

Two Theft Suspects Found and Arrested

By Michelle Nyein
STAFF REPORTER

Two suspects have been apprehended in the recent string of thefts reported in McCormick Hall, Baker House, MacGregor House, and Green Hall since Sept. 26.

On Oct. 2, Stephanie DeAngelis was arrested for trespassing in Building E17; and on Oct. 4, Peter Sheppard was arrested for trespassing in MacGregor. Both DeAngelis and Sheppard are considered suspects in the dormitory robberies, said John E. Driscoll, deputy chief of the MIT Police.

Seventeen thefts have been reported in the four dormitories since Sept. 26, and stolen items include cash, credit cards, laptops, checkbooks, jewelry, drivers licenses, and MP3 players.

Since the arrests, no thefts have been reported in the dormitories.

Thieves target open, empty rooms

MacGregor House President Joe D. Jacobs '04 said that "the suspect would go door to door and see if doors were unlocked."

If the resident was present, he would ask for the time, but if the resident was not there, he would take money out of wallets and steal perfume, audio equipment, and laptops, Jacobs said.

"A major problem was that students didn't lock their doors when they went to take showers," he said. The thief would take advantage of these opportunities.

The suspects in the McCormick and Baker thefts used similar tactics. According to a police bulletin

issued on Oct. 1, victims reported seeing two females, each approximately 18 years old, one with dark brown hair and one with black hair in a ponytail and curls.

Baker House President Anthony D. Weinbeck '04 said that the suspects would generally go into unlocked rooms and, if the room resident was there, would ask for "Christina." If the room was empty, they would go through backpacks and drawers.

"The problem was that the suspects were people who could very easily pass for McCormick residents, and they just slipped by the front door," said McCormick President Marjan S. Bolouri '04.

Jonathan F. Nolan, house manager for Baker and Green Hall, said that there has only been one robbery so far in Green Hall, and this was the first robbery in the graduate dormitory in five years. He said that the suspect posed as a friend of one of the resident's.

Police arrest suspects

Jacobs said that a police sketch artist was called after the first theft, a description was posted immediately via e-mail and flyers, and the house manager notified other dormitories.

Sheppard was later apprehended in MacGregor. MacGregor Desk Captain Laurence A. Wong '04 said, "A student from C-entry followed the thief through all the entries until the CPs [MIT Police] could come and catch him."

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BRIAN HEMOND—THE TECH

Red Sox fans, enjoying free beer at the Thirsty Ear Pub, give Trot Nixon a standing ovation for a solo home run in the top of the fourth inning on Thursday night. The Sox were in the midst of the seventh game of the American League Championship Series against the New York Yankees. The pub event was sponsored by the Class of 2004.

Cambridge Might Impose Zoning Ordinance on Local Universities

By Beckett W. Sterner
NEWS EDITOR

The city of Cambridge is currently investigating the possibility of requiring all new university housing projects to abide by the inclusionary zoning ordinance, which requires that 15 percent of new residential developments be affordable housing.

"Affordable" is defined as cost-

ing less than 80 percent of the median income of the residents of the neighborhood. Currently, universities in Cambridge, including MIT and Harvard are exempt from this ordinance.

The City Council unanimously approved an order by Councillor Anthony D. Galluccio on Sept. 29 requesting that the city manager draft a home-rule petition extending

the ordinance to universities.

The present ordinance requires that the affordable housing units be on site, however Galluccio said "my assumption is that we would create something that would be a little more flexible."

"My hope is that the universities and its students will see this as a

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Rent Control, City Government Organization, and University Taxation Debated by Council Candidates

By Frank Dabek
STAFF REPORTER

Wednesday's debate among candidates for Cambridge City Council highlighted the lack of controversial

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issues in this year's race. Few sparks flew as the candidates discussed, and mainly agreed on, the perennial Cambridge issues of rent control and affordable housing, university relations, and Cambridge's city manager form of government.

The debate was sponsored by the Green-Rainbow party and the Progressive Democrats. Former U.S. Secretary of Labor Robert Reich served as moderator.

Rent control petition debated

A ballot question on whether the city should ask the state legislature to allow Cambridge to re-institute rent control will appear on the November ballot, but has a long way to go before being implement-

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FRANK DABEK—THE TECH

Robert Reich, former secretary of labor under President Clinton, poses a question to candidates at the Cambridge City Council debate Wednesday. Reich moderated the debate, which was sponsored by the Green-Rainbow party and the Progressive Democrats. At left is council candidate and MIT graduate Matthew DeBergalis '00.

MIT Works To Improve Recycling On Campus

By Jacqueline Tio

MIT Facilities and various campus environmental advocacy groups have made a pledge to reach the city goal recycling rate of 40 percent by 2005, said Kevin J. Healy, of Facilities Recycling and Waste Management Office. The goal was set by the vice mayor of Cambridge, Henrietta Davis, under the Climate Protection Plan.

MIT's recycling rate last month was 24 percent, an improvement over the 11 percent recycling rate in 2000, reflecting MIT's efforts towards achieving the goal.

Recycling rate is defined as the mass of material recycled as a percentage of total waste, according to the MIT Environment, Health, and Safety Office Web site.

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WORLD & NATION

Ashcroft Says Progress Is Being Made in Finding Leak

THE NEW YORK TIMES

WASHINGTON

U.S. Attorney General John Ashcroft, under pressure over his handling of the investigation into the disclosure of an undercover CIA officer's identity, said on Thursday that investigators had made good progress but that he had not ruled out removing himself from the case.

Ashcroft also left open the possibility of appointing a special counsel to take over the case and of approving subpoenas to reporters to find the source of the leak. "I have not foreclosed any options in this matter," he said.

With the investigation now ending its third week, Ashcroft said: "I believe that we have been making progress that's valuable in this matter. And we will devote every energy that's available, and every resource that's available at the highest level of intensity."

The attorney general's comments were his most expansive and forceful to date on the politically charged investigation into whether Bush administration officials illegally disclosed the identity of the CIA officer to the columnist Robert Novak.

Azerbaijan Election Outcome Sparks Violence in Capital

THE NEW YORK TIMES

BAKU, AZERBAIJAN

Thousands of soldiers, policemen and special security units charged through the streets of Azerbaijan's capital on Thursday, clubbing bystanders, members of the opposition and others protesting the outcome of a dynastic presidential election.

According to various reports, at least one person was killed and dozens were injured on both sides of the street battles.

The central election commission announced preliminary results that gave Ilham Aliyev, 42, about 80 percent of the vote to succeed his ailing father, the country's long-time strongman, Heydar Aliyev, 80.

The commission said the chief opposition candidate, Isa Gambarov, had won about 12 percent of the vote in an election that observers from the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe said "fell short of international standards."

The European observers listed violence; excessive use of force; intimidation of opposition supporters, journalists and others; prohibitive restrictions on political rallies and meetings; severely unbalanced media coverage and manipulation of the voting, counting and tabulation processes.

Lawmakers Push Pentagon For Explanation About JetBlue Privacy

THE NEW YORK TIMES

WASHINGTON

The leaders of a Senate committee pressed the Pentagon on Thursday to explain why an Army contractor collected information on more than a million passengers of JetBlue Airways for an antiterrorism study, an act that the lawmakers said may have been in violation of federal privacy laws.

The lawmakers — Susan M. Collins of Maine, the Republican chairwoman of the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee, and Joseph I. Lieberman of Connecticut, the panel's ranking Democrat — said in a letter to Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld that the sharing of the passenger information raised "disturbing questions about the reliability of safeguards in place at the Defense Department to protect Americans' privacy."

The letter, dated Thursday and also signed by Sen. Carl Levin of Michigan, the ranking Democrat on the Senate Armed Services Committee, asked Rumsfeld if the Pentagon was investigating "the possibility that Torch Concepts and the Army violated the Privacy Act."

U.N. Approves Multinational Force in Iraq by Dec. 2003

By Felicity Barringer

THE NEW YORK TIMES

The Security Council on Thursday unanimously approved a U.S.-British resolution authorizing a U.S.-led multinational force in Iraq and setting a target date of Dec. 15 for Iraq's Governing Council to lay out a timetable for creating a constitution and democratic government.

The international unity on display in the lofty council chamber when all 15 ambassadors raised their hands in assent was something of a diplomatic triumph for the Bush administration after months of apparent isolation here.

The United States and Britain won an international mandate for implementing what is largely their vision of Iraq's political future while creating a U.N.-authorized multinational force under American command.

In a statement, President Bush welcomed the vote, saying, "The world has an opportunity — and a responsibility — to help the Iraqi people build a nation that is stable, secure, and free. This resolution will help marshal even more international support for the development of a new, democratic Iraq."

But as soon as the resolution

passed, several late converts — including France, Germany and Pakistan — made clear that it was still too flawed, in their view, to spur any contributions of troops or money beyond current assistance.

A Muslim nation, Pakistan was one of the countries that Washington had hoped would contribute troops.

Russia, France and Germany, the countries which had most visibly opposed the war, issued a joint statement saying, "We believe that the resolution should have gone further on two major issues: first, the role of the United Nations, in particular in the political process, and second, the pace of the transfer of responsibilities to the Iraqi people."

These comments made it clear that the resolution had not done much more than paper over the fundamental differences dividing the United States from many council members, who felt that the measure should have mandated a quick, time-limited transfer of responsibilities to the Iraqis.

Still, the vote ended America's diplomatic isolation. Secretary of State Colin L. Powell called the vote "a great achievement for the

entire Security Council, to come together again in this manner." The resolution, he said, allow the international community to move forward to restore full sovereignty of Iraq back to the Iraqi people in a careful, deliberate way.

The unanimous vote was the product of a last-minute deal brokered Wednesday between the United States and Russia, after China had indicated its support for the draft, council diplomats said.

Russia offered amendments giving the United Nations more flexibility in taking on political tasks and making clear that the multinational force's mandate will end when the political transition is complete.

But just when that transition will be over was left unclear. The Iraqi Governing Council must submit a timetable by December 15, and allow it to be reviewed by the Security Council, but no stipulation on the nature of that timetable was included. This left the Bush administration with the room for maneuver that it sought, officials said.

The administration appeared to have Russia to thank for the unanimous vote. "Russia was the catalyst," one council diplomat involved in the negotiations said.

Suspects Arrested in Gaza Strip Bombing of American Convoy

By Greg Myre

THE NEW YORK TIMES

GAZA CITY, GAZA STRIP

Facing criticism from the United States, Palestinian authorities arrested several suspects Thursday in the bombing of an American diplomatic convoy that killed three American security specialists in the Gaza Strip.

Palestinian police officers traded gunfire with militants during an overnight raid into the Jabaliya refugee camp in northern Gaza, near the site of Wednesday's bombing, according to Palestinian security officials and residents in the area. At least six suspects were taken into custody, officials said.

The bomb on Wednesday was planted on Gaza's main north-

south road and detonated under a Chevrolet Suburban shortly after the convoy entered Gaza. It was the first lethal attack on an official American target in three years of fighting and raised questions about whether violent Palestinian factions were changing tactics.

Bush administration officials said on Thursday they believed that the attack was indeed part of a new, deliberate effort by Palestinian militants to target diplomats.

An administration official would not say how the administration had reached its conclusion. Until now, Palestinian militant organizations in Gaza and the West Bank have confined their attacks to Israeli targets and avoided those connected to the

United States.

"It does look like a conscious effort to target the American diplomatic mission, and that's very worrying," the official said.

All major Palestinian factions have denied involvement, saying their conflict is with Israel and that they oppose striking at Americans.

The Palestinian Authority did not release any official information on the arrests or the investigation. But one security official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said at least three of the six Palestinians detained belonged to the Popular Resistance Committees, a loosely organized group made up of militants from various factions.

WEATHER

Turn of the Leaf

By Nikki Prive

STAFF METEOROLOGIST

Fall foliage color is upon us! Saturday would be a great day for a trip to the Berkshires, where the leaves are at full peak in many areas; central Massachusetts is near 70 percent peak as well. In New Hampshire, the Monadnock, Merrimack Valley, and southern White Mountains are at or near peak, while northern portions of the state are already past peak. Boston and the outer suburbs have colors at about 30 percent of peak overall.

A cold front moving across the eastern U.S. will stay to the south of New England today, allowing for partly sunny skies with highs near 60°F (15°C). Fair weather will remain through Saturday, although temperatures will remain crisp. Late on Saturday and into Sunday, a low pressure system will pass through the area, bringing clouds and a chance of rain. High pressure will build on Monday and Tuesday with a break from the rain; enjoy the sun while it lasts, as the end of next week marks a return to unsettled weather.

Extended Forecast

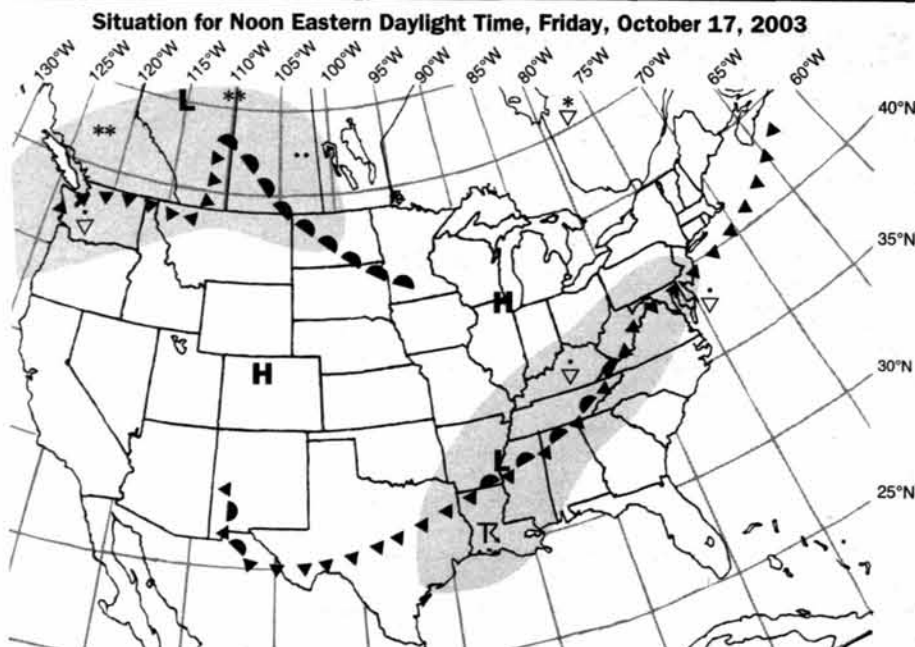
Today: Partly sunny, highs in the upper 50s F (15°C).

Tonight: Some clouds, lows around 40°F (5°C).

Saturday: Partly sunny, with highs in the lower 50s F (11°C). Increasing clouds overnight, with lows in the upper 30s F (3°C).

Sunday: Cloudy with a chance of showers. Highs in the lower 50s F (11°C) and lows in the mid 30s F (2°C).

Monday: Partly cloudy, highs in the mid 50s F (13°C).



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

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Investigators Focus on Pilot in Fatal Ferry Crash Investigation

By Robert D. McFadden
THE NEW YORK TIMES

NEW YORK

The investigation of a Staten Island Ferry crash that killed 10 people and injured scores more focused on Thursday on a pilot who slumped at the wheelhouse controls as the boat swerved off course and slammed full speed into a pier that tore open its starboard flank and raked passengers like rag dolls.

In addition, investigators said they were questioning whether other members of the crew were in a position to give backup assistance to the pilot when he collapsed as the ferry sped toward collision on Wednesday. The ship's captain tried, too late, to intervene, a police official said.

City regulations require that both the captain and his assistant be in the pilot's house during docking. Investigators were trying to determine whether the captain was there when the boat hit a pier on Staten Island.

The pilot, Assistant Capt.

Richard J. Smith, may have blacked out or become delirious because of a blood-pressure condition and the medication he took for it, some investigators said.

One said that Smith, who slashed his wrists and shot himself with a pellet gun after walking away from the chaos of the crash, told an officer on the way to a hospital that he had high blood pressure and had taken his medication that morning. He was in critical condition on Thursday. Medical experts said that high-blood-pressure medications could cause blood pressure to fall and cause dizziness or fainting in some cases.

Seven of 67 people injured in the crash also remained in critical condition, some with horrendous injuries: One person lost a foot, another a leg, two lost both legs and one person was paralyzed; others had critical spine or head injuries. Some of the dead had also lost limbs or were decapitated.

Smith, 55, of Staten Island, an 18-year ferry-service veteran with a

clean record on the job, has a lawyer, although the Staten Island district attorney said his inquiry was not now a criminal investigation. Blood samples obtained from the pilot and other crew members found no evidence that illegal drugs or alcohol were factors, officials said.

A day after the tragedy, thousands of commuters rode the rumbling ferries again across a sun-drenched harbor, federal and city investigators began what could be a yearlong inquiry and a stunned city tried to fathom New York's worst ferry disaster in 132 years. It was the city's deadliest mass transit accident since 16 people were killed in a Times Square subway crash in 1928.

Gov. George E. Pataki, in a news conference on Staten Island, said that as deadly as it had been, the crash, at 3:20 p.m., might have been far worse if it had occurred an hour or two later, when the number of homebound commuters would have been in the thousands, not the hundreds.

Possible Consecration of Bishop In NH Threatens Unity of Church

By Laurie Goodstein
THE NEW YORK TIMES

LONDON

After a tense two-day emergency summit, Anglican leaders on Thursday sidestepped an immediate schism over homosexuality but warned that if the American church proceeds to consecrate a gay bishop in New Hampshire next month, the global Anglican Communion could eventually crack apart.

"If his consecration proceeds," said a statement signed by all 37 clergymen attending the meeting, "we recognize that we have reached a crucial and critical point in the life of the Anglican Communion and we have had to conclude that the future of the communion itself will be put in jeopardy."

The primates' statement put the onus on leaders of the Episcopal Church USA, the American wing of Anglicanism, not to go ahead with the final consecration ceremony for Bishop-elect V. Gene Robinson, scheduled for Nov. 2.

Leaders of the New Hampshire diocese quickly responded Thursday by saying that they did not intend to back down. They said that Robinson had been overwhelmingly elected after nearly three decades of ministry in New Hampshire, and con-

firmed at a church convention in Minneapolis this summer.

The Rev. Michael W. Hopkins, past-president of Integrity, an advocacy group for lesbian and gay Episcopalians, said he had exchanged e-mail messages with the bishop-elect Thursday and concluded: "He's not going to back down. He knows too much is on the line."

The primates' meeting may have merely postponed the divisions, said Archbishop Michael Peers, primate of the Anglican Church of Canada. The Canadian diocese of New Westminster voted in May to allow ceremonies celebrating same-sex unions, a step also criticized by the primates on Thursday.

"We agreed to disagree," he said. "We are still in communion but there are dark dark clouds on the horizon."

Presiding Bishop Frank Griswold, primate of the Episcopal Church USA, signed the primates' statement on Thursday. But he said at a news conference afterward that he stood behind the votes in New Hampshire and Minneapolis to affirm a gay bishop and expected to attend the consecration. He did not explain the apparent contradiction.

Asked if he planned to ask Robinson to reconsider, he said, "I might do many things."

The primates also opened the door for some kind of reorganization among American and Canadian conservatives who have already begun the process of splitting with their churches.

After the Canadian diocese of New Westminster decided in May to permit the union ceremonies of gay couples, several dissenting parishes there effectively put themselves under the authority of a different Canadian diocese. In the United States, six dioceses and several parishes have resolved to separate from the Episcopal Church, a situation that is likely to result in legal battles over church property and assets.

The Anglican leaders acknowledged that since each province is independent under church law, they had no judicial power to interfere with the decisions by the Episcopal Church or the diocese of New Westminster.

The spiritual leader of the Anglican Communion, the Most Rev. Rowan Williams, archbishop of Canterbury, had summoned the church primates to the meeting this week, and staked his authority on their reaching a consensus that would preserve Anglican unity and the mission work of the church.

Ailing Pope John Paul II Celebrates 25th Anniversary of Papacy in Rome

By Frank Bruni
THE NEW YORK TIMES

VATICAN CITY

With a twilight Mass that drew thousands of people to St. Peter's Square, Pope John Paul II celebrated his 25th anniversary at the head of the Roman Catholic Church on Thursday night, a milestone at once joyful and somber.

Cardinals and worshippers from all over the world sang sweetly and clapped softly to show their appreciation for the 83-year-old pope and his extraordinary papacy, the fourth-longest in the history of Christianity's largest denomination.

They also watched a proud leader, his strength sapped by illness and age, struggle to get his words out, his face contorted at times into what resembled a pained grimace.

The pope read only the first and fourth sections of a prepared sermon, handing over the long, middle stretch of the text to a senior Vatican official.

Addressing Jesus Christ, the

pope said, "I offer you the fruits of these 25 years of ministry."

"Forgive any bad done," the pope said in Italian, "and multiply the good."

Thursday's marked yet another indelible moment in the career of one of the most visible, commanding figures of his time.

Although John Paul's words and actions over several stormy decades drew both acclaim and protest, he always loomed large, and he intersected time and again with important world events.

Some historians say he played an important role in the collapse of Communism in Europe by exhorting fellow Poles and others under the grip of the Soviet Union to reject an ideology that he deemed oppressive.

Thursday night's ceremony lasted two hours and brimmed with feeling. Many worshippers' eyes misted as they listened to the pope and to the tributes that he received.

The pope seemed similarly moved. When Cardinal Joseph

Ratzinger, one of a handful of Vatican officials who still see the pope regularly, delivered a formal speech in praise of him, John Paul's head hung lower than usual and his eyes narrowed.

Although Parkinson's disease has robbed the pope of much control over his expressions, it looked as if he was holding back tears.

The scale of pageantry on Thursday night matched the degree of emotion. John Paul sat, in regal golden robes and a tall golden miter, as the sun set and darkness fell on the storied square.

Around him were scores of cardinals from scores of countries, in red caps and pale yellow robes. At his feet were thousands of spectators, including many of Italy's important politicians and leaders from other countries.

The ceremony began at 6 p.m., almost the same hour when, a quarter-century ago, white smoke rose from the Sistine Chapel to indicate the election of a new pope.

Bush Reiterates U.S. Policy On Pre-Emptive Action

THE NEW YORK TIMES

SAN BERNARDINO, CALIF.

President Bush embarked on his longest trip to Asia on Thursday by reasserting America's right to take pre-emptive action against its enemies, and with a warning that the world cannot allow Indonesia, the world's most populous Muslim nation, to be "defined" by Islamic extremists.

Bush's comments, in a speech here just a few hours before he departed for Japan and in comments to Asian and Australian reporters that were released by the White House, marked an assertive declaration of what he called "a new American strategy" as he headed to several countries where anti-American sentiment runs high. He told the reporters that part of his aim during the trip would be "to make sure that the people who are suspicious of our country understand our motives are pure."

Bush rarely talks so directly about his pre-emption strategy, unveiled 13 months ago in a national security strategy that has come to define a major turn in America's approach to the world. His comments here were notable for their timing, as he urged Asian nations to enter a new phase of a war against terrorism.

Japan-Mexico Free Trade Talks Falter

THE NEW YORK TIMES

TOKYO

Japan's pig farmers and orange growers proved on Thursday to have more political power than the likes of Toyota, Honda and Nissan.

With President Vicente Fox of Mexico here to sign a free trade pact with Japan, talks broke down on Thursday over Japan's dogged defense of its pork and orange juice producers.

With Japan exporting to Mexico five times the value of Mexico's exports to Japan, a bilateral free trade pact enjoys the overwhelming support of Japan's industrial establishment, including all its carmakers.

"Nissan is the biggest carmaker in Mexico," Carlos Ghosn, chief executive of the Nissan Motor Co., told a news conference on Thursday before the negotiators gave up, without setting a date to reconvene. "We have the biggest market share and so a free trade agreement would be saluted by Nissan with lots of support."

Fox, unaware that Japan's politically powerful farm lobby was blocking an agreement, tried to soften up Japanese reporters on Thursday afternoon saying, "Pork cooked in orange juice is a delicious dish."

But with parliamentary elections three weeks away, Japan's ruling Liberal Democratic Party evidently feared angering its rural base. Because of districting, a rural vote can carry twice as much weight in Japan as an urban vote.

The collapse of trade talks with Mexico will crimp Japan's new fling with trade bilateralism.

Schwarzenegger Meets Bush, 'An Ally Of California'

THE NEW YORK TIMES

SAN BERNARDINO, CALIF.

Perhaps the Sacramento-Washington deep freeze has begun to thaw. After two and a half years in which requests for federal aid from Gov. Gray Davis, a Democrat, have largely gone unanswered from the Republican administration, it seems that the soon-to-be governor of California, Arnold Schwarzenegger, has a friend in the White House.

Schwarzenegger met with President Bush for about 45 minutes on Thursday morning as Bush stopped briefly in California on his way to Asia. According to accounts from both sides, little of substance was discussed. Instead, the meeting was the beginning of a bonding ritual between two leaders who may have a lot to offer each other.

Both Bush and Schwarzenegger said they used their time to renew a relationship that began more than a decade ago when Schwarzenegger served the president's father as chairman of the President's Council on Physical Fitness.

"We did have a good visit, and during that visit I was able to reflect upon how much we have in common," Bush said at the start of a speech on terrorism and the economy to a business group in San Bernardino, east of Los Angeles. "We both married well. Some accuse us both of not being able to speak the language. We both have big biceps. Well, two out of three isn't bad."

After Astronaut's Success, China Vows Quick Return to Space

THE NEW YORK TIMES

BEIJING

Within hours of the safe return of the Shenzhou 5 early Thursday, China pledged to return to space in one or two years, as officials outlined a short-term space agenda that included space walks, space docking and possibly a space lab or station.

The commitment underscored the confidence and enthusiasm infused into the space program by the Shenzhou 5 mission, which established China as the third nation to send a human into space.

The astronaut, Lt. Col. Yang Liwei, is being hailed as a national hero and lavished with praise by the country's top leaders.

"It is a splendid moment in the history of my motherland and also the greatest day of my life," Yang, a former military fighter pilot, said minutes after landing, according to the official New China News Agency. He was quickly flown to Beijing, where he passed a physical examination.

Later, in a television interview, he described the wonders of space and also what he had not seen. "The scenery was very beautiful," he said. "But I did not see the Great Wall."

Zhou Xiaofei, the director of manned space engineering, listed the program's immediate priorities as, in order, space walking, mastering the docking of space vehicles and establishing a space lab.

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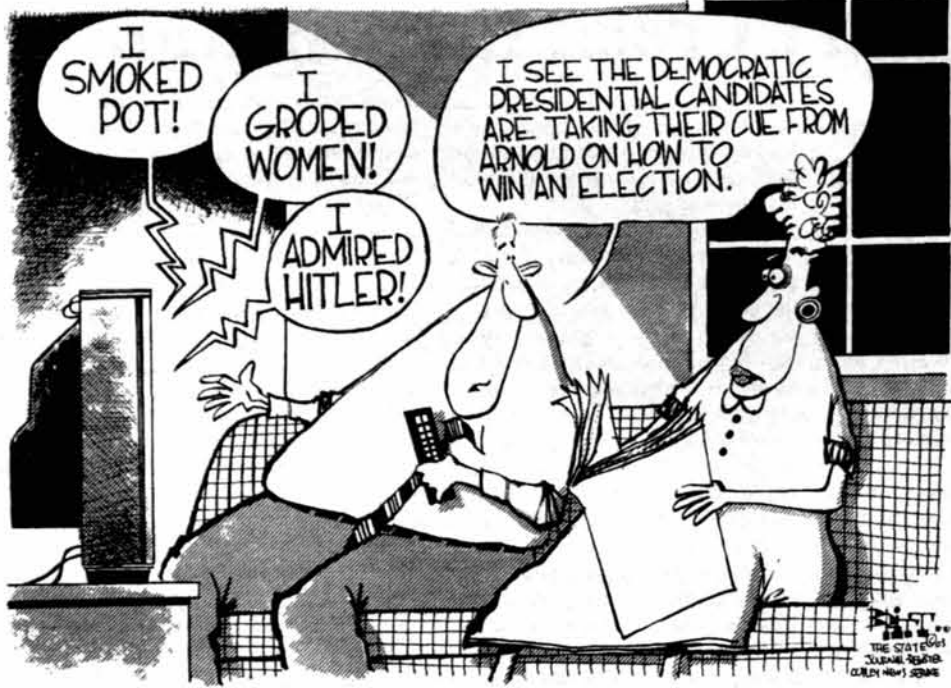
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Letter To The Editor

To the Editor:

Dean Robert Randolph recently wrote, in an e-mail to mit-talk@mit.edu, "There is not such thing as free speech; there are consequences to what we say and do."

Jacob Eisenstein wrote in a letter to the editor [Oct. 14], "you [students] have no idea whether the First Amendment limits MIT's ability to discipline students for sending offensive e-mails."

Both are mistaken. Free speech obviously does exist as a legal right, even if there are consequences to what we say. Our rights include being offensive, over e-mail or in person, as long as it does not become harassment. The consequences of giving offense, intended or not, are myriad. Many are of a social nature, such as public shaming and lowering the opinions of others.

Moreover, these rights are most likely protected, legally, at MIT. The Massachusetts

Civil Rights Act applies to both public and private universities, and guarantees that students' constitutional rights are protected from infringement by the administration. Although the speech code at MIT has not been tested under the MCRA, similar cases have been decided in students' favor, such as *Abramowitz v. Trustees of Boston University* in 1986.

There are of course limits to what we can say to each other without legal consequence. Threats, intimidation, and harassment are all rightly punishable by MIT and by the courts. However, the cases where speech strays into objectionable behavior are well delineated. I have not seen anyone claim that the e-mail invitation that has generated the recent interest in such issues threatened, intimidated, or harassed anyone. Until such is shown to be, the only punishment that can and should be applied is that which already is: social

reproach. I think such punishment is likely to be more effective in the long run. Students often ignore the opinions of administrators; the opinions of their peers have a much greater effect.

Thouis Ray Jones G

[Editor's Note: Abramowitz v. Trustees of Boston University, No. SUCV1986-82680 (Mass. Super. Ct. Dec. 2, 1986) is an unpublished decision of a Massachusetts trial court "that Boston University violated the free speech rights of four students when it threatened to evict them from their dormitories for hanging political banners out their windows," and "held that school officials had selectively enforced a policy barring students from posting signs in their windows and could not further enforce it against the students involved," as The New York Times wrote in 1986.]

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Errata

A Tuesday article about independent living group rush results ["Early ILG Numbers Bring Some Worries"] included one house in error. Tau Epsilon Phi was a member of the Living Group Council from 1998 until 2003, but is no longer a member, according to Brian T. Neltner '05, the fraternity president, and Laurel L. Ruhlen '06, the LGC treasurer.

Because of an editing error, the article also referred incorrectly to this year's ILG recruitment. It is the first since the ILGs left the Interfraternity Council in February 2003, not the first to be run outside of fraternity rush. ILGs have run their rush separate from fraternities since January 2002.

A photo caption Tuesday misspelled the surname of a founder of the MIT Sport Taekwondo Club. She is Christina S. Park '02, not Parks.

Responding to Flag Flap

Keith Hampton

In early July a student made a complaint to Housing about an Israeli flag that had been hung from a fellow resident's window overlooking the courtyard of the Sidney-Pacific (SP) Graduate Residence. This student felt that the SP courtyard was a community space that should be welcoming and safe for everyone regardless of their origin or political affiliation. This student expressed that the presence of a flag interfered with their ability to enjoy the courtyard and to feel welcome in their home.

The Tech's news articles and opinion columns that have discussed these events have focused on what are reported as unfair MIT policies and have recently implied that I and others were intolerant and bigoted for requesting that the flag be moved inside that resident's window ["A Flag That Won't Go Away," Oct. 10]. I am concerned about the lack of balanced, objective reporting on this issue, and have a greater concern of how tolerance is debated on the MIT campus.

After the issue was brought to my attention by MIT Housing, it was my responsibility as the associate housemaster for Sidney-Pacific to visit the resident hanging the flag from their window. I informed the resident that concerns had been raised about other students feeling welcome in the courtyard. At this time the resident was also told that Housing policy prohibited items from being attached to the outside of graduate residences without approval from the House Manager. The following day the resident was also provided with a reference to the appropriate guidelines as published in the MIT *Housing Policies and Regulations*:

"The use of flammable decorations, including natural evergreens, in any room, corridor, stairwell, lounge, dining hall, lobby and other public areas is prohibited by Massachusetts fire laws. The use of non-flammable decorations must be approved by the House Manager."

The resident was told at the time of our first meeting, and on subsequent occasions that the housing policy would be enforced and was asked to bring the flag from outside to the inside of their window (where it would still be visible from outside). The resident was also told that if complying with existing policy did not resolve the initial complaint, that the student who made the complaint would be welcome to take their concerns to the house government or some other body to discuss community expectations regarding this issue.

It would have been inappropriate to conceal the complaint from the resident. The administration has no interest in lying or misleading students. The flag likely would have

gone unnoticed by me and by Housing if it had not been brought to our attention through the concerns of a student. It does not matter how the infraction was brought to MIT's attention: any other banner, decoration, or flag hanging from SP would have been dealt with in the same way.

Over the next two months the resident involved continued to hang their flag from the window overlooking the SP courtyard. The resident was repeatedly asked to place the flag inside the window to comply with Housing policy. The resident was also asked if they would be willing to help raise awareness of issues related to diversity, tolerance, and inclusion on campus by working with Housing to develop educational programming for SP. *At no time was the resident involved asked to remove their flag from public view.* It was only after two months and repeated requests to comply with the policy that the resident was told that they may face disciplinary action if they did not follow housing guidelines. This was not a capricious, blindly authoritarian act; it was the result of an extended discussion as part of which the resident involved was given many opportunities to comply with policy and help address the underlying issue.

So why a policy that asks students to seek approval from House Managers before hanging things from dorm or residences? Objects hanging from buildings can cause damage, be fire hazards, or represent a safety concern. All of these may not apply to this flag, but the policy is not about one flag. It is a policy about all things students may want to hang on the outside of student residences. Despite the best intentions, there are situations where a student may become injured by attempting to hang something from a building, an item could represent a fire hazard, or an object attached to the building could cause damage or be a safety concern. No items are excluded from this policy. Students should seek the advice of their House Manager before hanging things out their window or otherwise from a building.

What I find even more compelling as an argument against hanging items from the windows of a building like Sidney-Pacific is that an assortment of laundry, flags, and banners can be visually unappealing. A lot of time and energy goes into building a new student residence. One of the things that delayed construction of SP was concern by Cambridge residents about the appearance of the building. SP is located farther from campus than any other student residence. One flag is not the issue, but if a large number of items of various description were permanently draped from the side of the building, how would this be viewed by our neighbors? Again, it's not about one flag; neither housemasters, student groups, nor should the administration be

involved in regulating content. It is all or nothing, and "nothing" is the policy that was adopted by Housing and is reflected in the "Publicity Guidelines" established by the SP house government:

"Posting is not permitted on doors [building entrances, this does not apply to decorations on student doors] or in hallways or on the exterior of the building... This is to protect the walls, to not create extra work for the janitorial staff and to be courteous to our neighbors."

Still, students should and are encouraged to express themselves at MIT. Putting items in a window instead of hanging them from the building does not significantly limit self-expression. When coordinated with House Managers, exceptions should be made so that items can temporarily be hung from student residences.

Beyond the debate over whether students should be free to use the external surface of MIT buildings without interference from the administration, there remains a much larger and more serious issue. A student expressed a concern about feeling unwelcome in their living environment, and those who were willing to hear those concerns have been labeled intolerant and bigoted for enforcing MIT policy. This complaint was not motivated by intolerance! It was a request for tolerance. I can only assume that those who would associate this complaint with being bigoted are missing key pieces of information, for these accusations are false and only reinforce the intolerance at the root of the problem.

As members of the MIT community we should be working to make our environment welcoming for everyone. The most regrettable aspect surrounding this event is not that a flag has been moved a couple of feet behind a pane of glass. The true travesty in all of this is our failure as a community to address concerns about campus tolerance and to develop community expectations around these issues. Express your concerns, but do not shut out those with whom you disagree. It is far easier to attack someone personally than it is to attack a policy or address the underlying issues. The MIT community should not allow a small number of students, lashing out at the administration, and the unbalanced reporting of a student newspaper, to draw attention away from what is important. It should not be a lofty ideal that we as a community accommodate others, respect differences, and go out of our way to make everyone feel welcome. It should be the underlying motive behind all that we do.

Keith Hampton is associate housemaster at Sidney-Pacific and the assistant professor of technology, urban, and community sociology in the Department of Urban Studies and Planning.

Disenfranchisement Week

Rob Jagnow

Falling right on the heels of National Coming Out Day and the fifth anniversary of the brutal murder of Matthew Shepard, President Bush has exercised his executive authority to create yet another time of observance of particular interest to the gay and lesbian community nationwide. October 12 through 18 is now, by executive proclamation, Marriage Protection Week.

While this may sound innocuous, even a cursory look at the politics behind this proclamation reveals that this week has nothing to do with encouraging healthy marital relationships and everything to do with targeting a specific minority group for disenfranchisement.

To those who have never had the legality of their marriage brought into question, marriage may appear to be little more than an opportunity to publicly demonstrate lifelong commitment to a partner. But marriage also bestows monumental legal rights that are often taken for granted. In fact, the General Accounting Office has identified 1,049 federal rights in which marriage is a factor. This doesn't include the average 400 rights bestowed by most states upon married couples. The list includes everything from Social Security and employment benefits to immigration and hospital visitation rights.

Right now in the U.S., not a single state recognizes the marriage of same-sex partners. There are, however, 35 states with so-called

Gay and lesbian couples aren't looking for special rights. All they want are the same privileges of citizenship that everyone else already has.

"Defense of Marriage Acts," which explicitly deny the benefits of marriage to gay and lesbian couples. Vermont is the only state that authorizes same-sex civil unions, which bestow state — but not federal — rights of marriage. And even if a state were to allow for same-sex marriage, all related rights would be stripped if a couple were to travel to another DOMA state.

It's easy to argue that DOMA legislation violates the Fourteenth Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, which guarantees equal protection to all citizens under the law. Furthermore, such laws violate Article 4, Section 1, which requires that each state recognize the "public acts, records and judicial proceedings of every other state." But so far, no DOMA laws have yet been challenged in federal court.

Conservative legislators have devised a particularly creative solution to the problem of Constitutionality: amend the Constitution. The proposed Federal Marriage Amendment would not only "codify" marriage as a union between a man and a woman, but would also explicitly deny states the option of authorizing same-sex marriage, and possibly even rescind civil unions.

In addition to conflicting with Article 4 and the Fourteenth Amendment of the Constitution, establishing a federal definition of marriage would conflict with the Tenth Amendment, which reserves this power for the states. While President Bush has not yet officially endorsed the Federal Marriage Amendment, his proclamation of Marriage Protection Week appears to be a clear indication of his political allegiance.

Gay and lesbian couples aren't looking for special rights. All they want are the same privileges of citizenship that everyone else already has. The United States Constitution should guarantee equality — not relegate a select few to second-class status. DOMA legislation establishes a dangerous precedent of dismissing minority rights in response to the bigoted opinion of an abusive majority.

Given the status of current and pending legislation aimed at disenfranchising committed gay and lesbian couples, wouldn't it be more appropriate to have a "Minority Rights Protection Week?"

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Supporting Our Academic Allies

Andrew C. Thomas

When it was revealed earlier this summer that expected developments in the improvement of MIT's ROTC program had stalled, improvements that would properly compromise between the Institute's discrimination policies against gays and the Armed Forces "don't ask, don't tell" policy, *The Tech* recommended that MIT not only work to push this compromise but to work with other institutions to promote positive change at the government level. Recent confrontations between law schools and military recruiters have given MIT a chance to weigh in once again to this debate, in a lawsuit filed by the Forum for Academic and Institutional Rights (FAIR), a group of law schools and professors. FAIR has sued the Department of Defense following a confrontation between the DOD and those law schools over the prohibition of military recruiting due to the military's discrimination against openly gay soldiers. MIT must throw its official weight behind FAIR in order to help effect change.

There was at one point a faculty promise to reform the ROTC program by introducing a system that would allow openly gay cadets to complete the collegiate program without receiving a commission at graduation. In theory this is possible now; ROTC classes are apparently open to all members of the community whether or not they serve as a cadet. However, this does not extend to other parts of the program under military jurisdiction.

One very valid reason MIT has had against a change of policy is that the DOD has threatened to cut off all funding for even the slightest act of defiance, a move sanctioned by the 1995 Solomon Amendment and under current threat of broad use by Mr. Rumsfeld. It was this threat that caused the law schools to back down in the first place. How unfortunate — and legally questionable — it is that the DOD is making the law schools violate the constitution in order to avoid having the military break an existing law. One point of attack, recently discussed in *The New York Times*, is that the DOD's threats constitute a violation of the law

schools' freedom of association. But the basic stalemate remains that these laws are fundamentally incompatible.

And it is MIT that can help break the stalemate. By showing its support to FAIR in some way — from as little as an official letter to as much as an *amicus curiae* brief. MIT can help shore up the plaintiff's case. It would be foolish to suggest that MIT can change "don't ask, don't tell" singlehandedly — after all, such a change could only come with time and a longer legal battle — but given MIT's historically important relationship with the military, and its defense of the ROTC program during the Vietnam War, it is not an understatement to say that MIT carries some weight.

It would seem that since the ROTC program is intact in its current form at MIT, and military recruitment is not under heavy debate, there would be little risk of losing funding under Solomon. With everything to gain and little to lose, it makes little sense to leave the law schools on their own when this school could help tip the scales in their favor.

The Ombudsman

John A. Hawkinson

Ombudserratum

A reader wrote in questioning my Oct. 3 assertion ["Friday's Flag Editorial Sloppy and Bad Journalism"], under "Flawed arguments," that the housing regulation applied to flags not at Sidney-Pacific was that pro-

hibiting "flammable decorations" and mandating approval of non-flammable decorations. He was correct; I had misunderstood.

Director of Housing Karen A. Nilsson clarified in an e-mail to me, "the policy that was enforced regarding the 'flag' at both East Campus as well as at Sidney and Pacific is the Housing Policy on Alterations and Additions."

Per the Housing Web site, <http://web.mit.edu/housing/standards/housing.html#alterations>, that policy reads: "Alterations to physical conditions of rooms and hallways ... must be approved by the House Manager. Residents are not permitted to alter or add to any part of the building structure, mechanical, or electrical systems."

The Tech's Ombudsman welcomes your feedback, to ombudsman@the-tech.mit.edu. His opinions are his own.

FEATURES

Scratch Paper
Bursting the BubbleBy Tiffany Kosolcharoen
STAFF REPORTER

I am selfish. Yes, I know I just broke a rule of my 15.279 class: never begin a paragraph with 'I.'

Everyday, I read the "Marketplace" section of *The Wall Street Journal* to prepare myself for a business career, only glancing at the world headlines: "Israeli tanks enter Rafah refugee camp" and "Saddam hides in Tikrit."

Perhaps if war affected me more, I would understand it better. If the front page reported what Saddam had for dinner, how much sleep Bush got last night, or if the weather is going to be really lousy in Guantanamo Bay, I could relate.

Sleep, food, and weather. In the juicy Xanga blog entries I fight (and fail) to ignore, I notice something. Here we are at MIT, the university among universities, and we still only complain about our own trivial lives.

My friend keeps this piece of advice on her AOL Instant Messenger profile to help MIT folk out:

"Do not spoil what you have by desiring what you have not; but remember that what you have now was once among the things you only

hoped for."

—Epicurius

Although I have been a news writer for *The Tech* for a year, I realize that nobody reads headlines such as "Over Half of Next House Occupied by Class of '07" unless you are a Next House resident or an '07 student.

It is no surprise that more people read "Sex and the Saferide" than the most recent twist in the flag saga. You are probably reading this column because it is *not* news.

However, the lack of knowledge we have on issues that affect others is concerning.

Speaking of caring, when was the last time you did something out of pure selflessness? No, I am not referring to the time I donated money to the saxophone player at the T-stop. That had an ulterior motive: I benefited from his music.

Giving money is the easy way out, commonly known as fishing for a man instead of teaching him how to fish.

When was the last time you reached out to a classmate in recitation to learn his or her name before the end of the school year? I shamefully admit I do not know the names of everyone with whom I brush my teeth (although on good hair days, I will have the audacity to ask).

When was the last time you enriched some-

one else's life? And giving answers away on problem sets does not count! When I answered this question for myself, nothing instantly popped up. I am unfortunately digging deep for something non-school related.

I challenge you to get involved. Ms. Kampf, my high school government teacher, said that you can be a political activist if you merely vote once a year (props to my sister, Tracy, who filled out my California absentee ballot for the chaotic gubernatorial election!) or get involved in a protest (wait, doesn't that mean I have to read the news?).

"Sometimes a scream is better than a thesis."

—Ralph Waldo Emerson

Sure, 80 units and a brain on Red Bull might interfere with the time needed to understand the issues and join a protest. So at least take a stand! Join an MIT club. Start your own organization. Speak up!

I recently learned that a club I joined is hosting an event to teach local first- through third-grade Girl Scouts about math and science.

For once, I am excited about something other than the next suicide prevention day or Krispy Kreme study break. It is the discovery of pure, selfless joy.

Ask Nutty B

By Nutty B
COLUMNIST

Nutty B is currently a graduate student at MIT. Please e-mail him with whatever question you would like someone to listen to, and help him have an excuse to procrastinate at 3 a.m. Please send all questions to askNuttyB@yahoo.com

Dear Nutty B,

Everyone in my research group thinks I am in love with this guy in another group, but I am not. What's worse is that everyone in the other group also thinks I am in love with this guy. What should I do?

—Loveless Maggie

Dear Loveless Maggie,

There is only one solution I can think of really. I think you and that guy should just "go with the flow," so to speak, and go out on dates then get married and then live happily ever after. If not, then perhaps you should just go out with Nutty B on a date, marry him and live happily ever after!

What causes people from both groups to think you are in love with this guy?

Do you visit him 10 times a day, and vice versa? Do you hang out all the time and will not go to the washroom without the other's company? Are you on the phone and AIM or MSN Messenger constantly with this lucky

lad? If so, then perhaps you should really follow Nutty B's advice and just get married with him!

On the other hand, if none of the scenarios I suggest is true, then perhaps you don't have to mind what others think about you. You are you, and there is no need to worry too much about what others think.

It's rare but very fortunate to have a good friend to hang out with and to share time with each other. Treasure it when you have the chance to have such good company! Believe in yourself and be self-confident! Take care!

Hello Nutty B,

It's only October but I miss home already. I've always considered myself [to be] an independent and strong person, but somehow I have started to miss home.

I am a freshman. Does this have something to do with this being my first time away from home for so long? Am I weak? Do I need help?

—Ashley

Dear Ashley,

So you miss home huh? Poor Nutty B does, too! When everyone was celebrating Columbus Day just a few days ago, Nutty B was eating turkey in his apartment celebrating Canadian Thanksgiving while listening to "O

Canada" over and over in his apartment.

Every little thing reminded him of the great white north: The Molson Canadian beer, the hockey stick he uses to hit his roommate, the broom for curling and apartment cleaning, the Canadian bacon ... you name it!

There is nothing wrong with missing home, and I don't think you are weak at all. Your family is supposed to be the people to whom you can turn when you need help or when you need emotional support.

Are you missing home because of the stress you get from school? Are you not adjusting well because you have no one you can talk with until the morning? Well, welcome to life! Everyone has to go through a series of steps of growing up, and just see this as your step one. Talk to your roommates, sorority sisters, classmates, or whomever if you need help with classes.

Call your family once a while just to say hi and let them say hi to you. Sometimes a familiar voice does wonders when you are down! If you don't have any friends, well, then make some! Go to social events in your dorm or find a few people to form a study group. There are always people around. Make this new life experience as enjoyable, or at least bearable, as you can.

Overcome obstacles instead of being overwhelmed by them!

UA Q&A

By Rose Grabowski
and Harel Williams

UA COORDINATING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Dear UA,

I know that you had a discussion session on Monday last week on the subject of hanging flags outside dorm windows — unfortunately, I had two psets due and an exam the next day (hellloooooo hell week), so I couldn't come participate. Did anything come out of the discussion? What action is the UA going to take?

—Double O'Fun

The discussion session went very well — it seems to have been both informative and productive. The people who came to participate included many UA senators, several other undergraduates, as well as Jonathan A. Goler G, the graduate student who initially hung the flag outside of his Sidney Pacific window.

Many people also asked Goler specific questions about what had happened and what action he would be taking in the future. The senators each went around and reported the information and opinions they had collected from their constituents.

The general sentiment from the undergraduates seemed to be that it would be beneficial to the community to work with the housing department to clarify the regulations around the issue.

Several senators are going to work on a resolution, to be brought before the UA Senate, in support of a revised housing policy. If you have any input on this, please contact your senator.

Dear UA,

So I heard about how the UA office in the Student Center has become a hangout on Saturday nights for UA members to discuss philosophical matters. I decided to swing by the Saturday night before last, but no one was around. I was all prepared to discuss Machiavelli's The Prince, and was pretty disappointed. Where did you guys go?

—Nick

Machiavelli? Is that a desert or something? Anyway, that weekend, 30 of the UA officers spent two days on a retreat planning for the rest of the term. Much time was spent clarifying the UA's goals and mission in general and our own personal goals to benefit the undergraduate body as a whole.

We worked on enhancing internal communication amongst UA members, communicating more effectively with the student body at large, and working effectively with administrators and staff.

Many solid ideas and objectives arose from our discussions, several of which are included in the Goals Checklist, published in *The Tech*.

If you have any questions, comments, or additional items that you would like to see added to the list, please e-mail make-it-happen@mit.edu. Oh, and just so you know, UA is a democratic organization, not a monarchical one.

Got more questions? E-mail uaqa@mit.edu with your quizzicality. Want more information on any of the issues raised this week? Visit <http://web.mit.edu/ua/www/uaqa>.

Gadget Review
SlimX PlayerBy Kallas Narendran
COLUMNIST

Pros

- Super thin
- Great performance
- Easy to use and operate

Cons

- Marginal radio performance
- Lots of wires for non-mobile use

The Lowdown

The SlimX player from iRiver is the next step in slim, pocket-size CD players for the modern, active lifestyle. The player is essentially the area of a standard compact disc, and only half an inch thick.

The device comes with a remote control unit that provides an easy to read, backlit dot matrix display. The interface provides easy access to the most popular functions (play, stop, and the like all have their own buttons) while still providing a great deal of flexibility through an easily usable and navigable menu system.

The device comes with gum-stick sized nickel-metal hydride batteries (and a built-in charger), to provide up to 50 hours of playback and enough memory to provide skip-free operation.

Supersize

I was blown away by the size of this device. It's so small that it unobtrusively fits into your pocket during anything from long nights in lab to your afternoon workout in the Z-center. The thickness of the device seems to be dictated simply by the thickness of the batteries, which is quite impressive. Since all the controls are located on the remote, it's possible to throw the player in your pocket or backpack, and still have easy access to your music.

Interface and flexibility

The user interface effectively provides the ability to quickly control music play, while still having access to advanced options such as a graphic equalizer, directory lists, visualizations and more. Even though you'd need to look over the user manual to figure out how to use all the features of the system, it's simple enough to get it to start playing music right out of the box.

In addition to playing MP3s, the system can play WMA and ASF files, and even your Winamp M3U playlists! It also displays song tag info on the brightly backlit screen while playing for easy song searching.

If you are using the player while moving around, it's great to have the remote control unit. Instead of carrying the player in your hands, you

can slip it into your backpack or pocket and the remote (and extra wire length afforded by it) kills two birds with one stone. If you're just sitting in one place, it results in a bit of extra wire that creates a mess. Unfortunately there's no way around that problem — the remote is required for operation.

Ray-dee-oh?

As much as I love my personal music collection, sometimes it's nice to take a break

and catch up on the latest furniture commercials by listening to the radio. While the SlimX does give you the radio option, the reception is marginal since the wire for the remote is used as the antenna.

If you're really into Bernie and Phyl's, or any of the other radio luminaries in Boston, this won't give you the crystal clear jingles you want.



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The SlimX Player.

The bottom line

The design of this portable music system really makes the sell. I haven't seen something as small, sleek, and functional as this system to date. You can buy the SlimX-550 system off of iRiver's website for \$180 (with a car power adapter, cassette adapter, external battery pack, carrying case, etc.). If you go for just the player, I found it around the internet for as low as

\$110.

While this product's price point hits at about 50 percent more than the bottom of the line MP3/CD players, which go for around \$70, its elegant design and rechargeable batteries make up the difference if used regularly. You can find out more information at <http://www.iRiver.com> in addition to seeing pictures of iRiver products with Playboy bunnies. I love capitalism!


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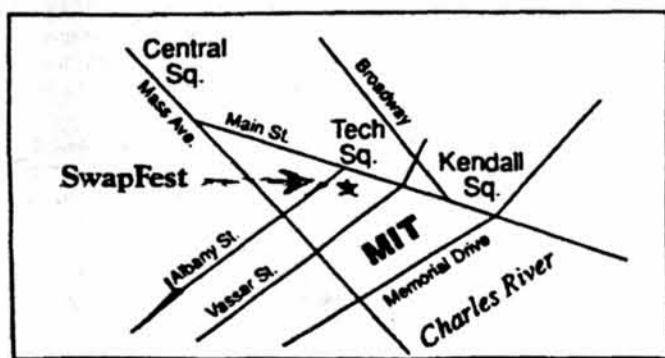
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Petition Calls for Universities To Contribute to City Housing

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positive initiative that will help gain community support" when they seek permission to build new housing, he said.

Once written, the petition would then be reviewed by the city's Ordinance and Housing Committee, and upon approval by the council it would be sent to the Massachusetts State Legislature for a vote.

Current projects spur action

Galluccio said that "the fact that the universities don't have to comply with the inclusionary ordinances" was highlighted during the city's negotiations with Harvard over their Riverside development.

Affordable housing units in the city, he said, were a major concern. This raised the question of why universities do not have to comply with the ordinances, which apply to all other developers.

City Councillor Brian Murphy said that during discussions with Harvard it came up that "no housing for the community was built at Simmons," MIT's most recent undergraduate dormitory.

Affordable housing is "not something I think we should have to negotiate with the universities," Galluccio said. "If MIT's going to build 300 units of housing, they should contribute affordable housing," he said.

However, both Galluccio and Murphy said that they supported more student housing, especially graduate housing that would lower

demand for apartments in the rest of the city.

Petition faces several obstacles

Before becoming law, the home-rule petition must be approved by the City Council and then voted on by the Massachusetts state legislature.

Ini Tomeu, public information officer for the city of Cambridge, said that the legal issues the city manager must address are complex and that it is "possible that in another month ... we might have a more definite time frame."

Galluccio said, however, that the petition would probably be sent to the state legislature before Jan. 1.

In the past, home-rule petitions have had a mixed record in the state legislature. A recent petition to give Cambridge the right to collect taxes from universities, which are currently exempt as non-profit institutions, was solidly defeated, and other petitions have sat in committee and never been brought to a vote.

"My hope is that legislature will see this as distinct from past arguments about taxing universities," Galluccio said. He said that he hoped universities would see that the intention of the petition was to maintain economic diversity within the city.

He said a similar petition to give residents who own their homes a 30 percent exemption from real estate taxes had been passed over a veto by Governor Mitt Romney during a special session of the legislature.

City will seek universities' input

Although the order is currently being considered by the city manager's legal office, the city will ask for universities' opinions during the process of considering the petition.

Galluccio said that the council will "get input as to how it may work best for universities" to include affordable housing in new projects.

Murphy said the order to the city manager was intended to "start the ball rolling in terms of discussion."

Mary Power, senior director for community relations at Harvard, said that they "look forward to learning more" about the petition, but that without more details, it was hard to predict what effect it could have on the universities.

Sarah Gallop, co-director of MIT's Office of Community and Government Relations, said that MIT feels it has been responsive to the city's requests, and that "housing is an area where we have a long-standing and strong record."

She said that with the new Sidney-Pacific and Warehouse dormitories, MIT had increased the percentage of graduate students it houses from 35 to 45 percent, and that MIT was aiming to increase that to 50 percent in the next few years.

However, she said that they felt that student housing was already affordable and that "if there were further requirements ... it would put a burden on our ability to build" more affordable housing for the MIT community.



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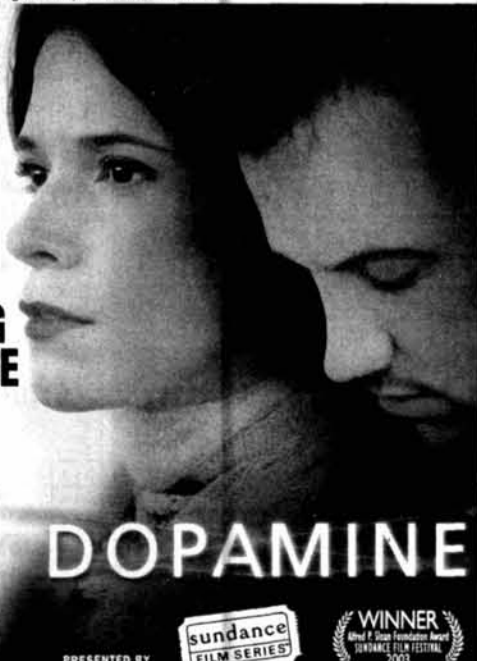
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Dorm Entrance Policies Tighten

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Driscoll said that Sheppard was caught with a duffel bag of approximately \$200 worth of frozen food, and was immediately arrested for trespassing.

He said Sheppard is also a suspect in house break-ins in Boston and Brookline. Driscoll said that MIT Police is currently working with the Brookline police department on those incidents.

Driscoll said that DeAngelis was caught in Building E17 after police responded to a report of a suspicious person rifling through desks in office areas.

He said that when she was apprehended, the police found cash and credit cards that were not in her name. Some stolen property remains unaccounted for, and the MIT Police are still investigating whether other people are involved, Driscoll said.

Dorm entrance security tightened

In response to the recent thefts, front desks in some dormitories have changed entrance policies.

"Desk is abiding by a strict policy that if you don't have an ID, you have to verify your identity through a third person, MIT ID number, or home address in order to go upstairs or check out a spare key," Wong said.

Also, all guests have to be picked up at the front desk, he said.

McCormick Desk Captain Raquel Escatel '05 said, "we have the policy where we don't let anyone in unless they have their ID."

Dormitories have also encouraged residents to lock doors and question strangers.

Jacobs said notices have been sent to graduate residence tutors, asking them to keep an eye on dormitory entrances. "Front desk can only do so much in denying access — there are over eight other entrances that it doesn't have control over," he said.

Bolouri said that "once you pass the front door, residents tend to forget that there is not much separating strangers from dorm rooms besides locked doors."

Residents lock doors

Residents appear to have become more cautious in light of the thefts.

"People who have never locked their doors have started locking their doors," Weinbeck said.

MacGregor House Manager Robert T. Ramsay Jr. said that "students would hold doors open before — we don't see that anymore."

"Soon everyone will feel relaxed," said MacGregor Housemaster Jinane Abounadi PhD '98. "It is important to keep reminding students of basic safety precautions."

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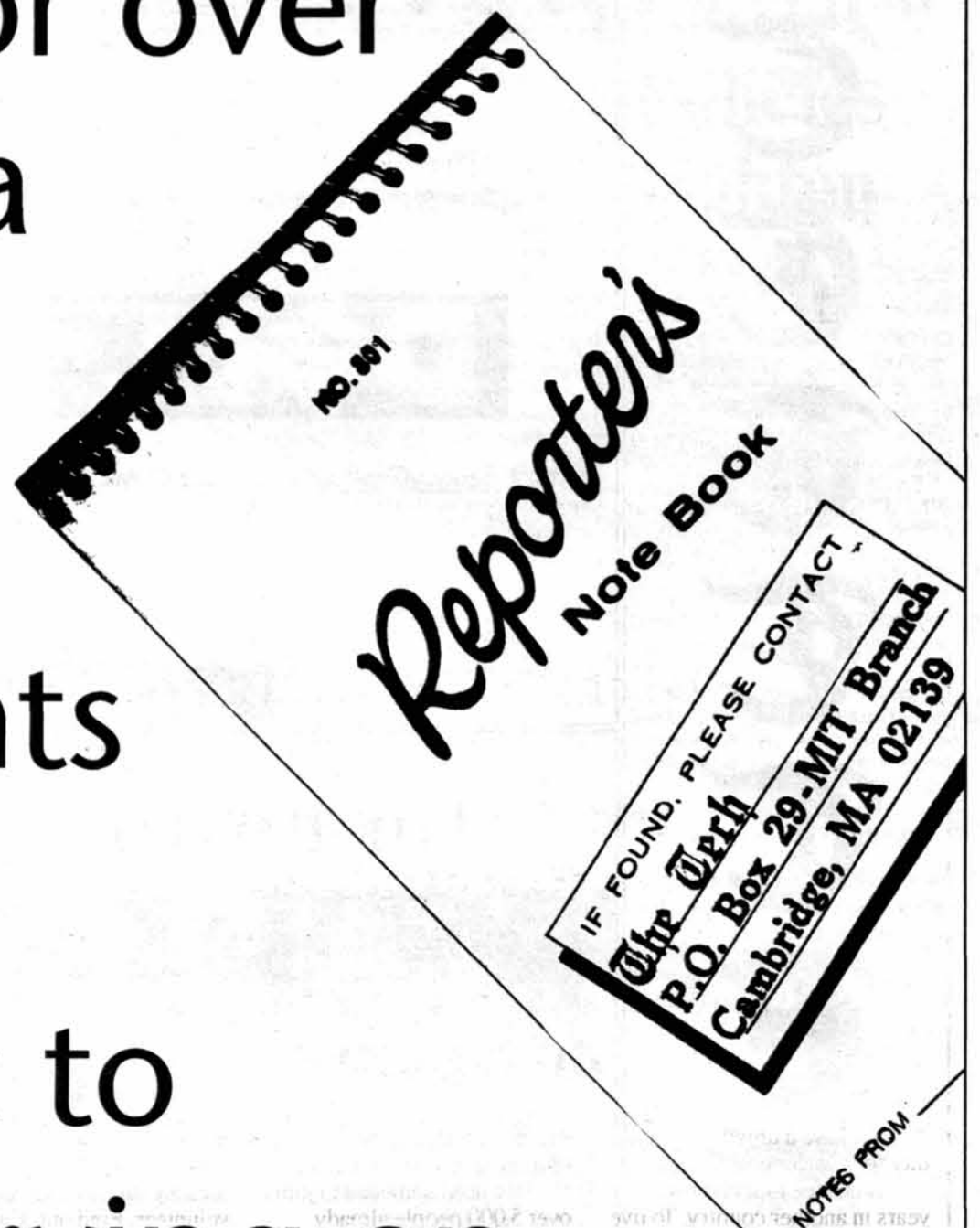
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Affordable Housing, Power of City Manager Discussed

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Support for the petition was mixed at the debate. Aimee L. Smith PhD '02 said that she would support the petition and that residents "have the right to live in the neighborhood they grew up in." Joining Smith in favor of the petition were long-shot candidates Vincent Dixon, Robert LaTremouille, and Laurie Taymor-Berry, along with incumbent Denise Simmons.

Former mayor and sitting councillor Anthony Galluccio said that he was opposed to the rent-control

measure. Galluccio said that poor management, not the loss of rent control, was to blame for the loss of students from the city's schools. Citizens should not "get divided on an old battle," he said.

Fellow incumbent Marjorie Decker echoed Galluccio, saying that it is "important not to be polarized" by the issue of rent control. Decker is undecided on the issue of the petition.

On the more general topic of improving access to affordable housing in the city, candidates generally agreed that a combination of zoning changes and planning board influence should be used. Additionally, the general consensus among the candidates was that the city should increase its affordable housing trust fund to subsidize rents.

Candidates look to schools for help
Several candidates looked to

MIT and Harvard to alleviate the city's housing crunch.

John Pitkin said that large universities should be taxed. "Universities should pay for the services that they use," he said. Non-profit institutions such as universities are exempt from property taxes.

Galluccio has supported such a change in the past and indicated that his view has not changed. Decker proposed that the city "treat [universities] like developers" and tax them. Smith suggested a payroll tax on workers at non-profit institutions.

Matthew DeBergalis '00 said that universities can reduce the demand for housing in Cambridge by building additional graduate dormitories. He said that he would hold universities accountable for pledges to rent graduate housing at below market rates and to include affordable housing units in

their developments. Galluccio also said he supported requiring universities to build affordable units.

Plan E debated

A debate over the merits of Cambridge's city manager form of government, the "Plan E" government adopted in 1940, revealed widespread dissatisfaction from both incumbents and challengers.

Galluccio said that Plan E is a "system designed to disempower elected officials" and that the school system needed greater continuity in leadership. Under Plan E, the mayor is elected by the council and serves as chair of the school committee, and the city manager is also appointed by the council.

Many candidates argued that the city council, not the manager, should be responsible for appointing members of city boards such as the

planning board. Smith said that the city "should press for a more democratic government," and pointed out that the police review and advisory board has four of its five spots vacant.

Councillor Kenneth Reeves said that the current manager, Robert Healey, is popular with voters because he is credited with Cambridge's positive financial outlook. Any motivation to change the city manager or the form of government would have to be grassroots, Reeves said. "You have to do it. We can't do it," he said.

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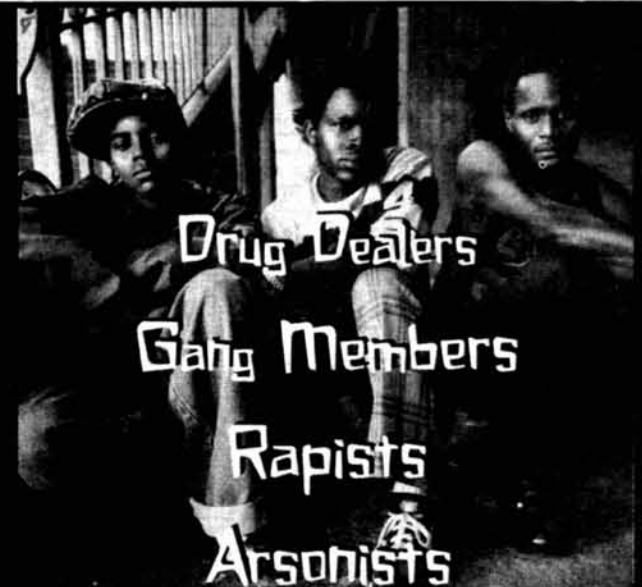
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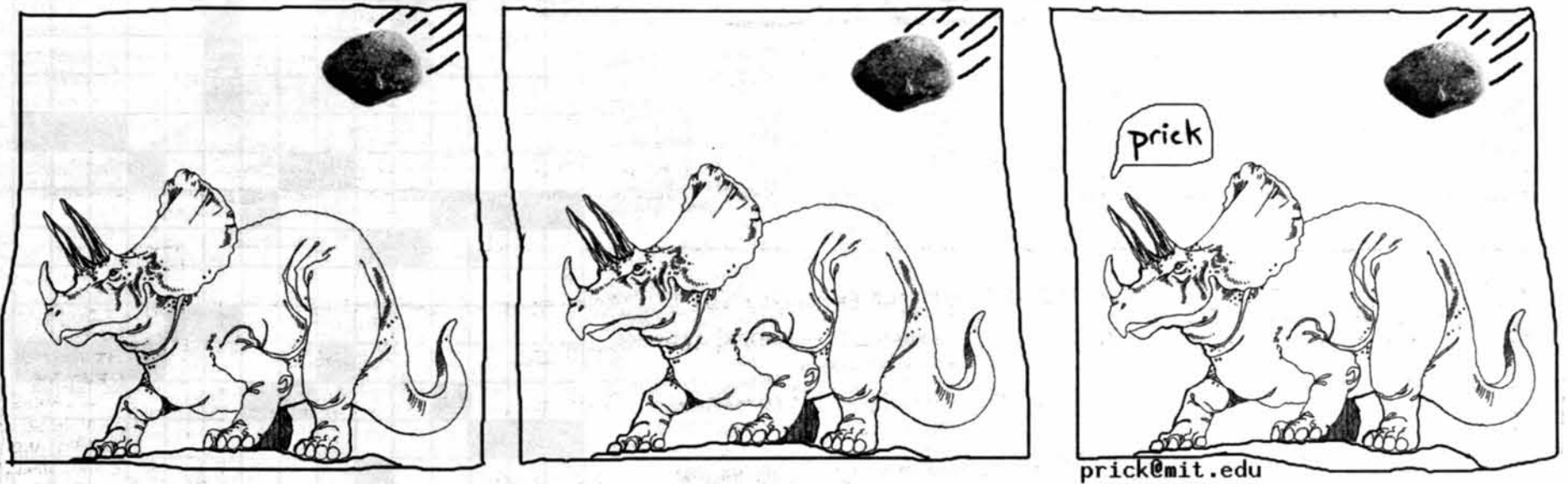


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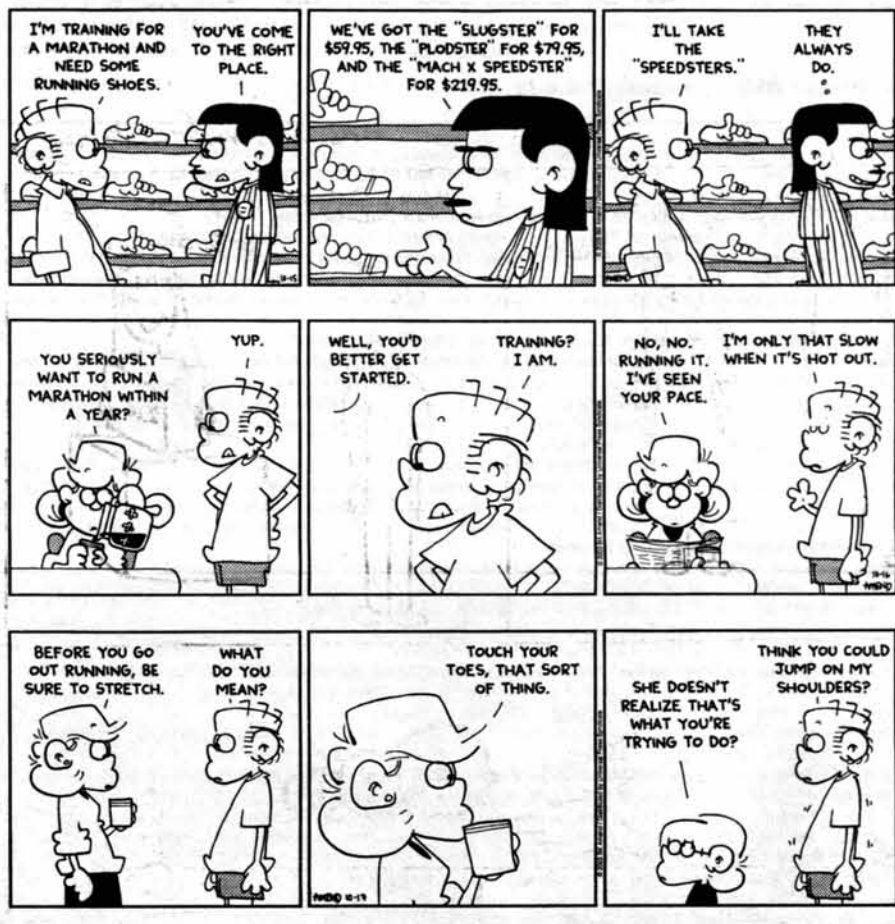


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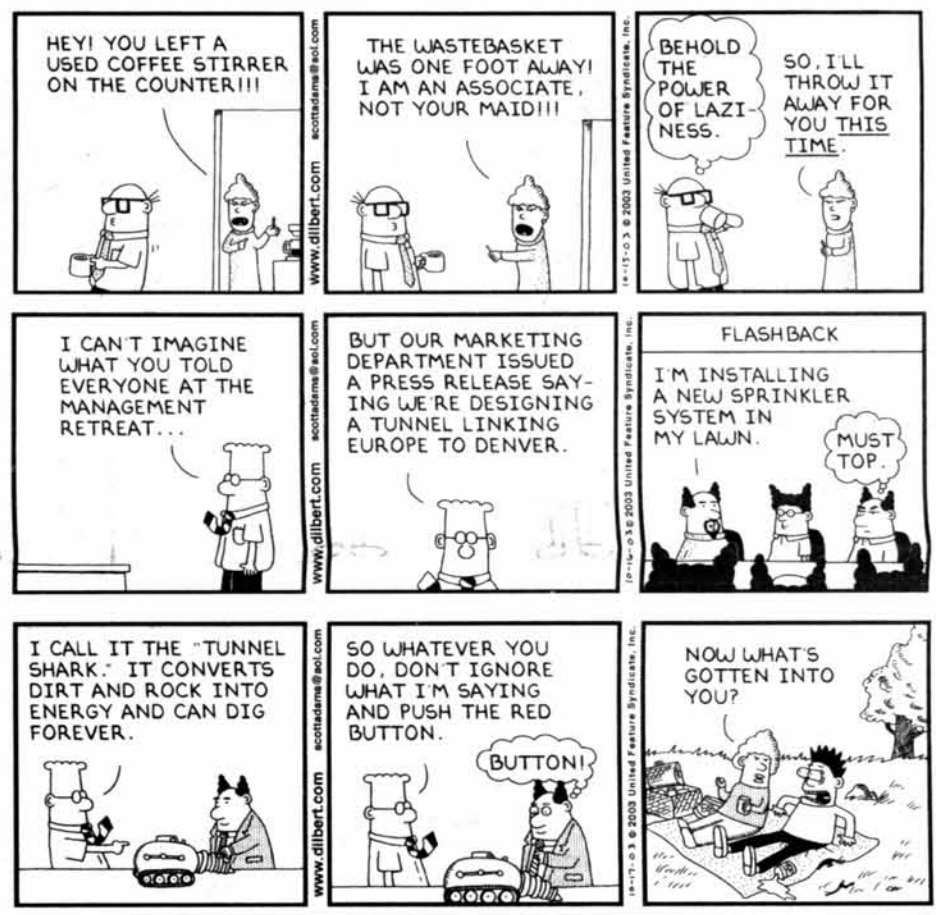
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Those are the dreaded words that a man asking a woman out does not want to hear.

Column Why? Well, because he doesn't need another friend if he's asking a girl out; he needs a girlfriend. This is nothing new. Something now familiarly known as "Ladder Theory" dictates that men cannot be friends with women that they find attractive.

The basic justification for Ladder Theory comes down to this: men and women cannot be friends because sex gets in the way, as Billy Crystal tells Meg Ryan in *When Harry Met Sally*. Men have one "ladder" where they rank all women based on how much they want to have sex with them. A woman has two ladders: a "real ladder" for the guys with which she wants to have sex, and a "friend ladder" for the guys with which she doesn't, but is comfortable enough to let them know she's sleeping with other guys.

From there, you can see why men and women can't be friends: the incompatibility of the friend ladder and a man's ladder leave much to be desired on the man's end. You can find the Ladder Theory in its entirety at [http://www.intellectualwhores.com/master-](http://www.intellectualwhores.com/master-ladder.html)

[ladder.html](http://www.intellectualwhores.com/master-ladder.html).

Of course, I don't believe everything that the theory says. And I do believe that men and women can be friends as long as they aren't attracted to each other. I have lots of female friends. They're all just low enough on my ladder that the possibility of my sleeping with them is minimal. Hey, if I wanted to sleep with you, we wouldn't be friends, right?

Theory is interesting and everything, but we're MIT engineers who are interested in the practical aspects of things. Since I don't have anyone else's life to use as an example, I'll use mine.

Take this relationship that I just ended. I'd like to be friends with my ex-girlfriend, but it's really hard. I can't be friends with her because every time I see her, I want to sleep with her. And since she's thrown me from the real ladder to the friend ladder, it makes it that much worse. So unless she becomes grotesquely ugly and is a real jerk to me in the future, I don't think that being friends is going to be the easiest route for us.

"Ladder Theory" has been affecting my dating life as well. It seems like women throw me on the friend ladder before I can do anything about it. I asked a girl out to dinner last week, and she asked me, "Oh, we're just going as friends, right?" She might as well have slapped me in the

face. Of course, I can't just tell her, "No, I want to sleep with you, though now it might be awkward." So I went to dinner with her and now I'm trying to convince myself that I don't want to sleep with her so that I can be her friend.

There's nothing like when a girl drops the "friend" bomb (the other F bomb) on you. You build up these high hopes and then you discover either one of two things: she has a boyfriend, or she just isn't attracted to you.

The worst situation is when she isn't attracted to you, but she is attracted to your friend and she wants you to set them up. I can imagine how that conversation would go:

Girl: Hey, so your friend is pretty cute. Is he single?

Me: Actually, he's a raving psychotic. You should date me instead.

Girl: Oh, but I thought we were just friends...

Me: No. We can't be friends because I want to sleep with you.

Girl: So your friend isn't single?

So how do you keep from getting stuck on the friend ladder? Honestly, I don't have any idea. I think it involves not being a nice guy. Girls seem to want to keep nice guys around as friends and go after the assholes. However, that's a discussion left for another

day. If you do get stuck on the friend ladder, though, there's always the possibility of the "ladder jump," or to put yourself into consideration for sex. I'd be wary of this because the results could be disastrous. You could fall off both ladders, and then it's just awkward.

The best way to commit a successful ladder jump is to get to the top of the friend ladder and wait for her to break up with her boyfriend. I can see it now:

Girl: He broke up with me!
Me: Really? That's too bad. You want to go out?

Girl: Hmm ... why not? I need a rebound anyway.

I can't imagine a better situation. Well, I could, but let's face it; if you're attempting a ladder jump, it's not going to get any better than this. However, I suggest you avoid being friends with a girl that you want to sleep with if you can. You'll save a lot of time and wasted energy that could be used to do problem sets (or other women). As always, good luck. Hopefully, some will come my way soon enough.

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Crossword Puzzle Solution, page 10

- ACROSS**
- 1 "Rock and Roll All Nite" group
 - 5 Machinery parts
 - 9 Two pints
 - 14 Not pro
 - 15 Cookie snack
 - 16 Not justified
 - 17 Slicker description
 - 19 "Who's there?" reply
 - 20 Start of a quip
 - 22 Class exercise
 - 23 ___ v. Wade
 - 24 Ambulance grp.
 - 27 Speak roughly
 - 30 Eclipse shadows
 - 32 Caesar's existence
 - 36 Race
 - 38 Part 2 of quip
 - 41 Permissive person
- DOWN**
- 1 John Paul II's first name
 - 2 Pointless
 - 3 Piggens
 - 4 Warbles
 - 5 Eclipse revelation
 - 6 SS Alex Rodriguez
 - 7 The cat's ___
 - 8 To date
 - 9 Bonkers
 - 10 John Ruskin's "___ This Last"
 - 11 TV spots
 - 12 Pirate's drink
 - 13 Golfer's gadget
 - 18 In need
 - 21 ___ welcome!
 - 24 Worn away unevenly
 - 25 Type of ray
 - 26 Utah lilies
 - 28 Leave text in
 - 29 Texas river
 - 31 Radar signal
 - 32 Prohibit legally
 - 33 Thickset
 - 34 Epsom
 - 35 Observer
 - 37 Gillette razorblade
 - 39 Volcanic outburst
 - 40 Island west of Maui
 - 45 Decreaser
 - 46 "___ Man," Stanton film
 - 49 Crawled
 - 51 Worries
 - 52 Like Pisa's tower
 - 53 Capital of Tibet
 - 54 Strong polyester film
 - 55 Mile. from Madrid
 - 56 Japanese vegetables
 - 57 ___ colada
 - 58 Step into character
 - 59 Skater Babilonia
 - 60 Aardvark's snack

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Friday, October 17

- 12:00 a.m. - Visiting Committee for Sponsored Research.** Biennial meeting of the Corporation Visiting Committee for Sponsored Research. Room: Bush Room 10-105. Sponsor: Corporation Office.
- 10:00 a.m. - Admissions Information Session.** Admissions Office Information Session gathers at the Admissions Reception Center. Groups over 15 people need to make special reservations. Free. Room: Admissions Reception Center. Sponsor: Information Center.
- 10:45 a.m. - Campus Tour.** Student Led Campus Tours are approximately 90 minutes long and provide a general overview of the main campus. Please note that campus tours do not visit laboratories, living groups or buildings under construction. Groups over 15 people need to make special reservations. Campus tours start at the conclusion of the Admissions Information Session. Free. Room: Lobby 7 (Main Entrance Lobby at 77 Massachusetts Ave). Sponsor: Information Center.
- 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. - For Graduate Students: Creating an Effective CV.** This workshop is intended for PhDs seeking an academic career. Learn the fundamentals of creating an effective CV. Get a faculty member's perspective on how to request references. All workshops require pre-registration. Register for workshops at <http://web.mit.edu/career/www/services/workshops.html> and choose Calendar of Workshops. Free. Sponsor: Career Services Office.
- 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. - Rainbow Lounge Open.** MIT's resource lounge for lesbian, bisexual, gay, transgendered, and questioning members of the community offers a place to hang out, various activities, and a lending library during its open hours. Free. Room: 50-306. Sponsor: lbgt@mit.
- 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Writers Group.** New writers are invited to join our weekly Writers Group. Share a piece of your writing with other interested and supportive writers. Open to all MIT students, staff, faculty, and spouses. Free. Room: 14N-417. Sponsor: Writing and Communication Center.
- 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. - Biological Frontiers Seminar Series.** Brain Mechanisms Underlying Habit Formation. Dr. Ann M. Graybiel, Walter A. Rosenblith Professor of Neuroanatomy Department of Brain and Cognitive Science Refreshments will be served. Free. Room: Whitehead Institute McGovern Auditorium, 9 Cambridge Center. Sponsor: Whitehead Institute.
- 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. - MCP Seminar.** State Environmental Leadership: How and Why States Are Taking the Lead Kenneth Colburn Executive Director Northeast States for Coordinated Air Use Management (NESCAUM) Free. Room: 54 - 915. Sponsor: Mexico City Project.
- 1:10 p.m. - 1:50 p.m. - Muslim Friday Prayer.** Weekly congregational prayer for Muslims. People of other faiths welcome to attend. Email msa-ec@mit.edu for more information. Free. Room: W11-110. Sponsor: Muslim students' Association.
- 2:00 p.m. - Admissions Information Session.** Admissions Office Information Session gathers at the Admissions Reception Center. Free. Room: Admissions Reception Center. Sponsor: Information Center.
- 2:45 p.m. - Campus Tour.** Free. Room: Lobby 7. Sponsor: Information Center.
- 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Chemical Engineering Department Fall Seminar Series.** Systems Engineering Challenges and Opportunities in Protein and Pathways Engineering. Free. Room: 66-110. Sponsor: Chemical Engineering.
- 3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. - SSL Seminar (Becky Masterson).** Topic: TBD. Free. Room: 37-212. Sponsor: AeroAstro.
- 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - PSFC Seminar.** Confinement of Exotic Plasmas in the CNT Stellarator. Free. Room: NW17-218. Sponsor: Plasma Science and Fusion Center.
- 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. - An Innovative Approach to Save Venice from Drowning.** Civil and Environmental Engineering Family Weekend Program and Reception: After viewing the Nova film by PBS "Sinking City of Venice", Prof. Mei will make further comments, answer questions from the audience, and will sketch what he and his students are working on for the Venice Project. The first phase of the \$4 billion 8-year project began in May 2003. A reception follows. Free. Room: 1-350. Sponsor: CEE Administrative Staff, CEE.
- 4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. - Creativity and Capitalism.** Pierre-Michel Menger is Director of the Centre de Sociologie du Travail et des Arts at the Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales (EHESS) in Paris, France. Free. Room: Room 1-390. Sponsor: Office of the Arts, Center for International Studies, MIT France Program.
- 4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. - Generating Functions for Sets of Lattice Points.** Refreshments prior to lecture. Free. Room: Room 2-338. Sponsor: Combinatorics Seminar, Department of Mathematics.
- 6:00 p.m. - Shabbat Services & Dinner.** Celebrate Shabbat. MIT Hillel's three religious communities hold Shabbat services at 6 p.m. (Conservative, Orthodox, and Reform) A community Shabbat dinner follows at 7 p.m. Cost for dinner only. Room: Religious Activities Center, Bldg w11. Sponsor: Hillel, MIT.
- 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - Freshmen Welcome Study Break.** Free. Room: McCormick Hall, East Penthouse. Sponsor: MIT Bangladeshi Students' Association, GSC Funding Board.
- 7:00 p.m. - 11:59 p.m. - MIT Anime Club: High School through the eyes of a mercenary (a slapstick comedy), airships and epic battles, plus Fanboy Bebop.** The MIT Anime Club shows the best of both recent and classic Japanese animation. Showings are open to the public. Tonight we will be showing a few episodes of the comic sequel to last year's hit "Full Metal Panic." "Full Metal Panic Fumoffu." Then we'll return to the adventures of Klaus Valca and Lavi Head, in the steam-punk aerial adventure story, "Last Exile." We'll conclude the evening with "Fanboy Bebop", an example of what can happen when video dubbing equipment falls into the wrong hands. Free. Room: 6-120. Sponsor: Anime Club, MIT.
- 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. - The Eye.** \$3. Room: 26-100. Sponsor: LSC.
- 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. - Bible Study.** Is there more to life than grad school? We believe the answer is "YES!" Come study the word of God with us. There will be dinner provided and games afterward. Free. Room: 4-149. Sponsor: Asian Baptist Student Koinonia Graduate Division, GSC Funding Board.
- 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. - 8 Women.** A film by François Ozon. \$3. Room: 10-250. Sponsor: LSC. The Cultural Services of the French Embassy and the French Ministry of Culture (CNC).
- 8:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m. - Sangam Movies.** Screening of popular movies. Please subscribe to sangam-request@mit.edu. Free. Sponsor: Sangam, GSC Funding Board.
- 8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. - Social Justice Cooperative Film.** Documentaries and historic films on topics of domestic and foreign politics. Free. Room: 4-231. Sponsor: MIT Social Justice Cooperative.
- 8:00 p.m. - MIT Family Weekend Concert: MIT Wind Ensemble and MIT Festival Jazz Ensemble.** Frederick Harris, director. "Jazzphonic Dances" — an evening of symphonic music inspired by jazz and jazz music inspired by dance. Featuring works by Bernstein, Joplin, Dana Wilson, Ellington, Mingus, and others. Free. Room: Kresge Auditorium. Sponsor: Music and Theater Arts Section.
- 8:00 p.m. - Roadkill Buffet: "My Daddy Can Beat Up Your Daddy."** It's your genes vs. mine in the battle of the century. Improv comedy. Free. Room: Rm 35-225. Sponsor: Roadkill Buffet.
- 8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. - Green Hall International Movie Night.** Join us in watching the Hong Kong movie: Chungking Express: Acclaimed Hong Kong New Wave director Wong Kar-Wai presents a kinetic, offbeat look at his city in these two stories. The first concerns a young woman (Brigitte Lin) who has been double-crossed in a heroin deal and her budding romance with a loveorn cop (Takeshi Kaneshiro). The second deals with another officer (Tony Leung) whose girlfriend has left him and theyoung waitress (Faye Wong) who tries to help him without his knowledge. Free. Room: Green Hall Basement Kitchen. Sponsor: Graduate Student Council, Green Hall.
- 10:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m. - The Eye.** \$3. Room: 26-100. Sponsor: LSC.
- 10:30 p.m. - 12:30 a.m. - 8 Women.** \$3. Room: Room 10-250. Sponsor: LSC, Center for International Studies, MIT France Program.

Saturday, October 18

- 9:00 a.m. - Shemini Atzeret & Simchat Torah.** Celebrate the Jewish holidays of Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah. Services offered at MIT Hillel and nearby Cambridge locations. Meals at Hillel. Fee for meals, hillelsvp@mit.edu. Room: MIT Religious Activities Center & Cambridge locations. Sponsor: Hillel, MIT.
- 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. - MIT Press Bookstore Loading Dock Sale.** Attention all book lovers: behold once again, the MIT Press Bookstore loading dock sale. "A feeding frenzy for the brain." Literally tons of books will be on sale at drastically

- reduced prices—up to 90% off their original retail price. Can't come in the morning? Don't worry—new items will be added throughout the course of this two day extravaganza. Free. Room: MIT Press Bookstore, 292 Main St. Sponsor: The MIT Press Bookstore.
- 12:00 p.m. - Varsity Women's Volleyball vs. Gettysburg.** Free. Room: Rockwell Cage.
- 12:00 p.m. - Varsity Water Polo vs. St. Francis.** Free. Room: Zesiger Sports and Fitness Center Pool.
- 12:01 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. - Anime Club Cosplay workshop.** If you are interested in Cosplay this semester, don't miss the cosplay workshop. You can get ideas for characters, learn about materials, and learn how to make the costume. We are also having our annual Cosplay contest on Halloween. Free. Room: 4-149. Sponsor: Anime Club, MIT, UA Finance Board.
- 1:00 p.m. - Varsity Women's Soccer vs. Smith.** Free. Room: Steinbrenner Stadium.
- 1:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. - The Other September 11: Chile, Terrorism, & US Foreign Policy.** On September 11, 1973, the democratically elected government of Chile was overthrown by a US-supported military coup and a brutal dictatorship was installed. What can we learn about democracy and terrorism by looking back at this event? We'll start with a message from Isabel Allende and end with a talk by Prof. Noam Chomsky. Free. Room: MIT Wong Auditorium (E51). Sponsor: MIT Western Hemisphere Project. MIT Large Event Fund.
- 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. - Invention Studio: Tiptoes and Whispers.** Create an invention that turns the falling of leaves into music, or build interactive lighting effects for a slow-motion dance performance. During this studio, you'll make a tiptoe sensor to detect even the tiniest movements and sounds, and incorporate your new sensor into a very sensitive invention of your own design. \$15 per 2-person team (includes Museum admission). Pre-registration required. \$15 per 2-person team. Room: MIT Museum. Sponsor: MIT Museum.
- 4:30 p.m. - 1:00 a.m. - TMRC Build Time.** These are our normal meetings, where we build the layout. Free. Room: N52-118. Sponsor: Tech Model Railroad Club (TMRC).
- 4:30 p.m. - Varsity Women's Volleyball vs. Nazareth.** Free. Room: Rockwell Cage.
- 6:15 p.m. - Varsity Water Polo vs. Fordham.** Free. Room: Zesiger Sports and Fitness Center Pool.
- 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. - Whale Rider.** \$3. Room: 26-100. Sponsor: LSC.
- 7:30 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. - 2 Free Chinese Movies.** Movie 1. Shuang Xiong (Heroic Duo). Wu Xian Fu Huo (Second Time Around). For more coming movie shows, please visit MIT CSSA at <http://web.mit.edu/cssa/www/>. Free. Room: 4-370. Sponsor: Chinese Student and Scholar Association, GSC Funding Board.
- 7:30 p.m. - Ill Vibes.** Open mic event including poetry, singing, spoken word, etc. One canned good or \$2 for donation. Room: Chocolate City. Sponsor: Chocolate City.
- 8:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m. - Sangam Movie Special.** Movie Screenings. Emails are typically sent out if you subscribe to sangam-request@mit.edu. Free. Room: 2-105. Sponsor: Sangam, GSC Funding Board.
- 8:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. - Patrol.** Travel to strange new classrooms. Meet interesting, unusual people, and kill them! Patrol is a high-action game of live combat with rubber-dart guns. Shoot your friends, then watch out as they try to take their revenge. Free. Room: 36-115. Sponsor: Assassins' Guild, MIT.
- 10:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m. - Whale Rider.** \$3. Room: 26-100. Sponsor: LSC.
- All Day - MIT Sukkah.** Free. Room: Kresge Oval. Sponsor: Hillel, MIT.
- All Day - MIT Family Weekend.** Sponsor: Association of MIT Alumni & Alumnae.

Sunday, October 19

- 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. - MIT Family Weekend.** Head of the Charles Regatta Come and watch the 39th annual Head of the Charles—the world's largest two-day rowing event—from the banks of the Charles River. Sponsor: Association of MIT Alumni & Alumnae.
- 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. - MIT Swapfest.** MIT's electronics and ham radio flea will take place on the third Sunday of each month this summer, April thru October. There is tailgate space for over 600 sellers and free, off-street parking for >2000 cars! Buyers admission is \$5 (you get \$1 off if you're lucky enough to have a copy of our ad) and sellers spaces are \$20 for the first and \$15 for each additional at the gate. The flea will be held at the corner of Albany and Main streets in Cambridge; right in the Kendall Square area from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., with sellers set-up time starting at 7 a.m. \$5. Room: Albany Street Garage. Sponsor: Electronic Research Society, MIT, UHF Repeater Assn. W1XM, MIT, MIT Radio Society. Harvard Wireless Club.
- 9:00 a.m. - Shemini Atzeret & Simchat Torah.** Fee for meals, Room: MIT Religious Activities Center & Cambridge locations. Sponsor: Hillel, MIT.
- 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. - MIT Press Bookstore Loading Dock Sale.** Free. Room: MIT press Bookstore, 292 Main St. Sponsor: The MIT Press Bookstore.
- 12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - MIT Museum free admission.** Room: MIT Museum. Sponsor: MIT Museum.
- 1:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. - Ballroom Dance Lessons.** Social focus rather than competitive. Check website for Halloween and Winter balls. \$1 to \$5 depending on level. Room: La Sala. Sponsor: Ballroom Dance Club.
- 5:00 p.m. - Varsity Water Polo vs. Queens College.** Free. Room: Zesiger Sports and Fitness Center Pool.
- 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. - The Eye.** \$3. Room: 26-100. Sponsor: LSC.
- 8:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. - International Folk Dancing (participatory).** International folk dancing. Teaching and beginners' dances from 8 to 9 p.m. A mixture of all skill levels from 9 to 11 p.m. Occasional live music. Note: We will move to La Sala de Puerto Rico (on the second floor of the Student Center) if it is available. MIT/Wellesley students free; \$1 donation (or more) requested from others. Room: Student Center room 491. Sponsor: Folk Dance Club.
- 10:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m. - Whale Rider.** \$3. Room: 26-100. Sponsor: LSC.

Monday, October 20

- 10:00 a.m. - Admissions Information Session.** Admissions Office Information Session gathers at the Admissions Reception Center. Free. Room: Admissions Reception Center. Sponsor: Information Center.
- 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Pension Payroll Test.** Benefits Setup (Jodi Janz) Process Sept Payroll Verify Arrears generated from Benefits (Mary, Suna). Free. Room: W92 - First floor. Sponsor: Financial Systems Services.
- 10:45 a.m. - Campus Tour.** Free. Room: Lobby 7. Sponsor: Information Center.
- 12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. - MacPartners.** Meeting of the MIT MacPartners user group. The feature presentation will be on Panther or new Apple announcements. Free. Room: N42 Demo Center. Sponsor: MIT User Groups.
- 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Your Health.** Yoga at the Desk (or in the Lab). Learn basic stretches and techniques to relax, renew, and re-energize at your desk or in the lab. All it takes is a few minutes to recharge your batteries. No yoga experience necessary. Free. Room: 12-142. Sponsor: MIT Medical.
- 2:00 p.m. - Admissions Information Session.** Free. Room: Admissions Reception Center. Sponsor: Information Center.
- 2:45 p.m. - Campus Tour.** Free. Room: Lobby 7. Sponsor: Information Center.
- 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Environmental Fluid Mechanics seminar: Laboratory and theoretical models of the Antarctic Circumpolar Current.** Free. Room: 1-350. Sponsor: Civil and Environmental Engineering.
- 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - The asymptotic geometry of negatively curved manifolds.** Free. Room: 2-143. Sponsor: Differential Geometry Seminar, Mathematics, Department of.
- 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Mechanics Seminar: Experimental Investigations of Internal Gravity Wave Beams.** Free. Room: 3-370. Sponsor: Mechanical Engineering Dept.
- 4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. - Process Query Systems.** Refreshments beforehand. Free. Room: Room 4-231. Sponsor: Applied Mathematics Colloquium, Department of Mathematics.
- 5:00 p.m. - Modernity and Difference.** Talk by Gavin Jantjes, consultant, freelance curator and artistic director. Jantjes has exhibited and worked in Europe, Africa and the USA. Besides its success in exhibition, his graphic print edition of the "South African Colouring Book" was used as an educational tool in the anti-apartheid struggle for schools and colleges in Europe and elsewhere. He has served on the editorial board for "Third Text" journal and has been a consultant to the European Council, the UNHCR High Commission for Refugees, the Arts Council of England and the Norwegian Arts Council. Free. Room: Rm 7-431. Sponsor: Visual Arts Program.
- 5:30 p.m. - The Architecture of Events - Event Places Symposium: Jim Law, Executive Director of The Mayor's Office of Special Events, City of Chicago.** Participation in Fall Department of Urban Studies and Planning seminar. Respondent: Respondent: Harvey Cox, Hollis Professor of Divinity, Harvard Divinity School. Free. Room: 10-485. Sponsor: Department of Urban Studies and Planning.

Different Strategies Used to Increase Recycling Rate

Recycling, from Page 1

MIT compares rates with others

MIT looks to other universities to learn about recycling techniques.

"Harvard is ahead of us ... but that's just friendly competition for 2005," Healy said. MIT and Harvard often share practices to find those that work best, he said.

"They learned from us too," said Healy, referring to MIT's efficient method of reusing furniture before it is thrown away.

"Being on an urban campus adds to the challenge," he said. Just to prevent recycling bins from being contaminated and rejected by vendors, several recycling bins have to be tightly secured with locks.

However, recycling bins are not the only important factor. The jump in MIT's recycling rates comes largely from improved handling of food waste and recyclable cardboard, and also from construction and demolition recycling, "green" purchasing, and energy conservation, Healy said.

Recycling differs across campus

Anne C. Wasserman and Sally M. Honda, co-chairs of the Working Group Recycling Task Group, are working to increase the number of

people who recycle among the MIT staff and administration.

"The majority of the staff is not recycling," Healy said.

To address this problem, Wasserman and Honda are working to create the Staff Recycling Ambassadors Network work with recycling advocacy groups and MIT staff.

Healy said that dormitories have a decent recycling record.

"Almost all houses do a very good job when somebody in the house is gun-ho," Healy said.

He said that certain houses recycle more because they have active members from environmental advocacy groups such as Share A Vital Earth.

"We pick up quite a bit" from dormitories, Healy said.

In fact, dormitories do not generate a large fraction of the overall waste at MIT.

Justin Adams of the Environmental, Health, and Safety Office said food waste, from both preparation and refuse, is the biggest contributor to waste on campus.

This includes materials used in packaging the food such as cardboard boxes and plastic containers.

Adams said he is assembling a

comprehensive food waste recycling program to save the enormous amounts of waste generated by food production and distribution.

"It would be great if we could get the refuse after" food consumption, Healy said.

Through a combination of these and other efforts, solid waste has declined by 5 percent since last year, he said.

Recent waste audits conducted by the freshman advising seminar, Achieving MIT's Environmental Goals, revealed that of the presorted trash from the Student Center, 75-80 percent was still recyclable. The Student Center is the third largest generator of trash by volume on campus.

MIT has many reasons to recycle

MIT, along with the city of Cambridge, Harvard, local hospitals, and major companies, is working towards the 40% recycling rate goal.

"There is no legislative mandate," said Wasserman. "It's about the spirit of environmental responsibility. We want to create a green team of major businesses in Cambridge, schools, non-profit organizations, and residences," she said.

Apart from the city-wide goal,

MIT has financial incentive to recycle. Healy said that recyclables decrease the cost of disposing trash.

Recycling can also bring in money in other ways.

"By going after cardboard and bale, it's a commodity. We can sell them and pretty much get a rebate," Healy said.

Several efforts are being made to increase the number of cardboard balers across campus, including placing one in the Student Center. Cardboard can be compacted by machine into bales to conserve space, Healy said.

Conservation in computer use can also reduce costs significantly.

"Given that MIT has about 3,500 administration and support staff, \$175,000 a year in savings could be made" by simply putting computer monitors on power-save mode, Wasserman said. Even printing on both sides of paper can save an additional \$50,000 a year, she said.

Another aspect of recycling involves green purchasing and power management. From ordering paper with recycled content to using remanufactured toner cartridges to power management of computers, groups at MIT are working vigorously to make recycling widespread,

Wasserman said.

Space, awareness are concerns

A major limiting factor in recycling is space.

"It was hard for E52 [Sloan building] and W20 [Student Center], especially around the kitchens," to provide the space necessary for cardboard balers, Healy said.

Lack of sufficiently trained staff and general unawareness also poses problems. Healy said that especially at MIT, it is assumed that people know more than they actually do.

Cost is also a factor and financial restraints ultimately force recycling groups to think creatively, Wasserman said.

Demolition recycling praised

Although construction and demolition crews are constantly at work, they are doing so with an environmentally-aware conscience. The demolition of Buildings 45, E10, and E20 actually garnered praise by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection because 96 percent of the waste was recycled, Adams said.

"The parking garage [torn down for the Stata Center] reached a recycling rate of 99 percent," he said.

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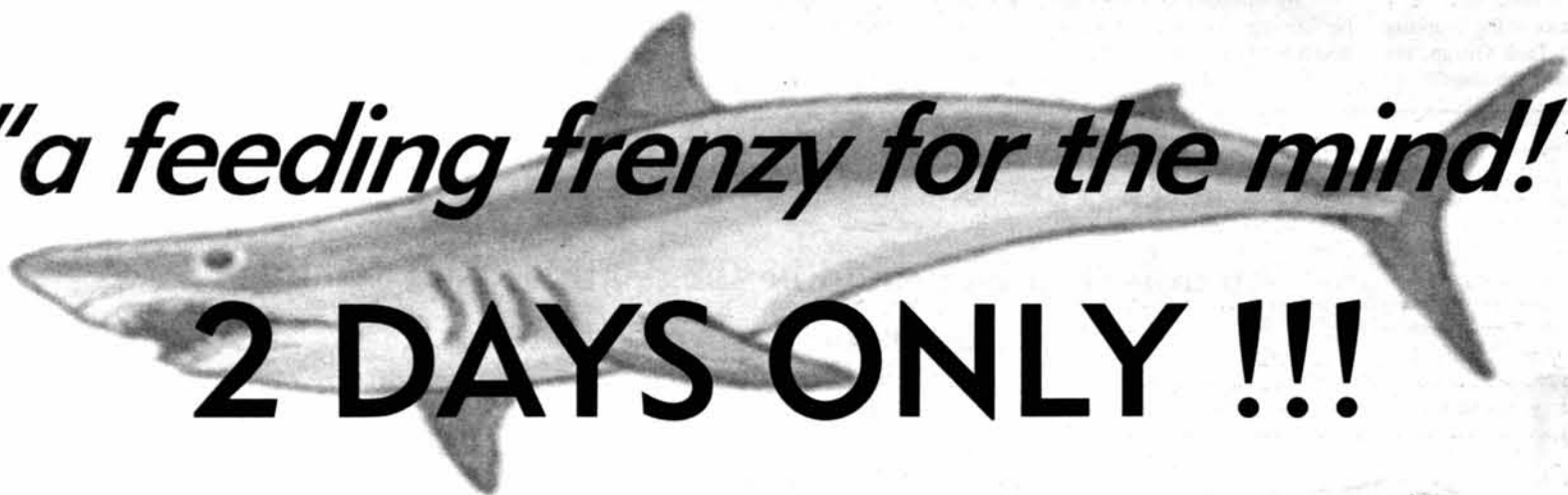


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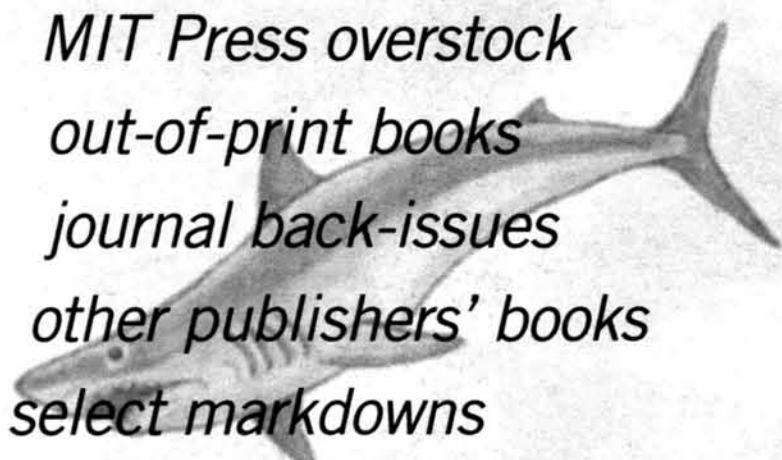


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Boston Blind to What Martinez Represents

Pedro, from Page 20

Sure, Zim might have been a little hot and charged at Pedro, but he did have good reason to do so. Zimmer had a baseball thrown at his own head when he was a player in the Dodger organization, and he was unconscious for the next several weeks. He now has a plate in his head from that incident.

Pedro has no idea what it's like to live with a plate in his head, and I'm sure he wouldn't want to. As Posada said, "If you're going to hit somebody, you don't try to hit them in the head. We've got families here."

I guess being in the AL lets him get away with things about that. Nobody can plunk Pedro back on the head since he can't come to bat.

It's not like this is Pedro's first time acting like a little kid either.

During the regular season, he faced an umpire with a small strike zone. Apparently, it was too small for his taste. Pedro then asked the ump what he was doing wrong, signaling too high, too low, too inside, or too outside. After those gestures, he took off his glove and motioned for the ump to come out and pitch, since the ump knows baseball so much better. All the while, he had a look of complete contempt on his face.

I was in total shock when he wasn't thrown out for that complete act of indignation. Hitters often get tossed out of a baseball game with a lot less than that kind of behavior. All I could hear in my head as those incidents transpired were the words

"I don't want to grow up" sung to the Toys "R" Us melody. In fact, Pedro has never seemed to want to grow up. But I guess it is Pedro Martinez. We should give him the credit he deserves on the diamond. Right?

Well, if he were so great, why did he let those runners get on in the first place? And why didn't he adjust his strike zone to strike out the batters? I just think it's time to stop blaming the other team. You screwed up on a couple of pitches; don't get angry at other people about it. Maybe you should take some responsibility.

He isn't too big a fan of taking responsibility though. Many times, he's blamed the Red Sox organization for their problems. It's even rumored that Pedro wants to leave Boston as soon as his contract is over. Boston is just so in love with the K's that he puts up, they become somewhat blind to what Pedro represents. He's an athlete and often times a role model. What his behavior exhibits is anything but exemplary to others.

I just think that it's time someone called out Pedro for his inexcusable actions. What Zimmer did the other day may not have been pretty, but I could understand his frustration. Maybe if someone plunked Pedro on the head, he would pitch a little differently. Maybe if he actually grew up, he would act a little differently. Whatever it is, I think it's time for him to shut up and play some baseball. Beat the Yankees. Don't beat up on them — that's not going to win you a World Series.

NFL Week 6: Three Undefeated

NFL, from Page 20

shown he can handle pressure well. The old football axiom is that defense wins games, and while Minnesota's defense is good, I like Carolina's better. Thus, I think Carolina's chances at going undefeated are the best of these teams, especially since they have already beaten the defending champion Tampa Bay Buccaneers in Tampa. Other teams with this strategy: Miami Dolphins, Baltimore Ravens

3. Kansas City Chiefs (6-0): KC has a great running back, Priest Holmes, but he's only great occasionally. Same with tight end Tony Gonzalez, kick returner Dante Hall, and quarterback Trent Green. Their defense is good generally, but weak against top-level running backs and receivers. So how do the Chiefs keep winning? I could utter platitudes about never giving up or giving in, which are true to some extent, but there are two real rea-

sons these Chiefs are unbeaten: one, they are incredibly lucky, and they capitalize well on their luck. Two, with all the potentially great weapons they have, the chances are high that someone will step up to win the game. In their first two games it was Holmes, the next three Hall, and last Sunday Green threw for 400 yards in an upset win over the Green Bay Packers. You would think that the luck would run out at some point, but the next 6 games the Chiefs have are all against mediocre-to-bad teams. They won't be defeated until they face the Denver Broncos or the Vikings late in the season, but they will be defeated, unless they can shape up their defense. Other teams: Denver Broncos, New England Patriots.

There are your undefeated teams. Now to move on to some key games this weekend. Denver Broncos at Minnesota Vikings: This could be the game where the Vikings drop out of the undefeated ranks. The Bron-

cos are playing solid defense, and outplayed the KC Chiefs in a loss two weeks ago. If Randy Moss or Vikings quarterback Dante Culpepper have bad games, watch out. The saving grace for the Vikings is the fact that Denver quarterback Jake Plummer is out for the game with a fracture in his foot. This severely hampers the Denver offense. Score: Vikings 24, Broncos 10.

Tennessee Titans at Carolina Panthers: This match-up is similar to the one above, since it pairs an undefeated team against a team that could probably beat them. This game stars the best quarterback in the NFL, the Titans' Steve McNair. The question is whether he can get the Titans the win. The Panthers just came off an overtime defeat versus the Indianapolis Colts, who also have a great quarterback, Peyton Manning, so I'm pretty sure the Panthers will have a solution to McNair. Score: Panthers 21, Titans 17.

Head of the Charles MIT Boat Rosters

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- 5—Michael P. Farry '04
- 4—Peter S. Jaglom '05
- 3—Sven H. Chilton '05
- 2—Nick R. Powley '04
- 1—Jeremy K. Mason '05

Second Varsity Lightweight Men

- Event: Club 8+
- Bow: #17
- Time: Saturday 12:00 p.m.
- Cox—Ashley T. Richman '04
 - 8—Steven A. Block G
 - 7—Atif Z. Qadir '04
 - 6—Frederick D. Wang '05
 - 5—Aadel A. Chaudhuri '04
 - 4—Dmitry Portnyagin '04
 - 3—Ben M. Schwartz '06
 - 2—Patrick J. Hart '06
 - 1—Michael Scharfstein '06

Varsity Lightweight Women
Event: Lightweight 8+

- Bow: #9
- Time: Sunday 2:28 p.m.
- Cox—Linda Z. Tao '06
 - 8—Laura C. Harris '07
 - 7—Annemarie N. Grandke '04
 - 6—Shutsu K. Chai '06
 - 5—Elina Groberman '04
 - 4—Yong-Hwa Lee '05
 - 3—Sarah F. Newman '06
 - 2—Catherine S. Yao '06
 - 1—Katherine P. Hung '06

Varsity Lightweight Women

- Event: Lightweight 4+
- Bow: #9
- Time: Sunday 1:33 p.m.
- Cox—Jeanna Q. Liu '07
 - 4—Ashley A. Shurick '06
 - 3—Veena G. Ramaswamy '06
 - 2—Antonella I. Alunni '06
 - 1—Jeanette C. Fershtman '04

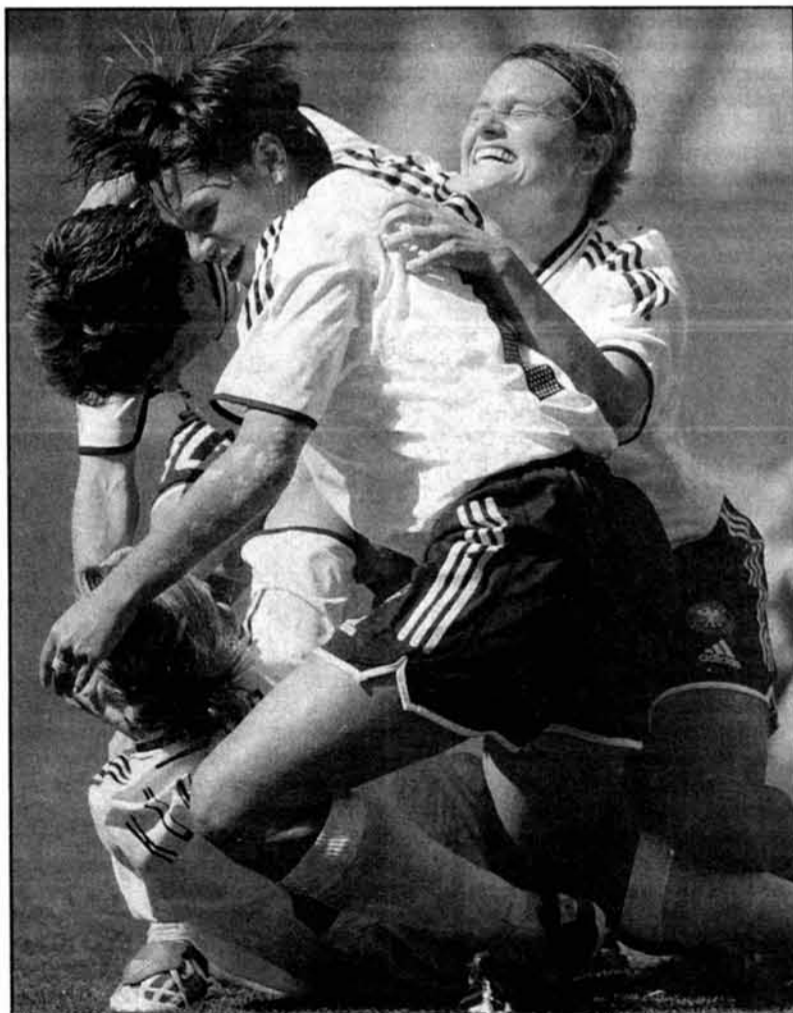
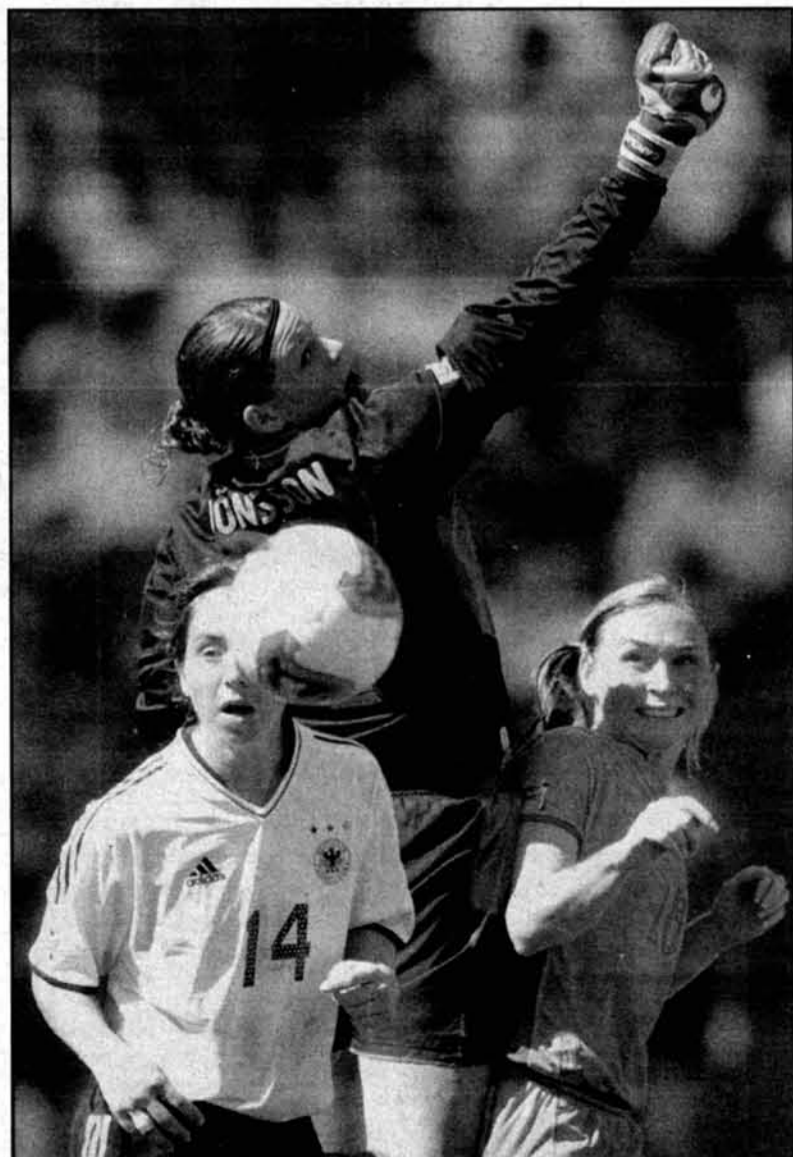
Varsity Openweight Women
Event: Champ 8+

- Bow: #40
- Time: Sunday 4:08 p.m.
- Cox—Jessica Chiafair '05
 - 8—Ruth Davidson '07
 - 7—Akua A. Nti '06
 - 6—Kathy E. Hufford '05
 - 5—Kelsey Y. Vandermeulen '06
 - 4—Teresa W. Shyr '05
 - 3—Lauren A. Jones '06
 - 2—Melissa W. Gregson '06
 - 1—Erin K. Mathewson '05

Varsity Openweight Women

- Event: Club 4+
- Bow: #42
- Time: Saturday 12:56 pm
- Cox—Maria E. Tanner '04
 - 4—Jessica L. Wargo '04
 - 3—Jaryn E. Finch '04
 - 2—Kavitha S. Rameswamy '04
 - 1—Cynthia Wilson '06

Women's World Cup Finals 2003



(top) Germany's Nia Kuenzer is swarmed by her teammates after scoring the winning goal in overtime play of the FIFA Women's World Cup Finals, Sunday, Oct. 12, at the Home Depot Center in Carson, CA. Germany defeated Sweden, 2-1, in overtime. (left) Goalkeeper Caroline Joensson of Sweden tries to catch the ball on a corner kick as Germany's Maren Meinert and Sweden's Frida Oestberg watch during the Women's World Cup Finals.

Photography by Stanley Hu

SPORTS

NFL Week 6 — The Untouchables

By Brian Chase
COLUMNIST

While the city of Boston has been maniacally cheering the Red Sox for the past few weeks, another sport has quietly played out a large portion of its season: the NFL. Yep, it's week six in the football season, and that means you can now tell who the amazing and appalling teams are. Actually, there are only three teams left with undefeated records, and they all got there through wildly different game plans. So, I'm going to give you an overview of each team, its strength and weaknesses, and their relative chances of remaining undefeated. I will also name some other teams with winning records that follow the same gen-

eral strategies. So, without further ado:

1. Minnesota Vikings (5-0): This team came out and surprised everybody with a potent offense and solid defense. What that offense really keys off of is passing. Sure, runningback Moe Williams is good, but he's not the kind of dominating back that takes over games. Receiver Randy Moss, however, can and will take over any game he's in. As long as the Vikings' passing game, especially to Moss, is clicking, the Vikings can outscore just about everybody in the league. Their defense is good, but not dominating. However, when you can rack up points like the Vikes, all the defense needs to do is keep the other team from scoring once in a while. Eventually, though, this team will run into

someone who can shut down their offense, so I think the chances of them staying unbeaten are the lowest of the three teams. Other teams with this strategy: Tennessee Titans, Indianapolis Colts.

2. Carolina Panthers (5-0): Passing game? What's that? Carolina's practically never heard of the passing game. But, when you've got a stifling defense, great special teams play, and an excellent, domineering running game, who needs passing? The Panthers play the exact opposite type of game from the Vikes, and they have two running backs now, Stephen Davis and DeShaun Foster, who both can run well consistently. This takes pressure off quarterback Jake Delhomme, which is good, because he hasn't

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Hey Pedro: Please Shut Up and Grow Up

By Yong-yi Zhu
COLUMNIST

Welcome to Fenway Park. PLUNK!

Column

That's the message that Pedro delivered to Karim Garcia and the Yankees last Saturday afternoon. With no outs in the top of the fourth and men on second and third, Pedro decided that he had enough of the

Yankees hitting him well that afternoon.

He then proceeded to deliver a fastball just a tad inside, inside enough to hit the back of Garcia despite his attempt to duck out of the way.

Pedro responded to Garcia and the rest of the Yankee bench's displeasure by pointing at Jorge Posada and pointing at his own temple, seemingly to signify that if Posada ticked Pedro off any more, he would

also receive a fastball somewhere he wouldn't want one.

As is that wasn't enough, in the bottom of the fourth inning, during a bench-clearing scuffle, Pedro grabbed the head of Don Zimmer and threw him to the ground. Yeah, that's a 31-year-old man beating up on a 72-year-old man. Talk about picking on someone his own size. What was he thinking?

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MIT Women's Tennis Beats Holyoke, 7-2

By Caroline Tien
TEAM MEMBER

The MIT women's tennis team emerged victorious from last weekend's match against Mt. Holyoke College with a final score of 7-2. After over a week of intense practices and no dual matches, the Lady Engineers were fired up to win. While doubles is the team's weak point, results from the match show that they are gradually improving. Shima Rayej '04 and Jill L. Konowich '06 lost in a very tight 9-7 match, while on the next court over, Jennifer A. Hipp '04 and Ruby J. Pai '04 stormed past their opponents to win 8-4. Both Jaclyn E. Cichon '05 and her partner Joanna L. McKay '07, and Emily Chen '07 and her partner Sarah E. Nelson '06, lost 8-6.

Moving into singles down 1-2, the team had to pick up its intensity or risk losing the match. With Caroline Tien '04 out of the match because of an academic commitment, many members of the team were moved up in the lineup. Rayej, Chen, Hipp, Pai, and Konowich all notched easy wins

at 1, 3, 4, 5, and 6 respectively. Playing at the number 2 position, Cichon had the indisputable match of the day. After losing the first 12 points to be down 0-3, she got her focus back and managed to get three games, but lost the first set 3-6. However, in the second set, she patiently out-rallied her opponent to win 7-6 (5 in the tiebreaker). It then all came down to the third set, the "super tie-breaker." She fought through every point to garner a 10-8 win.

Overall, the team performed very well and has improved considerably throughout the season. "I'm really excited about the season, and we've been having a lot of fun as a team. We have two big chances left to play our best and I'm sure everyone will do very well!" said Cichon.

This weekend, many of the players will be traveling to Amherst College to play in the New England Women's Intercollegiate Tennis Tournament (NEWITT) where they will have the opportunity to face many of the region's top players. The weekend after, the team will defend their 2002 NEWMAC championship title at the conference tournament to be hosted at MIT.

Head of the Charles Info.

By Craig Rothman
TEAM MEMBER

Good places to watch the Head of the Charles regatta, which will take place this Saturday and Sunday, all day:

T Boston University Bridge — Looking to the east from the Boston University Bridge, you can watch the crews start the race, right across from the Boston University boathouse. Looking to the west from the BU Bridge, you can watch the crews as they complete the first 500 meters of the race and enter the first turn near Riverside Boatclub into Powerhouse Stretch.

Magazine Beach / Riverside Boatclub Area — This is the area where most visiting crews setup their shells and launch. This is another good place to watch crews during the first 500 meters, and from Riverside Boatclub, you can watch the crews come around the turn and finish the first mile down Powerhouse Stretch.

Weeks Footbridge — This is a good vantage point to watch the middle of the race. This is one of the hardest turns for coxswains during the race, and you can usually watch a few crashes from novice crews around this turn. If you want to see exciting action during the race, this is where a lot of crews make their moves and boats try to pass each other.

Lars-Anderson Bridge — This bridge is only a few hundred meters after the Weeks Footbridge and is another turn under the bridge during the race. From the south side of this bridge you can watch people coming out of the Weeks Footbridge turn, and from the north you can watch the crews finish the second mile as they go down into the last third of the race around Eliot

Bridge.

MIT Lineups

First Varsity Heavyweight Men
Event: Collegiate 8+

Bow: #16
Time: Sunday 12:26 p.m.
Cox—Craig J. Rothman '05
8—John J. Cooley '05
7—John B. Miller '05
6—Christopher Wodzicki G
5—Robert A. Figueiredo '05
4—R. Andrew Hill '05
3—John J. Bergin '06
2—Alexander C. Ince-Cushman G
1—Ian H. Whitehead CMI

Second Varsity Heavyweight Men
Event: Club 8+

Bow: #53
Time: Saturday 12:00 p.m.
Cox—Lee S. Squitieri '05
8—Kieran F. Culligan '06
7—Adam S. Kaczmarek '06
6—Aaron H. Bell '06
5—Michael Whitaker '06
4—Christopher R. Rhodes '06
3—Harry J. Lichter '06
2—Nicholas A. Allard '06
1—Brian T. Neltner '05

Freshmen Heavyweight Men

Event: Club 4+
Bow: #20
Time: Saturday 12:42 p.m.
Cox—Nestor Lara '07
4—William G. Tetler '07
3—Arthur J. Franke '07
2—Martin E. Harrysson '07
1—Francis O'Sullivan G

First Varsity Lightweight Men

Event: Lightweight 8+
Bow: #17
Time: Sunday 2:18 p.m.
Cox—Louise R. Giam '06
8—Bo Morgan '04
7—Jacob J. Ornelas '05
6—Derrick O. Carpenter '04

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PETER R. RUSSO—THE TECH

Lauren E. Tsai '04 drives past the outstretched Regis goalie during the women's field hockey match on Tuesday, Oct. 14. The Engineers won the game 5-2, improving their season record to 5 and 6.



OMOLEYE ROBERTS—THE TECH

Setter Austin Zimmerman '06 and outside hitter Arlis A. Reynolds '06 gaze upward at the ball during their game Tuesday, Oct. 14, against Smith College. The Engineers squashed the opposition, 3-1.

UPCOMING HOME EVENTS

Saturday, Oct. 18

12 p.m., Men's Heavyweight Crew, Head of the Charles Regatta
1 p.m., Women's Soccer, Smith College
1:30 p.m., Men's Lightweight Crew, Head of the Charles Regatta

Sunday, Oct. 19

12 p.m., Women's Openweight Crew, Head of the Charles Regatta
1 p.m., Women's Lightweight Crew, Head of the Charles Regatta
2:30, Men's Lightweight Crew, Head of the Charles Regatta