Orientation Programs Function As Rush Tool
More Freshmen "Shop" Around for FSILGs;
Conversation Replaces Parties on Schedules

By Mike Hall
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

This year's Orientation has seen several significant changes in the approach towards rush taken both by fraternity and sorority members and by freshmen.

Analysis

One of the changes is the importance of involvement in Orientation programs, which became clear on Saturday, as fraternity rush chairs reported that their members met many of their desired pledges through pre-orientation programs and orientation groups.

Dakus S. Gunn '01, Interfraternity Council membership recruitment chair, said that the number of applicants for pre-orientation positions and orientation leader posts has increased dramatically in the last year.

"Phil Kappa Theta Assistant Rush Chair Alexander Chang '02 said that PKT's pool of prospects expanded this year after brothers took leadership roles in pre-orientation and orientation programs. He added that these prospects were easier to get to know because the brothers spent more time involved in the Fraternity programs.

The kinds of guys who go to these programs are more involved," Chang said. "We want them.

Jeremy T. Brust '02, rush chair of Tau Epsilon Phi, said that his house's involvement in the Freshman Arts Program introduced house members to freshmen. The co-coordinator of FAP is a TEP brother.

"We're easier to get to know because we're more involved," Rose said.

Helping with Interphase helped increase Theta Xi's potential rush pool, according to assistant rush chair Pravin Kularajah '03. Kularajah also credits his brothers' involvement in orientation groups and ROTC for aiding his rush efforts.

As an orientation committee member, Phi Sigma Kappa brother Joseph A. Cirello '01 helped to attract more freshmen to his house, according to Phi Sig rush chair Gregory D. Dennis '02. Cirello was a daily presence at Orientation and lead most orientation activities, making him instantly recognizable among freshmen.

"Every [freshman] knew Joe," Dennis said. "They said, 'Joe lives here' and checked us out."

Frat "shopping" common

As in recent years, freshmen looking at fraternities "shopped," or looked briefly at one house before Rush, Page 8

Rush Kicks Off At Killian Court

By Mike Hall
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

With the words "Let the rush begin," Interfraternity Council Rush Chair Dakus S. Gunn '01 officially opened this year's orientation programs.

"I summon the mighty and powerful spirit of MIT. Awaken!" Following the skit, Cain urged freshmen to enjoy the next days of rush and to "get all the free food they can."

After this, Women's Conference President Morgan E. Royce-Tolland '01 encouraged females to attend Women's Convocation to explore all of their residence options.

By Dana Levine

Dormitory Rush Events Display Unique Culture

Dormitory rush, which started yesterday afternoon, consists of a series of events in which MIT's dorms introduce freshmen to their living style and culture.

This year, East Campus embarked upon a communist-flavored East vs. West campaign. Yesterday, freshmen and EC residents enjoyed rickshaw rides and had a chance to paint graffiti on the Berlin Wall.

Today, EC will hold a carnival with such attractions as a dunk tank and moon bounce. Tonight's entertainment will consist of several cold war-related movies, and Monday night will feature a jazz concert.

"We are East Campus. We often do battle with west campus to get freshmen to notice us," said East Campus rush chair Sarah A. Martinez '02.

On the other side of campus, Baker House has planned a very different series of events. Their rush features two barbecues, several movies, and a casino night.

Although the method by which dormitories attract freshmen is often different, the overall goal is to make freshmen feel welcome and comfortable in their new dorms.

The Weather

Today: Partly sunny, 69°F (21°C)
Tonight: Mostly cloudy, 59°F (13°C)

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Probe Finds Violent Material Marketed to Children

THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON

Movie studios, record companies and video game producers are aggressively marketing violent entertainment products to children even as they label the material inappropriate for young audiences, a yearlong Federal Trade Commission investigation has found.

A draft report shows that movie studios advertised violent R-rated movies on television to kids with predominantly teen audiences. It also shows that producers of violent video games touted products suitable for "mature" users in magazines aimed at young teens, according to witnesses who are filing complaints.

Investigators reviewed thousands of pages of internal documents from film, record and video game companies. They found that violent material is an effective lure to get young people to buy movie tickets, music and video games, sources say.

The report released second week, is likely to reignite the debate between Hollywood and Washington over the influence of media on the violent behavior of the nation's youth. Senate Commerce, Justice and Environmental Legislation Chairman John D. (Jay) Rockefeller III, D-W. Va., is planning to conduct a hearing next month on the still-competitive FTC report.

Vice presidential candidate Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., a frequent Hollywood critic, has expressed interest in testifying. The senator will make a final decision on testifying once he sees the results of the FTC investigation, according to Lieberman spokesman Dan Gerstein. However, an appearance could put Lieberman in a sensitive position because many of the high-dollar Democratic contributors include movie studio and other entertainment executives.

President Clinton ordered the FTC and the Justice Department to conduct the investigation in the wake of a series of school shootings, including the tragedy at Columbine High School in Littleton, Colo., in which two students shot and killed 13 people and wounded others before taking their own lives. Clinton's directive came after the Senate approved a similar proposal authored by Sen. McCain, Lieberman and Vermont Sen. Patrick J. Leahy.

FTC spokesman Eric London refused to comment on the substance of the report prior to its public release. FTC commissioners are still reviewing the staff conclusions, which are subject to change.

Low Morale Plagues Los Alamos

THE WASHINGTON POST

LOS ALAMOS, N.M.

The Los Alamos National Laboratory, birthplace of the atomic bomb and one of the country's pre-eminent centers for research on nuclear weapons, is suffering from low morale, losing scientists to the private sector and having difficulty recruiting top-flight replacements.

The lab is on the verge of being the worst in its storied history, the lab has been hammered back-to-back FBL investigations into security lapses, and more than half of its employees found the lab's 1999 exodus of government computer experts to high-paying software companies, and an act of God — a wildfire that shut down the lab for 12 days.

If the lab remains under siege and cannot lift the spirits of its staff, administrators here and in Washington say, the United States may squander its role as the world's foremost military industrial unit, weapon or secret.

The cradle of the Manhattan Project, a portion of its scientific legacy is still going on at Los Alamos. The lab is building a 300,000-square-foot facility for the world's most powerful computer, capable of performing 30 trillion operations per second. Of the 85 percent of the lab's nuclear weapons and is responsible for certifying that the aging stockpiles of warheads is safe and reliable, will use the big machines to test-detonate explosives to check the designs.

But 14 top computer scientists, nearly half of the permanent staff at Los Alamos' Advanced Computing Laboratory, have quit or been laid off. Most were hired by higher salaries and stock options at dot-com companies in nearby Santa Fe. Replacing them has not been easy. While Los Alamos has only in the last hay to Stanford University, no one showed up to hear their pitch.

Anger — at Brownie, at the FBI, at Washington in general — is simmering at Los Alamos. The lab's electronic bulletin board for Los Alamos' tech-savvy staff of 7,000, including 1,800 holders of doctoral degrees.

"It's just that the lab is in a major crisis with morale at a very low point," William S. Varnum, a physicist in the top-secret laboratory, said in the lab four years ago. Martin Luther King III, present manager of the lab's nuclear program, said his father's dream of a new day when racial justice would flow like a mighty river, "... is the stage as speakers. Those who came to listen and who plan to demand that they be held accountable for their actions."

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Netanyahu Poised for Comeback Despite Possibility of Prosecution

By Mary Curtius

LOS ANGELES TIMES

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As even as he faces the possibility of becoming the next prime minister of Israel, Benjamin Netanyahu is accused of embezzlement, bribery, theft and obstruction of justice, former Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Peres. Despite his likely victory in the next election, he is still the last of the last, and his victory is far from certain.

Byrd polls that indicate he would beat his successor, Ehud Barak, if elections were held now. Netanyahu's popularity has dropped from 32 seats in the Knesset to 17, and is the right leader to negotiate with the Palestinians, according to many experts.

The latest effort began in 2000 when European and American officials learned from informants that Colombian cocaine was being flown and trucked to a secret base in Venezuela's Orinoco Delta river. Federal agents familiar with the investigation came into the US with the 8,376 pounds of cocaine that were stored in their borders.

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You know, you should really switch communities.

Because if Bush wins, our good governor Cellucci will take a job, any job, in the W. Administration. Secretary

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Apology Not With In Coming

I don't know if Governor Paul Cellucci is a religious man, but I wouldn't be surprised to see him on a cross soon. It looks

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Citizens of Nowhere

Kris Schnee

New Attempts at Sea-Based Developments Challenge National Sovereignties

During World War II, an anti-aircraft defense system was built eight miles off the coast of England. In 1967, a retired UK Army officer named Bates took over the abandoned 390-square foot platform and declared him-

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While being just a joke, Sealand is part of a recent wave of strange attempts to bring territory rights and national sovereign-

Sealand is already the planned home of Home Heating Systems, a new internet service provider, founded in part by Ryan Lackey, an MIT dropout. HomeHeat intends to place high-power

Just before you grow up and have to worry about kids, mortgages, car, jobs, before your exes subdue you more and more into hopeless apathy, you owe it to

Marcia Johnson

For me, feeding at the public trough, reaching for that extra perquisite, Jane Swift has been there, by land or by

But as Bay State residents, Cellucci’s dream is our worst nightmare. Three words which strike fear into every man, woman, and

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While impressive, this work won’t have much of an impact on the world; its small

Meanwhile, the ocean is another territory rights and new freedoms. Whether these attempts succeed has important economic and political

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Clockwise, from above: 11:58 a.m. — Vanloads of FSILG members arrive at Killian Court to set up for the kickoff. 12:23 p.m. — Fraternity members unload and set up their rush exhibits. 12:27 p.m. — Living group representatives, disguised to hide their letters, are separated from the arriving freshmen by orange cones and yellow police tape. 12:28 p.m. — Freshmen gather on the grass of Killian Court to hear the Killian Kickoff speeches. 12:33 p.m. — Fraternity members cheer for a speech by IFC President Damien A. Brosnan '01. 12:38 p.m. — Freshmen are lined up against the steps of Building 10 to await the official start of rush. 12:39 p.m. — With the phrase "Let the Rush Begin" hanging in the air, IFC members head out to seek new pledges. 12:44 p.m. — With rush in full swing, one Tau Epsilon Phi member explores the crowd as another dances on a platform in the background. 12:50 p.m. — Delta Tau Delta members confer about rush strategies. 12:58 p.m. — The kickoff winds down, as freshmen and recruiters drift away from Killian Court. 1:07 p.m. — Living groups break down their exhibits. 1:24 p.m. — Scarcely an hour and a half after it begins, no signs of the kickoff remain on the Great Court.
Fraternities, sororities, and independent living groups represent a broad spectrum of backgrounds, tastes, and interests at the Institute. Each particular living group has its defining characteristics and occupies its own unique niche at the Institute. Indeed, it is often said that years after MIT students graduate, they 'still identify with other MIT graduates based on their choice of residence.

This collection of information about FSILGs is intended to provide freshmen with information that goes beyond the basic questions. All fraternities, sororities, and independent living groups were asked to respond to the same set of questions, which touched upon alumni involvement, pledge count expectations, alcohol usage, and ethnic diversity. Any question with an answer marked “N/A” signifies a question to which the FSILG chose not to respond. Four fraternities — Alpha Tau Omega, Beta Theta Pi, Delta Tau Delta, and Sigma Nu — chose not to respond any of the questions, and they are not included in this guide.

One of the categories in this residence guide was taken from the LBGT Living Pink guide, which identifies living groups which describe themselves as queer friendly. The guide, found at <http://web.mit.edu/lgbt/pink-guide.html>, says, "We believe that merely being listed here makes an important statement of character for these groups."

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Delta Kappa Epsilon

Current Membership
Residential / Non-Residential
26 / 6

Expected No. of pledges
12

Number of pledges last year
13 / 13

Self Identified as Greek Friendly
N/A

Pledge Program
1 term length, 5-Sive/week, program consists of learning chapter history, National Organization History, and how chapter functions.

House Work Duties
Housework participant in house, first new member, second new member, third new member.

Resident's Top Three Majors
S+T, Commerce

Top Three Intramural Sports
Football, baseball, basketball

Percentage of Residents who drink (per week):
(a) Never
(b) < 1 drink
(c) between 1 and 6 drinks
(d) > 6 drinks

35% 70% 50% 50%

Alumni Involvement
Our alumni remain involved in many of our house functions.

Ethnic Makeup
1 International, 6 Minority, 20 White

Delta Upsilon

Current Membership
Residential / Non-Residential
26 / 1

Expected No. of pledges
9

Number of pledges last year
10 / 10

Self Identified as Greek Friendly
N/A

Pledge Program
Our pledge program places emphasis on our house, offering undergraduate job opportunities, and preparing our pledge for the future.

House Work Duties
Responsibilities include cleaning the house, weekly house meetings, and other activities.

Resident's Top Three Majors
S+T, Finance

Top Three Intramural Sports
Football, basketball, baseball

Percentage of Residents who drink (per week):
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(b) < 1 drink
(c) between 1 and 6 drinks
(d) > 6 drinks

10% 30% 40% 20%

Alumni Involvement
Alumni are active in our house, offering students opportunities to participate and contribute.

Ethnic Makeup
N/A

Kappa Sigma

Current Membership
Residential / Non-Residential
22 / 1

Expected No. of pledges

Number of pledges last year
15 / 15

Self Identified as Greek Friendly
N/A

Pledge Program
One term program requiring approximately 5-6 hrs / week.

House Work Duties
House work includes responsibilities for upperclassmen.

Residents' Top Three Majors
S+T, Finance

Top Three Intramural Sports
Swimming, track, water polo

Percentage of Residents who drink (per week):
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Alumni Involvement
Our alumni are involved in many of our house functions.

Ethnic Makeup
N/A

Chi Phi

Current Membership
Residential / Non-Residential
34 / 9

Expected No. of pledges

Number of pledges last year
18 / 18

Self Identified as Greek Friendly
N/A

Pledge Program
The pledge program requires a 1 year commitment to the house, involving weekly meetings and responsibilities.

House Work Duties
Responsibilities include cleaning the house, weekly house meetings, and other activities.

Residents' Top Three Majors
S+T, Finance

Top Three Intramural Sports
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Ethnic Makeup
20% White, 35% Asian American, 25% Hispanic, 15% African American, 15% Other.
Residents' Top Majors

- Asian, African-American, Hispanic...
- Intercollegiate Sports Residents' Top Majors
- Lacrosse, Basketball, Tennis, Football...

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Duties Pledge

- Socialize,
- Help with daily chores,
- Work with advisors...

Pledge Program

- Monthly meetings (2-3 times),
- Agendas including new committee events,
- Work with advisors...

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Residential/Non-Residential

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 Self-identified as Greek Friendly

 Pledge Program

 House Work Duties

 Residents’ Top Three Majors

 Alumna Involvement

 Ethnic Makeup

 Percentage of Residents who drink (per week):

 (a) Never
 (b) between 1 and 6 drinks
 (c) > 6 drinks

 About 40% white, Asian, Hispanic, Black, African-American, Italian, French, etc.

 tau chi

 Self-identified as Greek Friendly

 Pledge Program

 House Work Duties

 Residents’ Top Three Majors

 Alumna Involvement

 Ethnic Makeup

 Percentage of Residents who drink (per week):

 (a) Never
 (b) between 1 and 6 drinks
 (c) > 6 drinks

 About 15% Greek, 10% Hispanic, 10% Black, etc.

 delta chi

 Self-identified as Greek Friendly

 Pledge Program

 House Work Duties

 Residents’ Top Three Majors

 Alumna Involvement

 Ethnic Makeup

 Percentage of Residents who drink (per week):

 (a) Never
 (b) between 1 and 6 drinks
 (c) > 6 drinks

 About 35% Black, 10% Hispanic, 20% Asian, etc.

 zeta psi

 Self-identified as Greek Friendly

 Pledge Program

 House Work Duties

 Residents’ Top Three Majors

 Alumna Involvement

 Ethnic Makeup

 Percentage of Residents who drink (per week):

 (a) Never
 (b) between 1 and 6 drinks
 (c) > 6 drinks

 About 10% White, 10% Hispanic, 30% Asian, etc.
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#### Self Identified as Queen Friendly (according to LSEP Pledge Guide)
- **Yes**
- **Dry?**
- **N/A**

#### House Work Duties
- **N/A**

#### Pledge Program
1 hour per week; meetings with new member educator to see how freshmen are doing and to help them learn about and enjoy national traditions.

#### Residences' Top Three Majors
- **Tea, French, Two**

#### Top Three Interfraternity Sports
- **Swimming, Tennis, Field Hockey**

#### Percentage of Residents who drink (per week):
- **(a) Never**
- **(b) 1-2 drinks**
- **(c) 3+ drinks**

#### Alumni Involvement
- We have a weekly newsletter that keeps members updated on current issues of our chapter.

#### Ethnic Makeup
- Alpha Chi Omega is very diverse.

### Alpha Phi

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#### Self Identified as Queen Friendly (according to LSEP Pledge Guide)
- **Yes**
- **Dry?**
- **N/A**

#### House Work Duties
- **N/A**

#### Pledge Program
5 weeks, 1.5 hours per week, chapter and national lectures, pledge formal planning, City Days, Pledge Act in Sigma Kappa LHS Night

#### Residences' Top Three Majors
- **Translation, French, Law**

#### Top Three Interfraternity Sports
- **Swimming, Tennis, Field Hockey**

#### Percentage of Residents who drink (per week):
- **(a) Never**
- **(b) 1-2 drinks**
- **(c) 3+ drinks**

#### Alumni Involvement
- We have an upcoming event that allows members to reconnect and enjoy each other's company.

#### Ethnic Makeup
- Alpha Phi is very diverse.

### Kappa Alpha Theta

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#### Self Identified as Queen Friendly (according to LSEP Pledge Guide)
- **Yes**
- **Dry?**
- **N/A**

#### House Work Duties
- **N/A**

#### Pledge Program
- **N/A**

#### Residences' Top Three Majors
- **Tea, Spanish, Two**

#### Top Three Interfraternity Sports
- **Field Hockey, Tennis, Crew**

#### Percentage of Residents who drink (per week):
- **(a) Never**
- **(b) 1-2 drinks**
- **(c) 3+ drinks**

#### Alumni Involvement
- We have a newsletter that keeps members informed about upcoming events and activities.

#### Ethnic Makeup
- Kappa Alpha Theta is very diverse.

### Sigma Kappa

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#### Self Identified as Queen Friendly (according to LSEP Pledge Guide)
- **Yes**
- **Dry?**
- **N/A**

#### House Work Duties
- **N/A**

#### Pledge Program
Six meetings, about 1 hour each, to get to know people and learn about the history and values of the chapter and the sorority.

#### Residences' Top Three Majors
- **Tea, French, Two**

#### Top Three Interfraternity Sports
- **Field Hockey, Tennis, Crew**

#### Percentage of Residents who drink (per week):
- **(a) Never**
- **(b) 1-2 drinks**
- **(c) 3+ drinks**

#### Alumni Involvement
- We have a newsletter that keeps members informed about upcoming events and activities.

#### Ethnic Makeup
- Sigma Kappa is very diverse.
Welcome Back To School


Athena Orientation 2000 Minicourse Schedule

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To get an Athena Account:
- Students, Faculty, and Staff: You should already be in the Accounts database. Just attend any session of the Athena: First Course mini-course. (Staff may need to contact Athena User Accounts, <accounts@mit.edu> or x5-1325.)
- You cannot register for an Athena Minicourse.
- You cannot pay for an Athena Minicourse. Minicourses are free.
- You cannot reserve a place in an Athena Minicourse. Just show up — in 26-100 during Orientation Week.

Protect Your Account Anywhere on MITnet

In attacks on MITnet, sniffer programs gathered usernames and passwords by "listening" to telnet and ftp packets as they traveled over the network. If you use a computer connected to MITnet, you can take some very basic precautions to safeguard your password and your data:

- Use Kerberized applications whenever possible. Email on Athena is Kerberized as is Eudora for Windows and Macintosh. Kerberized telnet is available on Athena and for Windows and Macintoshes (see http://web.mit.edu/\textit{help}/\textit{telnet/}).
- Barton, MIT's Online Public Access Catalog (OPAC), with sophisticated search engines
- Online Reference Tools: Britannica Online

Choosing a password
Choose a password that you can remember—but others can't easily guess:
- Do use six or more characters, mixing upper- and lowercase letters (passwords are case sensitive) and numbers (but no spaces).
- Do pick something utterly obscure (involving something or create an acronym, e.g., G9h8!66 "Get your kicks on Route 66").
- Don't use your real name, your username, any common name, name of a close relative, friend, or pet, or name from popular culture in any form (even backwards, or sideways).
- Don't use any significant numbers (phone, office, social security, license plate, address, birthday, anniversary).
- Don't use any word in a dictionary.
- Charging your password: It's a good idea to change your password regularly (e.g., at least once a semester).

Keeping your files safe
No computer is completely private and secure, but you can make access to your files very difficult:
- Never "leak" your account to anyone—and keep your password secret.
- Don't leave your workstation unattended while you're logged in.
- Keep backup copies of critical files (like your thesis) on other media such as zip disks or diskettes.
- Always use secure telnet to make remote connections to Athena. See http://web.mit.edu/\textit{is}/\textit{help}/\textit{kerbnet/}
- Make sure your FTP sessions are encrypted and protected. See http://web.mit.edu/\textit{is}/\textit{help}/\textit{ftp/}

Changing your password

Connect Securely From Your Student Residence

"Network Connections" coming to your dorm September 2-4, 2000

The Residential Computing Consultants (RCCs) will hold several sessions to help new students connect to MITnet. The purpose of these sessions is to:

- distribute cables
- help you register for IP addresses
- discuss how to avoid problems on MITnet
- teach you

Sessions will last about an hour. Graduate students are welcome to attend any session, but the sessions are geared toward freshmen. In each dorm, after the Network Connections presentation, RCCs will begin to assign IP addresses for freshmen.

Saturday, Sept. 2: 1pm, Beasley (main lounge)
5pm, Random Hall (main lounge)
5pm, East Campus and Senior Haus (EC Tablet Lounge)

Sunday, Sept. 3: 1pm, Next House (Tastefully Furnished Lounge)
3pm, New House (New House 3 dining room)
5pm, MacGregor (dining area by MacGregor Convenience)

Monday, Sept. 4: 1pm, Burton-Conner (dining room)
3pm, Baker House (Baker Dining)
5pm, McCormick (dining area)

See the Residential Computing Home Page http://web.mit.edu/\textit{rescomp/}

Residential Computing Consultants (RCCs) are available to help connect your personal computer to MITnet.

Beware of Password Sniffers on the Net

CHANGE YOUR PASSWORD

...and much, much more!
See it all at http://libraries.mit.edu/
A Look at Infinite Possibilities

By Diana S. Cheng

I feel like I’m floating on a dream cloud. Every time I learn something else about MIT I am more excited about attending. I’m thrilled to learn about the formal and informal academic support networks which are available. At my high school, National Honor Society and language honor societies supposedly provided tutors, but students who requested tutors rarely received the help they need.

Here at MIT, I heard about student groups that grade papers for freshmen courses in the Experimential Study Group and juniors who serve as Teaching Assistants. When I was trying to get a certificate to help me see my academic record on the website, an upperclassman offered to help me.

Although I became lost several times in MIT’s corridors, I was delighted to find hallway displays that gave glimpses of various topics. For example, I saw mathematical displays while heading toward the music secretary’s office. The Academic Resources and UROCs’ colorful posters piqued my interest as well.

The Infinite Corridor seems to serve as the advertising for various campus organizations, and glancing at these can be an exciting way to explore new opportunities.

Stricter Orientation Regulations Lead to More Passive Killian Kickoff than Usual

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Killian, from Page 1

Indeed, the possibilities seem to be infinite. At an ESQ orientation group, I was interested in frats. Director Holly Sweet asked if the student wanted to be in a group if they shared the same interest, and many of them raised their hands. Ms. Sweet said she’d post a group sheet for anyone who was interested in attending a seminar about frat

I hope to continue at MIT is gymnasium. I’m glad that the MIT gymnasium and orientation programs have spent more time on the importance of this activity before finalizing their decision.

I feel so honored to be living in the community of this city. Professor Nancy Kawanishi shared some of her research in the Brain and Cognitive Science department. If her research was so intriguing and fascinating, I don’t think we’d be here.

For freshmen, it’s more of a fun activity for everyone to pitch in on,” said Dormitory Council president Jeffrey C. Roberts ’02.

One of several activities that I’d like to try several new activities, including playing frisbee and tennis, and attending a seminar about fractals. Director Holly Sweet asked if the student wanted to do so. I discovered that Yonnie Lai, who will be a senior at MIT and who graduated from my high school, gave recognition for her mathematics research from last summer. Gunn and Roberts noted that the changes parallel a similar trend two years ago, when freshmen would check into many different houses and dormitories before finalizing their decision.

Delta Kappa Epsilon rush chair Michael J. Hendricks ’02 noted that freshmen are “shopping” more frequently, saying that rushers are “putting out on their own accord” and aren’t waiting for campers to take them to house parties. Chair K. Ro ’02, Beta Epsilon rush chair, concurred, saying that “guys are going one place one minute and another the next.”

Ian M. McCrory ’01, Pi Lambda Phi rush chair, said that the change in the traditional travelling from house to house has been not the way I approach rush.”

We’re still a good guy, he’ll stay for a few minutes and then hell can back down the block,” McCrory said. “It doesn’t seem like they care.”

Although bids go out Monday, Gunn expects that many freshmen will not become a resident until later in the week.

Saturday schedules adjusted

To accommodate the prevalence of activities, many houses called Saturday schedules focused more on casual socializing to allow members and nonmembers alike to become acquainted with freshmen.

After concluding that last year’s schedule of pindo-soo wrestling and gravity walls didn’t work, McCrory changed his team’s ideas for this year’s events.

Saturday schedule to allow for more interaction between brothers and freshmen

“Last year, guys would come for the events and then leave,” McCrory said. “Gravity walls are cool, but they don’t make people play.”

Kularaj said that the relaxed afternoon schedule helped to make freshmen feel more welcomed and less rushed. Mostly, people are just chilling,” Gunn said.

Gunn noted that the changes reflect an increasing emphasis by the house directors on making freshmen “feel more like recruitment,” he said. “The guys are more interested in the interaction between the freshmen. It’s more like recruitment and less like rush,” he said. “[House members] are more interested in taking the freshmen into the house parties, which have been de-emphasized.”

Additionally, Gunn noted that houses increased summer calling this year, a change to “a more indicative of an emphasis on recruitment rather than rush.”

While many houses have increased interaction time, other houses have gone in a different direction, reducing socializing time and increasing school time.

Dan Inam ’02, rush chair for Phi Delta Theta, said that his house shortened meeting time to keep freshmen interested and active.

“Last year on Saturday was a little slow,” he said. “This year we had a schedule made [the time] pass.” Among Phi Delta’s changes were moving the Saturday dinner time from evening to late afternoon.

For more information on the report-
TechCalendar appears in each issue of The Tech and features events for members of the MIT community. The Tech makes no guarantees as to the accuracy of this information, and The Tech shall not be held liable for any losses, including, but not limited to, damages resulting from attendance of an event. Contact information for all events is available from the TechCalendar web page.

Visit and add events to TechCalendar online at http://evens.mif.edu

Sunday, August 27
12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Flash of Inspiration: The Work of Harold Edgerton. An interactive exhibition celebrating the life and work of MIT legend Harold Edgerton. $5; $2 students/seniors; $1 children 5-18; free with MIT ID. Room: MIT Museum. Sponsor: MIT Museum.

12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - SeaT. Kinetic sound sculpture by Diane Willow, currently an Artist in Residence at MIT. Her work explores our relationship with nature and technology in the urban environment. Free. Room: E15 Lower Level. Sponsor: Office of the Arts, Media Lab.

4:00 p.m. - Return to the Forbidden Planet. Musical parody of the classic science fiction movie of the same name. Derived from Shakespeare's The Tempest, this work borrows its music from the classics of 50's and 60's rock and roll. $9, $8 MIT faculty/staff/other student, $6 MIT/Well student; $3 MIT frosh/transfer. Room: Kresge Little Theater. Sponsor: Musical Theatre Guild, MIT.

Fun With Clip Art
Aaron Isaksen

"Jenny, it's so exciting that you are starting college! Do the boys on your floor have big dicks?"
2:00 p.m. - Theta Delta Chi - Dinner for the End of the North End for Boston's best Italian at Joe's. Call 442-1582 to make reservations.

2:00 p.m. - Theta Delta Chi - Dinner - "Bangkok" Dave the Chef provides some great Thai food at Java. Call 576-2201 to make reservations.

2:00 p.m. - Nu Delta - Dinner - by 460 Beefy: join us for a great steak dinner, followed by a trip to Neko's Comedy Club. Call 437-7002 for more information.

2:00 p.m. - Sigma Phi Epsilon - Pronto! - it's our famous pizza party, come and eat your fill of pizza and beer.

2:00 p.m. - Sigma Phi Epsilon - Chocolate! - Join us at this great chocolate party where you can taste the sugar on our Tour of Brownstone House at the Thimble. Call 576-2201 for more information.

2:00 p.m. - Sigma Phi Epsilon - 4/37.1043 - Call 437-7002 for more information.

2:00 p.m. - Sigma Phi Epsilon - Caffeine Club - Stop by to enjoy some hot coffee and a variety of blueberry muffins. Call 576-2201 for more information.

2:00 p.m. - Sigma Phi Epsilon - Meet the Meat - This week's Meet the Meat is a trip to Joe's for a great steak dinner. Call 576-2201 for more information.

2:00 p.m. - Sigma Phi Epsilon - Explore the World - Join us for a trip to Joe's for a great steak dinner. Call 576-2201 for more information.

2:00 p.m. - Sigma Phi Epsilon - Dinner - "Bangkok" Dave the Chef provides some great Thai food at Java. Call 576-2201 to make reservations.

2:00 p.m. - Sigma Phi Epsilon - Wine Tasting - Join us for a wine tasting at the Thimble. Call 576-2201 for more information.

2:00 p.m. - Sigma Phi Epsilon - Dinner - "Bangkok" Dave the Chef provides some great Thai food at Java. Call 576-2201 to make reservations.

2:00 p.m. - Sigma Phi Epsilon - Food and Drink - "Bangkok" Dave the Chef provides some great Thai food at Java. Call 576-2201 to make reservations.
7:30 p.m. - Sigma Phi Epsilon - Cross the
8:00 p.m. - PI Lambda Phi - Virtual reality. August 27, 2000
7:45 p.m. - Phi Sigma Kappa - Skating
7:00 p.m. - Alpha Epsilon Pi - Tour your
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7:30 p.m. - Epsilon Theta - The clue:
7:45 p.m. - Phi Sigma Kappa - Join the
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11:02 p.m. - Senior House - David will
12:00 a.m. - Next House - Midnight snack?
11:00 p.m. - Phi Sigma Kappa - Late Nite
9:30 p.m. - Zeta Beta Tau - Having Fun
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3:00 a.m. - EAsT camPUS - More
8:00 a.m. - Sigma Phi Epsilon - Start the
8:55 a.m. - EAsT camPUS - More
12:00 a.m. - Baker House - Breakfast
8:00 a.m. - Phi Delta Theta - Hungry? Try
7:30 a.m. - Sigma Phi Epsilon - Having Fun
10:00 a.m. - Student House - We’re still
12:00 a.m. - NGom Hall - Tonight we’re
9:00 a.m. - French House - Variety of spreads. Come, eat, enjoy!
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12:00 a.m. - NGom Hall - Tonight we’re
9:00 a.m. - French House - Variety of spreads. Come, eat, enjoy!
6:00 a.m. - Sigma Nu - What are you doing?
8:00 a.m. - Alpha Epileph - Only the stickiest of the stickiest 2 a.m. pancakes buffets. Eggs, bacon, toast and hash browns are available for the night owls out there kwadruelpass.com.

8:00 a.m. - Alpha Delta Phi - Waffles with coffee. We can’t decide what to do, but there is promising pink lemonade by pouring a flan-like waffle on it. Call us for more details. 516-7297 for a ride.

8:00 a.m. - Alpha Sigma Phi - Breakfast buffet pays, French toast and scrambled eggs are served at 7:30, and French toast is at 7:30. Call 447-4073 for a ride.

8:00 a.m. - Alpha Tau Omega - Morning coffee and a more on the go breakfast. Call 253-6799 for a ride.

8:00 a.m. - Delta Phi - Nothing says good morning better than eggs, bacon, and toast, courtesy of our 4-star restaurant chef. Call them for more details. 516-7297 for a ride.

8:00 a.m. - Delta Tau Delta - Hungry Thursday jpg's with eggs, toast and coffee. Call 516-7297 for a ride.

8:00 a.m. - Delta Phi - You’re invited to our 4-star restaurant chef hosted by our 4-star restaurant chef. Call 516-7297 for a ride. The weekend is just around the corner indeed.

8:00 a.m. - Delta Chi - Nothing says good morning better than eggs, bacon, and toast, courtesy of our 4-star restaurant chef. Call them for more details. 516-7297 for a ride.

8:30 a.m. - Eta Xi - Start your day off with a cup of coffee and all the other trappings of a breakfast buffet. Call 516-7297 for a ride.

8:30 a.m. - Epsilon Chi - A preview of their treatment to us has to offer while chatting with residents about life at Epsilon Theta is a co-ed house. Call 253-6799 for a ride.

8:45 a.m. - Epsilon Chi - There will be bacon, eggs, toast, creme fraiche, fleur de lis, croissants chez nous - tous prepares par nous, if you’re interested in huge servings of food. Habitats, 516-7297 for a ride.

8:45 a.m. - Epsilon Chi - Call 253-6799 for a ride.

8:55 a.m. - Eta Xi - Come help us with serving breakfast. Stop by to get some eggs, bacon, toast, creme fraiche, fleur de lis, croissants chez nous - tous prepares par nous, if you’re interested in huge servings of food. Habitats, 516-7297 for a ride.

9:00 a.m. - Eta Xi - Check out their bagel breakfast. Curl up with a book and a cup of coffee and they’ll deliver your bagels and coffee to you. Call 516-7297 for a ride.

9:00 a.m. - Eta Xi - Try a new twist on a classic bagel breakfast. Our bagels are made fresh each day to order and we are sure you will enjoy the creativity that has been put into each and every bagel. Come on down and see what they have for you! Call 253-6799 for a ride.

9:00 a.m. - Eta Xi - Check out the breakfast of champions! We are serving the traditional breakfast foods of eggs, toast, and bacon, plus a few special items. Call 516-7297 for a ride.

9:00 a.m. - Eta Xi - What’s cooking? Yes, your favorite breakfast foods plus some extra surprises that you won’t want to miss! Come on in and have a seat! Call 516-7297 for a ride.

9:00 a.m. - Eta Xi - You’re invited to our 4-star restaurant chef hosted by our 4-star restaurant chef. Call 516-7297 for a ride. For all you Barrio fans out there, the weekend is just around the corner indeed.

9:00 a.m. - Eta Xi - Join us as we ascend to scenic heights, chow down on a delicious brunch, and help us finish it all. Don’t worry if you don’t mind us bringing your bed to the top of the mountain! Call 516-7297 for a ride.

9:00 a.m. - Eta Xi - Feel the need to take out some anger, or just enjoy an activity that will test your skills? We have an option for you! Come to the Boston Rock Climbing. Join us at the Boston Rock Climbing. Meet us on the 3rd Floor of CC at 12:00 noon. Our friendly tour guides will lead you around and shoot things. Take a sharp! 267-2199

9:00 a.m. - Eta Xi - See the Wizard - zzp - Breathe, breathe in and out and get ready to enjoy one of Saturday’s rushing. Call 536-9925 for a ride or call us for more information. 267-2199

9:30 a.m. - Eta Xi - Whoa! Look at this! We have a great weekend planned with some great spots to visit on our paintball trip than to be here anyway! Call 253-6799 for a ride.

9:30 a.m. - Eta Xi - So what if it’s Sunday? We can watch Saturday morning cartoons. Just sit back, relax, and enjoy a day with us! Call 253-6799 for a ride.

9:30 a.m. - Eta Xi - Join us in the Stewart Gardner Museum. Call 253-6799 for a ride.

9:30 a.m. - Eta Xi - Take the Stewart Gardner Museum. Call 253-6799 for a ride.

10:00 a.m. - Delta Phi - Tacos! Yum Yum! You decide what you want! Pancakes, eggs, toast, coffee, and a few special items. Call 516-7297 for a ride.

10:00 a.m. - Delta Phi - We’re lunching on the pier for a tradition that equals a traditional classic. We have a mini-bean mosaic! Turn your creative eye and let your imagination run wild! Call 516-7297 for a ride.

10:00 a.m. - Delta Phi - Try a new twist on a classic bagel breakfast. Our bagels are made fresh each day to order and we are sure you will enjoy the creativity that has been put into each and every bagel. Come on down and see what they have for you! Call 253-6799 for a ride.

10:00 a.m. - Delta Phi - See the Melon Breeze from Boston! Our new and exciting breakfast buffet is now available! Call 516-7297 for a ride.

10:00 a.m. - Delta Phi - Make your own omelette! Make your own pancake! Choose from a variety of ingredients like diced peppers and onions, or fresh fruit. We’ll help you get started! Call 516-7297 for a ride.

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