those service contracts seems exorbitant to a Scrooge like myself. E-mail suits my needs for conversation fine.

Of course, when away from computers, one no longer has access to e-mail, but can still receive telephone calls through a cellular device. But in this seeming convenience is the

most baneful quality of the cellular phone.

Ownership of a cellular phone is a form of involuntary servitude. The device is a tether to which you are tied, able to be reached, summoned, and chastised — instantly. There is no escape from those protruding phone waves; they will find you just about anywhere you may be.

And there are quite a few times I'd like to be left alone. For example, the last thing I'd want during my commute is to be contacted by a co-worker. Even the best jobs can feel like prisons from time to time, and that afternoon commute is a jailbreak from the concerns of the workplace. Sure, a gridlocked expressway or crowded train isn't exactly nirvana, but why spoil the little rest and satisfaction you can get from escaping the workplace (at least for the evening) by suddenly being bombarded with a job-related concern?

And after working slavishly in the office through long hours, and having earned a day off, who could enjoy being summoned from the park or beach back to work for an "emergency"?

About 69 million Americans now use cellular telephones. Certainly, a good fraction of these users are salespeople or frequent travelers. And a cellular phone is a handy safety tool for those traveling late at night or through rural areas. But how many of those 69 million really need a cellular phone? More than a few cellular phone users have one because they think it makes them look cool or fashionable — or gives them an inflated self-importance.

So to those whose jobs or security rely on a cellular telephone, I say drive carefully and beware the addiction. But to those who have fallen under the influence of the crack cocaine of telecommunications toys, you'd better turn off that squawk box in the restaurant and movie theater. And most importantly, remember, the Brooklyn, Ohio police will be ready to enforce a needed dose of traffic justice on cellular criminals, so pull that ozone-depleting SUV off the road to talk!

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Extracurricular Opportunities at the Institute

MIT Atheists, Agnostics, and Humanists

MITAAH (MIT Atheists, Agnostics, and Humanists) provides an open forum for students skeptical of religious claims to express and discuss their opinions. The group's primary activities consist of guest speakers and discussions both via

an e-mail list and in person. The discussions include a variety of topics, from evolution to the death penalty and from the origin of beauty to invisible pink unicorns. They have held talks and discussions with Prof. Steven Pinker, MIT chaplains, and many others.

This fall, MITAAH plans to hold a lecture by renowned magician and skeptic James Randi at 7pm on September 8 in 26-100. As a magician, he knows how to fool people, and as a skeptic, he is an expert at spotting foolishness.

For more information or to join the mailing list: <http://www.mit.edu/~mitaah/>, mitaah-officers@mit.edu

Asian Baptist Student Koinonoia

MIT ABSK is made up of about 30 students who want to dedicate their lives to God and to each other. Through Bible study, fellowship, and prayer, members want to know God

MIT Caribbean Club

The MIT Caribbean Club is a student organization for people with interests in the Caribbean. We help to promote Caribbean Culture at MIT and serve as a resource to the wider community for information on the Caribbean.

Every semester, the club holds events to stimulate discussions on issues critical to Regional Development; in the past, speakers at such events have included West Indian Ministers, professors, entrepreneurs and entertainers.

Last year the Club hosted the 7th Annual North East Regional Caribbean Students Conference where topics relating to Caribbean Culture, Infrastructure and Business and Economics were discussed. Our big events this year are the Caribbean Weekend (for that weekend Caribbean activities are held throughout the institute) and a Caribbean Fashion show next semester. The Club also hosts monthly meetings and socials, and at least two parties every semester where Dancehall Reggae, Calypso, Soca, and Zouk are featured. Sporting events and retreats are also organized by the club.

Most importantly, the MIT Caribbean Club serves as an outlet for its members to relax and enjoy themselves in true West Indian spirit during a frequently hectic school year.

For more information: <http://web.mit.edu/caribbean/www/club/>, caribbean-exec@mit.edu

Chinese Students Club

The Chinese Students Club is one of the largest and most active cultural organizations on campus, with over 300 students who are diverse in their nationalities and disciplines. The club's events include cultural activities, social events, community service programs and athletic tournaments.

CSC holds a general meeting/study break once a month in order for the officers to update the organization's members on upcoming events and to allow the members to express any concerns to the officers. Aside from the monthly study breaks, CSC also traditionally puts on a semi-formal held on a boat, the IAP Cultural Mini-Series, a New Years Banquet, and a Volleyball Tournament. Additionally, CSC puts out its own newspaper, competes in Intramural sports, assists in City Years, and much more.

For more information: <http://web.mit.edu/csc/www/>, csc@mit.edu

MIT Singapore Students' Society

The MIT Singapore Students' Society (MITSSS) is a cultural-social club. It aims to foster friendship among students interested in Singaporean life, and to promote cultural exchange between Singapore students at MIT and students from other countries in MIT.

MITSSS regularly organizes pastry sales, ski trips, outings and study breaks. We also have functions to celebrate various Singaporean holidays, such as Chinese New Year, Hari Raya, and Labour Day. These social gatherings usually happen once a month, and they provide chances for people to meet and have fun.

In addition, MITSSS takes part in International Fair and Asian Fair. We also occasionally organize special events. In April

more and make him known on the MIT campus. The group welcomes any and all people who want to come and learn about God and practice the life that he offers in Jesus Christ.

Religious

We hold weekly Bible studies on Friday nights. In addition, the group sponsors many of activities including retreats, study breaks, and more. But these are only the "official" meetings. Members enjoy eating, studying, and playing together. By sharing their lives, members find they can grow and keep each other accountable in living responsible lives as Christians. And we have a lot of fun, too.

Every spring semester ABSK holds a Christian Festival, presenting original skits, in which we try to convey the gospel in a memorable and entertaining way. Through working together to present these skits, members experience a lot of what it means to be in the body of Christ.

For more information: <http://www.mit.edu/~absk>, tliu@mit.edu

Korean Christian Fellowship

MITKCF is a community of students committed to following Jesus Christ. The purpose

1999, we organized the inaugural "Singapore Expo" to give members of the MIT community a chance to find out more about Singapore.

For more information: <http://web.mit.edu/mitss/www/>, sss-com@mit.edu

MIT Societo por Esperanto

Have you ever coded a base 10 clock because the nerd in you couldn't stand to see an irregularity go unchecked? Ever wanted to let your inner nerd loose on language, but found Klingon too hard to pronounce? Maybe you should try Esperanto.

Esperanto is an invented language with simplified grammar rules. It was developed in the 1880's in a border town in Poland where many different ethnic groups, each with their own language, lived in fear and distrust of each other. Esperanto was intended as a second language for international communication so that these separate communities could be brought closer together. Despite its European origins, Esperanto has spread throughout the world. Some of the most active Esperanto communities today are in China and Japan.

The MIT Societo por Esperanto is dedicated to furthering education in and about Esperanto within the MIT community. The Societo also encourages interaction between Esperanto speakers by holding regular conversational groups and celebrating Esperanto holidays, such as the birthday of its inventor, Ludwig Zamenhof.

As early as 1909, the Societo has offered an Esperanto class for beginners. This course has been taught during IAP in recent years, but for students who can't wait until then, the textbook of the course is provided free on the Societo's web site. During the term, the Societo will be holding meetings open to beginners and experienced speakers alike. These meetings allow new members to become more familiar with the language and the culture of Esperanto through social activities and word games.

This fall, the Societo will be kicking off the year with a screening of the Esperanto film, *Incubus*. This American fantasy art-film, starring pre-Star Trek William Shatner, is filmed entirely in Esperanto and presented with English subtitles. The screening of *Incubus* will be a joint event with the International Film Club and will be shown as part of IFC's fall series on September 23rd at 7p.m. in room 10-250.

For more information: <http://web.mit.edu/esperanto/www/>, speak@mit.edu

South Asian American Students

South Asian American Students (SAAS) is one of the largest groups on campus, representing Indians, Pakistanis, Bangladeshis, Sri Lankans, Nepalis and other South Asians at MIT. SAAS is open to all students interested in getting a taste of South Asian culture. Our organization is committed not only to providing a means for South Asian Americans to delve into their own background, but it also allows students of any ethnicity to explore South Asian traditions. Our activities include a Garba

MIT students are involved in over 300 distinct student groups. From designing and racing solar vehicles (Solar Electric Vehicle Team) to maintaining the second-largest public science fiction library in the world (MIT Science Fiction Society), MIT groups encompass a wide range of activities. Freshmen will get the chance to meet many groups at the Activities Midway on Tuesday; until then, however, *The Tech* offers the first in a series of previews of MIT's many activities.

The groups in this series are featured based on their voluntary submissions. All entries were written and submitted by group members.

of the organization is to find and practice the connection between faith and daily living through teaching, prayer, and fellowship. Members do this together through weekly meetings in large and small group settings, as well as in other less formal activities.

Meetings are held every Wednesday at 8 p.m. in 20 Chimneys (third floor of the student center). To find out more, attend a meeting.

For more information: gbae@mit.edu, asliu@mit.edu, or pkkim@mit.edu.

Latter-day Saint Student Association

The MIT Latter-day Saint Student Association is a priesthood-directed organization of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Mormon Church) that seeks to meet the needs of individual college students. The group meets each Monday night at 9 to share with each other a spiritual message, play a fun game, enjoy a good snack, meet with

friends and avoid homework. They also help direct interested students to different theological classes offered in the Religious Activities Center. Some of these classes include The Old Testament, The Teachings of Jesus Christ, The Writings of John, and The Book of Mormon.

This summer, members had a blast at the first Annual MIT LDSSA Barbeque hosted by the group's generous faculty advisor and his kind family. They also enjoy each other's company throughout the year during a variety of activities and service projects. Additionally, the Boston Temple is currently under construction, so one of the focuses for this year is to make people aware of the opportunity to take a tour once it is completed.

For more information about future activities, institute classes, church meeting times and place, Family Home Evening and LDSSA members: <http://web.mit.edu/ldssa/www/index.html>, ldssa-request@mit.edu

the purpose of promoting and preserving Vietnamese tradition. Many members were born in the US and only know of Vietnam from their parents' stories. Some have only lived in Vietnam for a few years of our childhood. What all members have in common is that they want to learn more about the Vietnamese culture using each other as a resource.

The VSA also serves as a social organization. Each year they organize a dance and invite Vietnamese College students from the Boston area to attend. In the past three years there have been over 200 plus attendants annually. All members are invited to attend the Senior Dinner with great food, fun skits, presents for the seniors, and a dance to top it all off. Getting together during the weekends to go out for pho or dim-sum is one of the things on the top of our activities list. We also go hiking in New Hampshire, outlet shopping in Maine, skiing, canoeing, camping, etc. To put it simply, VSA is what the members make it. Activities are organized by the members. We welcome all students of all nationalities.

To join the mailing list: hvle@mit.edu

Cultural

For more information: <http://web.mit.edu/saas/www/home.html>

Vietnamese Students Association

The Vietnamese Students Association was established in the late 1970s by a group of Vietnamese students who migrated to the US after the war. VSA was a support system to help students face the problems of adapting to a new environment.

Today, VSA is still a support system, but for



Members of the MIT Lion Dance Troupe give an energetic performance at the Chinese Students Club New Year Banquet.

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GaMIT

Gays, Lesbians, Bisexuals, Transgendered and Friends at MIT, endearingly referred to as GaMIT, is MIT's all-purpose, industrial strength group for the GLBT and friends community. This group provides MIT with everything from GLBT-friendly resources throughout the greater Boston area to information on medical care to protests and demonstrations to your basic social setting for meeting people with similar goals and ideals.

GaMIT has a place for everyone, from the apathetic to the vehemently political and provides the MIT community with opportunities to enjoy both sides of the spectrum. The history of the group spans three decades, when GaMIT began as the Student Homophile League in 1969. Throughout the years, GaMIT has been involved in numerous activities promoting awareness, opportunities, and just plain fun.

Last year alone, GaMIT was involved in Fierce Forever (one of Boston's premier party/drag shows), a publicized protest against ROTC's policies regarding homosexuals, Thursday night study breaks (with food galore), Wednesday night Coming Out Support Groups, and a leadership retreat to Montreal.

This year promises to deliver even more GaMIT events, including musical and comedic performances, an amateur drag show, poetry readings, and our long-standing weekly study and support groups. In short, in this coming year, we hope to provide the MIT GLBT and friends community, with a

safe, fun environment and the resources necessary to be involved in changing the community for the better.

For more information:
<<http://web.mit.edu/gamit/www/>>

Mujeres Latinas

Mujeres Latinas welcomes all women who seek a group with compassion, spirit, and diversity. MIT may seem cold and lonely,

but Mujeres Latinas provides a way to remember yourself. As a women's support group, Mujeres

Latinas provides a warm atmosphere of diversity and culture where everyone can share their ideas, feelings or daily frustrations.

Meetings are held every other Thursday from 6 to 7 in the Cheney Room, 3-310. Refreshments and ethnic food are usually available. In the past the group has had community service events as well as relaxation seminars. Mujeres Latinas is headed by an executive board, but every member contributes with their ideas and input. Because of each individual's involvement, the semester's events are planned by everyone. The goals for this year are to hold a fashion show as a fund raiser and make the Mujeres Latinas community stronger. Plus they are hoping to start a fit and healthy support network to keep members strong and healthy. Mujeres Latinas is here to support you so you can be strong physically, mentally and emotionally.

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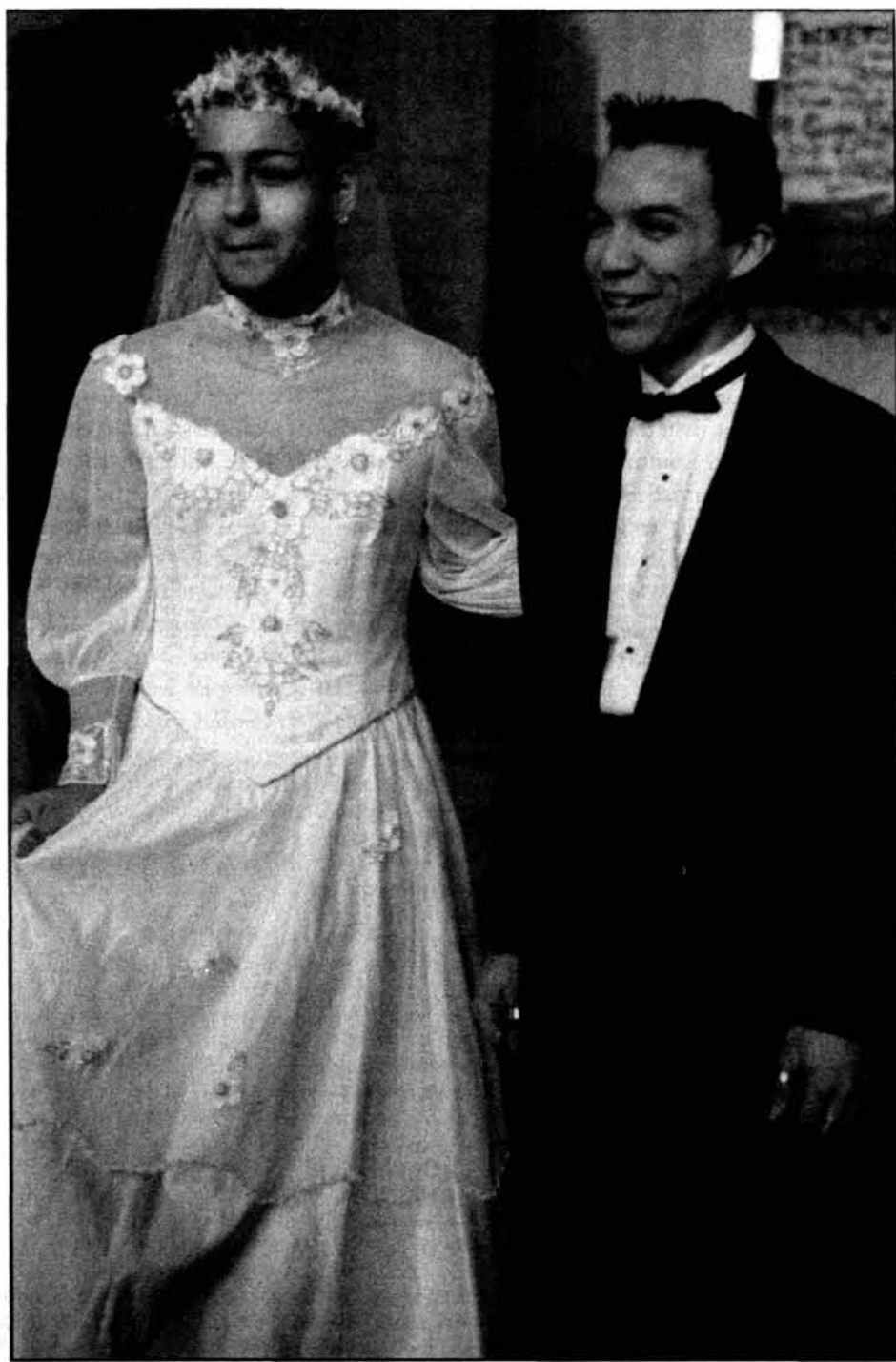
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You may be wondering how your life here in the Boston area will be over the next four years of your life. One thing we'd like you to keep in mind are the many opportunities for service in the IFC community.

Whether it be by creating new events and programs or participating in ones already in place, members of FSILGs make a significant positive impact in the local community - last year they performed over 10,000 hours of community service.

There are several annual events that exemplify the FSILGs' spirit of community service. Many, while sponsored by specific houses, are open to the entire campus.

The first community service activity at MIT is the newly reorganized CityDays, sponsored by the Public Service Center. In November the FSILG community will take to the streets in the JIFC (Junior IFC) Hunger Hike. Last year's second annual hike was a tremendous success, as over 250 members of the IFC turned out to prepare and deliver sack lunch to those less fortunate in the areas surrounding Boston and Cambridge. Plans are underway to prepare a major IFC-wide event for the fall as well.

Some other examples of service opportunities include building toys for disadvantaged children; running a beauty contest for men to raise money for the

Boston Area Rape Crisis Center; organizing a Halloween fair for children; auctioning off personal services with the proceeds going to charity; putting together a 'lip sync' concert to benefit the Margaret Fuller House; teaching a class for bright high school students; and many more!

Community service plays a strong and crucial role for the students of MIT and especially for the IFC community. The IFC member houses have shown outstanding leadership in this area, and continue to do so on campus through their character and service.

Welcome!

Welcome MIT's class of 2003! I would like to take this opportunity to introduce you to the Interfraternity Council (IFC) and Fraternity, Sorority, and Independent Living Group (FSILG) life here at the Institute.

The Interfraternity Council is the governing and representational body of all FSILGs at MIT. We work with faculty, the administration, MIT Panhellenic, the Undergraduate Association (UA), and various other groups to enhance student life on campus and in the Boston/Cambridge/Brookline community.

The IFC takes pride in its membership. We represent the living choices of nearly 40% of the undergraduate population at MIT. While each house has its own character, the FSILGs work together towards fulfilling their ideals of service, leadership, community, and scholarship. I invite you to ask the members of FSILGs you will be meeting about what their group stands for and how those goals are manifested at MIT.

In this issue of InFoCus, the IFC newsletter, you'll find a brief preview of what the IFC has to offer its members. There are many opportunities for leadership and participation at every level. There are philanthropy events, awards, new member education events, awareness programs, workshops, and more. Don't forget to enjoy Rush!

Sincerely,

Michael Trupiano
IFC President

Certification

UPCOMING RISK MANAGEMENT EVENTS

ON Thursday, September 2 at 8:30 p.m. the IFC is sponsoring an alcohol education seminar in Kresge auditorium intended to satisfy the alcohol education requirements for certification. The Speaker for that evening will be Mike Green, professional speaker from Collegiate Consultants on Drugs and Alcohol. Mr. Green (Or "Greeny" as he is affectionately called by his audiences) has spoken at MIT before in early 1998. He was very well received by the FSILG community, and his services as a speaker have been requested numerous times. His talk will be geared toward the new members of our FSILG community, but will still have universal application. Also, in early October we will have a speaker come in for Legal Liability training for any new officers of FSILGs who have yet to receive the necessary instruction.

RE-CERTIFICATION

If your FSILG wishes to be re-certified for the fall term there are several steps that need to be taken.

1. 3/4 of your pledge class (you should get the entire class trained though) will need to be TIPS trained. Contact Damien Brosnan (bigdeis@mit.edu) or Amir Mesarwi (billyb@mit.edu) for information about how to set up a training session.

2. 2/3 of your pledge class must attend the alcohol education seminar being held in Kresge on Thursday September 2 at 8:30 p.m., as well as any house officers that have not received the education yet.

Remember that in order to have an event with alcohol present, a house must be certified under the terms of the Risk Management Policies. The earliest date that an FSILG may have a registered event is Friday, September 3 at 5:01 p.m.

Different Schools Different Science

As has been tradition each year with the IFC, all FSILGS will be participating in CityDays this fall on Friday, September 3. That day, over 500 MIT students will be going to Cambridge elementary schools to help teach local 4th and 5th graders about science! And as has long been a mission of IFC and the MIT Public Service Center, we plan to promote student learning, help build community at MIT through volunteerism, and have a lot of fun!

This year the IFC, in conjunction with all dormitories, is taking the next step in solidifying our relationship with the Cambridge Public School System. In the newly revamped version of MIT's LINKS program, the IFC is planning to get as many FSILGS and Dormitories as possible to continue this relationship by starting semester long visits to all the grade schools in Cambridge.

Basically, any "group" at MIT can sign up. Whether it be an FSILG, one or two people, or 2 FSILGS (ie, a sorority and a fraternity), each group gets to "adopt" a specific grade within a Cambridge grade school, and provide support to those classrooms in science. This involves helping the teacher during lessons, developing a more creative approach to teaching science, and going on science field trips. Right now the level of commitment is dependent on student involvement, so get psyched as things will soon begin to gain momentum.

For more info about LINKS, contact the Public Service Center (253-0742) or email mit-links@mit.edu.

Stars of Education

One of the IFC's chief responsibilities is to help ensure the welfare of its new members. This reinforcement comes in the form of special events provided for FSILG members and includes philanthropy, social events, awards for individual and house excellence, forums, and, most important for freshmen: new member education programs.

Being a member of any FSILG means maintaining standards of academic excellence, civic responsibility, awareness, and respect. The IFC Stars of Education program was created to provide guidelines and assistance to FSILGs looking to educate their new members on issues such as alcohol awareness, gender relations, diversity, scholarship, and service. Houses take pride in their new member programs - the IFC provides the Stars of Education merely as supplement so that these issues are presented to all new FSILG members. Each of the program elements counts as one star, for a potential total of five stars. A star is earned when 75% of the new members of an FSILG attend an event focused on the topic of the applicable star.

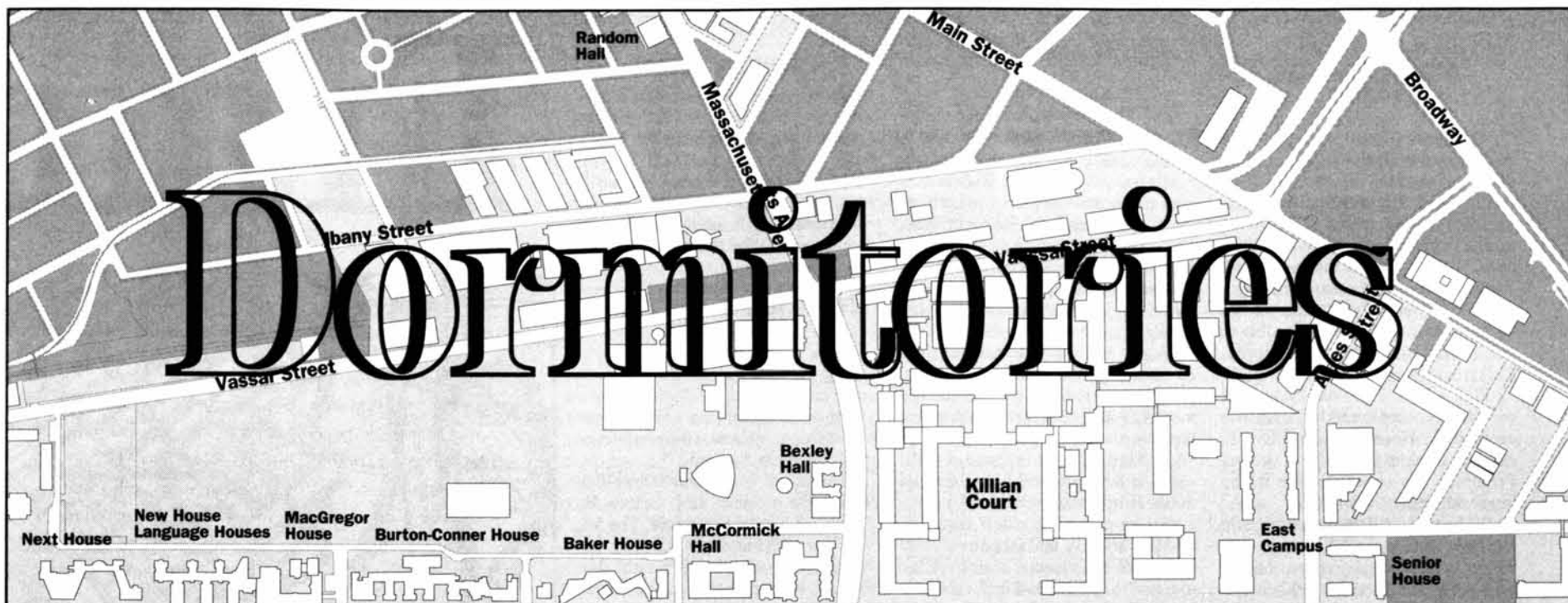
The IFC keeps track of how many stars have been awarded to each FSILG. At the Alumni/ae IFC (AIFC) Awards Dinner in the spring, houses that have completed at least three stars are presented with awards.

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Ten Tips for Rush

1. Be yourself.
2. A referral is not a rejection. There are 38 FSILGs rushing freshmen this year, each committed to helping freshmen find the best house for them.
3. Keep your temporary housing information with you. This includes your temporary room assignment and phone number.
4. Check your messages. The Freshmen Messaging System is the primary way for FSILGs to contact you when you are in your dorm.
5. Visit more than one house. You can miss good opportunities by locking into a one house too soon.
6. Don't forget your family. Keep them informed about how you are doing - and remember that FSILGs are more than willing to talk with parents about concerns they might have.
7. Meet as many people as possible. This includes not only the members of the FSILG you are rushing, but your fellow freshmen as well.
8. Have fun. Rush is a unique experience, so be sure to make the most of it.
9. Ask difficult questions. Not only about social aspects of a house, but about its new membership program, philanthropy, and academics.
10. Find the place that is right for you.



Baker House
362 Memorial Drive
253-3161

The \$24 million dollar renovations nearing completion at Baker have disrupted the dorm's rush this year. Baker has set up a tent near Kresge to function as a rush headquarters until the dorm opens. "All of the vents that go in the Daily Confusion will be run from the tent," said Saumil J. Gandhi '02.

The Baker rush chairs do not even have access to the dorm until Monday, according to Arian Shahdadi '02.

Baker itself is well known for its "unique architectural structure which inspires grad students from all over the world," said Darrel M. Drake '00, another Baker rush chair referring to the dorm's famous architect, Aalvar Aalto.

Baker is organized into singles through quads. Freshmen are likely to be housed in triples or quads. The remainder of Baker's "facilities are decent," Drake said.

Bexley Hall
362 Memorial Drive
253-3161

Bexley Hall, located near the Student Center, is well known for its practice of anti-rush. The dorm actively encourages freshmen to live elsewhere and did not participate in this survey. This year, the dorm has hung rotting fish in front of its entrance to keep away potential new residents.

Burton-Conner House
410 Memorial Drive
253-3261

"Burton-Conner has a nice family atmosphere," according to Rush Chair Christopher D. Salthouse '00. Weekly floor meetings and frequent dorm events help create a close community, he said.

The west campus dorm is divided into nine floors and each floor is subdivided into suites. Freshmen typically live in triples. "We have a kitchen in each suite which makes us popular with people that like to cook," Salthouse said.

Burton-Conner's housebill is \$1,800.

East Campus
3 Ames Street
253-2871



Even people who don't think they can be happy at East Campus can find a way to be happy, said Jennifer A. Frank '00, rush chair for the dorm. "We try our best to

accommodate."

The largest dorm and conveniently situated near major classrooms, East Campus is divided into ten distinct halls in two parallels. Events during the school year, however, are dorm-wide. Sometimes a hall will throw a party as a hall, said Frank, but the entire dorm will be invited. Parties are thrown "as frequently as we can afford to."

Although it is possible that freshmen can get singles, the rooms freshmen get "all depend on how rush goes," Frank said. Once freshmen are assigned to East Campus, they engage in a "hall rush" and meet residents and other freshmen. Then "we set them loose to look at everything."

MacGregor House
450 Memorial Drive
253-1461

MacGregor can be "as social as you want to make it," according to MacGregor rush chairs Jaime E. Devereaux '02 and Allison M. Johnson '02. Residents have "privacy but lots of opportunity for social interaction," they said.

MacGregor is divided into nine entries which are further divided into suites. Each suite is equipped with a kitchen and a refrigerator.

MacGregor convenience is located on the ground floor of MacGregor and features a "little of everything," including a wide variety of food they said.

McCormick Hall
320 Memorial Drive
253-5961

McCormick Hall is MIT's only all female dormitory (although some floors of Random Hall are populated entirely by women).

Rhonda A. Salzman '00, McCormick's rush chair, said that the west campus dorm is "one of the cleanest and most beautiful dorms on campus."

She also noted that McCormick is near the center of campus, less than five minutes away from the Student Center, Johnson Athletic Center and main campus.

The house sponsors study breaks "which range from scrumptious multicultural meals to bountiful Saturday brunches," she said. Other social events include semi-formals, outlet shopping trips, ski trips, hiking trips and theater trips. The dorm also competes in intramural sports and various community service projects such as volunteering at local Cambridge schools and clothing drives.

New House
471-475 Memorial Drive
253-6561

New House, one of MIT's newest dorms and one of only two with air conditioning, is located towards the end of west campus.

The dorm houses 300 people in six houses connected by a hallway. Several of the houses are dedicated to independent language houses which leads to a "very diversified"

residence with "so many different cultures," said New House Rush Chair Anne Tsai.

The dorm is a 10 minute trip to campus or five "if you run," Tsai said. Residents live in singles and doubles which are occasionally crowded into triples. The lack of elevators in New is notable — they were traded, by a vote of residents, for air conditioning when the dorm was constructed, Tsai said.

She described the dorm as "laid back" and "in the middle" in terms of the amount of socializing which takes place.



Chocolate City
253-6561

Chocolate City houses 28 predominately minority men in New House. Resident Jonathan S. White '00 said that the house was originally founded to "promote black culture."

Chocolate City is part of New House but rushes independently. The house is holding a meeting on Sunday where freshmen will learn about the house and "what they can offer and gain from the house." Rush is a mutual selection process — freshmen interested in Chocolate City select the house in the residence lottery and brothers then choose from among those freshmen. Seven or eight freshmen will join Chocolate City this year.

During the term brothers of Chocolate City are involved in service work on and off campus and socially across campus.

French House
258-6388

French house is one of the language houses in New House. It occupies the forth and fifth floors of one of New House's towers and houses about 24 men and women. French House operates as an independent living group and runs its own residence selection process.

Yvonne L. Lai '01, rush chair for French House, said that residents come "from all sorts of backgrounds and from all over the world." Residents enjoy "watching movies, going out, singing random songs, and just being silly in our comfortable and homelike rooms, hallways, and lounges," she said.

Dinner is a focus of French House. A housebill of \$400 in addi-

tion to dormitory rent includes six meals per week. Residents improve their language skills by speaking French at dinner, house meetings, and during French Marathons, week-long contests where residents speak only French.

Freshmen can expect to live in a single or double. Anyone interested in living at French House should attend an informational brunch Tuesday at 10:30 a.m.

German House
253-6561

German House, known as Deutsches Haus to its residents, is another of New House's language houses and occupies two floors of the dorm.

According to German House rush chair Angela J. Yu '00 the house is a "social, close-knit, relaxed, sometimes-German-speaking living group." Residents cook and dine together six evenings out of seven.

Residents pay a house bill in addition to a New House bill and house tax. The housebill includes shared meals and "fridge signouts."

DH's floors of New House are organized by suites. Freshmen can expect to live in singles.

Russian House
253-6561

Russian House is a co-ed language house of about 20 people located in New House.

Yevgeniya A. Nusinovich '01, rush chair for Russian House, said that the house is "truly an international language house, with members from different parts of Europe, Asia, and the United States."

An interest in Russian culture unites house members, he said. Knowledge of the Russian language is not necessary, however. Like other language houses, members of Russian house often dine together.

There is no additional fee for living in Russian House beyond the New House housebill.

Freshmen in Russian House should expect to live in singles or perhaps doubles.

Spanish House
253-6561

Spanish House is a coed, independent language house occupying two floors of New House. Freshmen are chosen to live at Spanish House by a lottery of those who express interest in the house.

Next House
500 Memorial Drive
253-8761



Jay R. Mitchell '01, Next House rush chair, describes MIT's newest and westmost dorm as "kinda like a sorority, a fraternity, and a methadone clinic all rolled into one." The dorm is known officially as 500 Memorial Drive, but is most commonly referred to as Next House.

Mitchell says that Next has "the kind of diversity that allows an alcoholic Puerto Rican to live down the hall from a Southern Baptist who enjoys singing Disney theme songs in the shower." Next's vision, according to Mitchell, is "to create a place on campus where people can develop actual social skills, while allowing them to retain their individual identities."

The dorm is divided into eight distinct halls, according to Mitchell. Freshmen will expect to live, he says, in, "alas, triples." The housebill at Next is \$1,901 per term.

Other Next features include a "dining hall featuring Aramark's infamous cuisine," Mitchell said. The dorm is also "the closest to Wellesley (next to Tang)," he added.

Random Hall
290 Mass. Ave
258-6344

Being the smallest dorm helps Random to better form "a community," said Matthew S. Cain '02, rush chair for Random. Residents of the dorm, located north of MIT's campus on Massachusetts Avenue are able to recognize one another by sight, he said.

The hall is divided into eight floors in two sections of the building. Each floor houses 14 residents. Four floors of Random are all male, two house only women, and two are co-ed. Residents live in singles and uncrowded doubles.

Cain said that the location of Random is an advantage. It's nice to "turn your back on campus and walk away" sometimes. The dorm is still convenient to campus, however, and is closer to lobby 7 than Next House or New House.

Senior Haus
70 Amherst St.
253-3191

Senior House is a coed dormitory housing about 150 people located on the east side of campus. Senior House is organized into singles and doubles, some of which are located in suites. Nine suites are scattered throughout the dorm.

Rush Chair Madhulika Jain '00 said that "different areas of the haus suit different people, but they aren't rigidly divided."

Senior House tries "to maintain an atmosphere of tolerance and functional anarchy. This applies to food choices, music, personal habits, sexual preferences and anything else you can think of," he said.

About half of the freshmen entering Senior House will live in singles. Senior House is the closest dorm to the Medical Center, the Kendall MBTA station and President Charles M. Vest's residence. The dorm's housebill is \$1,890 per term.

Phi Delta Theta ΦΔΘ
97 Bay State Road
247-8691

Phi Delta Theta is a nationally affiliated all male living option located in the back bay. Rush Chair Ajay A. Kulkarni '01 said that the membership of PDT represents a "wide array of people" who "genuinely care about each other and the fraternity." The chapter, which was the recipient of the Interfraternity Council chapter of the year award last year, holds to the "study hard, play hard" credo, Kulkarni said.

PDT's \$2,350 per term housebill includes five dinners and five lunches each week. House members live in singles, doubles, quads and quints. Freshmen can expect to live in the larger occupancy rooms.

Pledges at PDT traditionally take two trips during the fall: one to find the house Christmas tree and one to visit another chapter. A weekly meeting and freshmen work week at the end of IAP round out pledge duties. "A lot of what the pledge commitment is is the brother commitment," Kulkarni said.

PDT is expecting to rush 12 to 13 freshmen this year.

Theta Delta Chi ΘΔΧ
372 Memorial Drive
494-8300

Theta Delta Chi is "a house that values our freedom a lot," said rush



chair Ming F. Wu '00. TDC attempts to balance academics and social events so that members can "get your work done and still have a good time."

TDC, a nationally affiliated fraternity, is located in the former dean's mansion on the MIT campus a location, Wu said, and is convenient to campus. "You don't need to go all the way to Boston," to get away from the Institute, Wu said. "When you walk through our doors it's like its own little world."

The pledge program at TDC "adapts to every single class" but usually strives to integrate new members into the house and teach them the history of the chapter while easing the transition to MIT and bringing the class together.

TDC's \$2,500 per term housebill includes meals and a social calendar.

Zeta Beta Tau ZBT
58 Manchester Road,
Brookline
232-3257

Zeta Beta Tau is a part of a non-pledging national brotherhood. Rush Chair Ara N. Knaian G described the house as a group of "laid back people who get very excited about their own interests."

Freshmen are full members of the house and Knaian said that the new member program introduces freshmen to practical information about the house as well as its history. The program is "not a big time commitment."

ZBT is located in Brookline but the house provides a van to shuttle residents to campus four times a day. In addition, 14 brothers own cars, Knaian said. The house is organized into singles, doubles and triples. Freshmen usually live in the latter two types of rooms.

The \$2,600 per term housebill at ZBT includes meals, an open pantry, and a social budget. The fraternity is looking for around 12 to 15 new

members this year.

Sigma Chi ΣΧ
532 Beacon Street, Boston
262-3192

Debanjan Ray '00, Sigma Chi rush chair, described his fraternity as "very well rounded." Half of Sigma Chi's brothers participate in varsity sports and the house's GPA is among the best on campus, he said. The house also holds a social event every week.

Sigma Chi is a nationally affiliated fraternity. The fraternity's pledge program includes a weekly pledge meetings and runs through the first term; initiation occurs at the end of IAP. Pledges may vote and hold office in the house and have the same duties as upperclassmen.

Sigma Chi is the oldest fraternity at MIT and its house is over 100 years old. The chapter is close to the national organization and received awards from the national for 24 of the past 25 years, Roy said.

Sigma Chi's housebill of \$2,500 per term includes meals and a social budget.

Kappa Sigma ΚΣ
407 Memorial Drive,
Cambridge
494-0330

Kappa Sigma, located on west campus, features a "varied social calendar," said Joseph W. Bingold '01, rush chair. Bingold said that the fraternity enjoys its proximity to campus.

Freshmen living at Kappa Sigma can expect to live in a triple or a double that Bingold describes as "pretty roomy." The pledge program at KappaSig requires a time commitment of around two hours a week and runs through the end of the fall term. The program introduces freshmen to the history of MIT, the chapter, and to the rest of the house. Pledges are encouraged to make improvements to the house as a group.

Kappa Sig's \$2,400 to \$2,500 per term housebill is totally inclusive. "Nothing that we do here isn't already on that housebill," Bingold said.

Tau Epsilon Phi ΤΕΦ
253 Commonwealth Ave.,
Boston
262-5090



Nicholas D. Matsakis '01 described life at Tau Epsilon Phi as "inverted bungee jumping... break-dancing on a floor you just resurfaced yourself... waking up at 3 a.m. and knowing that someone else is awake and wants to hang out with you... stupid pep tricks... absolute freedom to be yourself... absolute freedom to express yourself."

TEP is a nationally affiliated fraternity located in Back Bay. The TEP house is known for a number of interesting improvements including a hanging couch, a musical stairwell, a giant cargo net and a room filled with foam, Matsakis said.

Rooms at TEP range from singles to quads and are distributed "loosely based on seniority," Mitsakis said. "If anyone is upset we start over," he

said.

There is "almost no new member program at TEP," he said. The fraternity does not haze its pledges but "pledges sometimes haze the brothers."

TEPs \$2,200 per term housebill includes food, laundry, and a social calendar although residents can pay a smaller amount by not eating at TEP.

Sigma Phi Epsilon ΣΦΕ
518 Beacon Street, Boston
536-1300

Sig Ep is rushing for the first time since being reorganized by its national organization last year after an alcohol incident. About 10 people currently reside in the house.

The house is dry indefinitely following the incident, said Andrew H. Garza '02, Sig Ep rush chair. The \$2,900 per term housebill at Sig Ep funds three meals each school day along with a comprehensive social calendar that includes house development activities. "Development and social go hand in hand," Garza said.

MIT's Sig Ep has taken on the "balanced man" project which means that "we don't do pledges anymore," Garza said. Freshmen are "full members of the fraternity when they join." The program "takes you through all four years," he said.

Sig Ep is looking for 15 to 20 new members this year.

Nu Delta ΝΔ
460 Beacon Street, Boston
437-7300

Nu Delta is an all male fraternity located in Boston. The fraternity became independent from its national organization about 20 years ago. The \$2,200 per term housebill includes housing and meals.

According to Rush Chair Robert W. Cox '01, the members of Nu Delta "can't really be characterized."

The Nu Delta pledge program runs the length of the fall term and focuses on introducing pledges to the brothers and to each other.

Sigma Nu ΣΝ
28 The Fenway, Boston
536-9925

Sigma Nu, a nationally affiliated fraternity, has moved into a new house over the summer and will be living next year in the former Phi Gamma Delta house at 28 The Fenway, Boston.

House President Justin M. Schmidt '01 said that Sigma Nu is not being affected negatively by the move and is "pleased with how good the [house] is looking."

He described Sigma Nu as a diverse group of people who are "of the same type of mind" and share a common set of ideals. "We live together as brothers," Schmidt said. The fraternity voluntarily became dry last year by a unanimous vote of house members.

Sigma Nu's housebill is \$1,700 per term. The house is close to its national and often wins outstanding chapter awards, Schmidt said.

Alpha Epsilon Pi ΑΕΠ
155 Bay State Road,
Boston
247-3170

Alpha Epsilon Pi is a culturally Jewish fraternity. Being Jewish is "certainly not required, but our members do tend to be Jewish," according to Lewis H. Leiboh '00. The house consists of "academically and socially driven" people interested in a variety of academic, athletic, and campus activities.

AEPi's housebill is around \$2,500 per term. Freshmen usually live in a "very large triple" or "occasionally a huge quad," Leiboh said. The house consists of triples, doubles, and singles.

The pledge program at AEPi is one of the shortest at MIT, he said. It lasts around five weeks and involves no extra duties for freshmen; "everyone does the exact same amount of everything," Leiboh said.



Pledges learn about history of their chapter and the national fraternity as well as meeting and getting to know the brothers.

Delta Kappa Epsilon ΔΚΕ
403 Memorial Drive,
Cambridge
494-8683

Delta Kappa Epsilon emerged from a summer suspension in time to rush this year. The fraternity will be dry for a year however as the result of an alcohol incident involving an Interphase student.

Freshmen living in the DKE house on MIT's campus can expect to live in a double or a triple with other freshmen.

Rush Chair Peter C. Huang '00 said that the "makeup of our house" is what sets DKE apart from other fraternities.

The fraternity's pledge program lasts approximately one term during which time freshmen learn about the brothers and Boston.

Phi Kappa Sigma ΦΚΣ
530 Beacon St.
536-3683

Phi Kappa Sigma is a nationally affiliated fraternity. Rush chair Andrew J. Kim '01 described the fraternity as "a brotherhood of individuals under one roof." The house strives for the "perfect mix of academics and social life," he said.

The \$2,800 per term housebill at PKS includes dinner five nights a week and an open kitchen as well as a social program.

The pledge program at PKS requires a three or four hour time commitment per week and lasts 12 weeks. New members embark on a road trip and host a party during their pledge period but have no additional duties in the house.

The house has strong ties with its alumni, who donated \$1 million to renovate the house last summer.

Phi Kappa Theta ΦΚΘ
229 Commonwealth Ave.
437-7795

The brothers of Phi Kappa Theta, a nationally affiliated fraternity, enjoy attempting to "dominate [intramural] sports (excluding hockey)" and taking road trips on long weekends while trying to "find new and creative ways to amuse ourselves," according to Rush Chair Bryan P. Perryman

'01.

The fraternity's house bill of \$2,100 a term includes dinner prepared by a professional chef each school night and an open pantry. Social activities, laundry and "everything else you could possibly desire," are included," Perryman said.

PKT's pledge program does not have a pre-determined length, he said. The pledge class is initiated when they are considered ready. Typical time commitment from pledges is approximately two hours per week. Pledges organize a trip, a party, and a community service event as well as a house improvement. The chapter was "recently recognized by our national organization as having the best Pledge Education Program" among PKT chapters, Perryman said.

Alpha Delta Phi ΑΔΦ
351 Massachusetts Avenue
576-279(2,3,4)

Alpha Delta Phi is nationally affiliated fraternity located north of MIT's campus on Massachusetts Avenue. According to house member Christopher R. Rezek '99, ADP is a literary fraternity and sponsors a campus-wide literary competition along with open-mic readings. Brothers actively pursue writing, music, and theater, Rezek said.

In addition to its literary activities house members compete in IM sports and "look forward to a kick-ass social year, including several campus-wide parties, sorority mixers, and private events," Rezek said.

ADP's housebill is \$2,765 per term and includes meals and social events. The fraternity's pledge program requires a varying commitment of from four to 12 hours per week and includes activities such as tutoring and conversations with brothers. The program focuses on developing relationships and critical thinking.

All brothers and pledges at ADP live in singles.

Beta Theta Pi ΒΘΠ
119 Bay State Rd., Boston
437-0956

Beta Theta Pi Rush Chair Justin B. Manor '00 describes life at BTP as "just like the *Real World*, except it doesn't suck, and the girls aren't psycho."

The nationally affiliated fraternity is located in Boston. A \$2,500 per term housebill includes five hot meals, bagged lunches, breakfasts, an open kitchen, tons of parties and good DJs, Manor said.

BTPs pledge program lasts for one term and requires a time commitment of four hours per week. Pledges are introduced to fraternity members, throw a party and plan and execute a house improvement. They are required to clean the dishes and kitchen as an additional duty, Manor said.

The fraternity has good relations with its national organization and members "hang out with alumni on a day to day basis."

Delta Upsilon ΔΥ
526 Beacon St., Boston



536-3931

Delta Upsilon Rush Chair Jeffrey D. Stamler '00 describes DU as "social, diverse, laid back, and friendly." DU is a non-secret fraternity and freshmen can vote and hold house offices.

The fraternity's \$2,600 per term housebill includes a full time cook, social events including formals, and laundry.

DU's pledge program lasts a term and requires a time commitment of eight hours a week. During the program, pledges perform community service, complete a house project and attend retreats. Pledges are responsible for additional cleaning duties that require less than two hours each week.

DU has strong relations with its national organization and alumni and was recognized by its national as one of the top five chapters in the nation. It was also recognized by MIT and DU national for superior alumni and public relations.

Alpha Tau Omega ΑΤΩ
405 Memorial Drive,
Cambridge
252-6520

Alpha Tau Omega Rush Chair Christopher J. Brocum '00 said that ATO members "strive to be the best at everything we do. We study hard and we party harder."

A \$1,850 per term house bill includes lunch and dinner Sunday through Thursday, a fully stocked open kitchen, and social events including formals and parties.

Pledges should expect to commit three hours a week to weekly pledge meetings and other activities including a pledge party, banquet, trip, brother interviews, and a pledge project. Each pledge is assigned a pledge job as an additional duty. Pledges do have full voting privileges in house meetings, however.

Brocoum said that ATO has an, "excellent alumni network stretching from Wall Street to Harvard Medical School to Microsoft to Top Gun." ATO received the 'True Merit' recognition last year, the highest award of ATO's national.

Phi Beta Epsilon ΦΒΕ
 400 Memorial Drive
 494-8677

Rush Chair Dharmesh M. Mehta G describes Phi Beta Epsilon members as a group of "laid back and diverse guys making the most socially of their four years at MIT while not losing focus of academic and career goals."

The local fraternity's housebill is \$2,700 per term and includes all social, athletic, and literary events as well as 18 meals a week.

PBE's pledge program lasts for about one semester and requires a time commitment of about four hours per week, Mehta said.

The pledge program involves meetings, and small retreats. PBE



pledges are required to answer the doorbell and phones and cook Sunday dinner, he said.

Theta Xi ΘΞ
64 Bay State Rd.
266-2827

Theta Xi, a nationally affiliated fraternity, is located in the back bay.

According to Sterling J. Crockett '00 Theta Xi's \$2,350 per term housebill includes meals, room, and utilities.

The pledge program requires about four hours of commitment each week and lasts for the duration of the first term. Pledges perform a skit, take a new member trip and throw a blackout party.

In addition, pledges are required to clean the house on Saturday mornings.

The house has loose but friendly ties with national, and good relations with alumni.

Zeta Psi ΖΨ
233 Massachusetts Ave.
661-4111

A self described "laid back house," Zeta Psi has a house bill of \$2,500 per term and a pledge program consisting of house meetings, pledge meetings, road trips, and scavenger hunts. The nationally affiliated fraternity is located in Cambridge just north of campus.

Assistant Rush Chair Michael S. Bonnet '00, in describing the house, said that there are "always people around to help out." Zeta Psi is looking for 16 to 18 freshmen.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon ΣΑΕ
484 Beacon Street
867-9397

Sigma Alpha Epsilon offers dou-



bles, triples, and quads to freshman, and has a house bill of \$2,300 per term, which includes two meals six days a week.

SAE pledges spend six to eight weeks meeting and interviewing brothers in addition to learning the fraternity's history. According to Jason Vivas '00, "every [SAE] member is well-rounded."

SAE has no expectations for the number of bids they will extend. SAE was suspended from last year's rush due to a suspension for serving a freshman alcohol, as well as additional incidents including contacting freshmen over the summer for rush purposes while on suspension.

Pi Lambda Phi ΠΛΦ
450 Beacon Street
267-4935

Pi Lambda Phi's house bill of approximate-

ly \$2,500 includes 12 meals a week, plus an open kitchen for breakfasts and snacks.

Resident Matthew B. Burleigh '02

especially likes the variety at PLP. "We don't just rush people who're into sports, or something, but if a freshman's a cool guy, we'll rush him; I think that's unique," he said.

The house is divided into three main floors, with a dining room and common room on the first floor. They also boast a beautiful roof deck, from which you can see the MIT skyline, Burleigh said.

There are generally social events every Friday, Burleigh said, and people hang out all weekend. During the week people are working, however, so they tone the socializing down.

Lambda Chi Alpha ΛΧΑ
99 Bay State Road
266-7021

The Lambda Chi Alpha semester bill of \$2,800 per term covers 16 or 17 meals a week.

Their house has six floors, and rooms ranging from singles to triples, and quints. Freshmen could expect to live in triples or quints.

LCA hopes to get 13 pledges this year. The pledging process lasts about halfway through the spring semester, and pledge commitments take about an hour a week.

Note: Delta Tau Delta and Chi Phi refused comment when asked for information.

Photographs, from left, counterclockwise: Theta Delta Chi, Kappa Sigma, Alpha Delta Phi, Phi Beta Epsilon, and Zeta Psi

From page nine: East Campus, New House, Next House

From page ten: Delta Psi, Women's Independent Living Group

Credits: Rebecca Loh, Annie S. Choi

Independent Living Groups

Fenway House 34 The Fenway, Boston 437-1043

Fenway House is a coed independent living group located in the Fenway area of Boston.

Fenway Rush Chair Rebecca A. Bish '02 said that life at Fenway is "very laid back, a little crazy, somewhat anarchic, and always fun."

Fenway's \$1,900 per term housebill includes all food and laundry needs of members. Fenway has no new member program and residents become full members as soon as they join the house.

Fenway doesn't have a national organization but ties with alumni are strong, Bish said. "Alumni are an important part of the day to day social life of our house," she said.

Epsilon Theta 259 St. Paul Street, Brookline 734-9211 or 253-8888

Emily M. Marcus '01, rush chair for Epsilon Theta, said that visitors

to ET would "most likely find us hanging out together, playing games, doing crosswords, planning world conquest, or just being silly."

ET is an independent living group located in Brookline. ET has been an ILG since breaking from its national fraternity, Sigma Nu, in 1974. For \$2,050 per term the house provides meals, social events, two weekend retreats a year, and daily van runs to campus, as well as laundry.

The house maintains a term-long pledge program with an average time commitment of 1.5 hours per week. Marcus said that pledge events include a scavenger hunt in Boston and planning a Halloween party. Pledges have no additional duties and are full voting members of the house, she said.

The house has a good relationship with its alumni, Marcus said.

Number 6 Club 428 Memorial Drive, Cambridge 494-9833

Number 6 Club, also known as Delta Psi, is a co-ed independent living group located on Memorial Drive within MIT's campus. Life at No. 6 is "about friends, it's about living life; it's all about the stories," said Maya C. Fernandez '00, No. 6 Rush Chair.

The ILG's \$2,400 per term housebill includes seven meals a week, a kitchen, and social events.

A pledge program lasts one term and requires a commitment of two hours every two weeks, as well as three days per term. The program includes a pledge retreat and a banquet, Fernandez said.

Pledges have identical duties and rights as upperclassmen.

"No. 6 is nationally affiliated with other fraternities of Delta Psi. Once a year, some members from No. 6 attend a national meeting," Fernandez said.

Women's Independent Living Group 253-6799 355 Mass. Ave., Cambridge

Katherine S. Shiels '00, Rush Chair for WILG, described MIT's only all female independent living option as having "a relaxed, supportive environment."

WILG holds socials two to three times and term, and throws an occasional party, she said. These socials as well as dinner and lunch each school day are covered by the \$2,000 per term housebill.

All WILG house members are required to contribute a minimal amount of time each week to help maintain the house, according to Shiels. Freshmen have no additional duties. Members are active in many different clubs and sports teams.

WILG, affiliated with no national organization, has no new member program.

Student House 111 Bay State Road, Boston 247-0506

Student House is an independent living group located in Boston. The housebill of \$300 per month



includes meals and is one of the lowest in the MIT housing system.

Student House Rush Chair Jennifer K. Son '02 described the house as "pretty laid back" with "no social obligations." She said, however, that "everyone gets along well."

Student House was remodeled this summer so the "house is pretty much gorgeous," Son said. The house is divided into singles, doubles, triples and one quad. Freshmen can expect to live in a triple or quad.

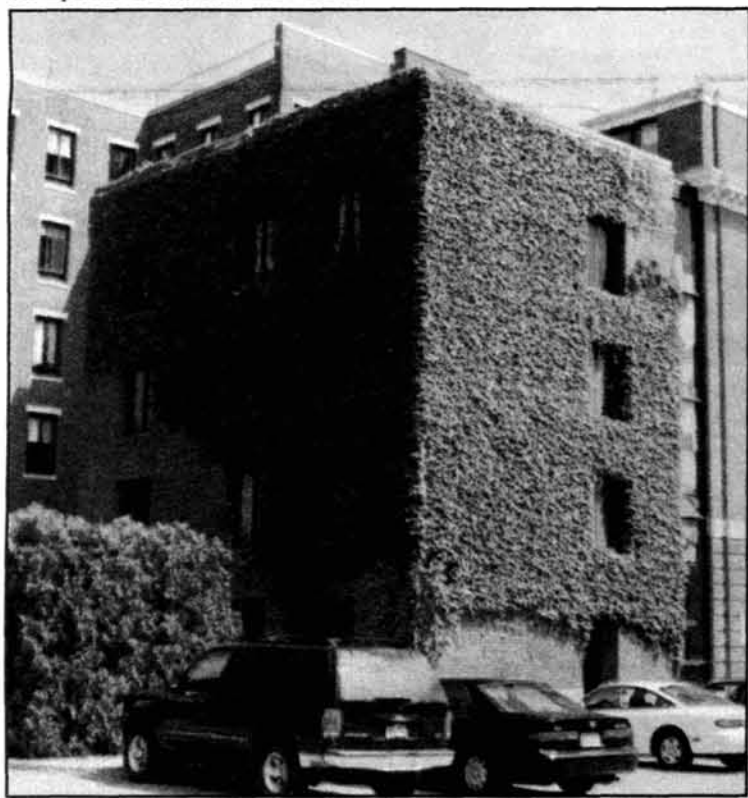
pika 69 Chestnut Street, Cambridge 492-6983

pika is a Cambridge-based inde-

pendent living group. The ILG, which Rush Chair Shaista C. Boroumand '00 described as vegetarian-friendly, has no pledge program. Freshmen become full members immediately and no seniority system exists.

pika's housebill is \$1,600 per term and includes meals. Students are entirely "responsible for maintaining the house" at pika, Boroumand said.

Note: Turn back a page to the centerfold for the locations of the six Independent Living Groups.



Rush Terms

badmouthing: saying negative things about another fraternity, sorority, or independent living group; prohibited by rush rules

bid: an official invitation to join a fraternity, sorority, or independent living group

Clearinghouse: the computer system used to track freshmen moving among FSILGs. Students can make themselves invisible to living groups in Clearinghouse by contacting the the Office of Residence Life and Student Life Programs in room 549 of the Student Center.

crossrushing: having bids from two or more fraternities simultaneously

crowding: the result of a housing system filled beyond normal capacity. Certain rooms are "crowded" from singles to

doubles, double to triples, etc.

Dormcon: Dormitory Council. Dormcon represents students living in the dormitory system and manages dormitory rush.

flushing: slang term for encouraging rushees to leave a living group and/or referring them to another living group

FMS: Freshman Messaging System. Computerized system for messages from parents, the administration, and FSILGs. FMS terminals are available in all dormitories.

FSILG: fraternity, sorority, or independent living group

hazing: method of initiation that willfully endangers the health of a student; prohibited by Massachusetts law. Under the law, hazing includes mental and physical

trauma.

housing lottery: the Athena-based lottery used to determine dormitory housing; lasts from 4:00 p.m. tomorrow through 2:00 p.m. Tuesday

IFC: Interfraternity Council, the governing body of all FSILGs; manages FSILG rush

Informals: sorority rush activities that are by invite only

in-house rush: used by dormitories to assign entries, floors, suites, and rooms to new residents

Judcomm: Judicial Committee. Judcomm representatives monitor living groups and events for violations of rush rules. Both Dormcon and IFC have their own Judcomm.

Medcomm: Mediation Committee. The committee, made up of representatives

from Dormcon and the IFC, prosecutes rush violations that transcend the two groups. It also sets policies for Killian Kick-Off and the Residence Midway.

Panhel: Panhellenic Association, the local chapter of the national sorority association and a sub-group of the IFC; manages sorority rush

pledges: what new members of some fraternities and sororities are called after an initiation program but before they become full members

pref parties: the last parties held by sororities before bid lists are made up

Rho Chi: temporarily deaffiliated sorority member who acts as an impartial counselor for women rushing sororities; cannot mention or discuss her sorority

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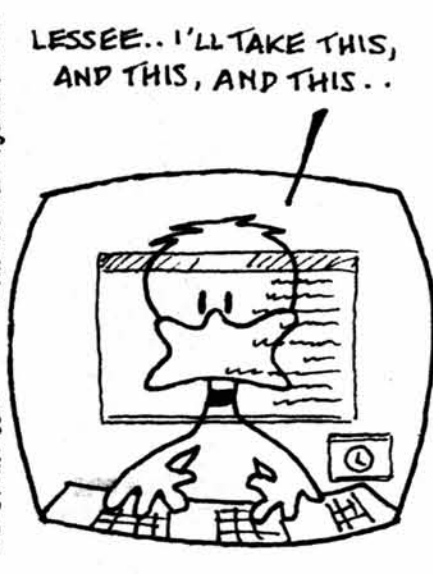
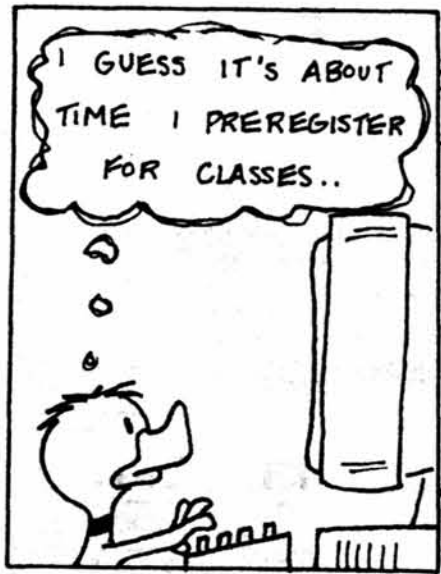
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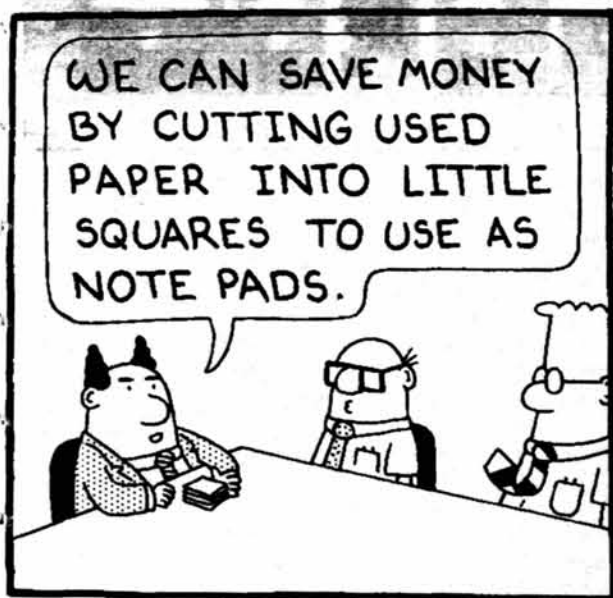
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Pre-Orientation Programs Give Freshmen an Early Start

By Gabriel Daleson

STAFF REPORTER

MIT's offering of pre-orientation programs reached a total of five this year, most entirely student run. The two new programs, which centered around the outdoors and the arts, joined the Freshman Leadership Program and CityView, which was previously known as Freshman Service Program.

Freshman Leadership Program

The Freshman Leadership Program was run by Elsie Huang '00 at Eagle Pond Lodge in Danbury, New Hampshire. Eighty-nine incoming freshmen and sixteen counselors were in attendance. Huang said that the program focused on "a non-traditional sense of leadership." The program involved mostly discussion of various social issues; in Huang's words, "we don't actually say the word 'leadership' at camp."

Student response to FLP was overwhelmingly positive. Abidemi A. Adeboje '03 was glad he got to know everyone, and appreciated the "accurate picture of what would happen on campus."

Gavin W. Greer '03 said that participants learned to "step back and think" about stereotypes and about what they say, a skill that he thought would be beneficial to every MIT frosh.

CityView

Last year's Freshman Service Program changed its name to CityView, and took 36 students out to "get associated with Cambridge", according to Linda Ungsuan, one of the counselors. Ungsuan said that the program was in part designed to combat the attitude of many students that they lived at MIT and not Cambridge. The CityView students spent some time at a Habitat for Humanity project building futons, and they were taken on a MyTown tour, which is run by local high school students and concentrates more on history than on sightseeing.

David Von Stroh '03 loved the program and said that "I believe CityView created MIT leaders

out of all of us."

Freshman Arts Program

A new addition to the pre-orientation offerings this year was the Freshman Arts Program, organized by Rebecca Breazeale. The program revolved around five disciplines: dance, theatre, visual arts, music, and film and media. The 40 students, engaged in several workshops, including breakdancing and graffiti. There was also a class on henna, an Indian form of body painting, and a class called "relaxing art" with fingerpainting, play-doh, and sidewalk chalk.

Freshman Outdoor Program

Matt P. Lahaie '01 organized the Freshman Outdoors Program, also in its first year. Eight upperclass leaders, 37 freshmen, and four other MIT affiliates — Visiting Professor Bob Rooney, Chaplain John Wuestneck, Professor Leigh Royden, and Michelle Berris, a recent graduate — spent the week on Thompson Island in Boston Harbour.

Discover Ocean Engineering

The Department of Ocean Engineering also offered a pre-orientation program called Discover Ocean Engineering now in its second year. Professor Chrysostomos Chrysostomidis, the head of the department, said that the program was designed to "provide a service" to MIT, to introduce students to the Institute and also to some faculty.

The program, directed by Tom R. Consi, a lecturer and researcher, involved several cruises on the Charles River and in Boston Harbor. Students also built a remotely operated vehicle using PVC pipes, weights, and prepackaged motors.

Students were pleased with the program. Participants said on the evaluation forms: "It's just wonderful" and "a fantastic introduction to a fantastic institution."

Karen Robinson contributed to the reporting of this story.

Core Blitz Presents Class Info to Frosh



Chemistry professor Donald Sadoway talked about first year courses during Core Blitz '99 yesterday in Kresge Auditorium.

By Aurora Schmidt and Sagara Wickramsekera

The class of 2003 officially began their academic odyssey yesterday with the Core Blitz, an hourlong barrage of information about freshman classes, and the Academic Expo, which gave freshmen their first official exposure to possible majors.

Over the course of the Blitz, students were besieged by information about the core requirements. Emphasizing the freedom accorded them Damien A. Brosnan '01 told the Class of 2003 that they do not have to choose their major until the end of their freshman year.

Blitz provides flood of info

Professor of Chemistry Sylvia T. Ceyer gave a brief overview of the chemistry requirement, explaining how Principles of Chemical Science (5.11) and Solid-State Chemistry (3.091) are like "strawberry and raspberry... just different flavors of the same course." Although both cover the fundamental principles of chemistry, 5.11 takes on the individual molecules while 3.091 is more interested in solid-state chemistry. She recommended that scientists take 3.091 and engineers take 5.11 in order to try out "the other side". For those with advanced placement credit, she recommended taking Organic Chemistry (5.12), taught by the "legendary [Professor of Chemistry] Dan Kemp."

Using a variety of props, from a soda can to an car's oxygen sensor, Professor of Materials Science and Material Engineering Daniel R. Sadoway demonstrated how 3.091 taught concepts and applications through examples.

Afterwards, Professor Philip Khoury illuminated the mysteries of the Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences requirement. With the help of Dr. Betty Davis, the coordinator of the HASS office, Khoury explained that students must take eight required subjects: three distribution subjects, three or four in a HASS concentration, and one or two other courses. Khoury advised freshmen "not to wait until the end of the year to take your

distribution subjects... Take something that really interests you"

Professor of Mathematics David S. Jerison explained the myriad of placement options depending on high school experience. Calculus (18.01) was available to those who had less than a year and Calculus (18.01A-18.02A) is available for those with a year or more who needed review.

For those who placed out of 18.01 with AP credit, there are three flavors of Multivariate Calculus (18.02). "18.02 is plain vanilla," Jerison said, "18.022 has more theory... [and] 18.023 has applications... [like] fluid mechanics and asymptotic analysis." For those interested in rigorous proofs, Calculus with Theory (18.014-18.024) is available, although those with AP credit lose 3 units by taking the more theoretical subjects.

If a student already has credit for 18.02 Jerison strongly recommended going to Room 2-108 to consult on the many options. He also added that since all the calculus courses are scheduled at the same time, a student could easily switch courses if he or she finds themselves at the wrong level.

There was a brief introduction to the physics core by Professor of Physics Edward H. Farhi. In addition to stating that every freshman would be taking some Physics course, he explained all of them had Newtonian mechanics in common.

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All Students

REGISTRATION FOR THE PHYSICAL EDUCATION LOTTERY HAS BEGUN!

1st Quarter Lottery August 25 at 9am – September 8 at 1pm

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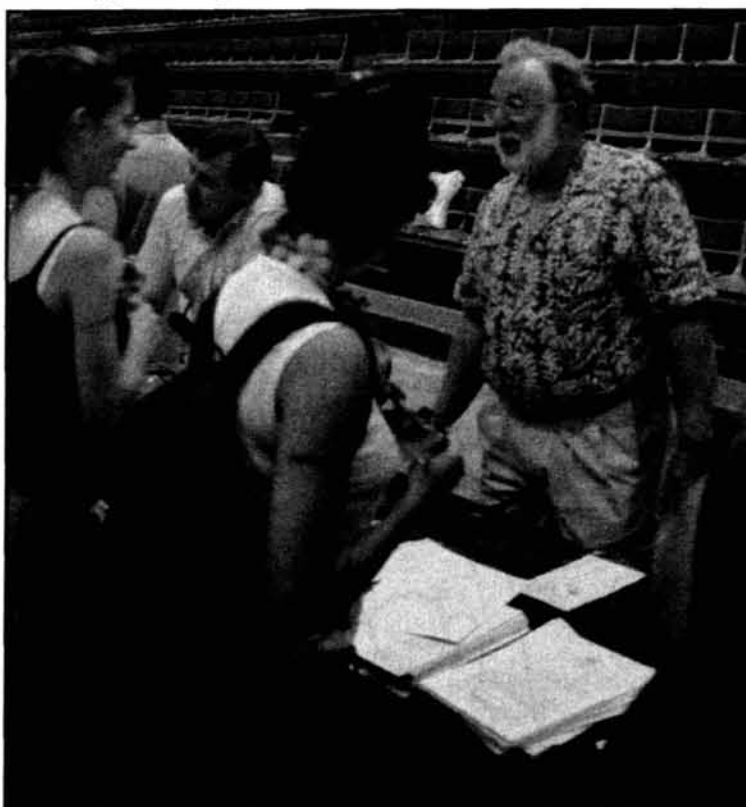


Results of the lottery will be available to participants on September 9th.

Late registration, based on availability, will begin September 9th between 10-4pm in the PE office W32-125.

Scuba Registration is taking place NOW in the PRE office ONLY.
The deadline for scuba Registration is Tuesday September 7th.

P.E. Classes begin Monday, September 13th



Professor Bob Rose advises freshmen about the Concourse Program, an alternative program for core curriculum during the Academic Expo in Johnson Athletic Center.

Hardware Replaced on Cycle

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involve maintenance improvements to programs and slight changes in the default e-mail system.

In response to a "growing demand" for disk space the default quota was increased by 33 percent to 30 Mb. The increase in capacity and data security was made possible through the "use of 72Gb RAID disks to give [Athena servers] tolerance to a disk failure without any loss of user data," said Team Leader for Athena Server Operations Jonathon Weiss '93. The increase is the first since November 1998 when the quota moved from 15 to 20 Mb.

Greg B. Hudson '96, Athena Release Engineer for the 8.3 general release on August 3, said he thinks that many of the changes are "something that users wouldn't be likely to notice."

Users of Athena, including Andrew M. Glenn '00, agreed. "Honestly, I haven't noticed any

differences [in Athena 8.3], except that when you type scan, the name of the person instead of the e-mail address is listed. That's kind of cool," Glenn said.

"I don't use Athena that extensively. I just noticed the new version of Netscape," said Dan D. Lowrey '02.

Another smaller upgrade, or "patch release," including a bug fix for a new screen saver is planned for Monday, said Hudson.

Hardware upgrades routine

The philosophy behind machine upgrades is to "work on a on a four-year life cycle" such that "at the end of [said] four year period, a lot of machines are new" said Brian T. Murphy. As Team Leader of Hardware Service for Information Systems, Murphy sets the year-in-advance schedule for the maintenance and through cleaning of clusters. Typically, clusters are "spruce[d] up" during the "spring,

IAP, or August," Murphy said.

"A great deal of effort goes into making the Athena environment as compatible as possible" to as many people, classes, and departments as possible, Murphy added.

"We're always looking for other platforms, and we consider them every year, but it could take a great deal of work on the Athena software... and if a particular platform is going to require nine months worth of work, that will be prohibitive to us porting," Murphy said.



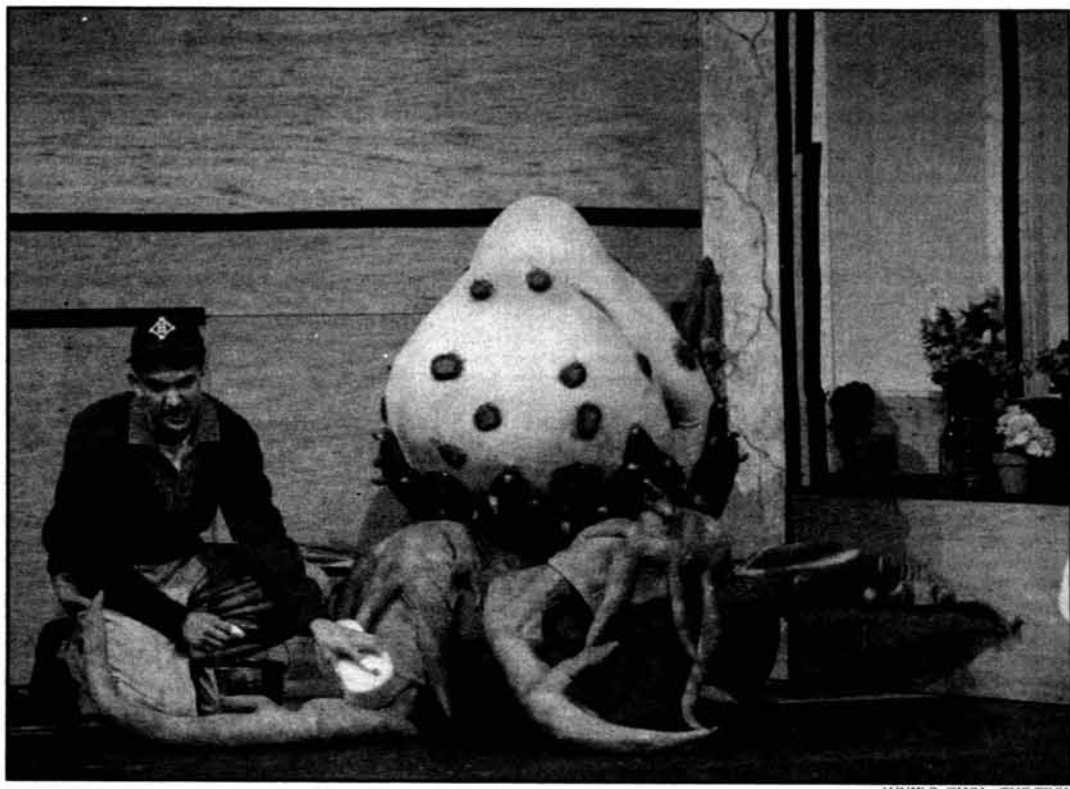
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Summertime changes to Athena bring improvements to campus clusters, such as software upgrades and new computers.



GABOR CSANYI—THE TECH

New students Audrey Wang, Bushra Maklya and Rui Tang make candles as part of the Freshman Arts Program last Tuesday.



ANNIE S. CHOI—THE TECH

Seymour (Steve Niemczyk G) succumbs to his plant's incessant demands in *Little Shop of Horrors*, opening this weekend at Kresge Little Theatre.

Majors Give Information, Demos, Handouts to Freshmen at Expo

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but then differed in pace. He warned that Physics I (8.01) moves at a fast pace and some physics experience was required. For those unsure of their physics, the department also offers 8.01L, which extends into IAP. 8.012 includes more theory while 8.01X is experiment-based.

Finally, the Biology requirement was explained by Professor of Biology Graham C. Walker. He outlined the three alternative Introduction to Biology courses, which differed in the areas which they emphasized. If a student has obtained a 5 on the AP exam, he or she has already received credit for this course. One option for such freshmen could be to take Genetics (7.03), which is usually a sopho-

more course.

However, Walker said the course is known for its difficulty, and he recommended students wait until their sophomore year to attempt the class.

Academics on parade

Following the Core Blitz was an academic expo in Johnson Athletics Center which introduced freshmen to all the many departments. Students took advantage of the opportunity to speak to professors about course offerings, majors, and unanswered questions about core classes.

Booths were setup for all the different majors as well as special programs like Concourse, the Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program, and Reserve Officer Training Corps.

In addition to providing informa-

tion, many of the booths attempted to lure freshmen with a variety of material. Demonstrations included a Van de Graaff generator with a stuffed bird on top at the Plasma Science and Fusion Center table and the Ocean Engineering Pre-Orientation program's submersible. The Department of Materials Science handed out free toys and, as a final incentive, freshmen were encouraged to collect raffle tickets from every station to win a free printer.

Although the Blitz and the Expo were a bombardment of information, freshmen generally agreed that they helped clarify core options and put everything into perspective.

"I thought it was a great intro to the entire core requirement. It was short and didn't need to be any longer," said Sloan Kulper '03.

Mutual Selection Marks House Decision Process

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ly decided that they loved their house and that it was the best of the seven. On the other hand, I know of a few cases in which a really gung ho frosh got into their first choice only to be disappointed later that their house was not everything they imagined."

And does he enjoy rotations, from the house member's perspective? "It's fun for two to four days, depending on how excited you are," Eastin said.

Other housing options

In addition to the houses, Caltech offers several other housing options. Caltech owns off campus apartments, and most houses have affiliated "off-campus alleys," small houses or sets of apartments which are owned by Caltech and designated for house members.

House membership is unaffected when students choose to live in other housing. "Once a new frosh becomes a member of a house that individual remains a member until death or until extraordinary measures are taken," Eastin said.

Off-campus housing is generally not more than a few blocks from campus, if that, Chiarchio said.

There are also Avery House and Marks House, which are not houses in that they are not based on membership, but do provide an alternate place for students to live.

According to the Avery web page, "undergraduates, graduate students, postdoctoral scholars, and faculty are blended together in a residential community which enables them to interact with one another informally."

Only freshmen are guaranteed on-campus housing in one of the seven houses. All Caltech students are guaranteed institute housing of some form, however Yamazaki said. All students are required to live in a house during the first two (of three) terms of their freshman year, and

are guaranteed on-campus housing for all three freshman terms.

Rooming within each house — including who lives in the house and who lives in off-campus alleys — is decided by the house government.

Yamazaki said that roughly 60 percent of students live in on-campus houses any given year, and about 25 percent live in Caltech-owned off-campus housing.

Pets permitted

Cats are allowed in all Caltech houses, but not in Avery or Marks. No more than 10 percent of house members may have cats, however, and cats must be approved by the house government before moving in. In addition, the Housing Office requires that they be "properly spayed and neutered," Yamazaki said.

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Tim the Beaver visits new students lounging near Rockwell Cage during the Freshman Picnic yesterday afternoon.

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little Nextual innuendo. You will live here.

2:30 p.m. – **Student House** – Open always our house is... hop on over and fill your tummy whenever you like.

2:31 p.m. – **ET** – Meep? Meep meep. Meep meep meeeep. Meep-meep, meep, meep, meep meep meep. Meep!!! Meep meep Meep, meep. Peem! x3-MEEP (x3-8888) or 734-9211 to visit our co-ed living group.

2:33 p.m. – **pika** – snip snip here, snip snip there, and a couple of tra la las, that's how we pass ish away in the merry ol' land of...pika. call 492-6983 and be buzzed on over.

2:36 p.m. – **Number 6 Club** – There's still food. If you are not hungry, come chill with sixers around the ice filled kiddie pool on the sundeck.

2:43 p.m. – **EAsT camPUS** – Do you feel naked? You do? Put your pants back on, you freak! Are you bored? CÔme to EC and decorate a mask for Samedi Gras! (Yes, there is a party tonight...shhh!!!)

2:57 p.m. – **Spanish House** – VRRRRRRR! THAT'S THE SOUND A BLENDER MAKES. STOP BY SPANISH HOUSE AND TREAT YOURSELF TO DELICIOUS ICE COLD PINA COLADAS AND MARGARITAS.

3:00 p.m. – **MacGregor House** – Want to get some exercise? Come do one of MacGregor residents' favorite things to do together and play a friendly game of ultimate frisbee.

3:00 p.m. – **Student House** – So, they told you about the Smoot-measured bridge? Take a stroll across the Charles and see the well-known markings for yourself! Now that you're on the other side of the river, come to Student House and have some munchies.

3:00 p.m. – **Kappa Sigma** – Tons of great food made by our first-rate chef all afternoon.

3:00 p.m. – **ET** – Come make a candle! You'll have a wicked good time! ET – a co-ed living group - call x3-WICK (x3-8888) or 734-9211 for a ride.

3:00 p.m. – **Next House** – Discover the object of your Nextual desire...and then eat it since it happens to be a freshly grilled burger. (Or veggie burger if you're of that Nextual persuasion...)

3:00 p.m. – **Zeta Beta Tau** – We're going to get a game of ULTIMATE FRISBEE going in the yard. Call Rick for rides at 232-3257. ZBT, THE NON-PLEDGING FRATERNITY.

3:00 p.m. – **Baker House** – COME EAT OUR FOOD!!! You want food and BAKER has lots of it!!! COME EAT IT!!! We're in our tent on KRESGE OVAL, so come meet us.3

3:00 p.m. – **Phi Sig** – Learn how to hula as our expert Hawaiian coconut dancers amaze you with their sweet moves...the Phi Sig LUAU is still going on!

3:00 p.m. – **Phi Beta Epsilon** – Pool anyone? Stop by PBE and challenge members of last year's IM Pool (A-League) Championship Team to a game and see how you measure up.

3:00 p.m. – **New House** – Tired of walking and playing games in the sun? Stop by Air-conditioned New House and take a little break! Have a glass a smoothie and chat with a bunch of friendly people at New House from 3pm-5pm

3:00 p.m. – **Phi Kappa Sigma** – Check out the well-known urban percussionists from Newbury St. as they perform on their eclectic array of instruments!

3:00 p.m. – **Theta Xi** – Come try your hand at making your own ice cream. Yes, we've all made our own ice cream on the 4th of July, but usually not with Liquid Nitrogen! Check it out!

3:00 p.m. – **Sigma Chi** – Our BBQ grill is still fired up. Come by to Sigma Chi, 532 Beacon St., to meet some brothers, see our house, and find out what we are all about.

3:00 p.m. – **Burton-Conner House** – Yep, our Infinite Barbecue is really infinite and still going on! We have all sorts of meat for you carnivores and vegetables for you vegetarians. Come to Burton-Conner, 410 Memorial Dr., or call 253-3261 for assistance.

3:00 p.m. – **Phi Kappa Theta (PKT)** – SUMO WRESTLING - Have you ever dreamed of slapping bellies with a 400 pound man? Well, now's your chance. Come strap on an inflatable suit and realize your dreams at PKT. Call 437-7795.

3:00 p.m. – **Phi Kappa Theta (PKT)** – ROOFDECK BBQ - Join the Phi Kaps on our rooftop for chicken wings, ribs, and all the fixin's that make a barbecue a barbecue. Call 437-7795.

3:06 p.m. – **Number 6 Club** – Sip on frozen daiquiris and smoothies and dance to the Caribbean beats of a live calypso band.

3:13 p.m. – **Senior Haus** – We're going to drop lots of balls from one of our balconies into the courtyard, then bounce them around until they all disappear into Chuck Vest's back yard.

3:15 p.m. – **Women's Independent Living Group** – The bungee corded ball game is still on! Check out how well you can maneuver a ball to a goal at WILG! For a ride to WILG call 253-6799

3:15 p.m. – **Fenway House** – random spontaneity begins! 437-1043 for a ride

3:17 p.m. – **Random Hall** – Who's the nerdiest person at Random? Find out at the Nerd Pageant! Contestants will participate in talent and eveningwear categories, but — rest assured — there will be NO swimsuit competition!

3:17 p.m. – **pika** – mmm... a cool drink full of milky goodness. or—if you're vegan—full of soy goodness. pika: here to meet your milkshake needs. 492-6983 for the frothmobile.

3:22 p.m. – **Tep** – Want dessert? How about 22-feet of ice cream in Tep's world renowned Ice Cream Trough? Ice cream and snacks of all varieties. Call 262-5090. for a brainfreeze of previously unimagined proportions.

3:27 p.m. – **ET** – Almost time for candle making.... Call x3-CANDLES (x3-8888) or 734-9211 for a ride to our co-ed living group.

3:30 p.m. – **Spanish House** – WERE STILL SERVING UP ICE COLD MARGARITAS AND PINA COLADAS. QUENCH YOUR THIRST AND MEET SPANISH HOUSE.

3:30 p.m. – **Next House** – Attractive, low-maintenance, dorm seeks independent-minded young studs with a sense humor to shower with passion in 4-year relationship. Hobbies include sports, hanging out, and sensual massage. Must be willing to take an active role in relationship, and bathe regularly.

3:30 p.m. – **Phi Sig** – girls on trampolines! (note to self ... bring trampoline)

3:30 p.m. – **Phi Beta Epsilon** – Make Your Own Ice Cream Sundaes - Take a break from the heat, relax, and enjoy some good old fashioned ice cream, some hot fudge, and lots of whipped cream.

3:30 p.m. – **Panhellenic Association** – Panhellenic Rush Open House I on the 3rd and 4th floors of the Student Center

3:30 p.m. – **Theta Xi** – INK YOUR OWN T-SHIRT — - Get yourself a free t-shirt: one you made yourself! Hang out and make new friends while you pick out a t-shirt design and silk-screen it.

3:30 p.m. – **Fenway House** – it's never too late to have a happy childhood! cÔme dip your fingers in our rainbow array of paints, and smear them artistically on paper, the walls, the carpet, the upperclassmen... you won't even have to sit in the corner afterward for it. 437-1043 for a ride-

3:33 p.m. – **Women's Independent Living Group** – Are you addicted to chocolate? Well then you better run on over to WILG. We have so much chocolate that we had to create a SECURED CHOCOLATE VAULT! Call 253-6799 for a chance to enter a chocolate lover's paradise...

3:36 p.m. – **Number 6 Club** – Enjoy the Caribbean rhythms of Hot Lik Fire while sipping on daiquiris and smoothies.

3:44 p.m. – **Tep** – We've achieved the secret of flight - one waterbed half-filled with air, you, and several of us to jump on the other side. Gravity got you down? This will get your spirits up, along with the rest of you. Call 262-5090 for flight clearance.

3:45 p.m. – **Phi Sig** – yep, the LUAU is still going on...we'll be playing Hawaiian games for prizes of macademia nut chocolates and leis, you've GOTTA try this food!

3:46 p.m. – **pika** – m. m. is for monkey. m is for midget, m is also for milkshake. mmmm, what a wonderful letter. call GZB-MZTD.

3:47 p.m. – **Random Hall** – Nerds: not just for breakfast anymore! At Random, the Nerd Pageant is in full swing. Come see who can recite pi to the most digits! Witness the splendor of Nerd Gladiators! Or, hang around after the show and join in a rousing game of Nerd Charades. Geeks welcome.

3:51 p.m. – **pika** – chicken go up, chicken go down, chicken go up...learn to juggle at pika and end up with as many chickens as you started out with. 492-6983

3:51 p.m. – **Senior Haus** – Express your creativity and discover why all MIT professors have chalk on their pants. Cover the many walls of our courtyard with murals in sidewalk chalk.

3:52 p.m. – **Senior Haus** – Taunt <CENSORED> the Demon Squirrel, and he will pelt you with acorns for the rest of the term. But we love him anyway.

4 p.m.

4:00 p.m. – **Fenway House** – bridied arrogance at fenway! come make heads or tails of it. 437-1043 for the surest long-cut to the house we know.

4:00 p.m. – **Zeta Beta Tau** – Chris is going to be giving SWING DANCE LESSONS in the party room. Call Rick for rides at 232-3257. ZBT, THE POWERHOUSE OF EXCELLENCE.

4:00 p.m. – **McCormick Hall** – McCormick's got every thing except an art gallery... so we've decided to change that! Come get chalk and touch your artistic side to the walkways in front of McC. Munchies, drinks, and prizes will abound!

4:00 p.m. – **Kappa Sigma** – Are you fat? Do you want to be? Strap on a Sumo suit for a true test of strength. Beefcake!

4:00 p.m. – **Senior Haus** – Tire swinging: give blood to the Angry God. You think you know how to tire swing, but ours goes in circles.

4:00 p.m. – **Phi Delta Theta** – Shish-Kebab Feast and House Tours: Call us at 247-8691 and we'll be happy to provide you with a ride back to our house. While touring our beautiful home, grab a bite to eat, meet some fellow MIT students, and tour our turn-of-the-century mansion.

4:00 p.m. – **Phi Kappa Sigma** – Check out Sam, the awesome card trick magician who has been thrilling audiences for years at Harvard Square!

4:00 p.m. – **Phi Kappa Theta (PKT)** – SUMO WRESTLING - Have you ever dreamed of slapping bellies with a 400 pound man? Well, now's your chance. Come strap on an inflatable suit and realize your dreams at PKT.

4:00 p.m. – **La Maison Francaise** – 16:00 - 19:00 Taste the cuisine of the French House! Tonight's menu: typical French grilled ham and cheese sandwiches, omelettes, crêpes, pizza, etc., as well as some nice drinks like our smoothies - all works by our French House chefs. 5th floor of New House 6.

4:00 p.m. – **La Maison Francaise** – 16:00 - 19:00 Goutez la cuisine de La Maison Francaise! Ce soir au menu, de plats simples: croques-monsieurs, omelettes, crêpes, pizzas, etc., ainsi que de bonnes boissons comme nos smoothies - des œuvres de nos chefs à La Maison Française. 5ème étage de House 6 à New House.

4:00 p.m. – **Theta Xi** – Come try your hand at making your own ice cream. Yes, we've all made our own ice cream on the 4th of July, but usually not with Liquid Nitrogen! Check it out!

4:00 p.m. – **Burton-Conner House** – We offer tours throughout the day. Come check us out! Learn the names of our 9 unique floors and discover how useful a kitchen can be. Phone 253-3261 for assistance, come to Burton-Conner, 410 Memorial Dr.

4:00 p.m. – **Phi Sig** – the MAGICIAN is still here ... greatest show on the east coast!

4:00 p.m. – **Fenway House** – By the power of Greyskull! there's more than meets the eye at fenway house. Blast back to the 80's with the cartoons of your childhood... He-Man, the Transformers, and more.... 437-1043 to be picked up your nearest Autobot.

4:02 p.m. – **EAsT camPUS** – Are you just another face in the crowd? Do you feel the need to be more "distinctive?" Purple, gold, and green, perhaps? Come to EC and make a mask for tonight's Masquerade la Samedi Gras!

4:03 p.m. – **Women's Independent Living Group** – the CHa!EngE: Get the CHOColate!! The cards are still a flyin' over at the WILG chocolate casino. We got black jack, we got poker, we got so many ways to keep you on our chocolate it will blow your mind! So come on over to WILG and take your best shot at us! 253-6799

4:03 p.m. – **ET** – Today is a good day to dye. Come on over and try it! Call x3-DYE! (x3-8888) or 734-9211 for a ride.

4:06 p.m. – **Number 6 Club** – Make a smoothie with fresh fruit. Have a daiquiri. Relax. The Reggae band is still playing.

4:07 p.m. – **Theta Chi** – Stuffed yet? Swing by Theta Chi and get your money's worth. At \$25,000 for tuition - you can do better than 5 free meals a day. Enjoy our BBQ, check out our 5-story brownstone, or shoot a relaxing game of pool with the brothers. Rides: 267.1801 (M/F)

4:17 p.m. – **La Maison Francaise** – nominal safari aces;africa animal noses; silicon seamen afar: sinai acorns aflame? Come to *la maison francaise* for exotic tours. And milk and cookies and puzzles and anagrams.

4:17 p.m. – **Random Hall** – Come watch Random's own Clam Floor build a multi-stage thermo-nuclear warhead out of common household items. Ask them for a tour of the only floor at the institute named after a bivalve while Boris continues to search his sock drawer for the plutonium.

4:22 p.m. – **Tep** – High Velocity Pinatas! Three man slingshots, ballistic missiles, and candy everywhere! We provide safety goggles and

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Grape Soder, as well as the ammunition. Call 262-5090 and take aim.

4:22 p.m. – **pika** – come spoil your dinner at pika. 492-6983

4:30 p.m. – **Chi Phi** – Steak and Lobster Dinner: Enjoy the original and best Steak and Lobster Dinner cooked by our marvelous chef, Cheryl.

4:30 p.m. – **Phi Sig** – it's almost time for fine Hawaiian cuisine. get over here to secure your place for some of the greatest (and most original) dishes you've ever tasted ... SEATING LIMITED

4:30 p.m. – **Theta Xi** – INK YOUR OWN T-SHIRT — - Get yourself a free t-shirt: one you made yourself! Hang out and make new friends while you pick out a t-shirt design and silk-screen it.

4:30 p.m. – **Senior Haus** – This is the oldest dorm on campus, so it's got character. See all of our current murals, hear sordid stories about the residents who painted them, then sit in the courtyard and hear stories about the old haus.

4:30 p.m. – **Next House** – Got social skills? Put them to the test as you meet some of the most normal people on campus. We dare you.

4:30 p.m. – **Alpha Delta Phi** – There's still time to bounce in our inflated ball field before dinner. Think you can stay on your feet? We have four extremely large rubber bands that disagree... Call 576-BUNGEE-CORD (576-2792) for a speedy pick-up.

4:31 p.m. – **ET** – Give *me* the brain...the pickles are staring at me! Call x3-GIVE-ME-THE-BRAIN (x3-8888) or 734-9211 for a ride over. ET - a co-ed living group with a brain.

4:35 p.m. – **pika** – wanna play a game? it's called 'hide francisco's shoes.' if you get too good at it, you can play rosa's favorite game, 'phonetic scrabble.' call 492-6983 and enter to win.

4:36 p.m. – **Number 6 Club** – Relax with a daiquiri and the beats of a live calypso band.

4:44 p.m. – **Tep** – Oobleck at Tep! Non-newtonian fun for the masses. Marvel at an entire front-room full of the liquid that you can toss like a ball and catch like a puddle. That number again: 262-5090.

4:47 p.m. – **Random Hall** – Want to know all the places you can check your mail on campus? Don't have a computer? Come with Matt as he leads you to every public cluster on campus. Learn the fine art of Athena Stalking (TM) and how to make people think your name is Bob.

4:50 p.m. – **Baker House** – It's your LAST CHANCE to tour BAKER HOUSE today. Come see the renovated BAKER. Only 2 tours today, and this is the last one!!

4:55 p.m. – **Fenway House** – come meet the people that your mother always warned you about! 437-1043

4:59 p.m. – **EAsT camPUS** – (insert whiny voice here) I'm huuuUUUUuuUUUUUUUnNnNgry! Give me something to eat! Come to FRED the Dorm, where the official motto is "Where the weak shall be eaten."

5 p.m.

5:00 p.m. – **Phi Kappa Sigma** – Check out Boston's hottest break dancing group from Faneuil Hall as they bust some moves!

5:00 p.m. – **Theta Xi** – BBQ DINNER — Start the first night of Rush off right with a fun Barbeque dinner, then stick around to win prizes at CASINO NIGHT at 8:00 p.m.!

5:00 p.m. – **Phi Kappa Theta (PKT)** – SUMO WRESTLING - Have you ever dreamed of slapping bellies with a 400 pound man? Well, now's your chance. Come strap on an inflatable suit and realize your dreams at PKT. Call 437-7795.

5:00 p.m. – **Phi Sig** – DINE HAWAIIAN STYLE IN PARADISE. you've never had it so good...SEATING LIMITED

5:00 p.m. – **pika** – fire up the grille! mr, meat is skewering your favorite vegetables, meat hunks, and seasoned tofu for the upcoming dinner. 492. 6983

5:00 p.m. – **EAsT camPUS** – Do you like it...hot? Creole and Cajun cooking at the EC Samedi Gras Celebration. Beads included with consumption of food. MMM...Beads...

5:00 p.m. – **Fenway House** – by the way, did i mention that fenway has a plethora of video game consoles? drop by, and play something on one of them. what do you mean final fantasy 8 isn't out? we have the japanese version ^_- call 437-1043 to come see Squall.

5:00 p.m. – **La Maison Francaise** – IHTFP? What's life at MIT like? Come chat over tea and sandwiches. Sorry, no crumpets, though we do have smoothies. Meet the people of LMF on a walk along the Charles, or over conversation at our kitchen tables. 5th floor New House 6.

5:00 p.m. – **Senior Haus** – Record shopping with Marianna. A selection of the better local new and second-hand music stores. Ask about the Happy Frenchman.

5:00 p.m. – **Phi Beta Epsilon** – Steak and Lobster Dinner - No explanation needed on this one. You know you want some. Need a ride? Call 494-8677

5:01 p.m. – **EAsT camPUS** – As Groucho Marx once said, "Breasts, thighs, and everything in between..."

5:02 p.m. – **EAsT camPUS** – MMM!!!! Finger lickin' good! (Note-fingers need not be your own...)

5:06 p.m. – **Number 6 Club** – Mambo with Maya. Rhumba with Robert and Cha Cha with...Jon

5:07 p.m. – **Theta Chi** – Come by for a house tour - stay for dinner. Juicy Hilltop Steakhouse steaks and fresh lobster - 23 minutes from now. Rides: 267.1801 (M/F)

5:11 p.m. – **Women's Independent Living Group** – Will only kisses by left? Hurry on over to WILG to catch the last of our chocolate casino. We've been wheelin' and dealin' all afternoon. Call us at 253-6799 for a ride and we'll be sure to save you at least a hug :)

5:15 p.m. – **La Maison Francaise** – Ah la la, le singe!

5:17 p.m. – **Random Hall** – Do you remember the presents you got as a child? Were they sometimes lame? Was the bubble wrap sometimes the best part? Well, at Random, we have OVER 1500 SQUARE FEET of bubble wrap! Pop away to your heart's content! Your mother won't stop you!

5:27 p.m. – **pika** – max is juggling the vegetables. matt's juggling the meat. stephen's juggling some rings. rosa's juggling the clippers. come see what else is up at pika. 492 6983

5:27 p.m. – **ET** – Turkey and stuffing. Cranberry sauce. Mashed potatoes. Have your Thanksgiving dinner right now...just call us for a ride! As with all our meals, there is a veggie option. Epsilon Theta * co-ed living group * call x3-MMMMMMMMM (x3-8888) or 734-9211 for a ride.

5:30 p.m. – **Theta Chi** – Juicy Hilltop Steaks and fresh lobster. Don't miss it. It all starts right now at Theta Chi. Rides: 267.1801 (M/F)

5:30 p.m. – **EAsT camPUS** – Brian: "Uh, why is this chicken burnt?"

5:31 p.m. – **EAsT camPUS** – Jen: "That's not burnt. That's, uh, blackened chicken, cajun style. Yeeaaaahhh..."

5:36 p.m. – **Number 6 Club** – The party hasn't even begun yet! Join us for some daiquiris and Caribbean music before our Carribean dinner.

5:37 p.m. – **Russian House** – Ever wonder how Borscht is made? Join our House Tutor, Julia for an exquisite lesson in traditional Russian cooking!

5:37 p.m. – **Theta Chi** – Dinner is still going full-steam. Come by and eat the finest beef and lobster money can buy. Our ally-you-can-eat, made to order dinner is calling your name. We'll pick you up, call us: 267.1801 (M/F)

5:55 p.m. – **ET** – Ding! Thanksgiving dinner, coming to a table near you! Call x3-WOW-THAT-SMELLS-GOOD (x3-8888) or 734-9211 for a ride.

6 p.m.

6:00 p.m. – **German House** – 18:00-20:00 Alternative Dining! Come for traditional dishes from Germany, Austria, and Switzerland at the German House. All food prepared by house members. Observe what culinary expertise you can acquire by living with us! Location: German House dining room.

6:00 p.m. – **Fenway House** – Come see our Super Elliptical Spiral Staircase. It's one of only seven in Boston. 437-1043 fall for a ride.

6:00 p.m. – **ET** – Dingding! Gobble-gobble! Don't worry, there's still Thanksgiving dinner left... Epsilon Theta * co-ed living group * call x3-FOOD (x3-8888) or 734-9211 for a ride.

6:00 p.m. – **Student House** – Satisfy your taste buds! Come to our International Banquet!! Try everything from Russian to Korean. Not up for that much excitement? We'll have something for those with less adventurous appetite too.

6:00 p.m. – **Kappa Sigma** – Steak and Shrimp Dinner. All you can eat high class dining.

6:00 p.m. – **McCormick Hall** – OK, so maybe we can't quite eat like we did as kids, but you can fill your belly without filling your love handles on our delish Subway assortment. Something for everyone with all these different sandwiches!

6:00 p.m. – **Sigma Phi Epsilon** – BBQ AT SIGEP: EAT YOUR HEART OUT tonight as SigEp gets grubby with REDBONES BBQ...can YOU eat more than anyone?

6:00 p.m. – **Next House** – Let your Nextual appetite lead you to our made-to-order omelettes.

6:00 p.m. – **La Maison Francaise** – Tea and Coffee at La Maison Francaise! Partake of the simple pleasures in life: grilled ham and cheese sandwiches, crepes, smoothies. Chat about French House, or just chat with us in our kitchen, or on a walk along the Charles.

6:00 p.m. – **Zeta Beta Tau** – MAINE LOBSTER and FILET MIGNON. We're not just talking steak...this is honest-to-goodness FILET MIGNON. Delicious vegetarian meals available. Call Rick for rides at 232-3257. ZBT, THE POWERHOUSE OF EXCELLENCE.

6:00 p.m. – **Theta Delta Chi** – Yeah, Yeah, we got damn good Steak and Lobster, if you want it, but we're also serving Ostrich and Buffalo steaks as well. Find out why the US Army thinks Ostrich is "The beef of the next millenium!"

6:00 p.m. – **MacGregor House** – Want more free food, but not in the mood for steak or lobster?! Stop by MacGregor's second BBQ!

6:00 p.m. – **German House** – Essen! Kommen Sie für eine Auswahl von traditionellen Speisen aus Deutschland, Österreich, und der Schweiz. Das Essen ist von Hausmitgliedern gemacht; wir machen auch unser eigenes Essen während das Semester. Treffpunkt: Deutsches Haus Esszimmer. (1 St. NH6)

6:00 p.m. – **Phi Delta Theta** – Drew Lawrence Band: Come listen to this hot, fresh local band as they crank out their tunes in our lovely house. Join us for free food and house tours as the cutting edge of alternative music fills the air. Call 247-8691 for a ride.

6:00 p.m. – **Phi Kappa Sigma** – Hungry after a busy day? Drop by Phi Kappa Sigma and enjoy a tasty BBQ dinner featuring your favorites and all the sides!

6:00 p.m. – **Burton-Conner House** – We oftours throughout the day. Come check us out. We're one of the most interesting dorms and offer great rooms arranged in the family style suite. Phone 253-3261. Come to 410 Memorial Dr.

6:00 p.m. – **Zeta Psi** – Steak and Lobster and Steak and Lobster and ... All the Steak and Lobster you can eat. Fuel up for the Car Bash later on. Give us a call and we'll bring you to Zeta Psi 661-4111 ext.101

6:00 p.m. – **Alpha Delta Phi** – Come join the party on our patio - the Steak Cookout and Chicken Feast has begun! Sample the sirloin and feast away to your heart's content (or arterial blockage, as the case may be). Vegetarian meals are available. Call 576-SUMPTUOUS-REPAST (576-2792) for a ride.

6:00 p.m. – **Phi Kappa Theta (PKT)** – STEAK AND LOBSTER DINNER - We drive to Maine so you can have the freshest lobster possible...how can you pass that up? Our gas tank went dry on our drive to Nebraska for the freshest cows, but we guarantee a Grade A meal! Call 437-7795.

6:00 p.m. – **Theta Xi** – BBQ DINNER — Start the first night of Rush off right with a fun Barbeque dinner, then stick around to win prizes at CASINO NIGHT at 8:00 p.m.!

6:00 p.m. – **Phi Beta Epsilon** – More Steak and Lobster - Don't tell me you're full already. You've got to want some more steak and lobster.

6:00 p.m. – **Nu Delta** – Don't miss this chance to have all you can eat steak and lobster, with a live band providing entertainment and a mellow atmosphere.

6:00 p.m. – **Sigma Chi** – Dinner time. Come to Sigma Chi, 532 Beacon St., to sample our buffet dinner. Call 262-3192 anytime for a ride.

6:01 p.m. – **Women's Independent Living Group** – Hungry? Come check out the gourmet Italian dinner at WILGI Closely followed by yummy desserts and a live a cappella group singing the night away! Call 253-6799 to get in on the fun.

6:06 p.m. – **Number 6 Club** – For dinner we have jerked chicken and fried plantains straight from Caribbean Paradise seduce you into an afternoon of fun. It's like being in the Caribbean but without the sand in your . . .

6:07 p.m. – **pika** – kebabs! come get your kabobs! kebabs for everyone - meat eaters, vegetarians and vegans! 492 6983 for a ride on the skewer mobile

6:15 p.m. – **pika** – dinner on a stick! what could be cooler than dinner on a stick?l okay - maybe dinner in a bucket... but everything on a stick is still pretty neat. 492 6983

6:17 p.m. – **Random Hall** – Lasagna time! Take a break from the stress of rush with Random's famous lasagna. We've got two exciting flavors (meat and not-meat), a ton of beverages, and lots of great conversation. Just follow the tape from campus!

6:17 p.m. – **EAsT camPUS** – "MMM...chicken...MMM...Beads...MMM...EAsT camPUS..."

6:18 p.m. – **EAsT camPUS** – Brian:"So, could you explain what the beads are for, again?"

6:19 p.m. – **EAsT camPUS** – Brian:"Oh, MY! you've got nothing on under that!!Okay! Okay! You can have my beads...You can out that back on, now, too..." Barefoot people at EC!

6:22 p.m. – **Tep** – It's not because we love animals, it's because we HATE plants! Come to Tep for our Veggie Feast. Call 262-5090 for delivery. Of you, To Tep.

6:25 p.m. – **Senior Haus** – Add some mystery to your life. Find out what's for dinner.

6:30 p.m. – **Theta Xi** – BBQ DINNER — Start the first night of Rush off right with a fun Barbeque dinner, then stick around to win prizes at CASINO NIGHT at 8:00 p.m.!

6:30 p.m. – **Student House** – We made so much food! Come help us eat it all! Does authentic Chinese food sound good? Or do you prefer Argentinian? I'm sure our International Food Fest will satisfy your appetite!

6:30 p.m. – **Next House** – Improve your Nextual Relations in a friendly game of twister with newfound friends. (a really great way to meet your future husband/wife)

6:35 p.m. – **Fenway House** – Do sophomores stick to walls? come find out! 437-1043

6:36 p.m. – **Number 6 Club** – Watch the sunset from our rooftop. Enjoy the island fare, kebabs from the grill and fried plantains.

6:37 p.m. – **Russian House** – MovieNight(R) - funky foreign films with the gang at Russian House. We promise there will be refreshments and subtitles!

6:37 p.m. – **Theta Chi** – Hungry? Eat well at Theta Chi's steak and lobster dinner. We're serving until 8:00 p.m. 267.1801 (M/F)

6:44 p.m. – **Tep** – Coup of the Veggie Feast! The meatatarians have risen! Join or eat Spam! We will attack with buffalo wings from the East and conquer! Call 262-5090 to take part and restore the natural order.

6:45 p.m. – **Phi Beta Epsilon** – Cheesecake - The perfect treat to round out your dinner. Come and sample one of our chef's best recipes.

6:45 p.m. – **ET** – Pop! poppop! Bad Joung-Mo! You can't start jumping on piles of bubble-wrap until 7:01 The bubble-wrap party starts soon... Epsilon Theta * co-ed living group * call x3-PILES-'O-BUBBLE-WRAP (x3-8888) or 734-9211 for a ride.

6:47 p.m. – **Random Hall** – Come one! Come all! The fun with Bubble Wrap never ends at Random! We have food, tours, cool people, spacious rooms, a great location in Central Square, amazingly beautiful desk workers, healthy hair, and enough Bubble Wrap to FedEx our dorm!

7 p.m.

7:00 p.m. – **Fenway House** – come look at our singular elliptical spiral stircase. It's one of only 3 in North America.

7:00 p.m. – **Next House** – One of those early bird types once said, "Breakfast is the most important meal of the day." What a fool! Breakfast is the most important mealS of the day. Come have a made-to-order omelette for dinner.

7:00 p.m. – **Kappa Sigma** – We had to tone down this hypnotist to avoid an X-rating, but stop by for hilarious action you'll have to see to believe.

7:00 p.m. – **Spanish House** – COME WITH SPANISH HOUSE AS WE GET READY TO SHOW YOU OUR FAVORITE SPOTS IN BOSTON. WE'LL BE LEAVING SHORTLY.

7:00 p.m. – **Student House** – "Food" is a very happy word. It's not too late to come for our International Banquet! Ate already? Come for some dessert!

7:00 p.m. – **Chi Phi** – Snowball Battle!! Yes, a Snowball Fight in August.

7:00 p.m. – **Senior Haus** – We're walking to Hollywood Express to get videos for tomorrow morning's fucked-up cartoons. HE kicks Blockbuster's ass. On the way, see Central Square landmarks such as The Middle East, ManRay, Hubba Hubba, and the 1369 Coffeehouse.

7:00 p.m. – **Theta Xi** – BBQ DINNER — Start the first night of Rush off right with a fun Barbeque dinner, then stick around to win prizes at CASINO NIGHT at 8:00 p.m.!

7:00 p.m. – **Phi Beta Epsilon** – X-Rated Hypnotist - Watch as a local hypnotist places your peers under a "spell" and amuses everyone else with their hypnosis. This is something everyone should see at least once.

7:00 p.m. – **Phi Beta Epsilon** – Casino Night - Play blackjack, poker, and many other games. Win some great prizes and meet some awesome people at the same time.

7:00 p.m. – **Phi Kappa Theta (PKT)** – STEAK AND LOBSTER DINNER - We drive to Maine so you can have the freshest lobster possible...how can you pass that up? Our gas tank went dry on our drive to Nebraska for the freshest cows, but we guarantee a Grade A meal! Call 437-7795.

7:00 p.m. – **Alpha Epsilon Pi** – Kosher BBQ at AEPi! Eat dinner and make some friends. Rub noses with our female BU neighbors while Peter Panic amazes you with death defying juggling feats. Call 247-3170 for a ride.

7:01 p.m. – **ET** – Pop! pop-pop-pop! pop! No, it's not Morse code, it's the bubble wrap party just getting started. Come jump on piles of bubble wrap to music. Sit and play cards while popping one bubble at a time... ET is a co-ed living group - call x3-POP! (x3-8888) or 734-9211 for a ride!

7:06 p.m. – **Number 6 Club** – Jerky Jon's Jamaican' me crazy with his fabulous chicken and kebabs.

7:17 p.m. – **Random Hall** – It's Liquid Nitrogen Ice Cream time! Mmmm, just like grandma used to make. We have several flavors of the sugary stuff just waiting to be quick-frozen. Come watch us play with really, really, really, really cold stuff!

7:17 p.m. – **Theta Chi** – You still have time. We're serving steak and lobster for another 43 minutes. Rides: 267.1801 (M/F)

7:22 p.m. – **Tep** – Relax after dinner and enjoy a cool Grape Soder while schmoozing with the authors of Elvis's favorite publication, Tep Force 22, and the creators of the Hanging Couch and Zee Infamous Foam Room. Call 262-5090 for a lift.

7:30 p.m. – **EAsT camPUS** – Party tonight! Starting in 90min! Need something to do before the Samedi Gras celebration tonight? Come take a tour and meet FRED the Friendly Dorm! Please do not feed the residents...

7:30 p.m. – **Theta Xi** – BBQ DINNER — Start the first night of Rush off right with a fun Barbeque dinner, then stick around to win prizes at CASINO NIGHT at 8:00 p.m.!

7:30 p.m. – **Women's Independent Living Group** – Mixed drinks legal for all at WILGI Mix up your first night of Rush's rushing about by lounging in our lounge with a yummy Non-Alcoholic mixed drink in hand!! For a ride to WILG give us a call at 253-6799

7:30 p.m. – **Baker House** – Come see movies and eat pizza with us on KRESGE OVAL. You'll think you're at the drive-in when you're watching movies with us outdoors on our big screen!!

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(Or just stay over the night before.)

8:00 a.m. – **Phi Delta Theta** – Pancake Breakfast: All the pancakes you can eat with all the delicious toppings you can imagine. Bacon, sausage, eggs, and home fries served on the side. What better way to start a fun-filled day? Call 247-8691 for a ride.

8:00 a.m. – **ET** – Tired of the city? Want to see something green? Give us a call and we'll pick you up for our hiking trip...there's even time for a good breakfast first. Call us at x3-8888 or 734-9211 for a ride!

8:00 a.m. – **Sigma Phi Epsilon** – Eggs ANY STYLE POSSIBLE! Delicious food, juices, steak, etc.... USE your imagination!

8:00 a.m. – **Sigma Phi Epsilon** – Visit SigEp at 518 Beacon St, meet the brothers, eat some gourmet, tour the mansion, meet the women of your dreams... ALL DAY!

8:00 a.m. – **Kappa Sigma** – Get the day started right with a huge breakfast from our cook Jim.

8:00 a.m. – **Theta Chi** – Benedict, over-easy, poached, scrambled, omelet - Steak and Eggs made any way you like. Take advantage of our big breakfast - you'll need it for paintball at 11:00 a.m. Rides: 267.1801 (M/F)

8:00 a.m. – **Phi Kappa Theta (PKT)** – BIG BREAKFAST - Our resident gourmet chef, Jason, only cooks for special occasions so don't miss out...He'll be cooking pancakes, eggs, hash browns, sausages, bacon, and other breakfast delicacies, so COME GET SOME! Call 437-7795.

8:00 a.m. – **Alpha Delta Phi** – Up early? Eat your fill of danishes, croissants, and donuts at Alpha Delta Phi. There's plenty of pastry for all! Call 576-MMM-DONUTS (576-2792) and we'll send someone to pick you up right away.

8:05 a.m. – **Women's Independent Living Group** – Rev up your morning with WILG! Looking for a group and place to get your day in motion? Come Rollerblade or Run down Mass. Ave.!! We'll be leaving from WILG-to get a ride call 253-6799.

8:07 a.m. – **Women's Independent Living Group** – Wake up with your cartoon pals at WILG! We've got comfy couches perfect for tuning in to your toons...and a yummy brunch on the way! For a ride to WILG call 253-6799.

8:09 a.m. – **pika** – feel like writhing around in a sea of second-hand clothing? want to shop for second-hand clothing? come join pikans on a jaunt to dollar-a-pound plus and come home with a sack full of new clothes! 492 6983

8:17 a.m. – **Random Hall** – It's breakfast time at Random, the International Non-Pledging Powerhouse of Pancakes (INPOP)! We have pancakes in every style we can think of, and a few we didn't even plan on... Have a crepe, a chocolate-chip pancake, or try Shannon and Raffi's scrambled pancakes!

8:25 a.m. – **ET** – They're tiny...they're toony...they're Saturday morning cartoons! Who cares if it's Sunday...that's never stopped us before! And there's plenty of breakfast! ET is a co-ed living group - call x3-TOONS (x3-8888) or 734-9211 for a ride.

8:30 a.m. – **Theta Delta Chi** – Gourmet Breakfast made to order from our illustrious chef Dave. Waffles, pancakes, crepes, fruit, bacon, sausage, ham, eggs benedict, hash, and more. Everything you'd get at a country club brunch, only better, and without the suits. Even a veggie alternative.

8:30 a.m. – **New House** – Come one, come all (freshman that is) to New Houses's freshly made pancake breakfast. Start your day off right with a good healthy breakfast from 8:30-11am ^{A..A}

8:45 a.m. – **ET** – Ready for a hike? There's still time for breakfast first! Call us for a ride at x3-8888 or 734-9211

8:47 a.m. – **Random Hall** – Every day is Saturday morning at Random! Join us for all your favorite Saturday cartoons of ages past (or just your last week of summer vacation). Grab a bowl of chocolate frosted sugar bombs and relive your childhood!

8:59 a.m. – **Spanish House** – MMMMM MMMMM GOOD! SMELL THE BACON. TASTE WONDERFUL SPANISH HOUSE COOKING. FOR ALL YOU BREAKFAST LOVERS.

9 a.m.

9:00 a.m. – **German House** – Frühstück! Bereit den neuen Tag mit warmes Essen anzufangen? Fast alle arten von Frühstück serviert, inklusive Kartoffelpfankuchen. Vergassen sie nicht die wichtigste Mahlzeit des Tages! Treffpunkt: Deutsches Haus Lounge

9:00 a.m. – **Zeta Beta Tau** – SEX is only slightly better than BREAKFAST AT ZBT. Pancakes, eggs, omelettes, toast, fresh fruit, pop tarts, O.J., we've got it all! After breakfast, come play PICKUP BASKETBALL and go on our ISLAND CRUISE. Call Rick for rides at 232-3257. ZBT, THE NON-PLEDGING FRATERNITY.

9:00 a.m. – **Next House** – simple, edible, breakfast.

9:00 a.m. – **Sigma Phi Epsilon** – games games games

9:00 a.m. – **Alpha Tau Omega** – Sunday Brunch ATO Style - Join us for a typical Sunday morning at ATO as we enjoy a full breakfast buffet prepared by our chef.

9:00 a.m. – **New House** – movies, lots and lots of non-stop movies! come anytime and catch a movie at your leisure. Snack and drink served

9:00 a.m. – **Phi Beta Epsilon** – French Toast and Waffles - Is there a better way to start the day? Fill up on french toast and waffles to give you energy for the rest of the day's activities.

9:00 a.m. – **Phi Sig** – BELGIAN WAFFLE FEST for the early riser -> enjoy home-made waffles piled high with strawberries, blueberries and more!

9:00 a.m. – **Phi Kappa Sigma** – Start of a fun-packed day the right way with a deluxe breakfast prepared by our Swedish chef, Andre.

9:00 a.m. – **Burton-Conner House** – It is 9am and we starting back up the Movie Marathon. We'll have some bagels and a light breakfast, but it is mostly about hanging out and watching movies.

9:00 a.m. – **Chi Phi** – Huge Breakfast at the House: Pancakes, sausage, bacon, fruits, pastries and more.

9:00 a.m. – **Phi Kappa Theta (PKT)** – BIG BREAKFAST - Our resident gourmet chef, Jason, only cooks for special occasions so don't miss out...He'll be cooking pancakes, eggs, hash browns, sausages, bacon, and other breakfast delicacies, so COME GET SOME! Call 437-7795.

9:01 a.m. – **pika** – come to pika for one hell of a breakfast: flaming oatmeal! grab a pitchfork and dial 492 6983

9:07 a.m. – **Theta Chi** – Have it your way - not from BK; eat like you own the place. Steak cooked to a juicy perfection and eggs done any way you like. Rides: 267.1801 (M/F)

9:12 a.m. – **Theta Chi** – Ladies, stop by and indulge in a hearty breakfast to start your day. Fresh steak and eggs made to order. Rides: 267.1801 (F)

9:15 a.m. – **Zeta Psi** – Pancakes, toast, bacon,

orange juice, all part of this balanced breakfast. Steve, our cook, is serving up french toast and waffles all morning. Give us a call at 661-4111 ext. 101 and we'll bring you some coffee to get you going.

9:22 a.m. – **Tep** – Steak-um and Eggo breakfast! The breakfast of Chumps! All the healthy foods a growing boy or girl needs to start the day right, plus some that just taste good! Call 262-5090 and we'll arrange for breakfast in bed, as long as you don't mind us bringing your bed to the table.

9:25 a.m. – **ET** – Saturday morning cartoons : The best of the 80's, all morning long! Not to mention a hot, homemade breakfast. Call us for a ride! x3-MEGATRON (x3-8888) or 734-9211.

9:30 a.m. – **German House** – Breakfast for Early Birds! All your breakfast favorites served, including our famous potato pancakes. Don't skip the most important meal of the day. Location: German House main lounge.

9:30 a.m. – **Alpha Delta Phi** – Are you a cranberry connoisseur? A grape gourmet? When you're done sampling our vividly colored juice selection, wash everything down with a double-dipped, chocolate frosted, rainbow-jimmied donut. Or three. Call 576-CRULLER-LOVE (576-2792) for a ride.

9:33 a.m. – **Women's Independent Living Group** – What to do for breakfast...the WILG SUNDAY BRUNCH, of course! We got all the fixings for the perfect pancakes, eggs cooked just how you like, and served with a smile by our wide-awake (?) house members. So roll yourself out of bed and into our van to join us-call 253-6799.

9:35 a.m. – **Fenway House** – Learn how to make dim sum - a traditional Chinese brunch. Delicious dumplings for meat-eaters and vegetarians alike. Show your creativity! Call 437-1043 and we'll pick you up anytime.

9:36 a.m. – **Number 6 Club** – Freshly baked cinnamon buns, fruit, bagels, muffins . . .

9:37 a.m. – **Russian House** – Alternative breakfast: you pick it—you eat it. Raspberry season is almost over, so come pick raspberries with us before you miss your chance!

9:55 a.m. – **Fenway House** – we're still groggy! come help us prepare and eat dim-sum, meat and veggy options available. experience the adventure! oh, and Mark will eat anything that turns out poorly, so don't worry about not having skill. 437-1043 for a ride

10 a.m.

10:00 a.m. – **Phi Kappa Theta (PKT)** – PAINTBALL - Come let out all that pent up aggression on the paintball field. Join the brothers of Phi Kappa Theta for the finest war-like experience in the Boston area. Call 437-7795.

10:00 a.m. – **Phi Sig** – still cranking out them piping-hot Belgian waffles shape that sleepiness with showings of THE MAN SHOW!

10:00 a.m. – **Phi Delta Theta** – Outdoor Rock Climbing and Picnic: Take the challenge. Climb the rock! We'll take you out to Quincy Quarries for some real rock climbing. Or watch the spectacle at our nearby picnic where we'll have sports, food, and fun. No experience required. Call 247-8691 for a ride.

10:00 a.m. – **Zeta Psi** – Come join us for Brunch at the House of Blues. While you're eating you can groove to the soulful performance of a live Gospel choir. Give us a call at 661-4111 ext. 101 and we'll pick you up.

10:00 a.m. – **Theta Delta Chi** – Paint the town red, or at least the guy in your crosshairs on our outdoor paintball trip. Let your fragile, warped mind do what the TV tells it to. Kill! Kill! Kill!

10:00 a.m. – **Sigma Phi Epsilon** – climb our indoor wall, meet the brothers and hang out ALL DAY

10:00 a.m. – **McCormick Hall** – Yeah, that's right! Fluffy sweet muffins will keep your Orientation enthusiasm going strong. Wash it down with some OJ and milk, and you're all set to head out to the sights. But don't forget to come back for lunch...

10:00 a.m. – **Kappa Sigma** – Boating, water-skiing, and laying on the beach at our nearby lake house in New Hampshire.

10:00 a.m. – **Zeta Beta Tau** – GOT SKILLS? Brim 'em over to ZBT Sunday Morning for PICKUP BASKETBALL. Blacktop courts, double rims, the works! After all that, be sure to stay and relax at our afternoon ISLAND CRUISE. Call Rick for rides at 232-3257. ZBT, THE POWERHOUSE OF EXCELLENCE.

10:00 a.m. – **Burton-Conner House** – We have breakfast on the table. Pancakes, cereals, muffins. Come over, have a solid breakfast among good company. Phone 253-3261, come to Burton-Conner 410 Memorial Dr.

10:00 a.m. – **Phi Kappa Theta (PKT)** – BIG BREAKFAST - Our resident gourmet chef, Jason, only cooks for special occasions so don't miss out...He'll be cooking pancakes, eggs, hash browns, sausages, bacon, and other breakfast delicacies, so COME GET SOME! Call 437-7795.

10:00 a.m. – **Nu Delta** – So you always wanted to play paintball and never had the chance? Join us on our trip to Paintball Heaven. You won't be disappointed, and that's the bottom line. Call 437-7300 for a ride.

10:00 a.m. – **Alpha Epsilon Pi** – Super Sports! Join your AEPI friends for go-carts, minigolf, bumper boats and more. Includes kosher lunch. Call 247-3170 for a ride.

10:00 a.m. – **Senior Haus** – Heavy Metal Espresso Breakfast. Fulfill your daily requirements of sugar and caffeine, and, of course, metal. Iron Maiden and Count Chocula, what more could you want?

10:00 a.m. – **Burton-Conner House** – Yep, we start our movies early, but those who love movies understand. Our movie marathon is back in action and you can come anytime to enjoy our extensive collection. Phone 253-3261, come to Burton-Conner 410 Memorial Dr.

10:01 a.m. – **Women's Independent Living Group** – You always wanted a pink, feather boa? Well we know just the place to go! Join WILG on a trip to the garment district to satisfy all your feather boa needs...253-6799

10:01 a.m. – **ET** – Come play games you've never played. Try Fluxx, with its ever-changing rules. Experience Nibbled to Death by Ducks, an original strategy game. Ask Ted about his German games. Or just play a hand of cards. Call us for a ride : x3-8888 or 734-9211. ET is a co-ed living group.

10:11 a.m. – **EAsT camPUS** – Take one of our super fun, super squishy, super unpredictable tours! Find out what a furry fish is and help us corrupt Brian, the rush mascot. Sorry, teh popcorn is free, but the whipped cream costs extra.

10:15 a.m. – **Student House** – Brunch was made for Sundays. After a first hard day of rush, come help us eat up pancakes, muffins, fruit, bagels, french toast, and tons more food. Yummmmm.....

10:15 a.m. – **Theta Xi** – PAINTBALL — This is a lot of fun regardless of your skill level. If you have never gone before, it's a great time. If you're a "seasoned veteran," that's fine, because we have a few marksmen of our own

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who have gone unchallenged!

10:15 a.m. – **pika** – go go gadget legs! stilt walking and stilt making at pika. pick up the gadget phone (which is probably built into your shoe) and dial 492-6983.

10:16 a.m. – **Women's Independent Living Group** – O'miGosh! Did I miss breakfast?!! Of course not! Our stoves are still going over at WILG for our Sunday brunch. Take your time, roll out of bed and give us a call. We'll be happy to come over and get you in your PJ's! Call 253-6799

10:17 a.m. – **Random Hall** – Story Hour at Random! Randomites will be reading classic tales by Mother Goose, the Brothers Grimm, Leo Tolstoy and Dr. Seuss. If that isn't your cup of tea, you can listen to Matt's computer read "contemporary adult fiction." Don't worry, we'll let you see the pictures!

10:21 a.m. – **Senior Haus** – F*\$ked-Up Cartoons. We've got sugar and coffee and metal, but no weekend morning is complete without quality children's programming. See Alice Cooper on the Muppet Show, the Marquis de Sade in claymation, and whatever we got at Hollywood Express last night.

10:22 a.m. – **Tep** – Coffee hour! Mmmmm... donuts! We do this every week to wake up on Sunday mornings. Come steal the comics and slam Ask Marilyn with us! Call 262-5090 for a ride.

10:30 a.m. – **Theta Xi** – PAINTBALL — This is a lot of fun regardless of your skill level. If you have never gone before, it's a great time. If you're a "seasoned veteran," that's fine, because we have a few marksmen of our own who have gone unchallenged!

10:30 a.m. – **Alpha Tau Omega** – ATO River Trip - The traditional canoe journey to ATO Island. Come help the girls cool off in the river, eat some lunch on the island, and then come back to campus refreshed and ready for a night on the town.

10:30 a.m. – **German House** – Paintball Madness! Join the language houses for a wild paintball game. Let go of your inhibitions. Haven't tried it before? Consider yourself an expert? Don't worry, we'll nail you in either case. That's a challenge. Location: New House front desk.

10:30 a.m. – **German House** – Dim Sum im chinesischen Viertel! Kommen Sie mit uns und versuchen das ausgezeichnete orientalische Essen in Boston. China Pearl ist eins von den besten Restaurants in der ganzen Stadt. Treffpunkt: New House front desk

10:30 a.m. – **German House** – Paintball Zeit. Kommen Sie mit den Sprachhäusern mit für ein Paintball Spiel. Treffpunkt: New House front desk.

10:30 a.m. – **La Maison Francaise** – Paintball insanity! No pain, no gain. Go wild with the language houses on the paintball field. Whatever your level, even if you've never tried it, you're in for a good and hilarious challenge! Have fun! New House Front Desk.

10:30 a.m. – **German House** – Dim Sum in Chinatown! Come with the language houses and sample the excellent Oriental Cuisine offered by Boston's own Chinatown. China Pearl's excellent dim sum selection has a well-deserved reputation across town. Meeting location: New House front desk.

10:30 a.m. – **Zeta Psi** – Join us for a Dim Sum breakfast in Chinatown. A tasty buffet of Chinese specialties, and did we mention it's all you can eat. Give us a call and we'll pick you up 661-4111 ext. 101.

10:30 a.m. – **La Maison Francaise** – La folie de paintball! Qui ne risque rien ne gagne rien. Déchainez-vous avec les maisons culturelles sur le terrain de paintball. N'importe votre niveau, même si vous n'avez jamais essayé, ce sera un bon défi tout marrrant! Amusez-vous bien! New House Front Desk.

10:30 a.m. – **La Maison Francaise** – 10:30 - 14:00 Dim-sum brunch in Chinatown! Get to know this charming section of Boston by taking advantage of its abundance of restaurants. Enjoy a delicious and filling selection of dim-sum for a small and reasonable price. New House Front Desk.

10:30 a.m. – **La Maison Francaise** – 10:30 - 14:00 Sortie au Chinatown pour dim-sum! Faites connaissance d'un quartier charmant à Boston en profitant de son abondance de restaurants. Apaisez votre faim d'un bon repas délicieux de dim-sum pour un petit prix tout raisonnable. New House Front Desk.

10:31 a.m. – **Women's Independent Living Group** – The Garment District...it's Ahmazing what snazzy second hand goods you can find crawling on your hands and knees in clothes (all bought by the lb)! This trendy place has all the glitz and goofy fun that vintage shopping can yield. Come check it out! WILG-call 253-6799

10:36 a.m. – **Number 6 Club** – Sun, soccer, volleyball, frisbee and a picnic on the beach. Vans leave every 1/2 hour till 12:36. In case of rain, join us at the Stewart Gardner Fine Arts Museum.

10:37 a.m. – **Russian House** – Breakfast — enjoy the delicious “bliny s varenien”, “lennivie vareniki”, and our famous Russian kasha. Chat with the house residents...

10:37 a.m. – **Theta Chi** – As much steak and eggs as you can eat. Stuff your face before our 11:00 a.m. paintball trip. Get ready to shoot people you've known for less than 2 days! Rides: 267.1801 (M/F)

10:40 a.m. – **Theta Chi** – Shoot people you hardly know. We're leaving in 20 minutes for the hills of Randolph to pretend we're comandos. Join us and have a blast. Rides: 267.1801 (M/F)

10:42 a.m. – **Women's Independent Living Group** – Grab your sunglasses and head on over to WILG...we're going to the beach! There will be food, sun, sandcastles, beach balls and more. We're leaving at 11, so give us a call at 253-6799 :=)

10:42 a.m. – **pika** – arrr! let's be pirates! we'll cut off our legs and glue on wooden ones! well, maybe we shouldn't cut off our legs—but we can strap on wooden ones and stilt walk. call 492-6983 for a ride in the pillagemobile.

10:44 a.m. – **Tep** – Canoe trip down the Charles. See the colossal Man-Eating Flounder, battle pirates, and feel the sheer propulsive POWER of a sleek seventeen foot canoe. Call 262-5090 for a ride, and don't forget your Speedo.

10:50 a.m. – **Baker House** – BAKER House: only 3 tours today, and one of 'em is now. Come be one of the first to see BAKER and find out what we're all about.

10:51 a.m. – **ET** – “So what are we going to do this morning, Brain?” The same thing we do every Sunday morning. Pinky. Watch more Saturday morning cartoons, and play more games!” Just call x3-TAKE-OVER-THE-WORLD (x3-8888)! or 734-9211 for a ride to our co-ed living group.

11 a.m.

11:00 a.m. – **Zeta Beta Tau** – ISLAND CRUISE! Go cruising with ZBT all the way out of Boston Harbor and visit George's Island, where you can

explore a Revolutionary War fort. There will also be sports to play and food to eat. Call Rick for rides at 232-3257. ZBT, THE NON-PLEDGING FRATERNITY.

11:00 a.m. – **Theta Chi** – Come play paintball with us. Rides: 267.1801 NOW! (M/F)

11:00 a.m. – **Phi Sig** – BELGIAN WAFFLE FEST for all you kids still lounging in bed at 11:00-> piled high with strawberries, blueberries and more!

11:00 a.m. – **Zeta Psi** – Join us for a canoeing trip up the Charles River. Paddle to a state park, where we'll light up the grill and serve burgers and other picnic fare. Call us at 661-4111 ext. 101 and we can pick you up.

11:00 a.m. – **Phi Beta Epsilon** – Boat Trip to George's Island - Come see one of Massachusetts' most beautiful islands, enjoy a barbecue on the island, and take some time to relax paradise-style.

11:00 a.m. – **Zeta Psi** – Our cook, Steve, is still going strong. He's churning out blueberry pancakes, scrambled eggs and sausage to go with your glass of orange juice. Give us a call at 661-4111 ext. 101 and we can pick you up.

11:00 a.m. – **Chi Phi** – Paintball: Experience the thrill of automatic weapons and a whole forest of fun.

11:00 a.m. – **Student House** – You say it's your birthday, huh? Well, if your special day happens to be in January or February, stop by between 11AM to 12PM for a gift and cake! Student House shows you we care.

11:00 a.m. – **Alpha Delta Phi** – Join the bravest of souls as they canoe down the Amazon, over the Niagra, into downtown Peoria (or wherever the Ipswich River takes us.) Be prepared for wet and wild fun! Call 576-CAPSIZE (576-2792) and we'll paddle on over.

11:00 a.m. – **Panhellenic Association** – Panhellenic Rush Open House II on the 4th and 3rd floors of the Student Center

11:00 a.m. – **Burton-Conner House** – Come to our movie marathon! Sit down and enjoy. Have some ice cream. We have an extensive collection and you decide what to watch. Phone 253-3261, come to 410 Memorial Dr.

11:01 a.m. – **pika** – pika: punks imitating kung-fu apes. 492-6983

11:05 a.m. – **Fenway House** – all signs of having a possibly productive morning are negative. (437-1043 for nihilism)

11:06 a.m. – **Number 6 Club** – Enjoy the ocean spray on the rock cliffs overlooking the water or soak in the sun on the white sand. Vans leave every 1/2 hr. until 12:36. In case of rain, join us at the Stewart Gardner Fine Arts Museum.

11:07 a.m. – **ET** – Why does it matter if you build your first settlement on a wheat hee or the rock port? Come find out! GAMES YOU'VE NEVER PLAYED. Epsilon Theta - a co-ed living group entirely too obsessed with games, crosswords, and puzzles. Just call for a ride - x3-8888 or 734-9211.

11:10 a.m. – **Fenway House** – ...but then it is realized that we haven't tie-dyed any of the cats yet! and suddenly the morning has a whole new outlook. come tie-dye with us. shirts, socks, underwear, wedding dresses... 437-1043

11:15 a.m. – **Women's Independent Living Group** – Body art you won't regret...design your own or get your temporary piece from some of WILG's artists! For a ride to WILG call 253-6799.

11:17 a.m. – **Random Hall** – Its time for Dim Sum! Join random residents as they trek to Chinatown for this traditional oriental meal. Bring your appetite and sense of adventure! If you don't feel like making the journey, we still have pancakes and orange juice left over from breakfast!

11:29 a.m. – **EAsT camPUS** – Pontificating upon the answers to deep philosophical questions? What is EZ cheez made of? What's happening at EC? How many licks DOES it take?... EC tours have the answers! They may not be right, but they will be damned amusing!

11:30 a.m. – **Phi Kappa Sigma** – Chow down by making subs just the way you like them with an amazing spread of meats, cheeses, vegetables, and condiments!

11:30 a.m. – **Phi Sig** – Enjoy ULTIMATE and SOCCER in the park with the guys who won the A-LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS in both sports! Or take a tour of Boston with some brothers. We don't care, just come over so we can meet you!

11:30 a.m. – **pika** – time for adventure! journey to The Fells—2000+ acres of woods only 30 mins from mit. come tromp through the woods, mountain bike, or go bouldering. call pika and join the adventure. 492-6983

11:30 a.m. – **Sigma Chi** – We're getting ready to go to the Red Sox - Angels game. But first, our pre-game brunch. Come over to Sigma Chi, 532 Beacon St., and we'll go to brunch in the Fenway Park area. Call 262-3192 anytime for a ride.

11:30 a.m. – **Phi Beta Epsilon** – Star Land Amusement Park - You can try your hand at go-carts, golf, bumper boats, and an arcade. Need a ride? Call 494-8677.

11:30 a.m. – **Fenway House** – When I think of Fenway House, I think of cold mountain streams and breezes... oh, sorry. That's a York Peppermint Patty. Nevermind.

11:36 a.m. – **Number 6 Club** – Barbecue on the beach with sixers. Vans leave every 1/2 hr. until 12:36. In case of rain, join us at the Stewart Gardner Fine Arts Museum.

11:37 a.m. – **pika** – set your mayonnaise free. come to a picnic in the woods with pika. 492-6983

11:37 a.m. – **ET** – Hungry yet? Come experience the infamous Bread Bowl of Doom (TM)! Many vegetarian options...call us at x3-8888 or 734-9211 for a ride.

11:45 a.m. – **La Maison Francaise** – O là vache!

11:45 a.m. – **Phi Sig** – SHISH KEBAB cookout on the rooftop

11:49 a.m. – **pika** – we're probably still slipping out the door to go to the woods. If you hurry, you can catch up and play a game of capture the flag! 492-6983

11:50 a.m. – **Phi Sig** – Leaving for George's Island in 10 minutes ... 9 minutes 59 seconds ... hurry over!

11:55 a.m. – **Fenway House** – miss out on the first 2 hours? we're still here, as long as there are hungry people around (and with Silvain around, we'll be here forever) come help make and eat dim-sum. 437-1043 for a ride.

11:57 a.m. – **Theta Chi** – Ops, you missed paintball, but that's ok. Stop by the house and a brother will take you out on the town. Rides: 267.1801 (M/F)

12 p.m.

12:00 p.m. – **MacGregor House** – Come and get some more free food for lunch at MacGregor!

12:00 p.m. – **Kappa Sigma** – Sample all of our chef's specialties.

12:00 p.m. – **Sigma Phi Epsilon** – Join us for a short trip to the crag at Hammond Pond, a scenic wild park 7 minutes away, to climb and boulder, and chill y!

12:00 p.m. – **McCormick Hall** – There's nothing better than a lunchtime picnic on those beautiful

afternoons at the end of summer! Come join the McC gals for burgers (veggie, too), hot dogs, munchies, and drinks while you sit, talk, and play whiffle ball and volleyball in the lawn.

12:00 p.m. – **Sigma Phi Epsilon** – see Boston from Above from the cockpit of planes piloted by our certified Air Force Pilots

12:00 p.m. – **ET** – Lunch. Meal. Food. Soup. Bread. Knife. Tool. Sledgehammer. Come free-associate at ET! Call x3-8888 or 734-9211 for a ride to our co-ed living group! We'll even feed you lunch, complete with the infamous bread-bowls. Veggie options always available.

12:00 p.m. – **New House** – Come and roll your own California rolls or make chinese dumplings from scratch! Prepare for your years at MIT by learning how to cook for yourself first! ^{A..A}

12:00 p.m. – **Zeta Psi** – Come out to Fenway Park with us to see the Boston Red Sox duke it out with the Anaheim Angels. Take in the ballpark atmosphere, and don't forget to grab a hot dog from the vendor to top off the experience. Call 661-4111 ext. 101 to get a ride to the game.

12:00 p.m. – **Phi Delta Theta** – Relaxed Deli Lunch. Ahhhh! The stresses of Rush getting to you? Come over to snack on some good, wholesome, home foods. We promise casual fun and a low-pressure atmosphere. Call 247-8691 for a ride.

12:00 p.m. – **Phi Kappa Sigma** – Join the brothers of Phi Kappa Sigma as we take a trip to an awesome new paintball facility!

12:00 p.m. – **Phi Sig** – GEORGE'S ISLAND CRUISE —> enjoy soccer, ultimate, rush women, football, volleyball, BBQ and sun on one of the nicest Islands in Boston Harbor ... complete with a fort! DON'T MISS THIS

12:00 p.m. – **Phi Kappa Theta (PKT)** – BASEBALL: RED SOX VS ANGELS - Enjoy America's favorite pastime in the timeless Fenway Park...temperers may flare as the once beloved Mo Vaughn returns to Boston, but this time as a hated Angel! Call 437-7795.

12:00 p.m. – **Student House** – Hey, if your birthday happens to fall in in March and April, come on over between 12PM and 1PM and we'll give you a gift and cake just for being born. As if getting into MIT weren't enough...

12:00 p.m. – **Nu Delta** – Drop by any time all afternoon just to try your luck against our video game gurus and pool sharks. Call 437-7300.

12:00 p.m. – **EAsT camPUS** – We put the CARNAL back in CARNiVAL! Hair'dying, face-painting, cotton candy, snocones, live music, jewelry making, darts (how many Backstreet Boys can you take out?), popcorn, tree-climbing, and a MOONBOUNCE!

12:00 p.m. – **Alpha Delta Phi** – I can smell the hamburgers as their grilling nears perfection... A-1? Heinz 57? Name your best sauce, 'cause in just a few minutes, you're gonna need it. Dial 576-BABYBACK-RIBS (576-2792) for a ride to the barbeque.

12:00 p.m. – **Burton-Conner House** – We offer tours throughout the day. Come check us out! Learn the names of our 9 unique floors and discover how useful a kitchen can be. Phone 253-3261 for assistance, come to Burton-Conner, 410 Memorial Dr

12:03 p.m. – **Women's Independent Living Group** – Too chicken to get a real tattoo? Then get a henna tattoo by the WILG artizes! It'll be gone before your parents come to bring you your stuff :) call us! 253-6799 (100% painfree)

12:06 p.m. – **Number 6 Club** – Come over for a ride to the beach BBQ. Don't have time to go to the beach? Well, just chill at No.6. Have some lunch and soak up the rays on our sundeck. In case of rain, join us at the Stewart Gardner Fine Arts Museum.

12:10 p.m. – **Phi Sig** – on the way out the door for George's Island ... if you hurry you can still get a ride!

12:22 p.m. – **Tep** – BBQ on the roof. Enjoy lunch over a lovely view of Boston. Both meaty and veggie foods are available. Is that a bathtub in the closet? Call 262-5090.

12:30 p.m. – **Phi Kappa Sigma** – Check out Mo Vaughn's return to historic Fenway Park as his Angels take on his former teammates!

12:30 p.m. – **Senior Haus** – Smokin' in the Boys' Room... Now we've all got metal songs stuck in our heads. Relive the 80's glam metal days, and smoke some of our free cigarettes in the courtyard.

12:30 p.m. – **Theta Delta Chi** – Come see Boston's Red Sox dismantle the poor Anaheim Angels at Fenway Park.

12:30 p.m. – **Next House** – Attentive, virile dom seeks young maidens for 4-year relationship. Experience what passion can be. Would give up the stars in heaven for love. Serious inquiries only.

12:30 p.m. – **ET** – Time for lunch! No, Sam! No juggling the bread bowl! Bad Sam! We're a co-ed living group - call us for a ride at x3-8888 or 734-9211.

12:30 p.m. – **Phi Beta Epsilon** – Roofteck Barbecue - Hungry? Enjoy a barbecue on our rooftop. Take in the beautiful scenery and enjoy a filling meal.

12:31 p.m. – **Spanish House** – COME SEE OUR WONDERFUL HOME. SPANISH HOUSE IS GIVING TOURS LED BY OUR GOOD FRIEND RICKY MARTIN.

12:31 p.m. – **pika** – “we'll cut her head off and make her eat it!” “make her eat her own head—with what?” you'll see. come to pika and make gingerbread self-effigies. 492-6983

12:32 p.m. – **Spanish House** – DID WE SAY RICKY MARTIN? WE MEANT RICKY MARTIN AND JENNIFER LOPEZ. IT'S GONNA BE HOT AT THE LATIN HOUSE.

12:34 p.m. – **Women's Independent Living Group** – Make your own stained glass doo-dads to brighten up your window of time! For a ride to WILG give us a buzz at 253-6799.

12:36 p.m. – **Number 6 Club** – Last call for all you beach bums! In case of rain, join us at the Stewart Gardner Fine Arts Museum.

12:45 p.m. – **EAsT camPUS** – Experience the ultimate in live music-Boston's own "Johnny Wishbone" takes time out of their busy schedule to entertain you and your new friends at FRED! (Yes, this is actually A REAL BAND THAT DOESN'T SUCK!!!!)

12:45 p.m. – **ET** – Do you like CHOCOLATE? Come join us for a CHOCOLATE TOUR OF BOSTON! See Boston and sample some of its chocolate. We'll point out some of the bookstores, too! Call x3-CHOCOLATE!!!! (x3-8888) or 734-9211 to get a ride to our co-ed living group.

12:47 p.m. – **Random Hall** – It's Lunch time at Random! What's that? You just woke up? Don't worry, some of us did too. Stagger on over for a sandwich and we promise not everyone will be asleep (just the rush chairs).

12:59 p.m. – **pika** – come learn special CIA cake making and decorating techniques. If we told you anymore, we'd have to kill you. call 492-6983. codename: Shaft

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12 p.m.

12:45 p.m. – **German House** – 12:45-15:30 Don't miss World War III! Arm yourself with a water gun and join in, as German, Russian, and French Houses battle it out. No combat experience necessary, but enthusiastic hydrophiles are eagerly sought. Recruitment location: New House front desk

12:45 p.m. – **German House** – Verpassen Sie nicht den dritten Weltkrieg! Bewaffnen Sie sich mit ein Wassergewehr und helfen Sie uns die Russische und Französische Häuser zu schlagen. Kein militär Erfahrung notwendig, aber enthusiastische Wasserliebhaber sind herzlich eingeladen. New House front desk.

12:45 p.m. – **Theta Chi** – Head for the OX at Killian Kickoff. Rides: 267.1801 (M/F)

12:45 p.m. – **Baker House** – Take a Tour of our fabulous... TENT???? We're a little homeless right now, but we'll be temporarily located in our TENT ON KRESGE OVAL. Come over and meet us.

12:45 p.m. – **Zeta Beta Tau** – EIGHT FOOT SUBS. Ham, Turkey, Roast Beef, four kinds of cheese, and all the fixins you desire. Vegetarian meals available. Call Rick for rides at 232-3257. ZBT, THE NON-PLEDGING FRATERNITY.

12:45 p.m. – **ET** – Our floor has turned into a crossword puzzle. Nooooooooooooo! Come and experience the world's largest crossword puzzle! ET is a co-ed living group - call x3-DOWN (x3-8888) or 734-9211 for a ride.

12:45 p.m. – **ET** – Look at ze colors...all ze pretty colors...and tell me what you see. Yes, zat ees right. Eet ees your newly tie-dyed shirt! Call x3-DYE! (x3-8888) or 734-9211 for a ride to our co-ed living group.

12:45 p.m. – **ET** – SPLASH! <drip><drip><drip> We're Epsilon Theta. We've got water. And we're not afraid to use it. Come join our WATER FIGHT! Call xSPLASH (x3-8888) or 734-9211 for a ride to our co-ed living group.

12:45 p.m. – **Phi Sig** – Look for Phi Sig's big CITGO sign at Killian Kickoff for a free luxury bus ride back to the house ... LET THE LUAU BEGIN!

12:45 p.m. – **MacGregor House** – Killian Kickoff over? Come take a tour of MacGregor House, the tallest dorm on campus with the coolest people, the best views and almost all single rooms! Tours are ongoing all day, all weekend!

12:45 p.m. – **Phi Beta Epsilon** – Mexican Fiesta Lunch - Tacos, enchiladas, burritos, nachos, and quesadillas prepared by our chef Ruben

12:45 p.m. – **Phi Kappa Sigma** – Hungry after a drawn-out Killian Kickoff? Come by Phi Kappa Sigma and enjoy fresh, made to order shish-kebabs with your choice of marinated seafood, meats, and vegetables!

12:45 p.m. – **Burton-Conner House** – Burton-Conner's infinite BBQ starts right after Killian Kick-Off and lasts until sunset. Come by for hamburgers, veggie burgers and hotdogs. 410 Memorial Dr. or call 253-3261

12:45 p.m. – **Burton-Conner House** – Throughout rush, Burton-Conner will have movies and ice cream. Stop by and check it out. We have an extensive collection. You decide what to watch. Phone 253-3261 or come to 410 Memorial Dr.

12:45 p.m. – **Burton-Conner House** – We offer tours throughout the day, so come and check us out! We're one of the most interesting dorms and offer great rooms arranged in the family-style suite systems. Phone 253-3261 for assistance or come to Burton-Conner, 410 Memorial Dr.

12:45 p.m. – **Phi Delta Theta** – Shish-kebab feast and house tours: Find the blue and white Phi Delt banner at Killian Court Kick-off. We'll drive you back to our house to feast on our chef's world famous shish-kebabs. Meet all the brothers while you tour our beautiful home. Call 247-8691 for a ride.

12:45 p.m. – **EAsT campUS** – Dear Human, I am an alien from outer space. I have transformed myself into this paper. As you read, I am having sex with your fingers. I know you like it - I can see you smiling...

12:45 p.m. – **La Maison Francaise** – La 3ème Guerre Mondiale! Joignez-vous à la croisade! C'est notre grande bataille d'eau traditionnelle. Vous serez fier de jeter des bombes d'eau de la part de LMFI! Rafrâchez-vous et amusez-vous en même temps! Venez au New House Front Desk.

12:45 p.m. – **La Maison Francaise** – 12:45 - 15:30 World War III! Will you join in our crusade? It's our traditional water fight, and it's HUGE! Experience the pride of throwing water balloons for the French House! Cool off and have fun while you're at it! Come to New House Front Desk.

12:45 p.m. – **Alpha Epsilon Pi** – Gaming Extravaganza! AEPi offers a host of exciting venues from Tekken to Black Jack. Take a gamble

at the craps table or sink an eight-ball. Call 247-3170 for a ride.

12:46 p.m. – **EAsT campUS** – Was it as good for you as it was for me? EAsT campUS. Lot's of screwy things happening here. Come take a tour.

12:46 p.m. – **Women's Independent Living Group** – Rush into the madness and c'mon over to WILG!! Check out our house and the gals that call it home. There'll be continuous departures from Killian Court...and you can give us a buzz at 253-6799 for a ride.

12:47 p.m. – **Theta Chi** – Lost after Killian Kickoff? Come to our place for a rooftop BBQ and check out our 5-story brownstone. Rides: 267.1801 (M/F)

12:47 p.m. – **Random Hall** – Random Rush begins with the ceremonial Popping of the Bubble Wrap! Be on hand for this historic event and all the bubble wrap and food that comes with it. We have one square foot of bubble wrap for each and every member of the class of 2003 — come get yours!

12:55 p.m. – **Zeta Psi** – Lunch Buffet at ZETA PSI. Everything from Fajitas to Wings. Our cook Steve makes lunch for everyone. Give us a call and check out Zeta Psi 661-4111 x101

12:55 p.m. – **Women's Independent Living Group** – Are you starving yet? Come on over to WILG and join us for a Bar-B-Q. There will be plenty of food (you can be sure we'll have veggie burgers) and lots of fun. Call us at 253-6799

1 p.m.

1:00 p.m. – **Phi Kappa Theta (PKT)** – ROOFDECK BBQ - Join the Phi Kaps on our rooftop for chicken wings, ribs, and all the fixin's that make a barbecue a barbecue. Call 437-7795.

1:00 p.m. – **Senior Haus** – Lunch on Fire. Vegetarian options always available.

1:00 p.m. – **New House** – movies, lots and lots of non-stop movies! come anytime and catch a movie at your leisure. Snack and drink served

1:00 p.m. – **La Maison Francaise** – Too hot? Cool off to the core on the ice rink! Yup, ice rink in the summer. Meet some members of the language houses: German, Russian, Spanish, and French (of course!). We assure you, at the Skating Club of Boston, it's really cool! \$6 + skate rental. New House Front Desk.

1:00 p.m. – **La Maison Francaise** – Fait trop chaud? Rafrâchez-vous au fond sur le patinoire! Mais oui, le patinoire en plein été. Rencontrez des membres des maisons culturelles. On vous jure au Skating Club of Boston, c'est très cool! \$6 + location de patins. New House Front Desk

1:00 p.m. – **German House** – Kommen Sie mit uns für eine sommerliche Schlittschuhfahrt. Sie können einen Blick von das Winterleben in Boston kriegen. Es macht keinen Unterschied ob Sie schon ein Profi oder ein Anfänger sind, kommen Sie mit zum Skating Club of Boston. Treffpunkt: NH front desk.

1:00 p.m. – **Fenway House** – 'wait a minute... was killian kickoff today?' —call 437-1043 and remind us to show up.

1:00 p.m. – **MacGregor House** – Come get some free food at the first of MacGregor's twice daily BBQ's!

1:00 p.m. – **Sigma Phi Epsilon** – Visit 518 Beacon Street all day and meet the brothers, tour the mansion, and have breakfast or lunch.

1:00 p.m. – **Sigma Phi Epsilon** – SLAM DUNK at SigEp: Hoop it up at SigEp, and slam for pride, if you dare! Show your stuff and see the sporty side of SigEp...oh wait, what else is there? Just kiddin'...

1:00 p.m. – **Sigma Phi Epsilon** – Meet the Brothers of Sigma Phi Epsilon: Come by 518 Beacon St and meet the brothers! Sig-Ep is the first fraternity, on your right, after you go across the Harvard Bridge.

1:00 p.m. – **Student House** – KaBangg... You made it here... now what? Come over to Student House and take a tour of our newly renovated house (the paint is barely dried!) Plus there's always desserts and munchies.

1:00 p.m. – **Next House** – Don't fight the feeling. Give in to your Nextual desire and eat our meat. Vegetarian? We'll grill you up a carrot or something. There's room for everyone. Typical BBQ, atypical dorm.

1:00 p.m. – **Phi Kappa Sigma** – See Boston from new heights as you soar through the air on a moonwalk that's already five stories above street level!

1:00 p.m. – **Chi Phi** – Barbecue and hang out at the House: Hang out at the house, enjoying copious amounts of great food.

1:00 p.m. – **Sigma Chi** – Come check out Sigma Chi. We are having a BBQ on our front lawn all

afternoon. We also have house tours and a slide show going. Stop by and hang out with some brothers for a while. Call 262-3192 anytime for a ride.

1:00 p.m. – **Theta Xi** – Have you ever wanted to make Ice Cream with Liquid Nitrogen? We're doing it right now! You'll be surprised how good it tastes...

1:05 p.m. – **German House** – 13:00-17:00 Come with us for a swirl on the ice! Yes, skating in the summer! See what Boston's winter life can offer. Whether you are a pro or a beginner, join us for an afternoon at the Skating Club of Boston. Admission: \$6. Skate rental extra. Meeting place: NH front desk.

1:05 p.m. – **Theta Chi** – Ladies, wondering where your steak, lobster, and pampering is? If you're tired of sitting in the student center, make your way to Boston. Theta Chi is having a rooftop BBQ and everyone is invited. Rides: 267.1801 (F/M)

1:06 p.m. – **Number 6 Club** – Enjoy savory lobster, steak, chicken and vegetarian kebabs, hamburgers and hot dogs fresh off the grill.

1:07 p.m. – **Theta Chi** – Stranded? Call us for a ride. The coals of our BBQ are blazing. Come by for good eats and house tours. Rides: 267.1801 (M/F)

1:07 p.m. – **ET** – Water fight! Water fight! Water fight! Water fight! Call x3-WATER-FIGHT (x3-8888) or 734-9211 for a ride! ET is a co-ed living group of silly people.

1:11 p.m. – **Women's Independent Living Group** – Chocolate...mmm...heaven...proven health benefits...Come on over to WILG and try your luck at our CHOCOLATE CASINO! Call 253-6799 for a ride to a chocolate lover's paradise :)

1:11 p.m. – **EAsT campUS** – I wish I was at EC. I wish I was at EC. Well, Dorothy, there's no place like home... (FRED. Just like home, only more fun and no tornadoes. Annoying little dogs not included. Limit one free witch per person, per visit.)

1:13 p.m. – **ET** – DYE! DYE! DYE! Not only can you dye, you can dye in all the colors of the rainbow! It's better than the movies...come on over and make yourself a shirt! We're a co-ed living group - call x3-DYE! (x3-8888) or 734-9211 for a ride.

1:15 p.m. – **Senior Haus** – Dean presides over a belching contest in the courtyard. Carbonation will be provided for those lacking superhuman natural talents.

1:22 p.m. – **Women's Independent Living Group** – Hungry and Lookin' for a Home? Come on over to WILG. We got food, we got a home! We've got lots of fun activities going on and we'll be giving non-stop house tours all day. So call us at 253-6799. We can't wait to meet YOU!

1:25 p.m. – **EAsT campUS** – Enjoy your first free food of opientation-BBQ at FRED! And yes, Virginia, there is a veggie option. (**FRED=EAsT campUS**)

1:29 p.m. – **Women's Independent Living Group** – BüngeE BaLL bonaza at WILG! An inflatable field, people, a ball, and some bungee cords—Voilà! You have fooseball in the flesh! Join a game of bungee ball at WILG! 253-6799

1:30 p.m. – **Fenway House** – happy holidays! We're having a non-denominational, hyper-dimensional, all-purpose home-cooked holiday dinner, turkey, mashed potatoes, pie, and vegetarian stuffing featured. The stuffed vegetarian will be Susama. a total of 437-1043 courses.

1:30 p.m. – **Phi Sig** – Get leid at Phi Sig's BIG BAD LUAU. See how we do it Hawaiian-style, featuring tasty Hawaiian food, hula dancing lessons, virgin pina coladas, and yes, even girls in grass skirts!

1:30 p.m. – **Theta Delta Chi** – Dodge da dense dribbling droves of denizens. Dart directly to the TDC cube. Yes, we have a Winnebago, and No you can't drive it.

1:30 p.m. – **Sigma Phi Epsilon** – Rock Climb at our brand-new indoor rock-climbing gym. No gear necessary. Just bring your attitude!

1:30 p.m. – **Sigma Phi Epsilon** – Get funky at the SigEp Carnival Party! We have a dunk tank with wet shirts, sno-cones, and giant-glove boxing, plus BBQ!

1:30 p.m. – **Student House** – It's time you take a stroll on the scenic route over to Student House and see what it's like outside MIT... you'll soon spend more than enough time there! Don't know where we are? Call us for directions. We'll have desserts and munchies waiting for you.

1:30 p.m. – **Next House** – Give in to your Nextual curiosity. Tours running all day.

1:30 p.m. – **Spanish House** – SPANISH HOUSE. COME BY AND SEE WHAT WERE ALL ABOUT.

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1:30 p.m. – **Chi Phi** – Gyro-Man, and Bouce n' Box: Hang out and enjoy the fun of boxing with huge inflatable gloves and spinning all around.

1:30 p.m. – **Theta Xi** – INK YOUR OWN T-SHIRT — Get yourself a free t-shirt: one you made yourself! Hang out and make new friends while you pick out a t-shirt design and silk-screen it.

1:34 p.m. – **Women's**

Independent Living Group – Still Hungry? Our Bar-B-Q grill is still going strong. We've got lots of food and plenty of stuff going on, so come on over to WILG. Call 253-6799 for a ride.

1:36 p.m. – **Number 6 Club** – Still hungry? Come join our BBQ party! We have lobster, steak, chicken and vegetarian kebabs, hamburgers and hot dogs fresh off the grill.

1:37 p.m. – **Russian House** – Join the Russian house gang for barbeque and volleyball. Food will be served across the net.

1:38 p.m. – **Russian House** – Wondering what's the deal with 37? If you were in Russian House a minute ago, we'd tell you.

1:45 p.m. – **Panhellenic Association** – Women's Convocation in room 10-250 - Come meet representatives from MIT's five Panhellenic sororities and the other coed and women's living groups on campus. Get all of your questions answered and learn about women's rush at MIT.

1:45 p.m. – **pika** – gravity always wins, give in and get pulled to pika. call 492-6983 for a ride from the inertiamobile.

1:45 p.m. – **Nu Delta** – Just want to hang out? We've got a couple of arcade games and a pool table. All the while, the grill is going on our scenic rooftop. If you want, stay for jousting in the back lot. Call 437-7300.

1:47 p.m. – **Random Hall** – It's time for some hair-raising, molecule-splitting, explosive fun! Come join us as we electrolyse water to make hydrogen balloons. You never had these at your childhood birthday parties! They're much more fun to blow up.

1:47 p.m. – **Women's Independent Living Group** – Did someone say chocolate? YES! You heard right, come on over to WILG and try out our CHOCOLATE CASINO! Call 253-6799 for a ride...

1:50 p.m. – **Baker House** – Take a tour of fabulous BAKER!! It's a rare opportunity. Only 2 tours today, and this is the first, so come on over to BAKER HOUSE and be the first to see it newly renovated.

2 p.m.

2:00 p.m. – **Theta Delta Chi** – Step off the beat and chill out to the Reggae music billowing languidly off the second floor deck. What's that delicious aroma? Why, it's emanating from MIT's famous Jamaican Jerk Chicken Truck. It's parked itself in our courtyard and is serving up the goodness.

2:00 p.m. – **Zeta Beta Tau** – R/C HELICOPTER. Ara's going to be flying his RADIO-CONTROLLED HELICOPTER around the neighborhood from our parking lot. Come check it out and take the controls. Call Rick for rides at 232-3257. ZBT, THE POWERHOUSE OF EXCELLENCE.

2:00 p.m. – **Next House** – Stop resisting the Nextual forces. Just go with it. Come by, munch on a cholesterol burger, and meet interesting people. It's meant to be.

2:00 p.m. – **La Maison Francaise** – Unleash watery death! Join in our crusade. Show French dominance in World War III with water balloons. Ammunition provided.

2:00 p.m. – **MacGregor House** – Come by MacGregor to watch a movie in our weekend-long movie marathon in our lobby and TV room!

2:00 p.m. – **Kappa Sigma** – Women and a dunk tank, who could ask for more? Show your skills and get some ladies wet.

2:00 p.m. – **Sigma Phi Epsilon** – Made-to-Order Lunch All Day: Eat Steak BOMBS, Chicken Cutlet, hamburgers, coldcuts, hot sandwiches, 3-cheese pizza and much much more, all made-to-your-order

2:00 p.m. – **Student House** – Now that you safely escaped from Killian Court, where do you go? Come to Student House, flop on our couches, and have some desserts! Rest up from all that commotion!

2:00 p.m. – **Sigma Phi Epsilon** – Enter into the Sigma Phi Epsilon Rush '99 Annual Pool Tournament and shoot for prizes in: 8 Ball, 9 Ball, Straight, and Cutoffroat. Games start every 2 hours, with prizes...

2:00 p.m. – **ET** – 20517 down : Tenor's neighbor 10246 across : part of Harvard Stadium Nope...not quite done yet. Come experience the crossword puzzle! ET - co-ed living group - call x3—8888 or 734-9211 for a ride.

2:00 p.m. – **Phi Sig** – Straight from his critically acclaimed national tour, come check out the greatest roving MAGICIAN of all time! Prepare to be amazed as you look on while enjoying tasty Hawaiian food and fun all around.

2:00 p.m. – **Phi Beta Epsilon** – House Tour - Come and see our awesome five-story house. You'll find a big screen TV, pool table, weight room, tool

room, game room, and an unbelievable roof deck and view of the Boston skyline. It's a place we're proud to call home.

2:00 p.m. – **Burton-Conner House** – We offer tours throughout the day. Come check us out! Learn the names of our 9 unique floors and discover how useful a kitchen can be. Phone 253-3261 for assistance, come to Burton-Conner, 410 Memorial Dr

2:00 p.m. – **Nu Delta** – Ever want to beat someone in the head with a stick? Now you have your chance with our gladiator style-jousting. Call 437-7300.

2:00 p.m. – **Theta Xi** – Come try your hand at making your own ice cream. Yes, we've all made our own ice cream on the 4th of July, but usually not with Liquid Nitrogen! Check it out!

2:00 p.m. – **Phi Kappa Theta (PKT)** – ROOFDECK BBQ - Join the Phi Kaps on our rooftop for chicken wings, ribs, and all the fixin's that make a barbecue a barbecue. Call 437-7795.

2:00 p.m. – **Burton-Conner House** – Indiana Jones, Mailrats, Scream, Titanic, Die Hard. Whatever you want to watch, we'll show. Phone 253-3261, visit 410 Memorial Dr.

2:00 p.m. – **Burton-Conner House** – Grab a filling meal. Take the Grand Tour of Burton-Conner! Phone 253-3261 for assistance, come to Burton-Conner, 410 Memorial Dr.

2:03 p.m. – **pika** – new city. new school. new hair! come get that dye job you've always wanted—blonde, blue, black, striped! hair dyeing at pika. 492-6983 for a ride.

2:04 p.m. – **Women's Independent Living Group** – HOME SWEET HOME takes on a new meaning at WILG. Come on over and take a house tour and maybe you'll be able to catch a glimpse of our CHOCOLATE VAULT. You might even want to try your luck at our chocolate casino. Call us at 253-6799...

2:06 p.m. – **Number 6 Club** – Crack open a coconut. Soak up some sun while eating homemade kebabs, hamburgers and hot dogs.

2:07 p.m. – **Theta Chi** – Stuck in Cambridge? Looking for something to do? Head to our house in Boston. Meet our brothers and enjoy good food. Rides: 267.1801 (M/F)

2:10 p.m. – **Zeta Psi** – Open House at Zeta Psi. The class of 2003 is invited to hang out at Zeta Psi and enjoy all the tasty creations Steve has prepared for us. Stop by and check it out or give us a call and we'll pick you up: 661-4111 ext.101

2:14 p.m. – **Women's Independent Living Group** – The boys next door have challenged us to a game of human bungee ball and WE NEED YOU! Come on over to WILG and join us in some fierce boy crushing! Call 253-6799

2:17 p.m. – **Random Hall** – The entire plot of Victor Hugo's acclaimed novel summed up Random style — it's Sock Puppet Les Mis! Want to leave your own mark on the puppeteering world? Try making your own sock puppets and choose your *own* adventure — act out the story of your choice!

2:22 p.m. – **Tep** – Congratulations. Your covert insertion into MIT is well underway. Phase two of your mission: go to Tep and begin training. The events scheduled there should prepare you for what's to come. Be sure to attend the wumph bag and pool of oobleck. Call 262-5090 for a transport.

2:22 p.m. – **Senior Haus** – Smoke Break. Free cigarettes for all of rush. Come chill in our courtyard. Learn how to blow smoke rings, and why this is more difficult when your tongue is pierced.

2:23 p.m. – **Women's Independent Living Group** – So you think you're quite the card shark, huh? Well, come try your skill at the WILG chocolate casino and see if you can win a trip to our CHOCOLATE VAULT...253-6799 for all chocolate addicts.

2:25 p.m. – **Zeta Psi** – Zeta Psi will host Frank Santos the R-Rated Hypnotists / Comedian. Hilarious laughs as he hypnotizes unsuspecting audience members. Check it out, call 661-4111 ext. 101.

2:26 p.m. – **pika** – spilled salsa on your favorite shirt? no problem! come to pika and dye it to match the stain! crazy dyeing at pika! 492-6983

2:30 p.m. – **pika** – why come to have milkshakes at pika? you were hot and you were hungry—why else? 492-6983

2:30 p.m. – **Theta Xi** – INK YOUR OWN T-SHIRT — Get yourself a free t-shirt: one you made yourself! Hang out and make new friends while you pick out a t-shirt design and silk-screen it.

2:30 p.m. – **Phi Sig** – Still getting leid ... the Phi Sig BIG BAD LUAU continues, still complete with Hawaiian food, hula dancing, and virgin pina coladas.

2:30 p.m. – **Alpha Delta Phi** – Enter our inflated arena to play a game of basketball or soccer - all while bungee corded to the wall. Come bounce yourself silly! Call 576-SPROING (576-2792) for a ride to the fun.

2:30 p.m. – **Next House** – Chomp on a burger (veggie or meat. wow.) while we subject you to a

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