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Administrators Discuss New Activity Fee
By Kevin R. Lang

Last week, MIT announced a new $200 fee as part of the regular yearly tuition increase. While students will have to pay this fee, special attention has been given to the $200 fee as part of the regular tuition and fees for students and other users is necessary," Vest said.

Dean for Undergraduate Education Robert P. Redwine said that using money from the new fee for something like the Zesiger Center is not unusual. "I don't think it's at all unheard of," Redwine said. "These sorts of things have been built into the total of tuition anyway."

Redwine did not know if MIT would introduce similar fees to supplement the operating expenses of other facilities in the future, but he said, "You don't want to have a bunch of optional fees ... it's just confusing for everybody.

Clay could not be reached for comment.

Graduate Student Council President Dylan A. Seneviratne wondered why MIT needed to specifically allocate the fee. "Why did they choose to specify now that there would be a special allocation for student activities?" he asked. "What was the allocation for before?"

Seneviratne said that if MIT did this simply to exercise budgetary restraint and ensure the money would be used for student life, "there's no reason they needed to brand it differently.

"I don't think it was necessary for them to split it up," Seneviratne said. "I don't think MIT as an institution should put itself in the position of being an arbiter of the accuracy of scientific reports issued by our institutions, governmental agencies, or others."

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By Eric J. Cholankeril

Doctor of Student Life Larry G. Benedict has approved a proposal to ease the financial burden for fraternities, sororities, and independent living groups transitioning to the new residential system this fall.

The Final Report was proposed, submitted by a subcommittee of the Residents' Implementation Management Team (RSMIT) last November, would reimburse FSILGs for 80 percent of the room cost per empty bed. Additionally, the Institute would subsidize half of the food facility cost for each fifth-year student filling a space in the residence.

Benedict said that $750,000 has been allocated under the budget of the Dean for Student Life to pay for the first year of reimbursements. Initially, the number of empty beds to be subsidized will be limited to the expected number of first-year residents for each house, computed as the average number of first-year residents from 1999-2002. The subsidies would be paid for by each group for three years, with the maximum allowable number of empty beds dropping by a third each year.

Additionally, the budget would pay for "further incentives and special programming to help chapters through the transition," including individual recruitment workshops with residences, said David N. Rogers, assistant dean for FSILGs. Rogers noted that some of the percentages may not be final, saying, "Some of the details need to be ironed out."

Interfraternity Council Recruitment Chair Joshua S. Varley '04, a member of RSMIT, agreed that the plan would "probably need to be reworked. [The plan] sets up a good system for looking at it again after the first year, even after the first term."

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Sharon Urges Patience, Unity As Fighting in Israel Goes On

By Tracy Wilkinson

Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, under mounting criticism for failing to halt Palestinian attacks on Israelis, urged a war-weary nation Thursday to be patient, calm and, above all, united as Israel presses ahead with a massive military campaign in the Gaza Strip and West Bank.

Sharon also demanded that Palestinians disarm completely, and he announced plans to build buffer zones along Israel’s borders with the West Bank as a way to separate Palestinians and Israelis — a unilateral action that is not a new idea but will likely further alienate Palestinians.

Palestinian officials, meanwhile, announced the arrest of three suspects in the October assassination of a pro-state cabinet minister.

Israel had demanded the Palestinian gunman and his accomplices be captured and prosecuted as a condition for lifting a three-month-old travel ban on Palestinian Authority President Yasser Arafat.

In what is shaping up to be the deadliest week here in 17 months of conflict, seven more Palestinians and one Israeli Arab were killed by Israeli troops Thursday; two Israeli soldiers were wounded in a Palestinian ambush.

In a bid to rally Israelis, who are increasingly dispassionate over the seemingly unending stalemate, Sharon went on national television and promised that he will “not rest” until Palestinian “terrorist organizations” are dismantled and disarmed.

Sharon regards Palestinian militias as well as some regular police forces as terrorist groups.

“To those who speak about a collapse, despair and loss of hope, this is not the time to utter words of despair,” Sharon told citizens who elected him in a landslide a year ago but who are increasingly expressing doubt about his leadership.

“The state of Israel is not collapsing,” he said. “This is the time for demonstrating the unity which is at the core of the character of the Jewish people. This is the time to demonstrate that we are proud to be Israelis and Jews in Eretz Israel, the Land of Israel.”

The right wing is demanding an all-out war on Arafat and his Palestinian Authority, while the left insists that only negotiations and an end to occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip will halt the violence.

Catholic Priest Gets Maximum of Decade In Child Molestation

By Elizabeth Mehren

The American Red Cross has ended its participation in an AIDS prevention program aimed at the crowds attending the Winter Olympics in Utah after protests by antiharassment groups and local donors upset about the distribution of free condoms.

The Greater Salt Lake Area chapter of the American Red Cross objected to what it called “the circus-like approach” of some volunteers with the Safe Games 2002 program, which plans to distribute 250,000 condoms during the Olympics.

Chapter spokesman Shawn Schlemmer said the protests, which included two demonstrations at the chapter’s headquarters, “had nothing to do with it.”

But the head of the prevention effort disagreed. Luciano Colonna, one of the Safe Games founders, said: “It’s my feeling Red Cross gave in to the pressure from protesters. The responses we’ve had about our volunteers have been very positive — and the American Red Cross trained them. And it did a good job in training.”

Priest Sentenced in Abuse Case

By Tracy Wilkinson

The trial and conviction of the sligt casy ex-priest unleashed a pedophilia scandal that has rocked the heavily Catholic population of Massachusetts. Disclosures that church officials knew about Geoghan and other allegedly abusive priests prompted many in Boston to call for the resignation of Cardinal Bernard F. Law, the most senior Catholic prelate in America.

While protesters picketed Law’s residence in Boston, the uproar spread to parishes throughout New England — and indeed, across the country. Hundreds of adult men and women came forth to charge that they were abused by priests as children.

In many regions, priests were summarily removed from their duties in response to the accusations. As of February 6, 66, will face additional, more serious criminal charges in two pending cases. More than 300 people have accused Geoghan of molesting them during the past decade as a priest. In addition, more than 80 civil suits have been filed against Law as a result of the first case against Geoghan. While acknowledging that the church knowingly moved priests charged with pedophilia to assignments where they would have contact with children, Law has insisted repeatedly that he will not step down.

At the conclusion of the first Geoghan trial, documents were unloaded by court order showing that over the last decade, the archdiocese has settled child sex abuse claims against it for less than 70 percent. The diocese has reported that it has left its list of more than $10 million in child sex abuse settlements.

WEATHER

Situation for Noon Eastern Daylight Time, Friday, February 22, 2002

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Warm Weather Continues

By Bill Ramstrom

The pattern of unusual warmth will continue over the next several days. Thus far in February, temperatures in Boston have been running nearly 6°F above normal, with only a fraction of an inch of snowfall measured all month. Temperatures may drop to near normal levels toward the end of next week, but it appears that there is little chance of significant snowfall before the end of the month.

Today will begin cloudy, with clearing by late in the day, as an upper-air disturbance associated with Wednesday night’s rain passes offshore. Saturday and Sunday will be pleasant with temperatures in the 40s F. Clouds will begin to thin in late Sunday, with return of sunshine on Monday.

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THE TECH
Video Shows Journal Reporter Killed by Pakistani Kidnappers

By Rob Dougall and Geoffrey Mohan

WASHINGTON

Terrorism claimed another U.S. victim Thursday when a videotape re-enacting Pearl's kidnapping and murder was released.

Colleagues said the gruesome videotape showed Pearl being executed in captivity several weeks ago.

"It's pretty awful, and I hope no one ever sees it who hasn't had to see it already," said a Journal editor familiar with the tape.

Paul E. Steiger, the Journal's managing editor, announced the news to the paper's Washington bureau Thursday afternoon. In response to questions, Steiger refused to say if Pearl had been tortured but noted his body had not been recovered.

"Lots of people were crying," one Journal reporter said. "Danny had a lot of friends here." The State Department expressed outrage at Pearl's death. "Both the United States and Pakistan are committed to identifying all the perpetrators of this crime and bringing them to justice," spokesman Richard Boucher said.

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"We have found no survivors yet," said Navy Cmdr. Jeff Davis, who added that searches were continuing. "They have sighted some bodies." He said a Navy P-3 surveillance aircraft and a U.S. Air Force C-130 cargo plane were involved in that effort.

If all 10 people aboard the helicopter are dead, it would mark the single biggest loss of life suffered by the U.S. military since the beginning of the war in October. The casualties would be the first the United States has suffered in its campaign in the Philippines, which is part of the global counteroffensive against al-Qaeda and related groups in the aftermath of September's terrorist attacks.

The names of those aboard the helicopter weren't released. The aircraft belongs to the Army's 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment based at Fort Campbell, Ky., Davis said, but he added that the crew of the crashed aircraft almost certainly was based overseas, rather than at Fort Campbell. The crash occurred at 2:30 a.m. Friday, local time (1:30 p.m. Thursday EST), as the 50-foot-long cargo helicopter was flying in darkness from Baslan Island, where U.S. Special Forces have been moving this week as part of an effort to help the Philippine military eradicate a local Muslim extremist group that has links to the al-Qaeda network. Officials said the helicopter was en route to Mactan Air Base on the island of Cebu, which U.S. forces were using as a logistics hub for a major six-month-long anti-terrorism training exercise that is now getting underway.

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The MIT administration announced an increase in next year's tuition for all students, with $200 of this increase designated as a "student life fee." The Tech finds this decision hard to understand, with the administration whether it bodes well for students. Over $1 million of the projected $2 million the fee will raise is earmarked not for any student life initiative, but for maintenance of the Zesiger Sports and Fitness Center. The administration justified this by saying that the Center has a large operating cost. There are several obvious questions to ask: What sort of planning led to the necessity of making students pay extra — over $100 per student — for the building's maintenance? Did the administration forget that the building would not run itself once built? Why create a fee to maintain the athletic center rather than the Student Center, which gets just as much student use as the Zesiger Center will, or Walker Memorial, which is in dire need of renovation? The administration's apparent failure to plan for the Zesiger Center's upkeep makes one wonder whether MIT students should expect more fees once their classes are finished. As students we can already see that the fee will create a permanent institution, and will likely rise in several years. Is the fee just an attempt to re-introduce a mandatory athletics charge?

Letters To the Editor

Sexual Harassment From a Party Poster

Today at 9 p.m., there will be a party at Ashdown House, hosted by the Graduate Student Council, Ashdown, Tang, and The Warehouse. The posters advertising the party contain comments referring to women, both of whom are shown scantily clad.

This past Wednesday morning, Aimee L. Smith '07 sent me an e-mail to various GSC e-mail lists and the Ashdown Social Committee with a demande that the posters be a form of sexual harassment (towards women) and served to create a hostile working environment for women at MIT. Along with accusations of sexual harassment, she went on to claim that "images that depict women as sex playthings in the workplace are NOT protected speech." Although the overall tone of her e-mail was hostile, she asked that the hosts "consider this a respectful request to see that these posters are removed and that women are not exploited in the next version." If this was not curtailed, "people who feel unwelcome will simply have to take matters into their own hands."

Ordinarily, I wouldn't care about an e-mail like this. However, on this occasion, I feel obligated to speak up as I am the official event host for Jungle Party 2 and my signature is on the liquor and entertainment license. I talked to many different posters for Jungle Party 2 constitute a form of sexual harassment, she said, "This is not enough. This doesn't come close to creating a hostile environment. It's not even pervasive, nor does it single out women. My criticism of what she [Aimee] is doing is it trivializes the real instances of sexual harassment." Therefore, I am respectfully referring to hosting Aimee's request that these posters be removed. I regret that these posters make her feel unwelcome at this party. Aimee, if you're not doing anything tonight, please do stop by.

Bhawin Singh G

Don't Do That

In the Pool!

Coming refreshed from my weekly swim to the women's locker rooms and showers in the MIT Alumni Pool on Friday, Feb. 15, I was appalled to see an elderly woman cutting her toenails and scratching skin off her feet.

To my astonishment, when I reminded her (the women just looked at me and smiled with a sense of sympathy) that a swimming pool was a public facility and no one should be intimate body care, the woman ignored me and continued with her routine.

I understand that it is difficult for MIT to play guard dog and prevent people from doing such disgusting things. After all, one would assume that a sixty-year-old woman would have more sense. At the same time I feel it is necessary to bring this issue to everyone's notice because such behavior is simply unacceptable. Not only is it unsanitary but it also presents a serious health hazard for other swimmers.

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What principles is Gary Condit standing up for? The ones that justify endangering your lover’s life and obstructing justice? Condit is as far from martyrdom as Marie Antoinette was from Mother Teresa.

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Oh yeah? What's your phone number?

Um, you're entering...
It's for a friend, ok??

the crass rat

Wow - your room is completely rearranged...

Nancy is coming over tonight, so I am setting the mood for some pet romance.

It's all about feng shui.

Yeah, the ceiling mirror is a nice touch.

INTEGRAL FORCE

Hey! Don't I know you from somewhere?
Aren't you...

The guy in my recitation who knew all the answers?

Ahwong

Ummm... right?

You don't have to be modest! By the way, I'm Emily...

And guess who's in my ridiculous class?? Campus cute girl?? A real know her name??

Ooh, she's look up her email on the web... each other, huh??

Ha ha! I just found her screen name! Ha ha! "No way! She's been online 4.23 hours 9 days away. Pick up line "I'm at work!"

Joe goes 2.3.4. Not bad! No way! She has 80 much in common with me...

I know! This is so exciting!! Now I can like impress her in class everyday. She just got "I know her virtually!" From her profile "Always!!"

Ome... a just think... by the time ur born 01, u might even have a real live conversation her!!
**FoxTrot** by Bill Amend

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"ONE SCREW LOOSE" HAS BEEN OFFICIALLY DISCONTINUED.

"BUT DON'T WORRY.
THE CARTOONIST HAS
ANOTHER COMIC SLIP¬
UP HER SLEEVE THAT
SHE PUT OUT REALLY
SOON!"

AND GUESS WHO
THE STAR SHOULD
BE? HAH, NO ...
OF COURSE!

UM... I'M
KIND OF IN
IT, TOO,
YOU KNOW.

GOOIRMIT,
REGAR!
YOU'RE
RUNNING THE
MOMENT!

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**propkits & propplings**

SO WAIT... HOW
DOES THIS BINARY
STUFF WORK
AGAIN, BANANALIKE?

WELL, EVERY¬
THING IS IN
POWERS OF 2,
STARTING FROM
RIGHT TO LEFT.
SO THE
NUMBER 26
WOULD BE...

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**Microcosm by S. TAG**

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NONE OF US HAS DESIGNED A NUCLEAR POWER PLANT BEFORE BUT WE CAN FIGURE IT OUT BY USING OUR PROCESS.

IN PHASE ONE WE WILL GATHER CUSTOMER REQUIREMENTS.

SO... YOU WANT FREE ELECTRICITY, WITHOUT MUTATING. UNLESS THE MUTATION GIVES YOU X-RAY VISION.

IN ELBONIA, TO THE TOASTERS OVER HERE?

I'M THINKING HUGE BARGES AND TRAINED PORPOISES - LOTS OF THEM.

LETS BRAINSTORM, AND REMEMBER NOT TO JUDGE ANY IDEAS AT THIS STAGE.

I BUILT A WORKING MODEL TO TEST MY NUCLEAR POWER PLANT DESIGN.

I'D GIVE YOU AN ATTABOY CERTIFICATE, BUT MY PRINTER IS OUT OF PAPER.

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THE MODEL PAID WELL ENOUGH, BUT IT WAS JUST SO MUCH WORK!

LOOK AT HOW WE'RE DRESSING YOUR BEAUTY NOW...

WHAT SIZE IS THE PROTOTYPE?

SO... HOW'S IT WORKING?

NOT BAD, ACTUALLY, I THINK IT'S REALLY GOING TO WORK THIS TIME!

THE MODEL PAID WELL ENOUGH, BUT IT WAS JUST SO MUCH WORK!

PUTTING ON SWIMSUIT!

THANKS FOR THE OCCASION, DAVID.

I'M SORRY. I JUST CAME TO HELP.

I DON'T NOTICE.

IT'S SO CUTE, THE NOT YOU WANT THEM.

THE MODEL PAID WELL ENOUGH, BUT IT WAS JUST SO MUCH WORK!

OH, REALLY?

OH, REALLY?

SO WE HAVE A QUICK QUESTION.

OOPS, DOPSY.

WEIRDOS."
The Fly Sevill play at TT the Bear's to celebrate their CD release Saturday night. They'll be featured on WMBR's Pipeline next Tuesday.

TT The Bear's 15 Straight Street, Cambridge MA. 
Ticketmaster: 917-2577.

Feb. 22-24: Hugh Masekela

Mar. 1: Indigo Girls

May 28: Sammy Hagar & the Wabos

Feb. 27: Deidre Kane

Feb. 22-3: John Scofield Band

Mar. 24: The Eels

Feb. 22-24: Branford Marsalis

Mar. 5: Tony Perez trio

Feb. 25: 54-40

Mar. 21: J. Mascis

Feb. 23-24: Earl Klugh

Mar. 27: Guitar Heroes

Feb. 22: Jay Doroshow.


Feb. 28: Dave Roth

Mar. 6: Bob Schneider

Feb. 21: Nanci Griffith & Blue

Mar. 8: Thomas Quasthoff, bass-baritone

Feb. 22-23: Alc~ers~lck .

Mar. 10: Wendy Cope

Feb. 25-26: Caribbean Jazz Project

Mar. 11: Lissa von Kameke

Feb. 29: String Bean

Mar. 15: Remy Zero

Feb. 22-3: Fishken & Groves

Mar. 17: Houndmouth

Feb. 24: Al~ers~lck (Sign up at 7:30). $5. See complete schedule.

Mar. 19: Lea DeLaria

Feb. 27: Dealer's Choice

Mar. 21-22: Maureen McGovem

Feb. 27-28: Earle Klugh

Mar. 2: Crofty, Sils, Nash, & Tree

Feb. 29: DJ Abe

Mar. 3: Tony Breaux & the Crooners

Feb. 27: DJ Abe

Mar. 4: Sista Twanda

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Mar. 5: Dave Matthews Band

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Mar. 7: Driving Miss Daisy

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Feb. 27: DJ Abe

Mar. 9: Great Big Sea

Feb. 28: David Roth

Mar. 10: Tori Clouden

Feb. 28: David Roth

Mar. 10-11: Jamiel Kennedy

Feb. 28: David Roth

Mar. 11-12: John Scofield Band

Feb. 28: David Roth

Mar. 12: John Russo Band

Feb. 28: David Roth

Mar. 13: Sue Orfield

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Mar. 14: Karen Knowles

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Mar. 15: Hugh Masekela

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Mar. 16: Tony Perez trio

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Mar. 17: The Blasting Point Band

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Mar. 19: Anthony Costa

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Mar. 20: DJ Abe

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Professor Robert S. Langer ScD ’74 received the Charles Stark Draper Prize on Feb. 19 for his drug delivery innovations.

By Kevin R. Lang

Germeshausen Professor of Chemical and Biomedical Engineering Robert S. Langer ScD ’74 was awarded the Charles Stark Draper Prize at a ceremony in Washington, D.C. on Tuesday.

"I wasn't expecting it," said Langer, who learned of the award in September from the National Academy of Engineering. "It's been very nice."

Langer said that the NAE refers to the award as the "Nobel Prize of engineering," and he did not disagree. "I think it's the highest prize in engineering, so that's probably fair," Langer said. "That's actually what the NAE calls it."

Drug delivery work earns prize

The NAE awarded Langer the Draper Prize for his invention of drug delivery technologies which led to such techniques as controlled-release drug implants, ultrasound drug delivery, and the use of computer chips for drug delivery.

Langer said that the $20 billion drug delivery industry currently uses a number of different technologies, but his lab "developed a lot of principles, and they're used by a lot of people." He added that he hoped his lab’s current work with tissue engineering might someday garner the same sort of recognition that the drug delivery technology has earned.

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Although he continues to teach such classes as Biotechnology and Engineering (5.22), Langer's work reaches far beyond the MIT classroom. He has written some 700 papers, and he has 400 patents that are licensed or sub-licensed to more than 80 companies, some of which were founded based on his ideas. In addition, more than 80 of his former students are faculty at universities around the world.

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Baltimore Discusses Science, Community

By Jon E. Lee

Hundreds flocked to Kenser Auditorium on Tuesday evening to hear Nobel Laureate and President of the California Institute of Technology David Baltimore '61 give a talk entitled "Building a Community on Trust."

Baltimore said that he faced a difficult decision when choosing which topic to talk about for his lecture. Although he has ascended to a high position, he still finds it easier to talk about biology, and he doesn't think they wanted my fundraising pitch for CalTech, Baltimore said. "I approach this [issue] as an amateur."

National news shows need for trust

"Trust is an interpersonal interaction, and one of the many things that make up a society," Baltimore said. "It seems that trust is falling out of fashion."

He cited recent national events which spurred his interest in the topic, citing the Enron scandal and the aftermaths of Sept. 11. These events have had a dramatic impact on the trust that Americans now have for many national institutions.

Baltimore discussed the need for trust on a national level in light of recent events.

"The antithesis of trust is war, and we are living in war," Baltimore said. "We're grateful for the [increased] protection because enemies exist who use trust as a shield to gain access [for terror]."

He went on to say that although our society is increasingly reliant on technology, we must be aware that this same technology which is meant to be beneficial can also be used in the wrong hands as "a tool for chaos and downright fraud."

Whitehead had to earn MIT trust

Baltimore recollected past trust issues that the MIT community had to deal with at the time when he was director of Whitehead Institute. "When the Whitehead family volunteered $34 million to found the institution, the response [from MIT] was not joy, but suspicion," Baltimore said. He described the initial dealings with the logistics of Whitehead as procedural. "We're looking at it in finer and finer detail," he said.

Science cannot be trusted because of the strong competition, Baltimore said. Because of the strong competition, science has become much more about money than to be a productive invention. Baltimore attributed the success of Whitehead to developing this trust on an operational level. "You have to put in processes that are the underlying strengths of an institution," he said in response to a question to follow the talk. "Whitehead showed that these could be established relatively quickly."

Scientific content of trust can vary

Baltimore described three main tiers of scientific investigation. The first was observational science, which he characterized as "a reincarnation of the chief mode of studying the world in ancient times." The other two types of science he termed hypothesis driven technology and development technology. "We still do science to find a way of describing the world, but now we're looking at it in finer and finer resolutions," Baltimore said. He also said that the scale of the information that becomes observational science projects is much greater, citing the recently completed human genome project as a prime example.

"The suspicions of the rectitude of [scientific findings] has died down in recent years," Baltimore said. "It is rare to come across fraud in science."

He said that the actual incidence of scientific fraud has not decreased, but the media attention on the issue has just quelled. "My belief is that it was never a big problem." Baltimore himself was the center of a decade-long media controversy in a case of scientific fraud starting in 1986 with the publication in Cell of an article he co-authored with former Assistant Professor of Biology Thereza Imanishi-Kari. The claims, brought forth by a post-doctoral researcher and pursued by the National Institutes of Health and the federal House Subcommittees on Oversight and Investigation, were eventually dismissed.

"This is a difficult issue because of the strong competition that exists between scientific research groups today," Baltimore said. "It is easy to rue, but very hard to do anything about."

Baltimore agreed with the audience member who first posed the question that it is easy to rue, but very hard to do anything about. Baltimore discussed the need for openness and sharing of information. "When withholding lab info violates trust because it is easier to rue, but very hard to do anything about."

Withholding lab info violates trust

Following Baltimore's talk, members of the audience were invited to ask questions of the Nobel Laureate. The first question that arose dealt with the issue of scientific colleagues virtue mental withholding the details of their research due to competition for recognition by publications. "Trust, not enough in large projects," Baltimore said.

"How do you allow students to have autonomy and at the same time ensure their safety and growth as individuals?" Baltimore asked. "I'm trying to wrestle with that balance today myself, but I don't think we've found the right mix yet."

Talk draws Course VII students

Although the topic of Baltimore's talk was not focused on his prior work in biology, many students studying this field came to hear his talk.

"I was curious to find out what I would be talking about because this is an unusual subject for a molecular biologist," said Graham Ruby G, a first-year biology graduate student. "I liked his point about the need for openness and sharing of research data."

"CalTech and MIT get the same sort of headstrong students," Baltimore said. He stressed that many of the issues facing students at MIT and CalTech are homogenous for students at colleges throughout the country.

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FSILGs
Recruit
In Spring
Funding, from Page 1

cial, and the Panhel Association.
The committee’s primary responsi-
bility would be to review FSILG reimbursement requests.
Yardley described the require-
ment as “more of a guideline,” noting
that reimbursements might be revoked if more than a few mem-
bers decided to live on-campus. He added, “[FSILGs are] already trying
to maximize in-campus residency.”

Spring rush 2002 begins
Some fraternities will be recruit-
ing new members in the next few
weeks, as the spring rush begins.
Spring recruiting will kick off on
Monday with “national purim, lied-
back” event from 6 to 8 p.m. in La
Sala de Puerto Rico, Yardley said.
All undergraduate fraternities are
invited to the event, which will feature a comedian,
door prizes, and members from each
fraternity participating in spring rush.
While in past years “spring rush has pretty much been anti-social,”
this year 12 to 15 houses are plan-
ning to participate, Yardley said,
and most are looking to recruit three
or four new members.
No coordinated schedule of
events will be available, although
each participating fraternity will dis-
tribute event schedules at the kickoff.

Richard A. Hovan ‘03, president
of Zeta Beta Tau, said that ZBT will be “holding small events” such as
a bowling night, and “trying to sell our house the same [way] we always do.”
Hovan does not anticipate that
ZBT will have empty beds in the
fall, as the fraternity is currently
over capacity by sixteen people and
is renting out space in annexes.

“Over the past three years we’ve
had some pretty amazing rushes,”
he explained.
Some fraternities have had so
much success that they are not plan-
ning to rush this spring.
Marc Q. Knight ’02, president
of Kappa Sigma, said that his fraternity
has no plans for spring rush.
He added, “We don’t expect to
have any empty beds [this fall],” not-
ing that a few residents were staying
to complete an MEng degree.

“Just hope for a good recruit-
ment … so that next year they’ll have an easier time recruiting sophomores.”

ILGs also plan for fall
Independent living groups have
already held their recruitment events
for the spring. IAP rush “went quite
well,” said Emily M. Marcus ’02,
rush chair for the Living Group
Council (LGC) and a member of
Epsilon Thetas. Marcus said that five
new members were recruited to live
in the six independent living groups
which comprise the LGC.

Marcus said that Epsilon Thetas
“will have empty spots, but not
many as to be crippling.” ET plans
to take advantage of the Financial
Transition Proposal, and is even
considering offering housing to
fifth-year students who were not
previously residents.

Sarah R. Gottfried ’04, rush
chair for pika, said, “We had one
person who moved in, and one who
might move in this fall.” She noted
that pika has been focusing more on
recruiting, saying, “We’ve been
going to a lot more meetings and
IC events than in the past.” Gott-
fried added that pika will have six
to eight empty beds this fall.

Michael L. Mandel ’04, rush
chair for Tau Epsilon Phi, said that
IAP rush “didn’t go so well,” and
that the fraternity did not recruit any
new pledges. Mandel estimated that
TEP would have a number of empty
beds this fall, and would probably
take advantage of the subsidies.

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CAMPUS CONSTRUCTION UPDATE
Kendall Hotel
The Kendall Hotel, across the street from the MIT Coop, will open on
February 22. For information and reservations, call (617) 354-3600.
NStar Transmission Line project
Work continues on construction of a 115 kv transmission line along
Memorial Drive from Pleasant Street (near Howard Johnson’s) to the
Longfellow Bridge. This work will conclude at the end of March. Lane
restrictions may cause traffic delays.
Memorial Drive Traffic Signals
The Traffic Lights at Wadsworth and Endicott Streets are fully installed.
Power to the lights should be connected and the signals activated
shortly. Landscape work will begin in the spring.

Bimmons Hall
Installation of waterproofing, insulation, and windows is in progress.
Permanent roofing has been partially installed. Excavation of the west
end of Vassar St. for utility installation continues. This may affect traffic
flow.
W21 Roof Repair
The rebuilding of the batten is now complete for the winter. The next
phase of the project will begin in late March. This last phase will consist
of installing new roofing on W21 and will be complete in the spring.
Vassar St. Utilities
The crosswalk at Vassar St. from Building 36 to 44 is blocked due to
drain work. A new walk has been constructed according to ADA
requirements, crossing from Building 36 to 45. Pedestrians should use
this new walk and not cross through the construction zone.

FOOD
The crosswalk at Vassar
Streets is fully installed.
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This Information provided by the MIT Department of Facilities.
Source Close to Team Disputes Postal Account

Postol, from Page 1

are senior staff members at MIT's Lincoln Laboratory, neither of them knows the people's names, the team addressed the review request. MIT's Lincoln Laboratory, according to the team, something that had not happened.

"I've never given the names," said Postol, "I brought up the team to citing the team. I have no desire to see any-

The source, who would not be quoted in any article, said that the agreement of academic misconduct has been made is sufficient to trigger an inquiry," Brown wrote. "The ini- itiation of an inquiry should not be taken as an admission of any wrongdoing, but it should be viewed as a signal to the persons against whom the allegation has been made that an inquiry is being initiated. If the inquiry is serious, the investigation will be conducted by an independent panel of the doc- ment's research.

"It's proper for them to consider the situation," he said. "I think the reports will significantly advance our understanding of the information that was used to justify the study."

"The school's administration ought to take this self-protective action seriously. MIT is a leader in its field, and its policies are being closely watched," he said.

"The reviews will probably be published within a month," Brown said.

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fee — I think that's one of the misnomers that's causing a lot of flap on campus," he said. Benedict said that this is actually part of tuition, but that it is specifically set aside for student activities. "It's a very positive step by the president and the senior executives of the Institute to underscore the importance of student life on campus," Benedict said.

Administrators have been quick to point out that the fee specifically allocates money for activities and for the Zeisger Center, whereas regular tuition is not specifically designated for anything.

"The fee is a way of firmly segmenting the funds for enhancing student life," said President Charles M. Vest. "Treating the $200 as a required fee rather than part of tuition results in an additional $600,000 being available for undergraduate and graduate student activities."

Activities funds to roughly double

 Roughly $60 of each student's fee has been dedicated to student activities. The full $600,000 is expected to be spent on student activities each year, roughly doubling the current total of donation increase and graduate activities funding. However, administrators said they didn't yet know how the funds would be specifically allocated.

"We have said that a number of other universities had similar fees allocated for student life funds. 'We really want to be able to increase the amount of money that goes to student activities,' Redwine said. Benedict said that some of the $600,000 will be set aside for increased funding for class councils, large events funding, the Weekend@MIT program, club sports, and graduate activities, among other things.

In addition, discretionary funds will be set aside by the Chancellor and Provost for "special initiatives," Benedict said.

While administrators said that the $200 fee could potentially change in the future, they did not want to drastically adjust the fee each year.

"I don't think the fee is going to be raised for several years to come," Benedict said.

Farver added that additional housing lottery as "continuing student use.

The Senior Segue plan is "open to a lot more students" than the sorority plan, Farver said. "It's been a wonderful idea, if we can do it," Redwine said. "We would like to endow activities, if enough funds could be raised. "I can't imagine that we wouldn't think that's a wonderful idea, if we can do it," Redwine said. "We would have to find a donor."

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Motion May Prevent Students From Getting MIT Legal Help

By Gian Wang

PALMER AND DODGE, the firm representing MIT in the lawsuit by the family of Elizabeth H. Shin '02, is expected to respond today to a motion by the family's lawyers which seeks to disqualify the firm from representing MIT students who have been subpoenaed to testify in the case.

The twelve students named in the motion are James L. Hardison '02, Lee-Ann Hena '02, Andrew J. Thomas '03, Jim Paris '03, Amanda M. Bugh '02, Comocca S. Yenal '03, Ethan Shaw '02, Arness O. Williams '02, Matthew S. Cain '02, Rima A. Armout '02, and graduate students Raffi C. Krikorian and Dawn M. Hastreiter.

One undergraduate, David A. Mello '02, and one former student, Eric J. Plosky '99, were not named in the motion but have been subpoenaed, according to David Deluca, the lawyer representing the Shin family. Most of the students subpoenaed are current or former residents of Random Hall, or were friends of Shin. Hastreiter was Shin's Graduate Resident Tutor at the time.

Amaout is a former news editor for The Tech, and Plosky is a former opinion editor for The Tech.

MIT not providing outside counsel

Several of the students subpoenaed have already obtained representation through Palmer and Dodge. However, MIT is not offering legal counsel outside of the firm, said Williams, who lived on the same floor as Shin.

"MIT indicated that its law firm could represent us," Williams said. "One student asked if he could obtain an outside lawyer through MIT and MIT said he could, but that MIT would not pay for it."

Daryl Lapp, a lawyer for Palmer and Dodge, said that although MIT is currently not offering any legal counsel outside of Palmer and Dodge, if the motion filed by the Shin's is accepted MIT will consider all of its options. "MIT will cross that bridge when we get there," he said.

Students say MIT has been fair

Cain, a friend of Shin and the president of Random Hall at the time of her death, said he thought Deluca was wrong for filing the motion. "I disagree with Deluca. I think students should be able to take whatever counsel they want," he said.

Cain also said that MIT has been extremely fair when dealing with the student witnesses and has only given them impartial legal advice. "MIT's legal counsel has not told us anything about what we should or should not say," he said. "They have only told us what types of questions to expect and which ones we are and are not legally bound to answer."

Williams also said that MIT has acted in an impartial and just manner.

"Deluca's objection is that he thinks MIT students are going to be swayed by the lawyers. However, MIT has been very fair and has been willing to provide counsel, the very same counsel that is representing them in the case."

Jeffrey Sweppe, another lawyer for MIT from Palmer and Dodge, declined to comment. Kevin R. Long contributed to the reporting of this story.
Men's Track Ties for First at Div. III Championships

By Yoval Mazor

MIT's Men's Track & Field Team tied for first place with Williams College at the New England Division III Championships at Bates College last weekend.

MIT hoped to bring back their second championship in three years, but despite coming in as slight favorites for the first time in a decade, MIT ended up in a first place tie with 150.5 points. Wheaton College finished in a distant third with 51 points.

The meet started off on Friday with the pentathlon, an event MIT expected to dominate. Rick F. Rajter '05 and Craig D. Mielcarz '03 took the early lead and were never really challenged as they led an unprecedented first through seventh sweep of the event, with all seven MIT athletes breaking 3000 points.

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Amy M. Shal '02 performs her floor routine during Tuesday's meet with the University of Massachusetts and the University of Alaska. MIT came in third with 178.175, behind UMass's 178.490 and Alaska's 183.600.

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