

Rush Numbers Down From Previous Years

Fraternities, ILGs See Mixed Results, While Sorority Numbers On Par With 1999 Total

By Pey-Hua Hwang

With only 335 freshmen making residential pledges to MIT's fraternities, sororities, and independent living groups, rush results were significantly lower than those of previous years.

Seven of the residential pledges were to sororities, and another 110 females living on campus also joined sororities. With 117 total pledges, sorority rush numbers were equal to those of last year, but fraternity and independent living group pledge numbers were significantly lower than they have been in the past.

"We've averaged 365 [residential pledges] over the past 12 years," said Assistant Dean of Residence and Campus Activities Neal H. Dorow.

Dorow said that, in the year following the death of Scott S. Krueger '01, only 312 freshmen pledged FSILGs. However, he said that "last year's rush went surprisingly well," with a record 386 freshmen pledging residential FSILGs.

"I don't think there's any way we would have expected 335," he said.

There are several possible explanations for these poor results. Dorow said that fraternities had lower recruitment goals this year, possibly as a result of last year's exemplary rush. "Generally, the [goal] is in the low 400s," he said.

Interfraternity Council Rush Chair Dakus S. Gunn '01 was not available for comment.

Houses mixed on results

Rush numbers may have also been affected by the negative publicity which MIT's fraternities have recently received. Phi Beta Epsilon Rush Chair Reginald E. Rogers '01 said that "parents were concerned about many issues dealing with frats."

Sorority pledging levels were similar to last year even though fewer girls attended Women's Convocation. However, the distribution of pledges varied drastically within a system designed to give all participants equal numbers of pledges. While 34 girls pledged Alpha Phi, Sigma Kappa received only 21 pledges.

Several FSILGs were pleased with the rush results. Student House Rush Chair Jennifer K. Son '02 said that although rush started slowly, Student House ended up getting four freshmen instead of the three that they were looking for originally. She described independent living group rush as being less "aggressive" than Greek rush.

Katherine S. Graham '01, the co-rush chair of the Women's Independent Living Group, said that WILG

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Shulman, Benedict Chart Path For New Year at UA Meeting

By Shankar Mukherji

The first Undergraduate Association Council meeting of the year was a time for students and administrators alike to discuss their ideas for benefiting the student body. UA President Peter A. Shulman '01 delivered the State of the UA Address yesterday, and MIT's new Dean for Student Life Larry G. Benedict discussed upcoming issues for the new year.

In his speech, Shulman outlined an agenda for meeting his goal of seeing "as many improvements to MIT as possible." He stated that he would like to see the Institute's capital campaign begin to directly benefit the student body.

Also, as an attempt to bring together the MIT community as a whole, Shulman announced the beginning of a "Stochastic" dinner program, whereby 80 undergraduate students will be picked at random to dine with members of the administration and discuss issues that affect them in an informal forum.

Shulman reported that existing projects to improve student life, such as the evaluation of MIT's Mental Health services and the possibility for anonymous medical transportation, are continuing to provide new insights into how to better serve the needs of the undergraduate student body. "The mantra of the UA," Shulman said, "is 'students above all.'"



JACQUELINE T. YEN

Undergraduate Association President Peter A. Shulman '01 gestures to emphasize the importance of the student voice at yesterday's council meeting.

In his speech, Shulman also had the chance to muse about the future of student computing. He brought up a proposal for a "next-generation Athena" system in which all students would receive palm-top computers with the ability to connect to the network from

virtually anywhere on campus. Under the plan, Athena clusters would be "abolished" and converted into space for student activities.

The council meeting opened with an address by the new Dean for Stu-

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Institute Declines Offer to Evaluate FBI Electronic Surveillance Program

By Vicky Hsu

MIT has informally declined to review Carnivore, the FBI's e-mail surveillance system.

The Department of Justice had approached MIT to do a "technical evaluation" of the system, but MIT technicians and administrators decided that it would not be appropriate for

the Institute to undertake the review.

The impetus for an independent review came in response to pressure from civil liberties groups: the DOJ is seeking an impartial third party to assuage fears that Carnivore is infringing privacy rights.

MIT researchers, including Information Systems Network Manager Jeff Schiller and Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science Ronald L. Rivest, said that while the review was important, they declined to review Carnivore based on two main concerns. First, the government set unreasonable guidelines for the way the review was to be carried out, and second, there was a lack of interest among MIT personnel, probably due to problematic government restrictions and time commitments.

Schiller said that the DOJ did not really want an independent review at all. Instead, it wanted to "borrow our reputation" and allow the FBI to say to the public, "If you don't trust us, trust MIT."

Those involved agreed that as a research university, MIT cannot publish a report without releasing all of the data that it used in conducting

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SAMUDRA VLIJAY—THE TECH

The annual Student Art Loan Program began last week with an exhibition of over 350 works in various media at the List Visual Arts Center in E15. The exhibit will continue through Sept. 17, during which time MIT students can apply to check out a work of art for their dorm, office, or lab; a lottery will be run with students' preferences, and results will be posted at 6 p.m. on Sept. 19.

Franklin P. Peterson

Professor of Mathematics Franklin P. Peterson died on Friday, Sept. 1. He suffered a stroke while visiting friends near Washington, D.C. He was 70 years old.

Peterson was a widely respected mathematician, making many contributions to the field of algebraic topology. In particular, he studied cohomology rings, which bridge the boundary between abstract topology and other disciplines of geometry.

"Algebraic topology is his field, but he is remarkable in his ability to go beyond that," said the late Professor of Mathematics Gian-Carlo Rota of Peterson in 1997. "He does a wide variety of things."

At MIT, he was a well-liked teacher, known for his approachability, friendliness, and willingness to answer even the simplest questions. He regularly taught topology classes at both the undergraduate and graduate levels, most recently Linear Algebra (18.700), Introduction to Topology (18.901), and Algebraic Topology (18.905 and 18.906).

Peterson was editor of the Transactions of the American Mathematical Society from 1966 to 1970 and later served as treasurer of the AMS for nearly 25 years, taking office in 1974 and retiring in 1998.

Peterson was born in Aurora, Ill. and attended Northwestern University, earning the S.B. in 1952. He did his graduate studies at Princeton University, under Norman E. Steenrod, one of the creators of algebraic topology. He received his Ph.D. in 1955.

After graduate school, he was a National Science Foundation Postdoctoral Fellow and a lecturer at Princeton from 1956 to 1958. In 1958, he joined the MIT faculty, becoming a full professor in 1965. In the meantime, he was a Smith-Mundt Lecturer at the University of Mexico in 1959 and an Alfred P. Sloan, Jr. Fellow at Oxford University during the 1960-1961 academic year.

At MIT, Peterson served as thesis adviser to 23 graduate students, and he served three terms as chair of the Pure Math Committee of the mathematics department.

Professor Peterson is survived by his wife, Marilyn. He was buried on Thursday in Naperville, Ill. A memorial honoring him at MIT is being planned.



Three Nobel Laureates will start off a new lecture series.

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Kappa Sig and ATO gain many pledges this year despite sanctions by the Cambridge License Commission.

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WORLD & NATION

Barak Explores Options to Improve Support Level in Israeli Parliament

LOS ANGELES TIMES

JERUSALEM

Just sixteen months ago, newly elected Prime Minister Ehud Barak thrilled Israelis with his vision of achieving a quick end to the Arab-Israeli conflict. Today, he is having a hard time even convincing them it would be a good idea to allow buses to run on the Sabbath.

Barak returned Monday from a weeklong trip to New York to a grim political situation. His efforts to achieve a peace agreement with the Palestinians have foundered on the question of sovereignty over Jerusalem. His minority government seems to have little hope of surviving long after Israel's Knesset, or parliament, reconvenes in October. Leaders of his own Labor Party have attacked him publicly for what they say is his erratic political maneuvering.

He dispatched a Cabinet member Monday to discuss a possible coalition with Ariel Sharon, leader of the right-wing Likud Party — the latest development in a political flirtation that Barak's left-wing allies have bitterly criticized.

Even Leah Rabin, the widow of slain Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, has publicly flayed Barak, her husband's protegee.

Her husband, she told an interviewer while Barak was still in New York, must be "spinning in his grave" over Barak's willingness to make concessions to the Palestinians on Jerusalem.

British Demand Lower Fuel Prices

LOS ANGELES TIMES

LONDON

Taking a page from the book of French and Belgian protesters, British farmers went to the streets on Monday to demand their governments lower fuel prices, and their Irish and German counterparts are threatening to follow suit.

Blockades at British refineries caused shortages, and panic buying spread across the nation. But Prime Minister Tony Blair vowed not to cave in to pressure from protesters.

"We cannot and will not alter government policy on petrol through blockades and pickets — that is not the way to make policy in Britain," Blair insisted.

European gasoline and diesel prices have shot up as the price of crude oil has risen from about \$24 to \$32 a barrel since the start of the year. But while European governments are pressing the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries to boost production and lower prices, European tractor, truck and taxi drivers are pushing their governments to lower taxes.

About 75 percent of the gasoline price in Britain is taxes, compared to 69 percent in France and 24 percent in the United States.

Ford CEO Nasser Reforms Image In Wake of Capitol Hill Testimony

THE WASHINGTON POST

Ford Motor Co. Chief Executive Officer Jacques Nasser, who is known for his quick temper and sharp tongue, at first resisted an invitation to appear before congressional committees on the Firestone tire recall. But after a sharp reaction from Capitol Hill, he reversed himself — and went to an expert for some coaching.

The goal for Nasser, image-maker Michael Deaver said late last week, was to appear "forceful without being rude," and to convey a sense that the company was concerned about the problem and friendly and sympathetic to its customers.

Since the recall of 6.5 million Firestone tires was announced last month, Nasser has been the automaker's public face, appearing virtually everywhere — addressing viewers in television commercials, holding press conferences and testifying before Congress — all while staying on message: "This is a tire problem, not a vehicle problem."

Gore, Clintons Blame Showbiz Industry for Excess Violence

By Mike Allen and Ellen Nakashima

THE WASHINGTON POST

BELLEVILLE, ILL.

In separate time zones but with one message, President Clinton and Vice President Al Gore delivered a joint threat to the entertainment industry Monday that harsh regulation could come if the makers of explicit or violent movies, recordings and games do not stop aiming advertisements at children.

The two Democrats were responding to a Federal Trade Commission report, requested by Clinton last year and released Monday, which found that the entertainment industry is aggressively marketing violent movies music and games to children even though the material bears ratings or labels saying they are appropriate only for mature audiences. The industries agreed to such warnings in an effort to ward off a government-imposed system.

Gore, who took his presidential campaign to "The Oprah Winfrey Show" Monday and later lashed out at the music industry during a town-hall meeting here, said he would favor additional federal regulation if the entertainment industry cannot come up with a plan to mend their

practices within six months. "It's not about censorship — it's about citizenship," Gore said on Winfrey's show, the nation's premier pulpit for reaching stay-at-home parents.

In striking at Hollywood, the Democrats were taking on one of their most reliable sources for financial support and at the same time opening themselves up to criticism that they lack credibility on the issue. It is a risk the Gore campaign made clear it was willing to take. Widespread polling shows that many Americans believe the country has lost its moral compass and that many parents feel their children are being bombarded by violent images.

"I call on these industries for an immediate cease-fire," Gore said at an elementary school here. "If parents are given the assurance by the industry that there's going to be self-restraint and responsible corporate citizenship and then surreptitiously they're putting ads in teen magazines and advertising on Saturday morning children's programming underneath the parent's radar screen, that's just plain wrong."

The year-long FTC study, ordered by Clinton in the wake of

last year's shootings at Columbine High School in Colorado, found, for example, that movie studios advertised violent movies on television during after-school hours, in high school newspapers and in comic books.

Clinton, campaigning in New York with his wife, Hillary Rodham Clinton, declared that the advertising strategy reported by the FTC is "if not illegal, then clearly wrong."

Speaking before 130 parents and children at the Jewish Community Center in Westchester County, the president invoked Plato in urging the industry to act on violence in the media. "This is in some ways the newest of issues, in some ways the oldest," Clinton said. "Plato said, 'Those who tell the stories rule society.'"

If the industry fails to respond voluntarily, Hillary Clinton said she would support "appropriate action" to protect children, but did not specify what that would be.

Gore said he was he was not promoting changes in the content, saying that is protected by the First Amendment. But if after six months, the industry has not policed itself on its marketing practices, Gore said he may seek legislation.

GOP Presses for Medicare Plan Amidst Democratic Challenges

By Roberto Suro

THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON

The White House steps into a major issue in the presidential campaign this week, arguing that Republican plans to improve Medicare prescription drug coverage would fail to reach many low-income seniors and would take far longer to establish than Democratic alternatives, according to administration officials.

Republicans are pressing legislation that closely mirrors a proposal unveiled last week by Texas Gov. George W. Bush. John D. Podesta, the White House chief of staff, strongly suggested Sunday that the administration would prefer to scuttle the GOP plan and keep the issue

alive on the campaign trail.

"When people look at what is in that [GOP] plan, they're going to find two-thirds of Medicare recipients are left out, 50 percent of the people without drug coverage are left out," Podesta said during an appearance on "Fox News Sunday."

President Clinton is expected to enter the fray Tuesday when he meets with congressional leaders to discuss matters Congress is expected to address before it adjourns next month, administration officials said.

Like Bush's proposal, a bill sponsored by Sen. William V. Roth Jr., R-Del., would initially deliver benefits through programs administered by the states. By contrast, Democrats propose providing drug coverage through Medicare. The

Republican plans would limit participation to seniors who met certain income limits while Vice President Gore and congressional Democrats favor extending the benefits to everyone eligible for Medicare.

A top Bush ally, Pennsylvania Gov. Tom Ridge, said the campaign is a better place than Capitol Hill to settle the issue. "If anybody were to ask my opinion," Ridge said on the Fox interview show, "I think we ought to let the candidates lay out their proposals and let the voters decide."

Bush's plan would funnel benefits through the states for four years while a more extensive reform of Medicare was put in place. By contrast, Gore would have Medicare administer benefits from the outset.

WEATHER

Summer Days Drifting Away

By Greg Lawson

STAFF METEOROLOGIST

Our weather over the next several days will be typical of late New England summers. Currently, our skies are set by a high pressure system off the coast of Maine. That system is slowly moving farther out to sea. The progression of weather can often be thought of as a wave, and like any wave propagating past a stationary point (i.e. Boston), this ridge will soon be replaced by a trough, here an upstream low pressure system and its accompanying cold front. As the high moves out, its clockwise flow will continue to stream moist southerly air to us from the Gulf area. This moisture combined with the unsettled nature of fronts could spell showers or even thunderstorms when the cold front finally passes overhead, probably late Tuesday night/early Wednesday morning. It seems likely we will have some rain in the area, though it should be light and occur while most people are asleep.

Once the front passes and the low pressure system moves out to sea, we will once again be under the influence of a high pressure system, what we might term "the pleasant phase." Look for clearer skies, cooler temperatures, and lower humidity Wednesday afternoon through the end of the week. The next trough should pass by this weekend. However, we will withhold prediction for that system as there could be significant interaction with newly developed Tropical Storm Florence.

Extended Forecast

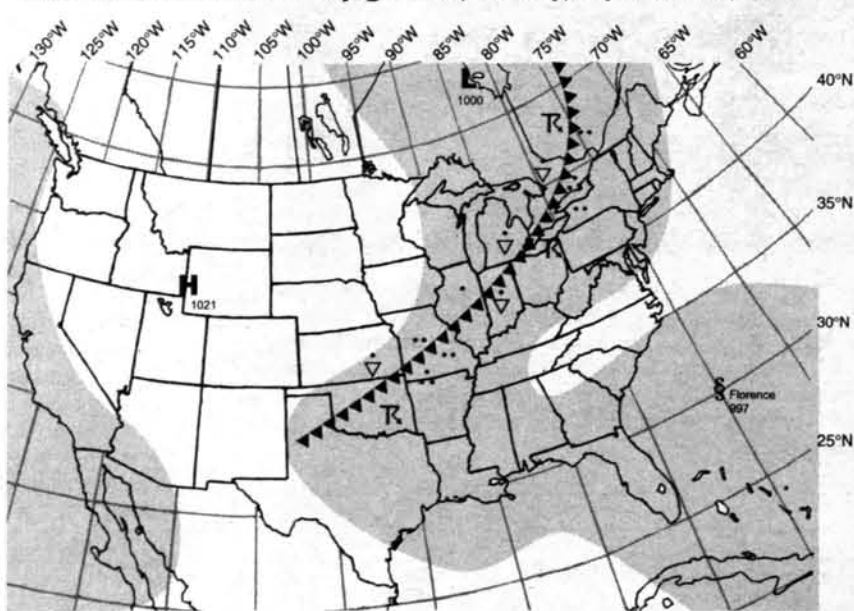
Today: Mostly cloudy. Warm and humid air with a light southerly breeze. High of 80°F (27°C).

Tonight: Overcast. Reasonable chance of showers and even a thunderstorm. Low of 67°F (19°C).

Wednesday: Clouds slowly clearing out. Winds shifting to westerly. Pleasant afternoon and evening. High of 75°F (24°C). Low of 54°F (12°C).

Thursday: Wonderful. Partly cloudy. Light winds. High in the low 70s (21-23°C). Low in the mid 50s (12-14°C).

Situation for Noon Eastern Daylight Time, Tuesday, September 12, 2000



Weather Systems	Weather Fronts	Precipitation Symbols	Other Symbols
H High Pressure	--- Trough	Snow	Fog
L Low Pressure	--- Warm Front	Light	Thunderstorm
H Hurricane	--- Cold Front	Moderate	Haze
	--- Stationary Front	Heavy	

Compiled by MIT Meteorology Staff and The Tech

After Months Behind Bars, Lee Pleads Guilty to Minor Charge

By Bob Drogin
LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON

Former Los Alamos scientist Wen Ho Lee, who has been jailed for nine months under allegations that he stole a vast trove of nuclear-weapons secrets, has agreed to a plea arrangement under which he will go free after pleading guilty to one felony and will cooperate with government investigators, lawyers from both sides said Sunday.

In what appeared to be a stunning surrender by federal prosecutors, Lee was scheduled to be immediately released from jail Monday afternoon and allowed to go home unhindered if the proposed plea agreement was accepted by U.S.

District Court Judge James A. Parker in Albuquerque, N.M. Parker's assent was expected.

"We are thrilled at the prospect that Dr. Lee might be freed unconditionally and be reunited with his family," said Lee's lawyer, Mark Holscher, of the Los Angeles firm O'Melveny & Myers.

The deal, which calls for Lee to plead guilty to unlawful retention of national-defense information and which was negotiated in secret sessions encouraged by Parker over the past several weeks, thus brings to an astonishing close a highly troubling case that has roiled the national-security and scientific communities, as well as Asian-American and civil-rights organizations.

The FBI initially investigated the Taiwan-born Lee as a potential Chinese spy, and reports that Lee had given Beijing plans to America's most sophisticated nuclear warhead sparked more than a dozen congressional hearings last year. The FBI later admitted that it found no evidence linking Lee to espionage.

But Lee, now 60, was indicted in December for allegedly stealing what prosecutors called the "crown jewels" of America's nuclear-weapons secrets, supposedly with the intent to harm the United States and to aid a foreign power.

A successful prosecution appeared increasingly unlikely, however, after a series of recent setbacks in court.

Bush Tries Old Campaign Themes During Campaign Stop in Florida

By Edward Walsh
THE WASHINGTON POST

CLEARWATER, FLA.

On the first day of the rest of the presidential campaign, Texas Gov. George W. Bush returned Monday to a theme that served him well during the Republican primaries and that he hopes will halt the erosion in a campaign that appears to have fallen behind a surging Vice President Al Gore.

As Bush embarked on a five-day, cross-country trip to five critical states, his aides said his message once again would be that he is "a different kind of Republican" with his own ideas about issues that historically have been more identified with the Democrats: health care,

environment and education.

But the Republican presidential nominee's first stop here was an example of his campaign's sudden defensive posture as his once formidable lead over Gore has all but evaporated. Except for 1996, when President Clinton carried the state, Florida has been reliably Republican in recent presidential elections and Bush's brother, Jeb, is the state's popular GOP governor. Now, however, Bush finds himself in an unexpected scramble to capture Florida's 25 electoral votes.

Met at the airport here by his brother, Bush was asked why he should be struggling in a state where he seems to enjoy so many advantages, including his brother's posi-

tion as Florida's chief executive.

"Don't blame it on my brother," he replied. "We're going to carry Florida. We're in good shape."

Karen Hughes, Bush's communications director, described Florida as a "battleground state." She noted that Jeb lost his first race for governor in 1994 and that "recent elections have been very much swing elections," producing both Democratic and Republican winners.

But Hughes ducked questions about whether Bush needed to carry Florida to win the presidency, saying "there are a lot of ways to add up to 270" electoral votes.

Bush's travels this week will also take him to Missouri, Washington, California and New Mexico.

New Evidence on Monkey DNA Debunks Controversial AIDS Theory

LOS ANGELES TIMES

LONDON

New scientific evidence unveiled on Monday appears to undermine a British journalist's controversial theory that the AIDS virus was passed from chimpanzees to human beings during testing of a polio vaccine in Africa in the 1950s.

Independent tests on samples of the experimental vaccine, warehoused in the United States for nearly half a century, found the DNA of monkeys rather than chimpanzees, lending support to the polio researchers' claims that they never worked with chimp tissue.

Tests on the vaccine also were negative for signs of simian immunodeficiency virus, the chimpanzee strain of HIV.

"We found no evidence to support the hypothesis of the polio vaccine origin of AIDS," said Claudio Basilio, professor of microbiology at New York University School of Medicine.

Basilico chaired a committee set up by the vaccine's creator, the Wistar Institute in Philadelphia, to investigate claims that chimp tissue might have been used.

"Does this definitively rule out the vaccine theory? No, but it makes it more unlikely," he said.

The results, unveiled at a Royal Society conference on the origins of HIV and AIDS, cast doubt on the theory laid out by former British Broadcasting Corp. reporter Edward Hooper in his book "The River," that the AIDS virus was spread to human beings by researchers using contaminated chimpanzee cells to develop a polio vaccine at the height of a world polio epidemic.

Scientists Identify Gene Variant Linked to Increased Diabetes Risk

NEWSDAY

Scientists have identified a variant of a gene that increases the risk for type 2 diabetes. The discovery could ultimately lead to new ways to treat the potentially life-threatening condition that affects about 13 million adults in the United States.

Also important to the finding, reported in this month's Nature Genetics by a team of investigators at the Whitehead Institute in Cambridge, Mass., is the idea that scientists are using the recent gene discoveries to identify susceptibility genes for myriad medical conditions. There are now more than 100,000 so-called single nucleotide polymorphisms, a one-letter difference in the alphabet of a gene.

In the study, Dr. Joel Hirschhorn, Dr. David Altshuler and Eric Lander found that people with a common variant in a gene called PPAR gamma have a 25-percent increased risk for adult-onset type 2 diabetes. This susceptibility gene appears in 85 percent of the population, and the findings from the new study suggest that this SNP may play a role in as much as 25 percent of all type 2 diabetics, Hirschhorn said.

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OPINION

CLC Overreaches in Next House Case

The bickering between MIT and the Cambridge License Commission reached a new level last week, as Next House was called before the board to plead its case after an isolated drinking incident last summer. While well-intentioned, the CLC's drive to control underage drinking disturbingly resembles an effort to

control social life at the Institute.

That Next House had to appear before the CLC at all is hard to understand, as Next House is the least to blame for the incident. According to incident reports, the victim, an underage female, did most of her heavy drinking at a friend's Boston apartment and only had a couple of drinks at Next House. After the victim fell ill, caregivers made the responsible choice to call for medical assistance. *The Tech* is curious as to why, of all cases, the CLC chose this isolated, responsibly handled incident as an example of underage drinking run wild.

The CLC's overreaction also sets a dangerous precedent against caregivers seeking medical assistance for their intoxicated friends. When a partygoer has too much to drink, the most responsible choice their friends can make is to seek immediate medical attention. By attacking the responsible caregivers who call for help, however, the CLC does nothing more than encourage irresponsibility. What will the board say in the future if an MIT student dies from alcohol poisoning simply because their friends feared eviction from their house?

Of even greater concern is the CLC's attack on the function of graduate resident tutors in MIT dormitories. To better recognize potential problems on their halls, GRTs at MIT are encouraged to befriend and socialize with students, who then feel more comfortable coming to them with concerns. Part of the GRTs' appeal is that they have neither the power nor the charge to punish students for their transgressions, thus making them better confidants for students in need of attention.

At the hearing, CLC member and acting Cambridge Fire

Chief Gerald R. Reardon criticized MIT for not making GRTs responsible for enforcing alcohol regulations. Reardon's criticism demonstrates the CLC's misunderstanding of the GRT's role. The CLC wants to make GRTs into policemen. However, students are unlikely to confide in someone who has a duty to rat them out, leaving the troubled and confused with no safe outlet for their concerns.

In an effort to appease the CLC, Next House representatives proposed a series of new initiatives, ostensibly designed to control underage drinking. The new policies, presented at the hearing by Next House President Jay R. Mitchell '02, include mandatory student patrolling of all gatherings with alcohol present and an arbitrary fine for any floor on which an individual commits an alcohol violation.

These proposals are as absurd as the hearing that prompted them in the first place. They fail to recognize that dorm residents, unlike FSILG members, do not necessarily choose to associate with their housemates and therefore have no responsibility for them or to them.

No dorm resident should be unwillingly drafted into undergoing alcohol safety training. Penalizing an entire wing for the actions of one rowdy resident is unfair, especially when GRTs and housemasters have little leverage in evicting trouble students from a hall or dorm. Peer pressure in the form of withheld funds cannot be mandated upon residents that didn't agree to it in the first place.

Larry G. Benedict, MIT's new dean for student life, endorsed Next House's proposals last week and said that he would explore them further as the Institute reviews its alcohol policies in the coming year. *The Tech* urges him not to expand these flawed policies to other residence halls. Next House designed its proposals to pacify the CLC and to prevent yet another overreaction. Rather than comply with the CLC's demands, Benedict and MIT should stand tall in the face of a overzealous government.

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Letters To The Editor

Russian Cartoon Offensive

On page 4 of Friday's newspaper there is a cartoon devoted to the recent events in Russia. I want to note that when the "nuclear sub" *Kursk* sank, more than 100 people died; when "a landmark tower caught fire" there were a lot of victims also. I think it was a very bad and cruel idea to put a picture like this into your newspaper. That's not funny. I really hope that you will never put a picture like this in the newspaper again.

Vitaliy Kulikov '04

Muslim Inaction on Chechnya

Last spring, as the Russian war in Chechnya was ending, as the whole world looked away from the terrible rapes, murders, thievery and humiliations inflicted by the Russian army on the civilians of this small Muslim nation, yet found the time to slander the democratically elected government of Austria, I wrote a short but urgent letter to the MIT Muslim Students' Association (MSA) and its leaders. I assumed they knew about most of what I had to say, at least regarding the Russian atrocities. But I also informed them they could help fellow Muslims. I was trying to advertise a bank account number to which all can donate to the cause of the Chechen Mujahedeen, the freedom fighters. I was completely ignored.

I find this hypocritical and outrageous, especially since one of the leaders of the MSA is a Bosnian Muslim. I see that this organization is more concerned with distributing pamphlets and holding cookouts than with helping save Muslim lives and helping the cause of

Islam.

I should say, though, that their conduct is not much worse than that of most Muslim countries. Most Arab nations are very vocal about Israeli persecution of Palestinians, but shut their eyes to much worse abuses carried out by Russians upon Chechens.

I would like to be able to put that account number in this letter, but unfortunately it is no

longer working; and the war effort is not so vigorous as it used to be. I encourage all, however, to visit the sites kavkaz.org and qoqaz.net. It is in Chechnya, not in Austria, China, or Israel, that human suffering and abject misery exists, and it is fueled by aid from Western countries to Russia, and by Arab hypocrisy and passivity.

Costin Alamaru '02



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A Study in Social Behavior

Fraternity Parties Demand an Unwritten Code of Conduct

Veena Thomas

It's Friday night on campus, and something is definitely different. There are at least eight open parties on campus, between the many frats and Weekends@MIT. It's probably because it's the first Friday after classes started, and every fraternity wants to make a good impression. Everyone seems to be out with twenty of their closest friends. A campus usually replete with students with little fashion sense has been transformed into something out of GQ. Females spend hours getting ready, transforming themselves with makeup and using two kinds of styling products to achieve that natural "my-hair-is-casually-messy-and-undone" look. Take any undergraduate, get rid of the sweatshirt, dress her in a tube top and short black skirt with a slit up the front, and she's ready for a night out on the town. Guys have it slightly easier — they shave, comb their hair, and change out of their favorite Maxwell's equations T-shirt before heading out to pick up women.

Having been disappointed by the dearth of parties on Reg Day (I wasn't about to go to Reg Day Porn), I was rather excited about the prospect of hitting up the frat parties on Friday night. I got together a group of people and planned to have a wild and crazy night going to party after party. We went out to dinner first in order to gather enough sustenance to hold us over for the night. For some reason, two-thirds of the group decided not to go out with us after dinner. Guess frat parties just weren't for them, or maybe they already knew what I was about to discover.

We returned from dinner at 10:30, but deemed it too early to go out again.

Even if a party officially starts at 10:00, everyone knows that no one will be there until around 11:30. That's social psychology for you — if everyone arrived at the party right when it began, there would be enough people to really get a party started. Instead, everyone hangs out somewhere else until it is deemed socially acceptable to arrive at the party, fashionably late. We ended up just hanging out on the Student Center steps. Two guys I know walked past, heading back to the dorms from

the Student Center. I asked them if they had been to Arrival, the party in the Student Center.

"Actually, we were just there. We think we look too nerdy, so we're going back to change," they said.

Sitting on the steps gave me plenty of time to observe the natives. I was struck by the endless parade of females, dressed virtually alike. There seems to be an implicit dress code for parties — either tight black pants or a short black skirt, and a tight tank top. The basic premise is to reveal as much flesh as possible. I guess exposing just your staggering intellect at a frat party isn't enough to attract the guys. I started to worry. My shirt wasn't all that revealing, and my short skirt with a slit up the front was gray, not black. I realized with interest that I wasn't really concerned with what the guys thought of my outfit, but rather, what the other females would think.

Sometimes I think that women pay more attention to what women are wearing than the guys do. Take, for example, a woman wearing a crop top. The other women will scrutinize her, looking for any sign of flab on her midriff, and if they find any, they'll talk about her in the bathroom. "Just who does she think she is, wearing a shirt like that? Her stomach isn't even flat!" However, many of the guys looking at her will simply think excitedly, "Whoa! I can see her belly button!" and leave it at that.

We passed close to an hour on the steps, just hanging out. I realized the truth of my social observation when a group of women walked past, dressed in their short black skirts. We started talking about the social pressure placed on women to look sexy when they go out. "Yeah, I mean, those girls who just walked by were really, uh, dressed to go out," remarked one of my friends, his eyes widening. I laughed.

The two guys returned from the dorm, looking sufficiently suave. "Hey, look, Cool Tom just showed up!" my friend joked. (Names have been changed to protect those who fear they look nerdy.) By this time, we figured it was time to leave the safety of the steps and venture out into the scary world of frat parties.

Our frat party of choice wasn't quite what I had expected. I inexplicably build up frat parties in my mind until the actual party has little hope of comparing. My image of a typical frat party includes tons of people, all meeting everyone else, good music, and everyone having a great time. I have yet to attend a party that manages to play truly danceable music. Some people appear to meet others at these parties, but more often, people come with a group, hang out with the group, and leave with the group.

Upperclassmen tell me that parties have changed dramatically in the past few years. Perhaps there is a great deal of truth about the use of alcohol as a social lubricant. Between people looking more attractive through beer goggles, and alcohol giving even the most socially awkward guy the confidence to approach that group of girls dancing, parties are probably a lot more fun with alcohol. As a nondrinker who manages to act drunk even when cold sober, I think it's a shame that people need to use alcohol to have a good time, but perhaps it's the truth. Alcohol lowers inhibitions, allowing people to be their wild, crazy self.

We ended up not staying at the party for very long. I was rather traumatized by some of what I saw at the frat. (Note to partygoers: Just because the song contains the line "I want to take you from behind" doesn't mean you need to simulate it on the dance floor.) Besides, I was feeling kind of out of place. Where did the rest of the female population come up with the outfits they were wearing? Commented a girl on the SafeRide, "Yeah, I just took out my skank for tonight." Is there some kind of skank store I don't know about? I would think that consuming large amounts of alcohol would be a prerequisite for wearing some of the clothing I saw at the party.

I returned to my room, marveling at the intricacies of the frat party scene. You'd think that anyone could just show up at any party, wearing whatever, abstain from drinking, and have a good time. In reality, however, there's an unwritten code to be followed. Perhaps it really does require more than just tight clothing to attend a frat party — you just need to have the intelligence to figure it all out.

Dispelling Sorority Myths

Guest Column
Ellie Liang
and Roxanne Cartwright

As two women who have experienced sorority recruitment as freshmen, we understand how the process can be overwhelming and perhaps even confusing to women who choose to be a part of it. We take this opportunity to clarify facts about sororities and hopefully dispel some popularly held myths.

Hazing is a subject on which many news magazines have reported, and with which MIT students are certainly not unfamiliar. FSILGs at MIT have been trying relentlessly to dispel widespread generalizations that have plagued them since Scott Krueger died in an alcohol-related incident in 1997. Many of the fraternities and sororities here at MIT are in fact dry or have resolved to become dry within the next couple of years. Not only are the sororities on campus nationally dry, but they also have nationwide no-hazing policies, which are strictly enforced.

In the Panhellenic recruitment rooms, a member of the class of 2004 inquired about Kappa Alpha Theta's initiation ceremonies.

Joining a sisterhood is about getting the most out of your life and making these years as meaningful as possible.

It is unfortunate that preconceived notions and stereotypes might have prevented some from reaching this goal.

Like most other Greek organizations, Theta holds initiation ceremonies, the details of which are held in strictest confidence. Rituals, and the secrecy that is kept, heighten our commitment as sisters and bond us worldwide. These ceremonies are an expression of our ideals and are a way to formalize our realization of those ideals. We regret that our reluctance to divulge the details heightened doubts of some potential new members.

Kappa Alpha Theta is also one of two MIT Panhellenic members (Alpha Epsilon Phi is the other) who do not have houses. Kappa Alpha Theta does, however, charge a facility fee that pays for storage space which houses supplies and materials that we use for recruitment and other events throughout the year. In addition to this storage fee, Theta is looking towards obtaining a house in the future, towards which we must invest as well.

Finally, becoming a member of a sorority is not about buying friends or "paying to hang out with people." Instead, it's about meeting diverse people and being able to call them your sisters. It's about having a constant academic support system. It's about having endless opportunities to develop and improve your leadership skills. It's about having someone there to cheer you on every step of the way. It's about maturing and growing as a person. It's about making friendships that will last a lifetime.

Joining a sisterhood is about getting the most out of your life and making these years as meaningful as possible. It is unfortunate that preconceived notions and stereotypes might have prevented some from reaching this goal.

Ellie Liang '01 is the Vice President of Public Relations of Kappa Alpha Theta. Roxanne Cartwright '02 is President of the Panhellenic Association.

Clouded Dreams of MIT Life and Learning

Guest Column
Jason Harmon Wasfy

For new freshmen, the first week of MIT classes that you have just experienced can be a bit intimidating.

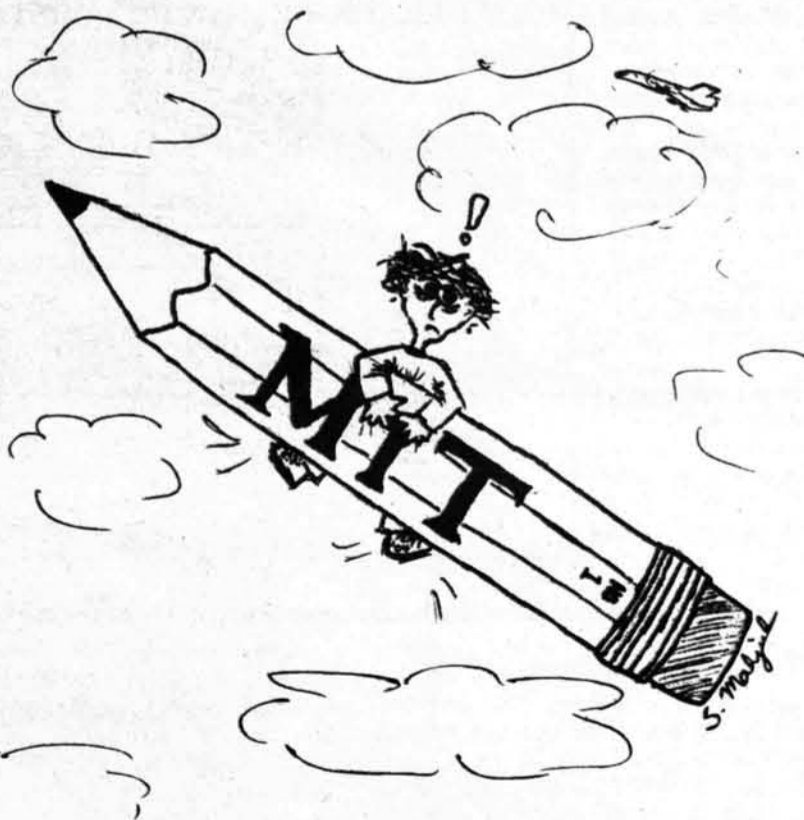
Farewells to family, a hectic search for a living group, and shoving large boxes up dorm stairwells have all given way to big lecture halls and mind-boggling problem sets. Try not to lose sight of the lofty goals that you brought to Cambridge. Those goals and ambitions that freshmen bring are one reason why MIT is such an intriguing environment. Each year, new freshman dreams fuel scholarship and learning at the Institute.

Please don't abandon those dreams. Too many freshmen I know end up studying chemical engineering, for example, because their parents saw chemical engineers near the top of some salary survey. Study chemical engineering because you've always wanted to contribute to society by designing new drugs, or because you love chemistry and physics. Not because of your parents. And certainly not because of money.

Whatever major you end up choosing over the course of the year, work hard. That's what MIT is all about: it tears you down, pushes you harder than you ever imagined, and then builds you up and prepares you to tackle big problems. Take care not to abuse the freshman grading shield, because that defeats its purpose. If you goof off in core subjects, harder material will catch up to you later on. The Institute hides freshman grades to create a soft transition between high school work and generally higher standards at MIT. If you aim to squeak by, that soft transition becomes a much harder one when your sophomore year on grades forces you to perform under pres-

sure. The system is not an obstacle that you should try to beat; it's a carefully crafted support designed to make life easier.

But as long as you're working hard in freshman classes, try to take some risks. Join activities and teams, work in the community, and apply for research positions in areas that you haven't thought much about before. Grow outwards and expand. Don't rule out options until you know what they entail. Few eighteen-year olds have enough experience to rule out too many options, and MIT boasts a won-



derful spectrum of opportunities and resources.

One of these resources is our extraordinary faculty. Your professors are the best in the world; make sure you get to know them. Push yourself to learn from them — inside and out of the classroom, about their expertise and how they made life decisions to become who they are today. From a twelfth-row seat in a

300-student lecture, appreciating approachable and friendly professors is a challenge. But I assure you, the Institute is full of friendly people who are willing to teach you, learn from you, and help you discover scholarly and professional options.

You will encounter, however, the occasional professor who says that he doesn't have time to help you. Don't back down easily. A little bit of initiative will go a long way.

One point is more important than the rest: never taint your integrity. I've seen and heard about a good deal of cheating at MIT, since the work can seem overwhelming and enforcement is lax. Don't buy in. You can always raise your grade point average later, but once you sacrifice your integrity, you can't bring it back.

Feeling in awe after last week is understandable. But please make sure that the awe doesn't become disempowering. You will grow to see, I hope, that the Institute is a place of empowerment. Living and learning among some of the best thinkers in the world will give you powerful insights. You have the chance — and indeed, the responsibility — to

contribute your skills and dedication to any number of worthy goals, over the next years and throughout your lifetimes. Don't take that lightly.

And whatever you choose to do over the upcoming year and beyond, remember the dreams that brought you here.

Jason Harmon Wasfy is a member of the Class of 2001.

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FEATURES

Ford Joins MIT to Bring Nobel Laureates to the Institute

By Katie Jeffreys
FEATURES EDITOR

The first lecture in the new MIT/Ford Nobel Laureate Lecture Series will be held on Monday, September 18 at 7:00 p.m. in Kresge Auditorium. The lecture, titled "The U.S. Economy: the Last 50 Years and the Next 50 Years," features 1970 Laureate Paul A. Samuelson, 1985 Laureate Franco Modigliani, and 1987 Laureate Robert M. Solow. All three are professors emeriti in the department of Economics at the Institute.

The lectures are made possible by a \$100,000 grant from Ford Motor Company which will be used to bring laureates to speak at MIT over the next five years. The next lecture is currently scheduled for November, based on the availability of potential speakers.

"We are hoping to do at least two this fall and then two to three in the spring," said Ted E. Johnson, associate director for programs and director for community services. The series will bring laureates from all six areas: Economic Sciences, Chemistry, Physiology or Medicine, Physics, Peace, and Literature. Future lectures may include panel discussions before and after the lecture to enhance the series.

Speakers will be chosen by the planning committee, which has representatives from the administration and student body. One of these students, Mendel Chuang '02, serves as the Undergraduate Association representative on the committee. Insomuch, Chuang says he



From left: Nobel Laureates Robert M. Solow, Franco Modigliani, and Paul A. Samuelson.

"links the UA to the lecture series to make sure that the committee has a lot of student input."

Chuang also cited the value of the lectures to students. "It's not just a study break, where you go and eat food and hang out," he said. "You go and can listen to the experts on these topics talk about them."

Ford collaboration instigates series

The multi-million dollar MIT/Ford Collaboration began in 1997. Over the past three years, MIT and Ford have developed many

projects in the areas of virtual engineering, virtual education, and the environment in an effort to address current issues in the automotive industry.

The series also is sponsored in cooperation with the MIT Lecture Series Committee, Campus Activities Complex Program Board and the Offices of the Chancellor and Dean for Student Life. "We wanted to bring in the expertise of the Lecture Series Committee and involve them with this," said Johnson. "Same for the Program board." Johnson emphasized that finding speakers involves using MIT con-

nections as well as contacting the laureates directly.

The Nobel prizes were first given in 1901, with the exception of Economic Sciences, which was added in 1969. To date, 36 MIT community members (alumni, professors, staff, etc.) have received Nobel prizes, some of whom shared one prize. Of the 34, 16 were in Physics, 8 in Economic Sciences, 7 in Chemistry, 4 in Physiology or Medicine, 1 in Peace.

Suggestions for future speakers are welcome and encouraged. E-mail <nobel-lectures@mit.edu> with ideas.

Settling into McCormick's Pilot Program

By Diana S. Cheng

For the first time, some first-year women at MIT did not need to worry about dorm rush — they had already applied and were assigned to reside in McCormick Hall as part of its residence-based advising program.

Why did they choose to live in McCormick? Christen M. Gray, a first-year McCormick resident from Atlanta, Ga. thought that McCormick was the "nicest dorm" during her visit to MIT's Campus Preview Weekend in early April 2000. She enjoys the "more relaxed" atmosphere and finds that living in an "all-girl dorm" is "interesting."

Yuki Hori, also a first-year student living in McCormick, likes the "clean and quiet" personality and the "study environment" that McCormick offers.

Gray was "happy to get all my stuff put away" while fellow MIT students were living in temporary housing. Hori was glad she could "settle down as soon as I arrived," and that she didn't have to visit the other dorms.

Advising combined with living

MIT's Task Force on Student Life and Learning believes that "advisory teams [of] faculty, qualified graduate students, academic administrators" and alumni should collaborate to "be a source of information and guidance about life," not just in academics.

For the McCormick pilot program, this support will continue into the second semester of the first year, unlike the current academic advising program held only in the first semester. Because of a donation from the family of Alexander V. d'Arbeloff '49, MIT was able to create the pilot program held at McCormick.

Gray doesn't see her advisor more often than non-McCormick MIT students since she participates in Mission 2004, but she believes she has more "close contact" with her upperclass Resident Associate Advisor. For example, she recently filled out her RAA's e-mail survey concerning her favorite food, intended course of study, and activities, among other items.

Within the program are several advising seminars from which McCormick freshmen can choose. Hori attends Kirk Kolenbrander's seminar entitled "The Balanced Pursuit of Technical Excellence: Living and Learning Together."

Other seminars offered at McCormick include Linn W. Hobbs's seminar on "Salt, Sand, Rust and Bone — The Intriguing World of Ordinary Things," Anne McCants's "A Brief History of Cosmology," Amy Smith's "Designs for Developing Countries," Lita Nelsen's "Entrepreneurship in a Women's Context," and Charles Stewart's "The Presidential Election of 2000."

Ricky A. Gresh, program administrator in the Office of Residential Life and Student Life Programs, points out that in two years all MIT first-year students living on campus will live in a residence hall. He said that "this shift has both signaled the need for additional support to the building of community within the residence system and created opportunities to rethink the first-year academic experience."

Facilities also a benefit at McCormick

Although Gray spends most of her social time at East Campus and Senior House, she is glad that filling out McCormick's questionnaire allowed her to be matched with roommates who closely match her character-

istics. Gray says that McCormick is a "good place to go home to."

Another benefit of living in McCormick is its facilities. According to Gray, the Athena cluster, living rooms, kitchens, dining hall, and laundry room fulfill the McCormick woman's everyday needs.

Hori adds that McCormick is "comfortable" and has "big rooms."



McCormick Hall

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The Big Race 2000

Who's Running?

By Derrick Carpenter

This article is the first in a series of nine that will appear weekly in The Tech to help you, the MIT community, make a more informed decision when you head to the polls in November. Future articles will detail the candidates views on specific issues of importance. This week, being the first, will include a general overview of the prominent candidates and their backgrounds.

Patrick Buchanan
Reform Party

Home: Maclean, VA.
Birth date: November 2, 1938.
Family: Shelley Ann Scarney, wife; No children.
Education: Jesuit grade school; Bachelor's degree from Georgetown University; Master's degree in journalism from Columbia University.

Political History: Twice a candidate for the Republican Party presidential nomination; served as senior advisor to three presidents; assistant to Richard Nixon before and throughout Watergate ('66-'74); won 1996 New Hampshire primary and placed second behind senator Dole with 3 million of the Republican votes; White House director of communications for President Reagan ('85-'87); Wrote foreign policy speeches and attended four summits under Nixon and Reagan.

Other Interesting Facts: Became the youngest editorial writer for a major U.S. paper, the *St. Louis Globe* in 1962; After the leaving the White House after Nixon, he went on to establish three of the countries significant political talk shows: "The McLaughlin Group" of NBC and CNN's "Capital Gang" and "Crossfire."; Author of five books, including two best-sellers, *Right from the Beginning* and *A Republic, Not an Empire*; Wife Shelley served on White House staff from 1969-1975.

Official Site: <<http://www.gopat-go2000.org>>

George W. Bush
Republican Party

Home: Midland and Houston, TX.
Birth date: July 6, 1946.
Family: Laura Welsh Bush, wife; Two children.
Education: Bachelor's degree from Yale University; Master's degree in business administration from Harvard University.

Political History: Won Texas gubernatorial race in 1994 and reelection in 1998 with record percentage of vote; Won primary for 1978 U.S. Congress in Texas, but lost election; Made education number one priority, re-establishing the state curriculum in Texas; Cut state spending to lowest level in 40 years; Increased child-care funding by \$357 million;

Holds state-wide conference of "Right Choices," allowing students to make better decisions about drugs, sex, crime, and civic involvement; Led initiative for largest tax cuts in Texas state history; worked for father George Bush's presidential campaign in 1988.

Other Interesting Facts: Served as an F-102 pilot in the Texas Air National Guard ('69-'73); As a child, would rather have been a baseball player than president; Began his own oil and gas company in 1978, which merged with another company in 1983, at which point he became CEO; Worked to purchase the Texas Rangers and served as a managing general partner from 1989-1994; Desires to focus on breaking party lines, reaching out to minority populations.

Official Site: <<http://www.georgewbush.com>>

Al Gore
Democratic Party

Home: Carthage, TN.
Birth date: March 31, 1948.
Family: Mary Elizabeth "Tipper" Aithcson, wife; Four children.
Education: Private grade school; Bache-

lor's degree from Harvard University; Graduate work at Vanderbilt Divinity School and Vanderbilt Law School.

Political History: Elected as Vice President under President Clinton ('92-present); Elected as U.S. Congressman from Tennessee in 1976; Chair of some of the first congressional hearings on toxic waste clean up; Co-sponsored legislation creating the Department of Education; Elected to U.S. Senate in 1984; Introduced Campaign Limitation and Public Financing Act; Wins 3 million votes for Democratic Presidential nomination in 1988, including winning 5 states; Introduced Working Families Tax Relief Act; Presides over meeting of the U.S.-Ukraine Binational Commission.

Other Interesting Facts: Worked for father as a child on the farm feeding livestock and plowing fields; Served as a military journalist in Vietnam; Author of best-selling book, *Earth in the Balance*; Al and Tipper led a 1995 conference on families and the media; In 1996, spoke directly to 500 entertainment industry leaders about violence in the media; In 1998, called on Congress to fight youth smoking; Spoke at the Columbine High School Memorial Service.

Official Site: <<http://www.gore2000.org>>

Ralph Nader
Green Party

Home: Winsted, CT.
Birth date: February 27, 1934.
Family: Single.
Education: Bachelor's degree from Princeton University; Law degree from Harvard University.

Political History: Ran for president in 1996; Consumer advocate and founder of the Public Interest Research Group (PIRG); Worked for Center for Women's Policy Studies, Connecticut Citizen's Action Group, the Disability Rights Center, and the Pension Rights Center; Founded the Multinational Monitor magazine, the Public Citizen, and the Center for the Study of Responsive Law.

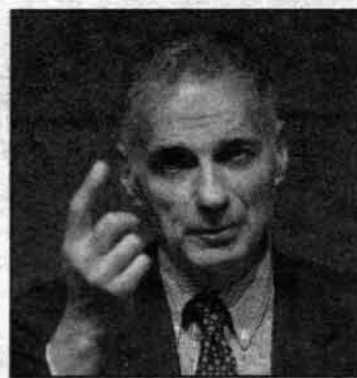
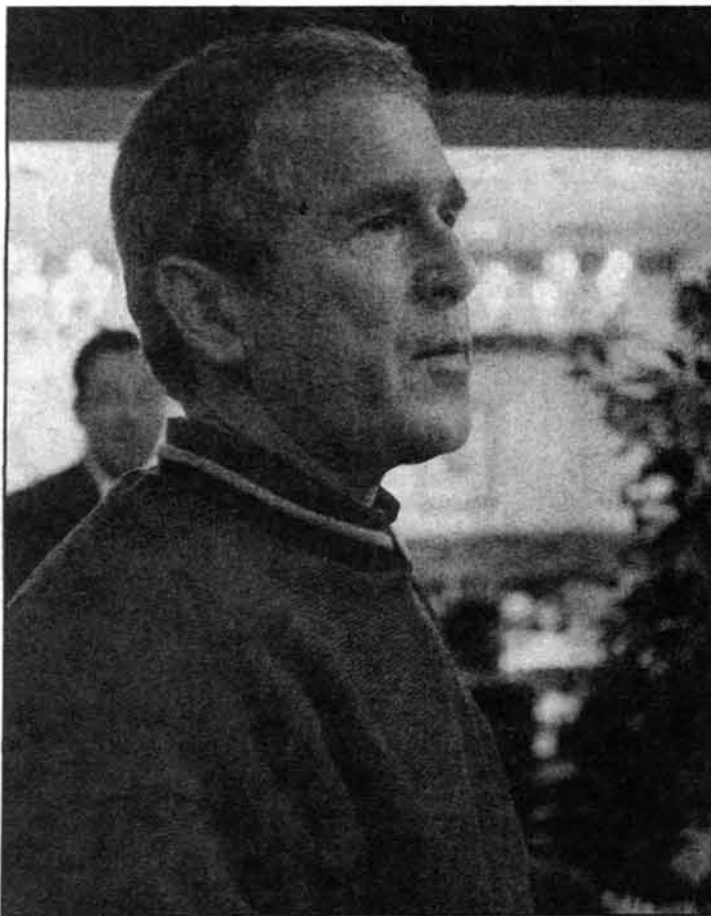
Other Interesting Facts: Published *Unsafe at Any Speed*, which exposed unsafe automobiles; Subsequently sued GM after they attempted to discredit him; Served in the Army Reserve in 1959; Author of several books, including *Taming the Giant Corporation*, *Action for Change*, and *Who's Poisoning America*.

Official Site: <<http://www.votener.com>>

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This Week in MIT History

By Katie Jeffreys
FEATURES EDITOR

Rush has not always been the highly regulated (read: dry) event experienced by students in recent years. Since the Orientation of 1985 policies on fraternity and dormitory alcohol consumption during rush have grown increasingly stringent.

The Massachusetts drinking age increased to 21 during the summer of 1985, and MIT responded by mandating a "dry rush." At that time, a dry rush was defined as "the absence of alcohol at events in common areas during the period when freshmen are being recruited for dormitories, fraternities and other independent living groups" ["Alcohol policy announced." May 10, 1985]. The policy excluded Saturday and Sunday evenings from 8:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. (at the time all parties closed at 1:00 a.m. due to City of Cambridge laws).

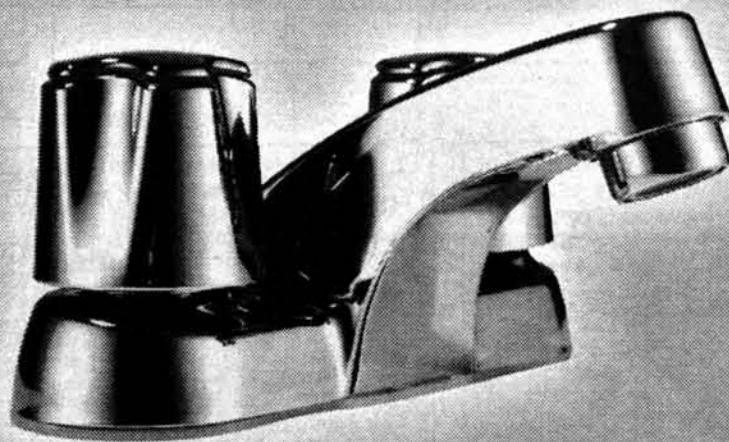
The first dry rush proved to meet previous years' numbers, with 380 pledging fraternities. In addition no violations of the "Policy Statement on the Use of Alcohol" were enforced, although three were reported.

Since then, dry rush has become politicized. Some students feared that a dry rush would mislead freshmen into believing houses have different attitudes alcohol than what is true. Alternatively, a dry rush allows freshmen to make a more unbiased, well-informed, clear-headed decision about housing.

The trend towards a fully dry rush was led over the years by the Interfraternity Council in conjunction with the administration. Today a house is dry throughout rush until its desk closes unless the individual house rules are more stringent. In addition, alcohol may not be seen in the presence of a rushee.



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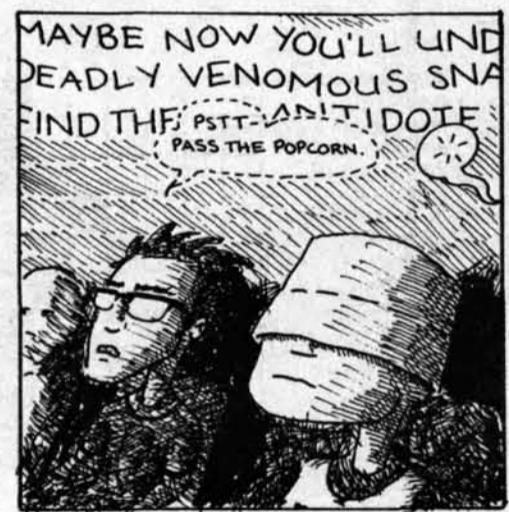
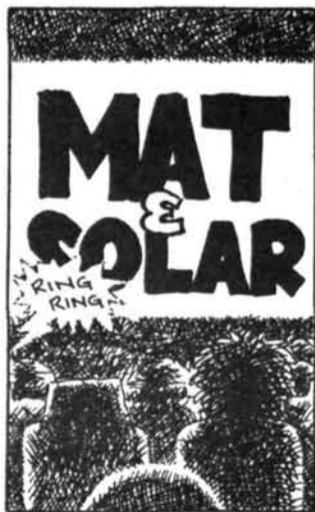
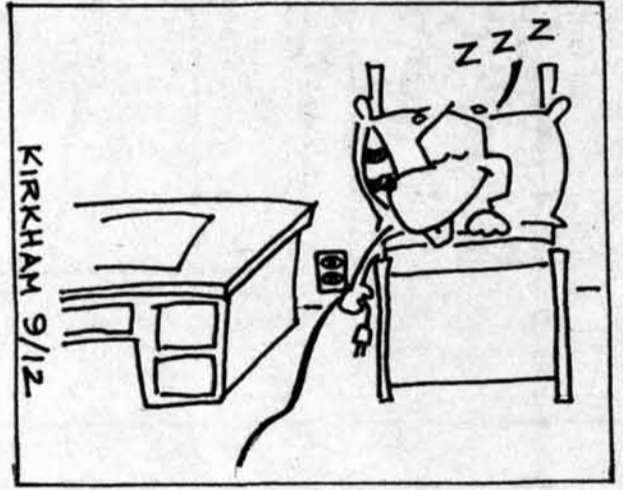
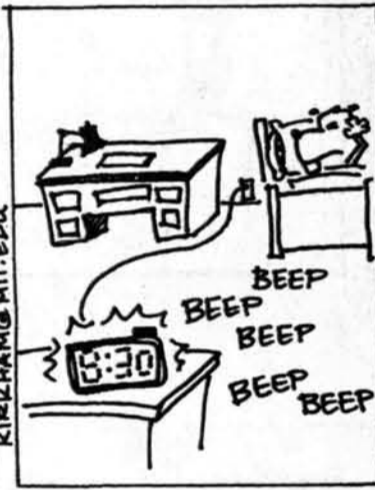
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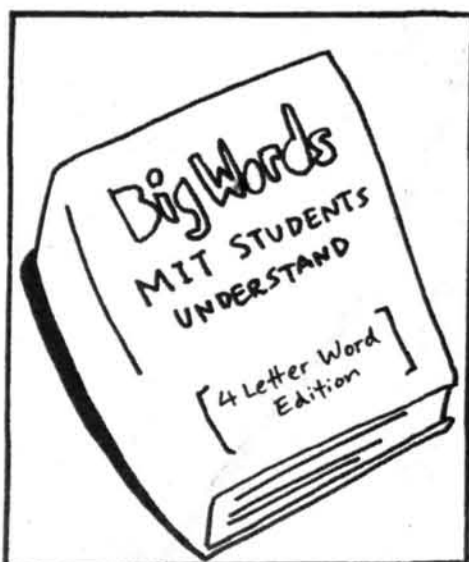


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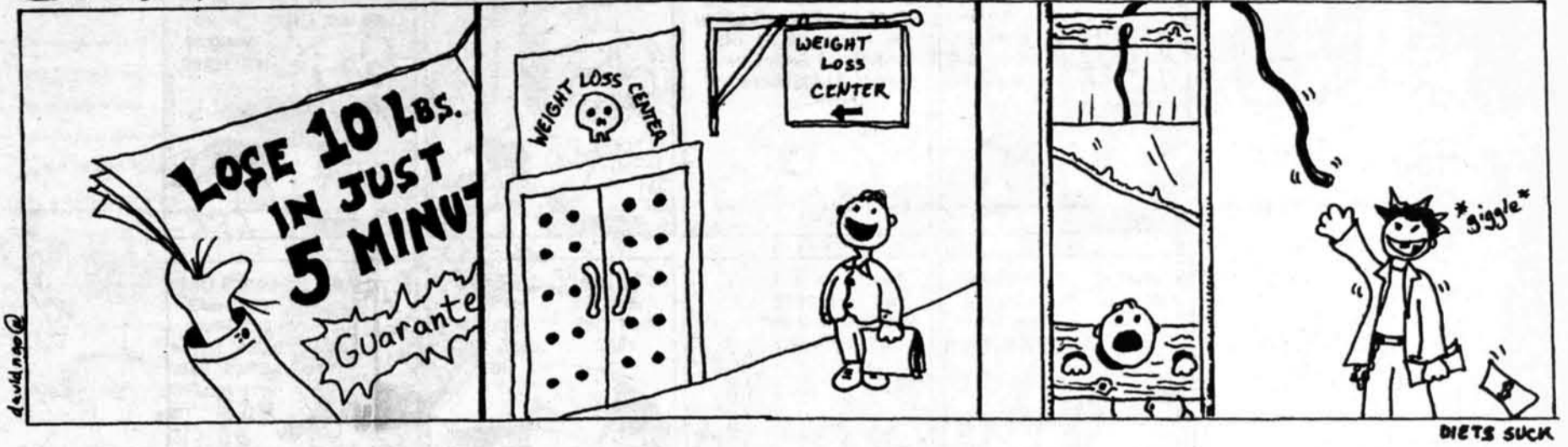


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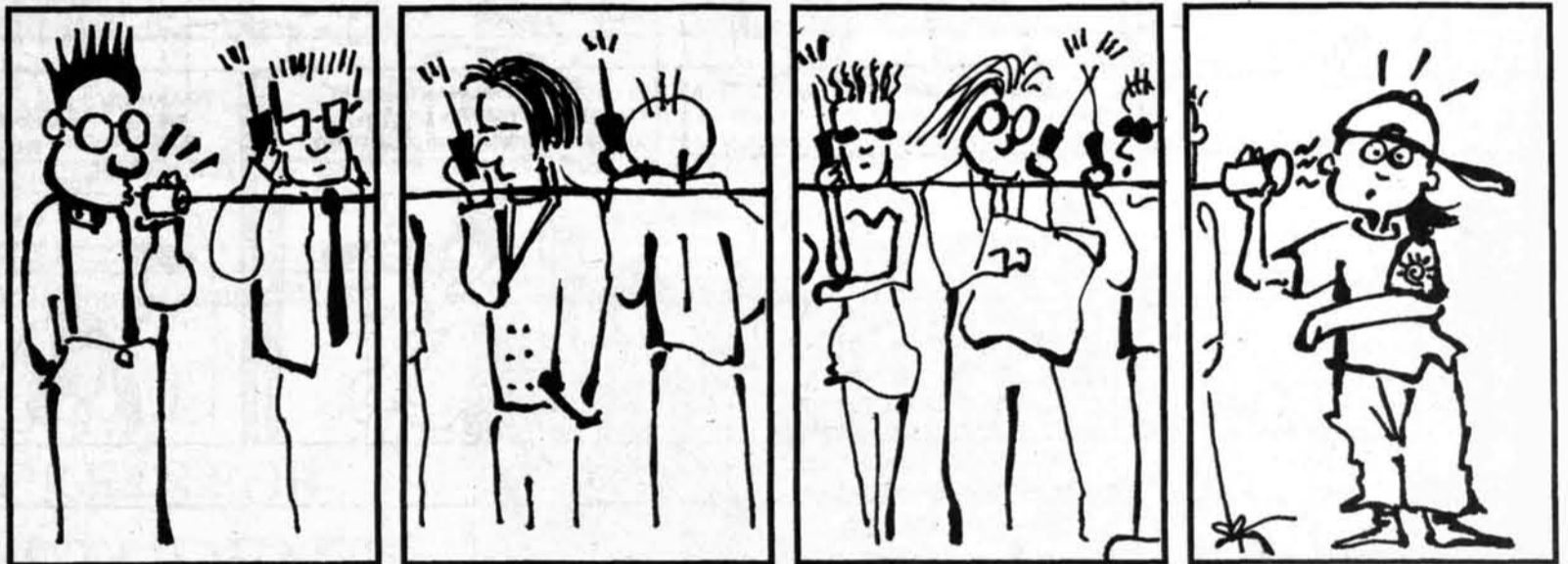
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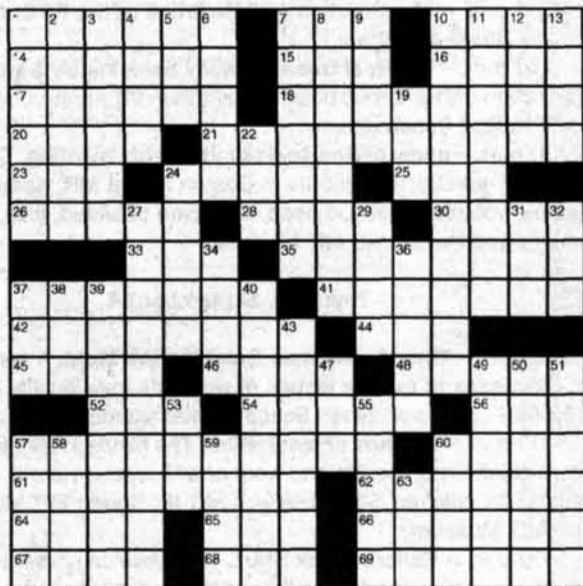


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Crossword Puzzle

- ACROSS
- 1 Diatribe
 - 7 "Kidnapped" author's initials.
 - 10 Part of the eye
 - 14 Brunch fare
 - 15 Wide shoe width
 - 16 Rocket top
 - 17 Hearty enjoyment
 - 18 Divisible
 - 20 Scheme
 - 21 Earnest requests
 - 23 Director Lupino
 - 24 Murdered
 - 25 Cacophony
 - 26 "___ Longlegs"
 - 28 Ran like madras
 - 30 Largest landmass
 - 33 Make a mistake
 - 35 Constructors
 - 37 Bashes and blowouts
 - 41 Medical cathartics
 - 42 Effective things
 - 44 Auto gear: abbr.
 - 45 Sub shop
 - 46 Vietnamese holidays
 - 48 Dreads
 - 52 Flightless bird
 - 54 Decants
 - 56 Doggie doc
 - 57 "The Saint" star
 - 60 Unconscious state
 - 61 Entertainer Carol
 - 62 Not so fast
 - 64 Baseball glove
 - 65 Invent facts
 - 66 Innate ability
 - 67 Edgar Allan and others
 - 68 UFO pilots
 - 69 Stretches of grassy turf

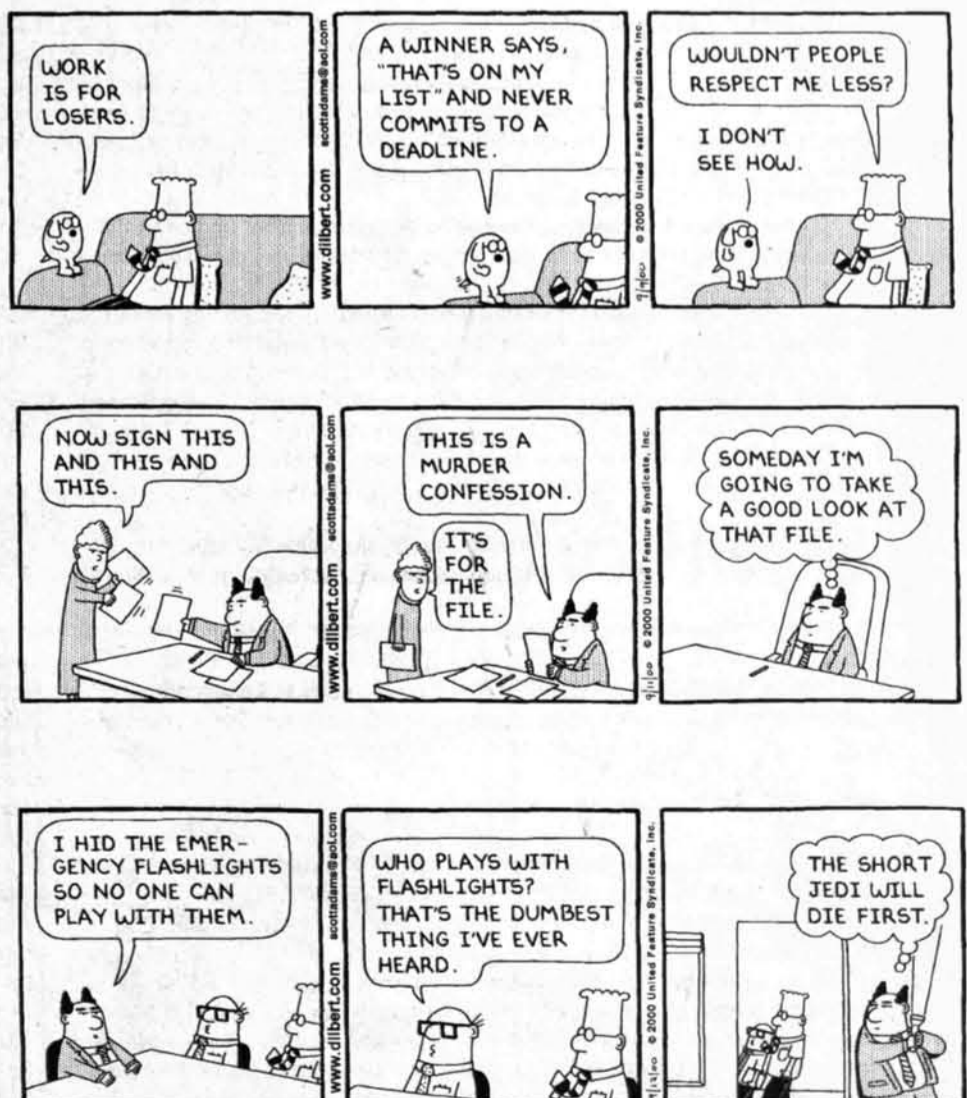


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- DOWN
- 1 Lethargic
 - 2 Mrs. Ferdinand Marcos
 - 3 Pop in more film
 - 4 Landed
 - 5 ___ Plaines, IL
 - 6 Barrymore or Merman
 - 7 Crocodile or lizard, e.g.
 - 8 Students
 - 9 Withered
 - 10 Opening move
 - 11 Mr. Crusoe
 - 12 ___ of Wight
 - 13 Gets the point
 - 19 Wee bit
 - 22 Grab hold of
 - 24 Neighbor of Israel
 - 27 Disadvantages
 - 29 Expensive
 - 31 Dander
 - 32 Silly billy
 - 34 Cloth hole
 - 36 Staff signs
 - 37 Pea package
 - 38 Learn like a monkey?
 - 39 Send into exile
 - 40 Get a move on!
 - 43 Shemp, Curly et al.
 - 47 Big __, CA
 - 49 Confessor
 - 50 Make additional sewing repairs
 - 51 Commences
 - 53 Vessel with a spigot
 - 55 Catches one's breath
 - 57 Canadian cop
 - 58 Neighbor of Indiana
 - 59 5,280 feet
 - 60 Soft drink
 - 63 Order's partner?

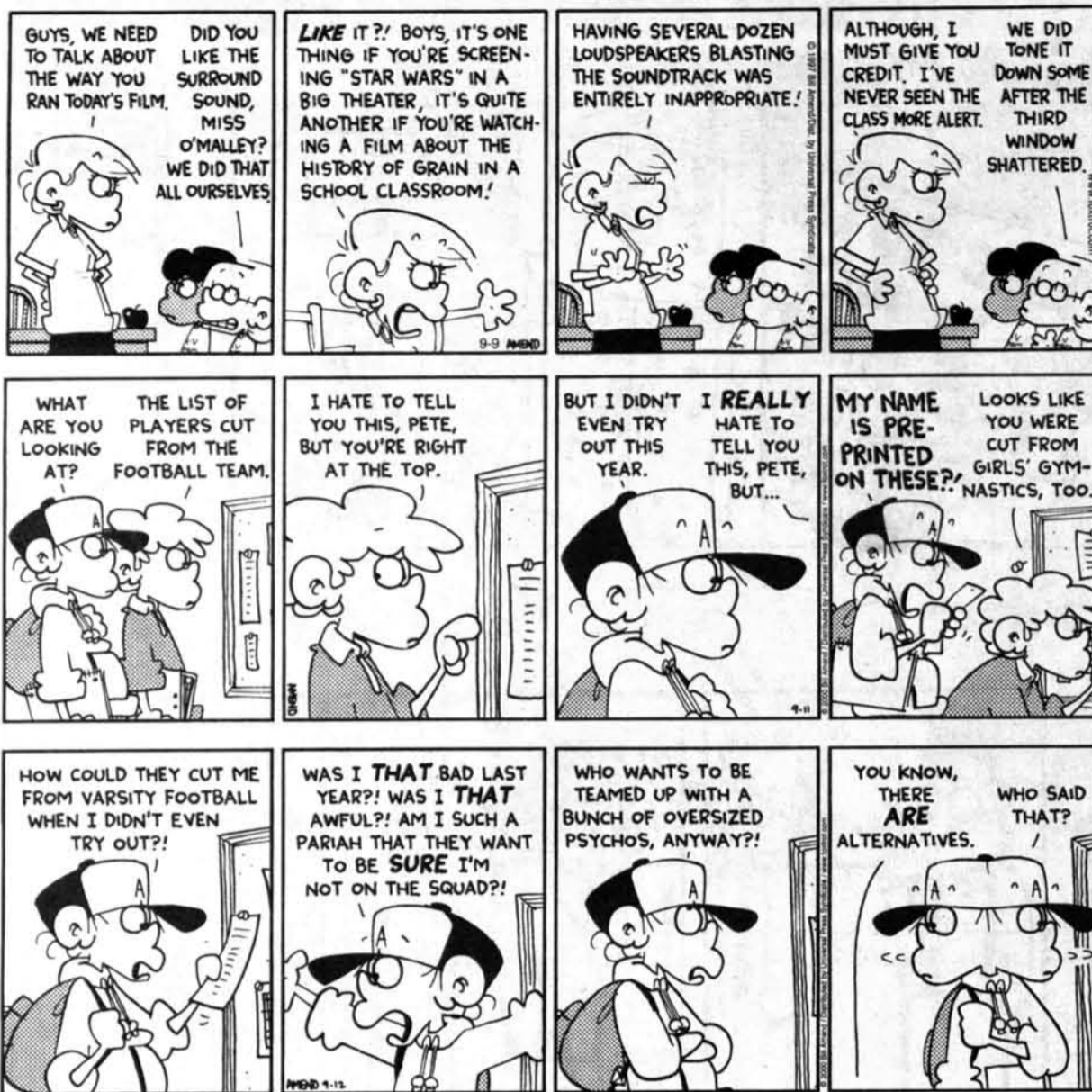
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Tuesday, September 12

- 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. - **Flashes of Inspiration: The Work of Harold Edgerton.** An interactive exhibition celebrating the life and work of MIT legend Harold. \$5; \$2 students/seniors; \$1 children 5-18; free with MIT ID. Room: MIT Museum, N52 2nd floor. Sponsor: MIT Museum.
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- 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. - **Annual Student Loan Art Exhibition.** An opportunity for MIT students (undergrad & grad) to borrow a fine art print or work on paper to keep in dorm rooms or apartments for the academic year (the exhibition is also open to the public). Discover modern & contemporary works by artists such as Josef Albers, Louise Bourgeois, Bruce Nauman, Cindy Sherman, Andy Warhol & more. Lottery—Sept 19; pick-up—Sept 20-21; free-for-all—Sept 22 (any students not selected in lottery may choose from unclaimed work). . free. Room: List Visual Arts Center (E15). Sponsor: List Visual Arts Center.
- 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. - **Statistical Physics applied to Physiological Signals.** free. Room: Room 2-338. Sponsor: Physical Mathematics Seminar. Department of Mathematics.
- 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - **Fluid Buckling.** free. Room: Room 3-133. Sponsor: Fluid Mechanics Seminars.
- 6:30 p.m. - **Of Places, Practice and Theory: Defining a Language of Landscape.** Department of Architecture Lecture. free. Room: Rm 10-250. Sponsor: Department of Architecture.

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- 12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. - **The Creation and Evolution of the NRO.** free. Room: E38-615. Sponsor: Security Studies Program.
- 12:10 p.m. - 1:10 p.m. - **Physical Oceanography Sack Lunch Seminar.** Eddy Transport and the Stratification of the Circumpolar Current Richard Karsten, MIT. free. Room: 54-915. Sponsor: Physical Oceanography.
- 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - **spouses&partners@mit weekly meeting.** Question & Answer Session: Bring your questions about life in Boston and at MIT. spouses&partners@mit members will help you find what you need. Childcare provided. free. Room: W20-400. Sponsor: spouses&partners@mit, MIT Medical.

Thursday, September 14

- 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. - **Mary A. Harman: Breaking the Mold.** A series of images using multiple print processes to explore issues of women's individuality and saneness. free. Room: Rm E52-466 . Sponsor: Sloan School of Management.
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- 12:00 p.m. - **Synapse Formation, Growth and Plasticity: Genetic Analysis at the Drosophila -Neuromuscular Junction.** Aaron DiAntonio of the Department of Molecular Biology and Pharmacology at Washington University School of Medicine, shares his current research. Hosted by Prof. J. Troy Littleton. free. Room: E25-202. Sponsor: Center for Learning and Memory.
- 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - **On the Vertical Propagation of Rossby Waves.** free. Room: 54-915. Sponsor: MIT Atmospheric Science Seminars.
- 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. - **Opening Reception—Mary A. Harman: Breaking the Mold.** A series of images using multiple print processes to explore issues of women's individuality and saneness. Exhibit runs through Nov 2. free. Room: Rm E52-466. Sponsor: Sloan School of Management.

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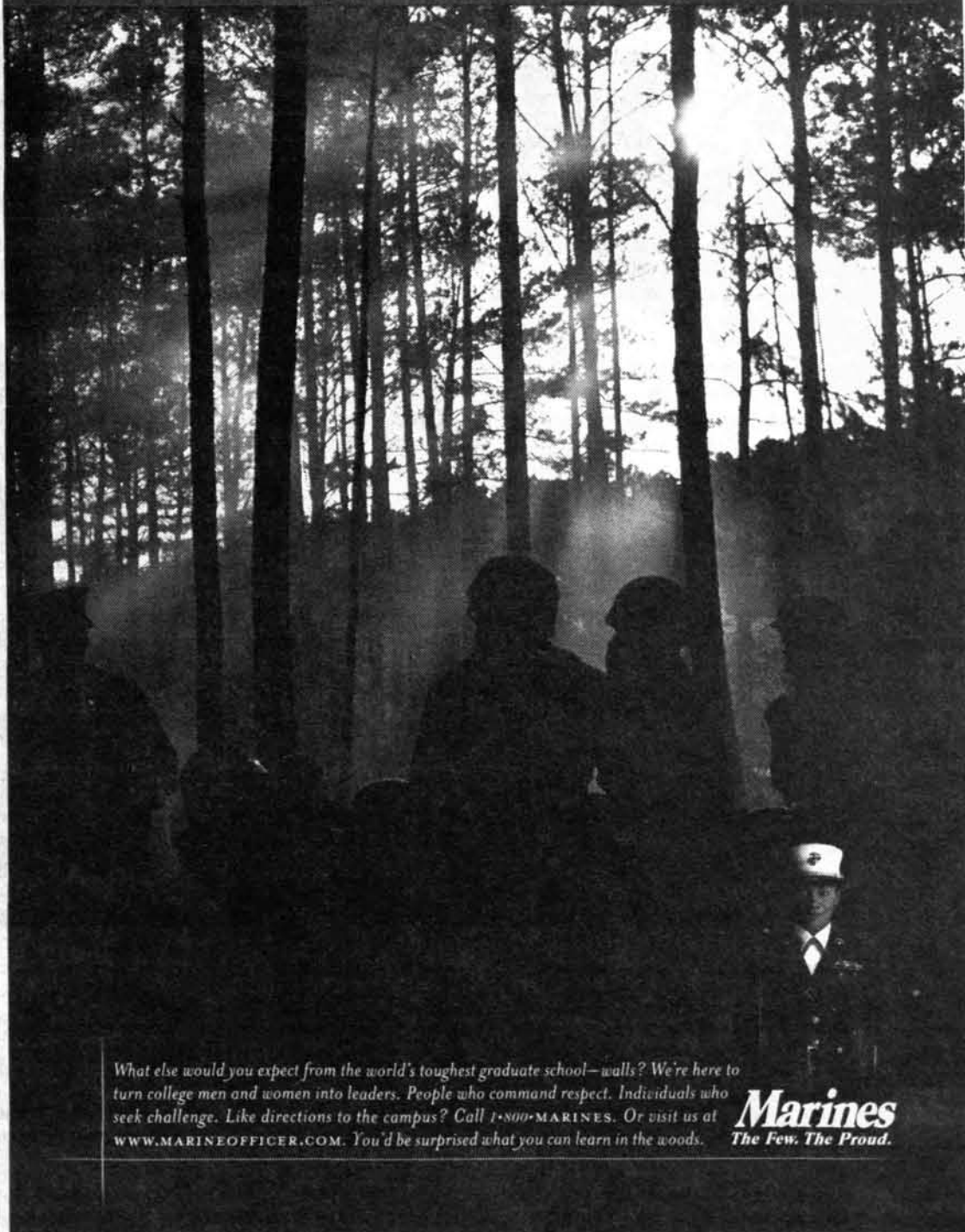
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Brosnan Praises Clean Rush

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had numbers of outings and excursions which were comparable to any fraternity.

Mitul C. Mehta '03, a Zeta Beta Tau brother, felt that his house conducted a rush which was relaxed rather than aggressive. Freshmen at his house took a long time to pledge because they were trying to "one-up" each other in creatively accepting their bids.

Mehta also added that some people were waiting for the results of the dorm lottery to come through and that even though some people got their top choices they "pledged anyways."

Rogers also added that a lot of freshmen chose to pledge the fraternities on campus because of their convenient location.

Brosnan pleased with rush spirit
IFC President Damien A. Brosnan '01 said that rush went very smoothly. He said that in his four years at MIT, "this was cleanest rush I've ever seen." He also noted that there were "very few spirit-of-rush errors," and that there were "no major complaints about any houses doing bad spirit-of-rush things."

"I think that everything was handled as well as it could have been," Brosnan said.

Dana Levine contributed to the reporting of this story.

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Despite Suspensions from the CLC KS, ATO Enjoy Successful Rushes

By Jennifer B. Krishnan and Brian M. Loux

After a number of incidents at Alpha Tau Omega and Kappa Sigma in recent years, the Cambridge License Commission last March sought to punish the houses with a suspension during rush. What resulted, however, was a rush for the two fraternities that outshined most of the rushes of the other independent living groups.

In a slow rush year with pledging down significantly from last year, ATO received 15 pledges, up three from last year. Kappa Sig received 21 pledges, the greatest number received by any fraternity this year.

The two houses had different reactions to their respective successes. Among the surprised was Kappa Sig Rush Chair Kevin T. Weston '03. Kappa Sig had a goal of 15 pledges, said Weston, "but we were prepared for much fewer."

ATO Rush Chair Ken Takase '01, however, expected that his house would do as well as previous years. Takase said the CLC's sanctions were "more of an inconvenience than a big disadvantage."

New strategy aids rush

Kappa Sig and ATO were punished for prior alcohol and party

violations. ATO was suspended by the CLC as the result of a raucous New Year's Eve party, while Kappa Sig was suspended following the hospitalization of a partygoer last fall. The two houses' histories of violations were also a factor in the CLC's decision.

A change in strategy appears to be behind Kappa Sig's and ATO's surprisingly successful rush this fall. Banned from their houses by the CLC for the duration of rush, the fraternities were forced to deviate from their usual rush schedules.

Without the use of their houses, the two fraternities had to rush from hotels. Kappa Sig rushed from the University Park Hotel, while ATO rushed from the Royal Sonesta near the Cambridgeside Galleria.

Weston attributes Kappa Sig's high pledge numbers to the houses' new approach to rush. "We weren't trying to sell the house," he said. "We were trying to sell the people that lived in it."

In some cases, the suspensions made the two houses more attractive to freshmen. A number of freshmen voiced the concern that MIT would be all work and no play, and saw the two houses as places that were far from the stereotype.

"The cover article of *The Tech* that mentioned Kappa Sig put the fra-

ternity on the map for me. I had some concerns after reading the article, but the brothers addressed all those issues," said Matthew D. Richards '04, a pledge for Kappa Sig.

Neal H. Dorow, assistant dean of residence and campus activities, felt that rush went well for Kappa Sig and ATO because the houses worked harder. "Whatever it is you do to make rush work, they did more of it," Dorow said.

IFC President Damien A. Brosnan '01 agreed. "I thought it would be difficult," he said, "but their goals were attainable." He felt that the two houses showed "strong brotherhood" in coming together to make the best of their circumstances.

One of the biggest concerns of the IFC and the two houses during rush was shuttling and camping. Camping is when a member of one fraternity waits outside another house for a freshman. In general, the fraternity has 15 minutes to produce that freshman. The IFC proposed an amendment to extend this time by five minutes for ATO and Kappa Sig, due to the extra time required to shuttle freshman back and forth.

"There were a few bugs the first day," said Russell L. Spieler '01, IFC Judicial Committee Chair. However, the two houses were soon able to smooth things out.

Year 2000 Rush Results

Living Group	Residential	Non-Residential
Alpha Delta Phi	13	0
Alpha Epsilon Pi	14	0
Alpha Tau Omega	15	0
Beta Theta Pi	13	0
Chi Phi	9	0
Delta Kappa Epsilon	7	2
Delta Psi (No. 6)	9	2
Delta Tau Delta	13	0
Delta Upsilon	11	0
Epsilon Theta	6	0
Fenway	7	0
Kappa Sigma	11	10
Lambda Chi Alpha	10	0
Nu Delta	8	0
Phi Beta Epsilon	17	0
Phi Delta Theta	10	0
pika	8	0
Phi Kappa Sigma	13	0
Phi Kappa Theta	11	2
Pi Lambda Phi	8	0
Phi Sigma Kappa	13	0
Sigma Chi	10	0
Student House	4	0
Sigma Nu	12	0
Sigma Phi Epsilon	5	2
Theta Chi	12	0
Theta Delta Chi	10	0
Tau Epsilon Phi	4	0
Theta Xi	11	0
WILG	8	0
Zeta Beta Tau	17	0
Zeta Psi	9	0
Total	328	18
Alpha Epsilon Phi	0	7
Alpha Phi	7	27
Alpha Chi Omega	0	30
Kappa Alpha Theta	0	25
Sigma Kappa	0	21
Total	7	110

Source: Neal H. Dorow, advisor to FSILGs

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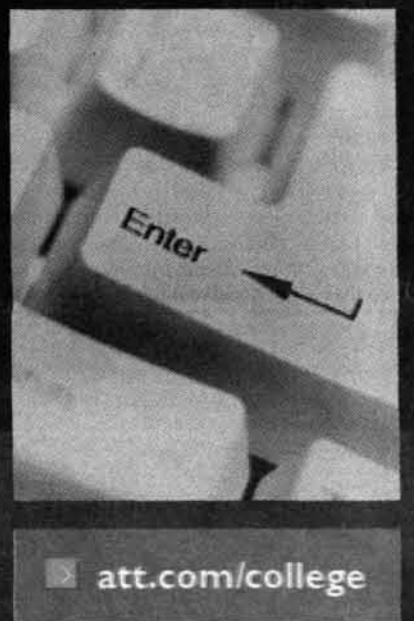
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DOJ Maintains Report Constraints Are Reasonable

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the evaluation. Due to security issues, it would be up to the FBI to decide what information to release.

In addition, Schiller was concerned with the government's power to edit the report before releasing it to the public.

The internal MIT discussion as to whether to accept the DOJ's bid included Schiller and high-level EECS professors Hal Abelson Ph.D. '73, Jerome H. Saltzer, and M.

Frans Kaashoek, as well as Laboratory for Computer Science head Michael L. Dertouzos.

Schiller and Abelson said that the general consensus among those involved in discussions was that the DOJ had set an improbable deadline on the project, and that there were too many problems inherent in the DOJ's proposal.

Abelson said that the government's concerns are valid, but given the constraints the DOJ has imposed, "it shouldn't hope for an

independent review."

DOJ says restrictions are fair

DOJ Chief Science and Technical Officer Donald Prosnitz and Associate Attorney General for Administration Stephen R. Colgate said that they "understood the concerns of the universities." Along with the Institute, Purdue University, Dartmouth College, University of Michigan, and the Supercomputing Centre at the University of California have all turned down bids extended by the DOJ, according to published reports.

Prosnitz said, however, that there are actually "very few limits" placed on the contractor that is to review Carnivore. He contended that the only restrictions imposed by the government are standard security procedures such as background checks of personnel involved in the

project. In addition, the source code for Carnivore will remain confidential, Prosnitz said. The contractor has access to everything else it needs, he said.

Prosnitz explained that the reason for the close deadline of December 1 is that the DOJ wants to have the report done during Attorney General Janet Reno's tenure, so that she will have time to consider the case. In addition, the DOJ hopes to have Congress vote on it in their next session. The present administration will step down on January 20, 2000, but Prosnitz said that he has total confidence that the transition of government will not in any way affect the system's operation.

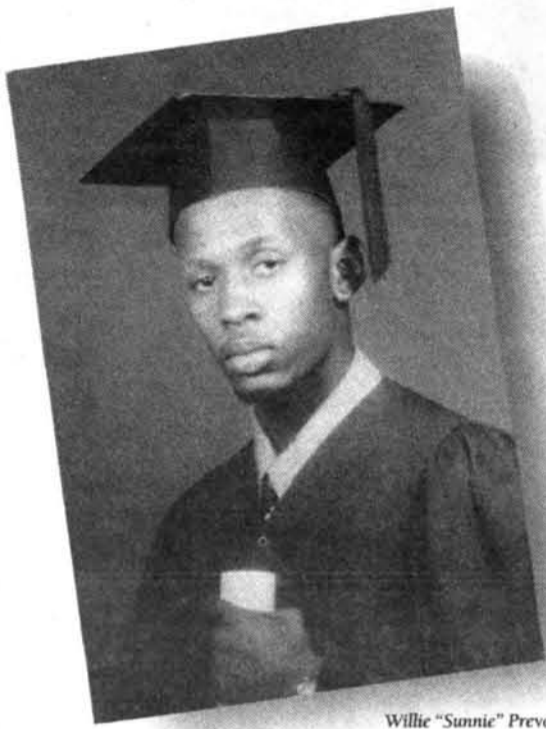
The government is currently in negotiations with a possible contractor. The unnamed contractor has said that it will finish the project on schedule, Prosnitz said.

Schiller questions review

While Schiller said that an independent review is important, he said that he has no doubt that the system will work the way it is supposed to work. A more important question, he said, is whether or not the FBI would abide by what the court order allows it legally to do.

Schiller suggested that a third party, most probably a user's Internet service provider, be responsible for gathering evidence, and then turning it over to the FBI.

Prosnitz and Colgate stated that it was actually their preference to have the ISP gather and turn over evidence in the form of e-mail. Carnivore is only used in cases when a small ISP does not have the capabilities of giving the FBI what the court orders demand, he said. Prosnitz added that Carnivore has been used less than 25 times since its creation.



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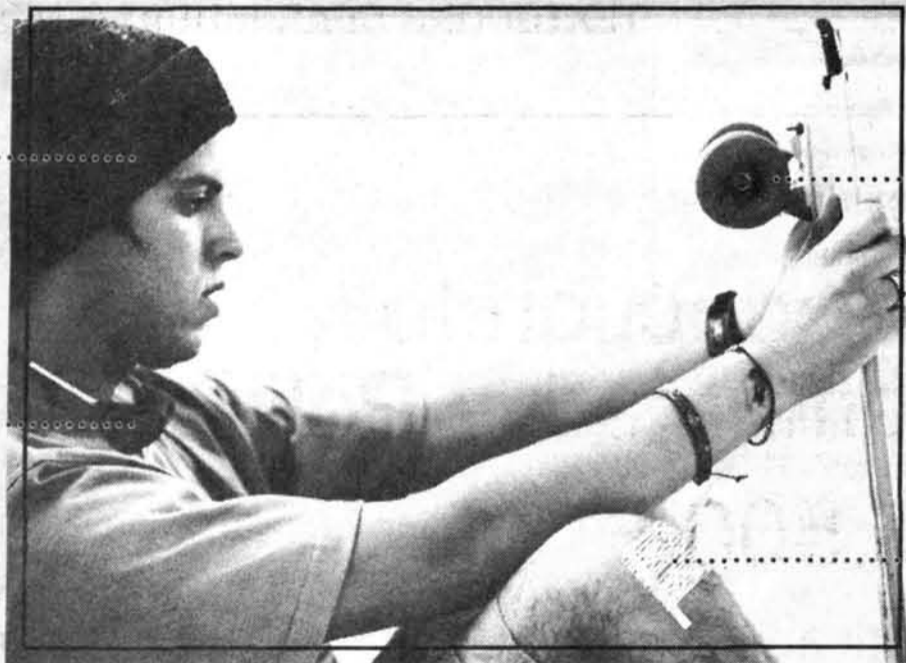


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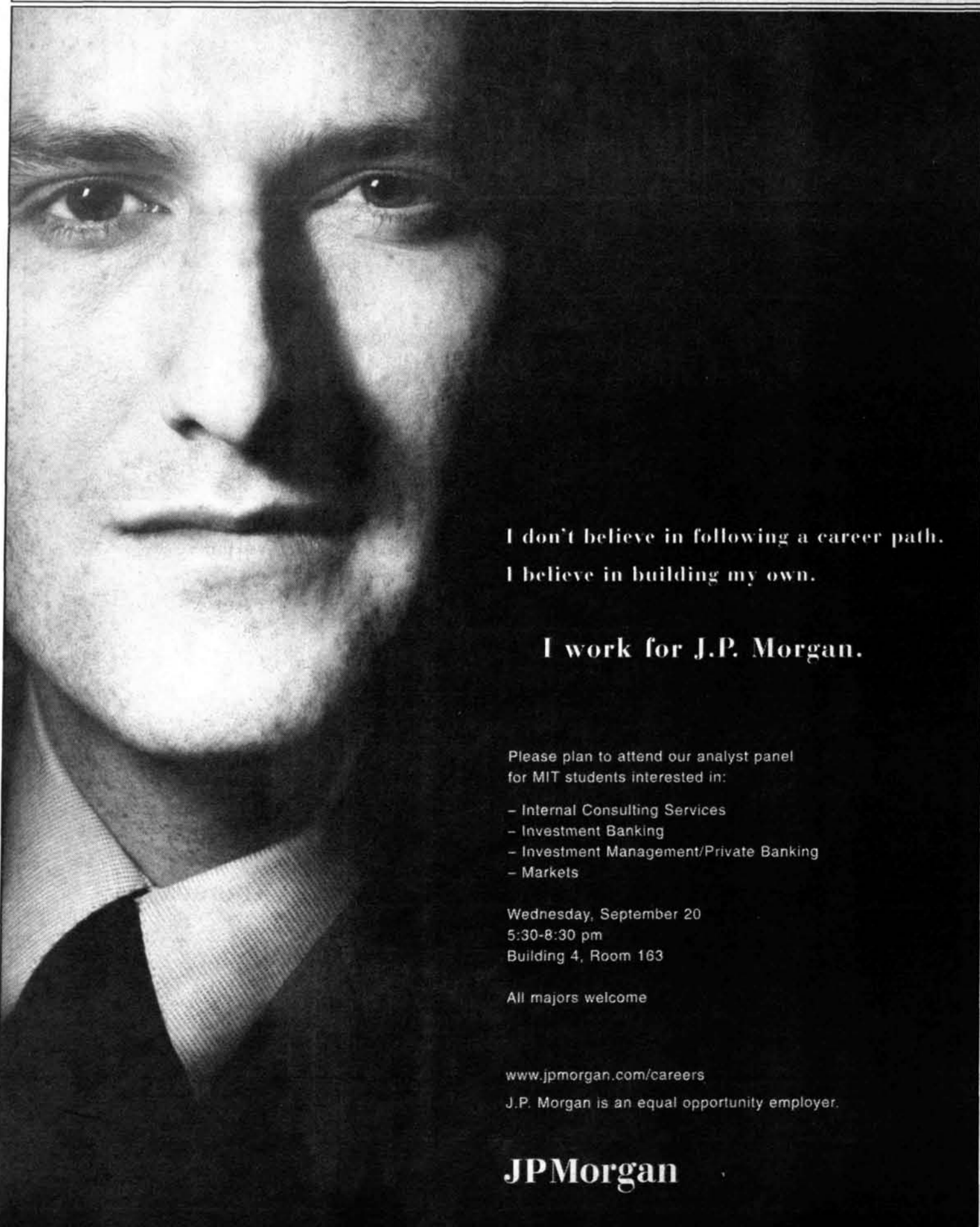


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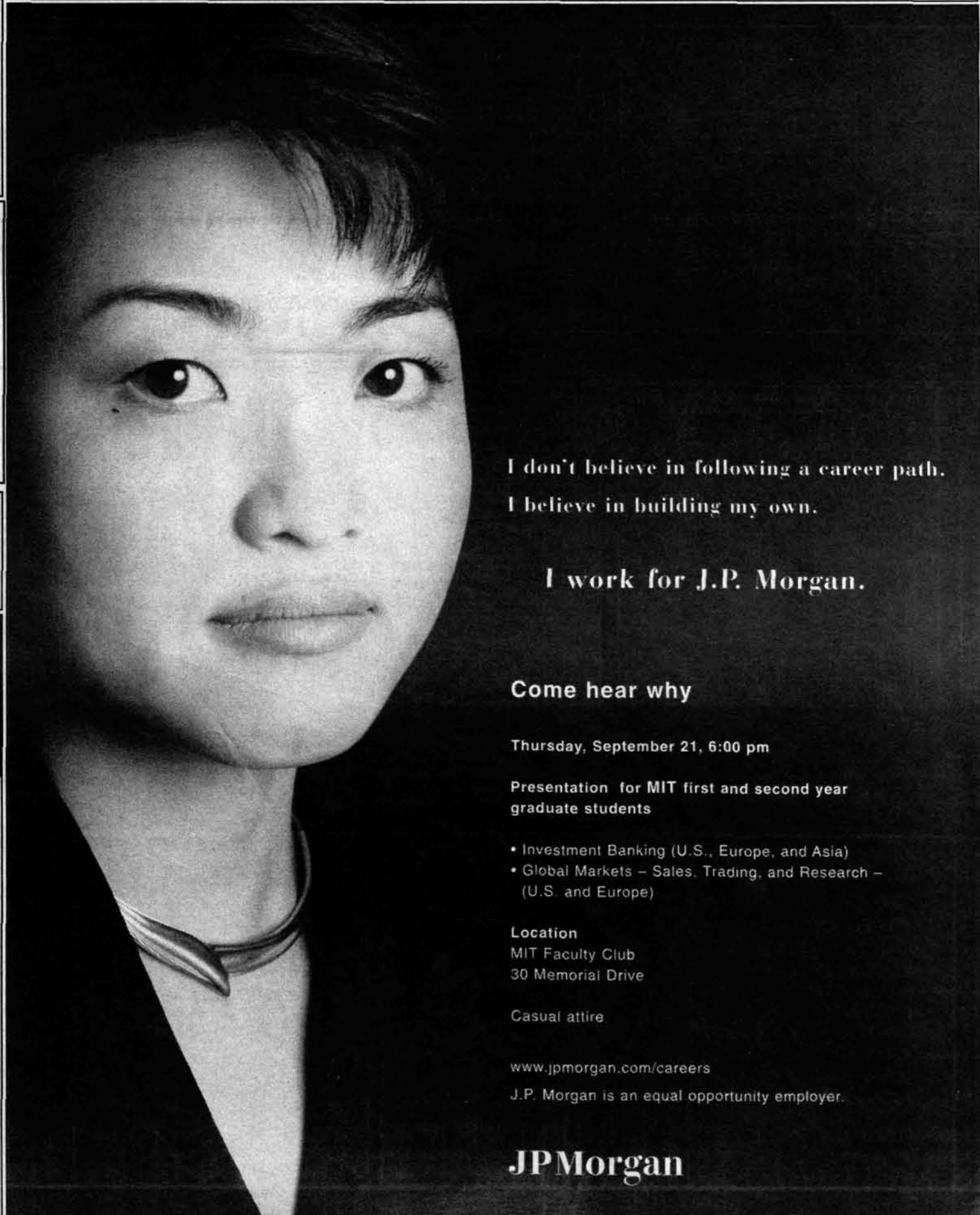


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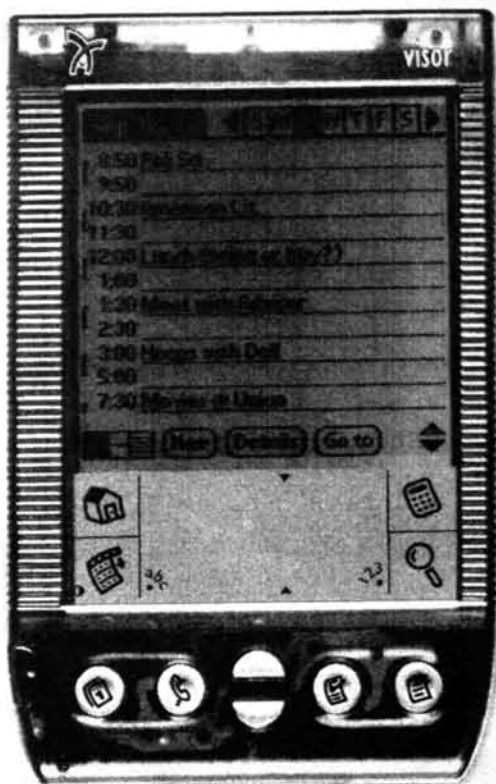
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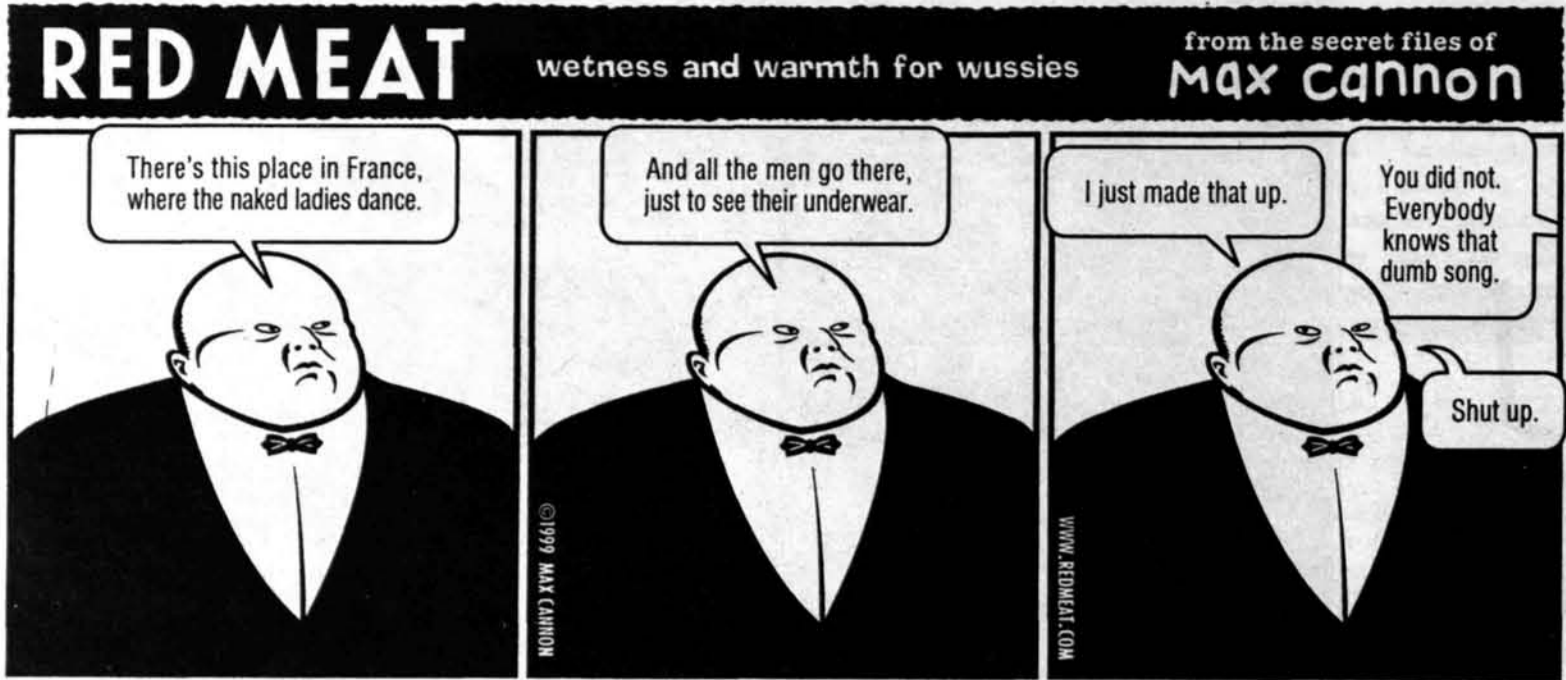
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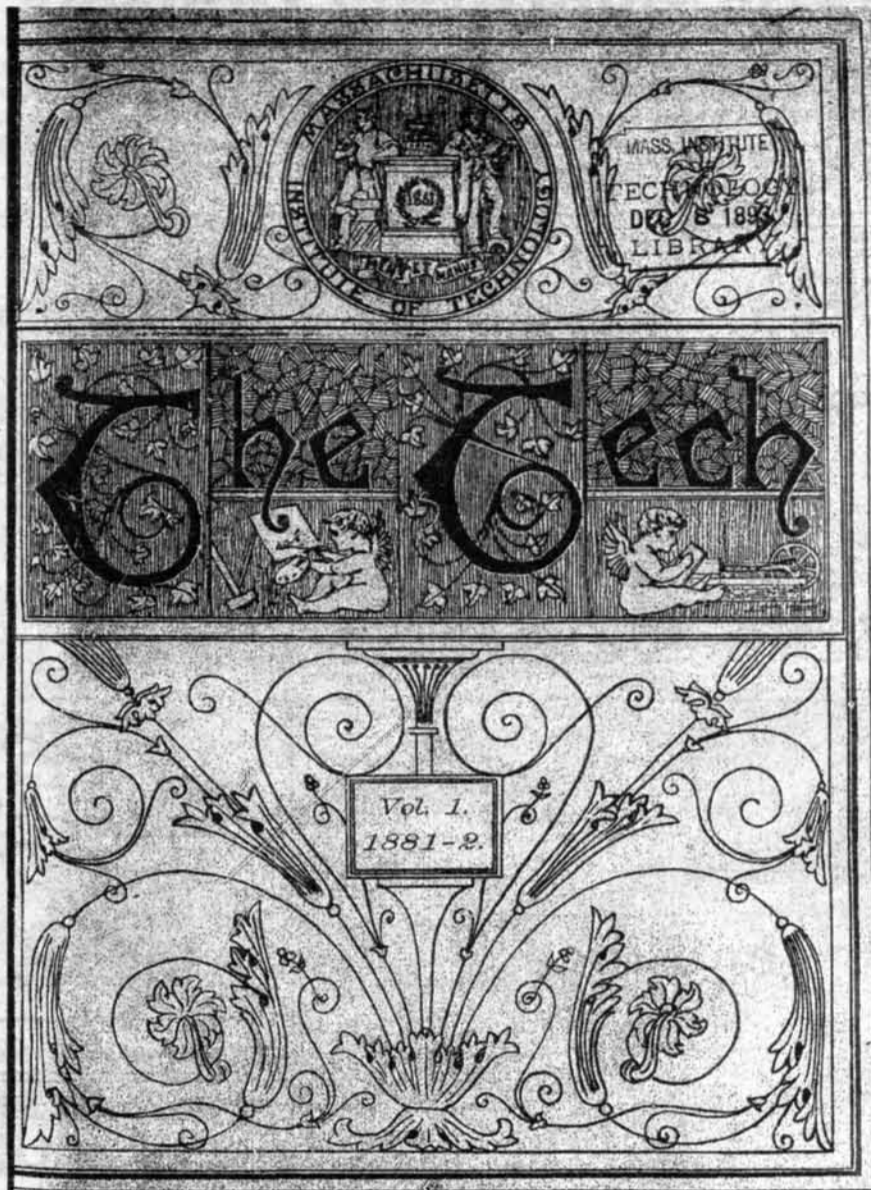
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to MIT, described his role as "an advocate for the students at MIT."

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issues including the budget process, campus dining plans, and the MIT's housing situation.

Benedict stated that campus housing needs to be both expanded

and renovated, noting that the issue has "not had sufficient attention." He expressed a desire to evaluate the FSILG system, which he is interested in sustaining even with the planned

move of all freshmen to on-campus housing in 2002. Benedict also plans on continuing such community building activities as the Infinite Buffet and the Millennium Ball.

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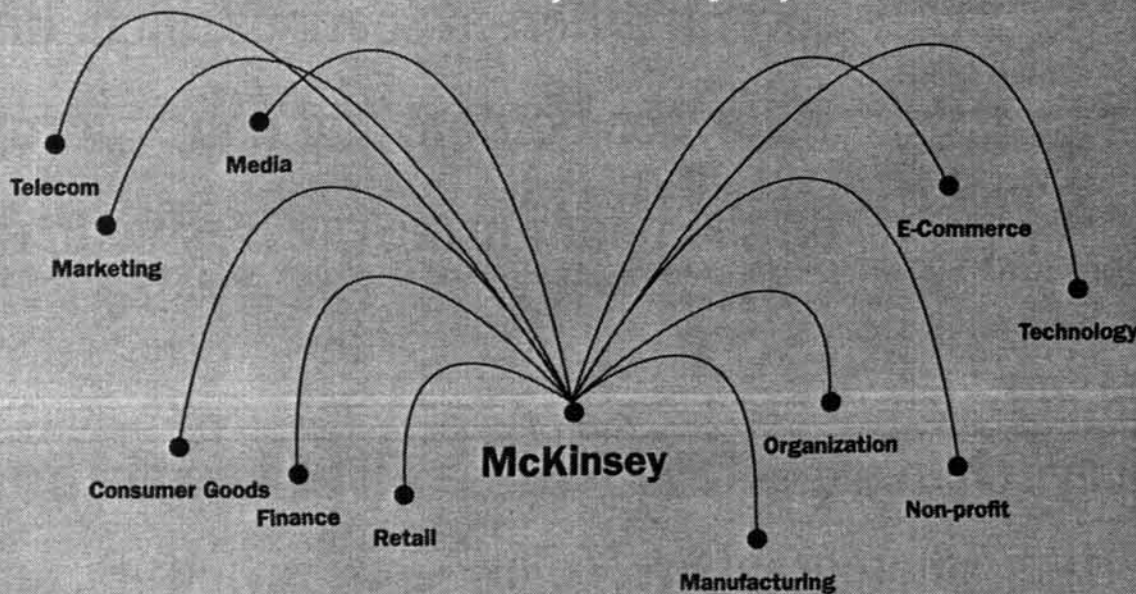
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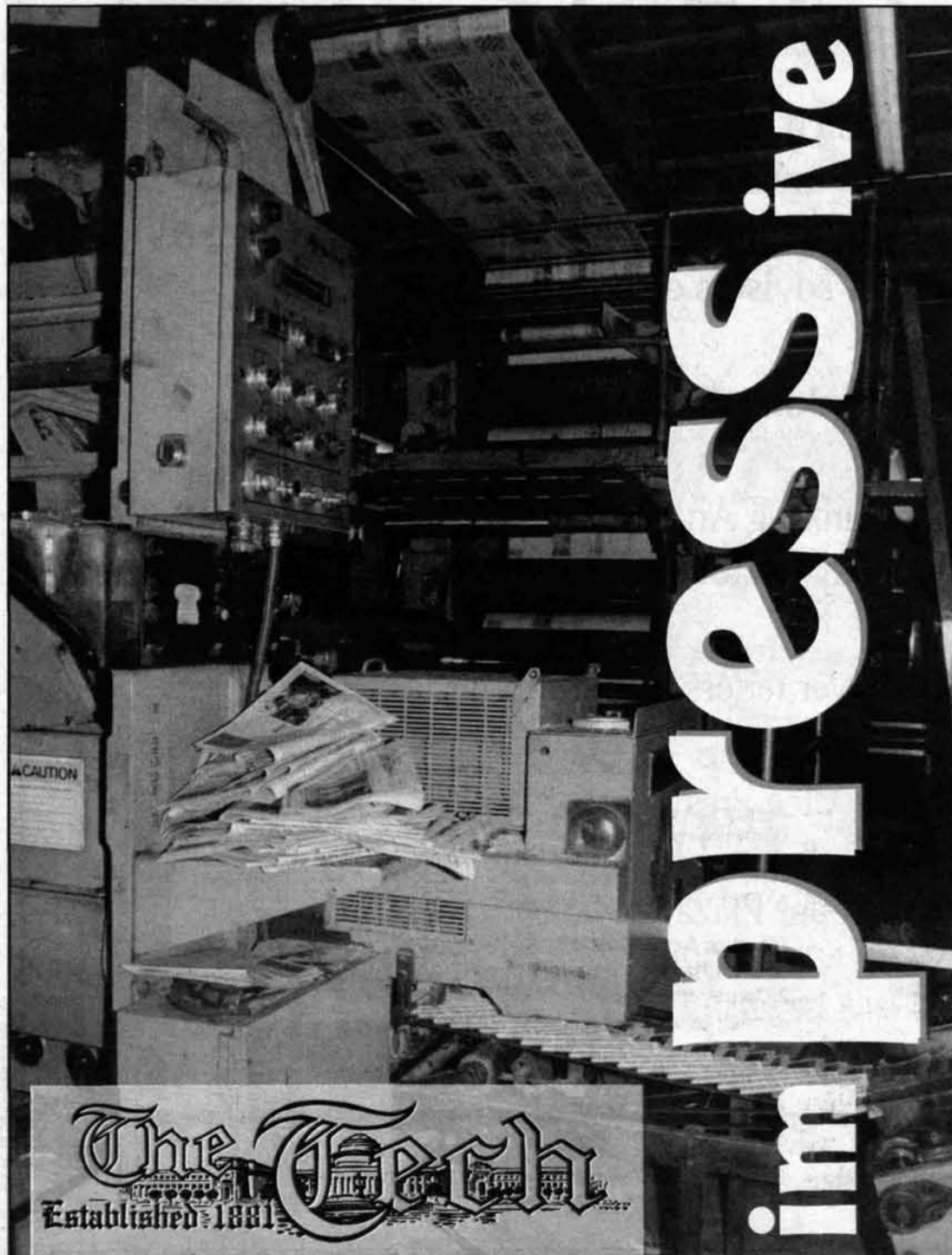
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"Killer vs Filler: Succeeding in E-Commerce"

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Wednesday

"Leading the Broadband e-Business Revolution"

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"How to Get Your Dream Job"

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Thursday

"MIT Alumni Madness"

Lunch provided by Trilogy (11-2 pm, Lobdell Dining)

"Summer Experiences that Paid Off: Insider Information"

Presented by the F/ASIP and SUMA (4-5:30 pm)

"Information Technology on Wall Street"

Presented by Morgan Stanley Dean Witter IT
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