MDC Plans for New Park Space by River

By Lauren LeBon

MIT will in the next few years enjoy an extra 20 feet of park space along the Charles River, a renovated Memorial Drive, and about 200 more parking spaces.

The Metropolitan Parks System and the Metropolitan District Commission have begun construction on a project to improve the public spaces along the Charles River, with a specific focus on Memorial Drive.

The project, a result of the Historic Parkways Initiative, is part of the Charles River Master Plan, which is the first major design plan for the areas around the Charles River in sixty years.

Near MIT, the project will add extra green space and landscaping around the river, refurbish the ramps and overpass over Memorial Drive on Massachusetts Avenue, and replace the traffic lights at the Massachusetts Avenue-Memorial Drive intersection, according to the MDC project report.

Over 200 parking spaces lost

About 200 parking spaces will be lost on Memorial Drive when the construction is complete.

"We don't know what the impact will be," said Larry R. Brutti, operations manager in the parking and transportation office.

Brutti said that the City of Cambridge limits the amount of parking spaces MIT can hold on campus, and that MIT is currently at this limit.

"There will be no added spaces, but there is capacity if people want to pay for parking, especially students," Brutti said.

Phase one complete in summer '04

The first phase of the project requires closing the northbound lane of Memorial Drive until next fall.

The overpass and off-ramps at the Massachusetts Avenue intersection will be replaced. In addition, one eastbound lane will become new park space.

Drainage improvements to prevent flooding in the underpass will take place during this phase.

After renovation of the eastbound lane is complete, construction on the westbound lane will begin. The MDC hopes to complete phase one by summer 2004.

The intersection between Massachusetts Avenue and Memorial Drive will be redesigned, and new traffic lights will be installed.

Kelley Brown of the Department of facilities said MIT will contribute $500,000 to help with the improvements to the Massachusetts Avenue-Memorial Drive intersection.

Brown added that MIT has been discussing the improvements for this intersection for over a year's Campus Preview Weekend.

The discussion centered on recent changes that were made to the class format after students began express discontent with the true industrial-strength MIT experience.

By Marissa Vogt

TEAL version of the class earlier in the term. The professors also addressed students' concerns regarding in-class laboratories, the Personal Response Systems, an interactive aspect of the lecture, and the group-based learning.

Professor John W. Belcher, responding to negative comments about the in-class experiments, said that the fact that "there hasn't been a lab in a main-line course at MIT" for 25 years is "a disservice to the students." However, he also said that instructors have considered reducing the number of experiments in the future.

Belcher said that 82 TEAL was originally introduced in smaller, off-terms classes, but that they have not received such a good reaction with it as a mainstream class.

Gregory, the student in the group, said: "I think the classes are really good, but I don't think they should be in our science building. I think they should be in some other building.

"I think it's great that we have this opportunity to learn," she said. "I think it's great that we have this opportunity to learn."
Turkish Alarmed at Sudden Kurdish Takeover of Kirkuk

By Phillip P. Pan
THE WASHINGTON POST
ANKARA, TURKEY

Turkey reacted with alarm and frustration to the sudden takeover of the Iraqi oil city Kirkuk by Kurdish militias Thursday, but the government urged caution and said it would go to the United States to persuade the Kurds to withdraw before ordering Turkish troops to invade and expel them.

Turkey has repeatedly warned that it would respond with force to any move into Kirkuk by the Iraqi Kurds, because it believes they might use the city's oil wealth to establish an independent Kurdish state. That in turn could revive a violent separatist movement among the large Kurdish population in southeastern Turkey, which borders northern Iraq.

In an interview on national television, Foreign Minister Abdullah Gul said Turkey was prepared to do "whatever is necessary" to protect its security. But he played down the possibility of a Turkish invasion, and said Turkey was counting on U.S. troops to take control of Kirkuk and "remove" the Kurdish fighters. He said Secretary of State Colin Powell promised in a phone call Thursday that the U.S. military would do so.

"We are monitoring the situation closely," Powell said they were going to remove all those who entered the city. "He said they would absolutely not allow a fait accompli," Gul said. "I hope this mistake will be corrected immediately.

Gul said Powell also agreed to allow Turkey to send "military observers" to Kirkuk to ensure the Kurds leave, adding that they would be stationed "everywhere." U.S. officials said the soldiers would accompany U.S. troops, but declined to provide details about the Turkish deployment, which might upset Iraqi Kurds who have objected to any Turkish incursion into their territory.

Gul blamed the takeover of Kirkuk on pesh merga fighters from the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan (PUK), one of two main Kurdish parties in northern Iraq. He said the other party, the Kurdistan Democratic Party, contacted Ankara, condemned the capture of Kirkuk and agreed to help the Turkish army drive the other Kurdish group out of the city if necessary.

But late Thursday night, speaking on the CNN-Turk television station, PUK leader Jalal Talabani announced he had ordered his forces to leave Kirkuk by Friday morning.

"They will leave tomorrow," he promised. "When the American troops come, the pesh merga will leave," he said. "From tomorrow morning on, no one will see any pesh merga. ... There is no crisis. The crisis is over. There will never be a crisis between our Turkish brothers and us.

He said his militias entered the city to prevent looting until American forces could arrive. "You know, the people hated the regime so much. Thousands were celebrating. Therefore, it wasn't possible for us to control it," he said. "There will be more discipline and order tomorrow morning.

Earlier Thursday, Gul sought to reassure the Turkish public, saying only a small number of Kurdish fighters had entered Kirkuk and insisting "there is no need to be worried." But even as he was speaking, Turkish television showed images of thousands of armed Kurds celebrating in Kirkuk and broadcast reports of Kurds looting the homes and businesses of the city's Turkish residents.

Israel Targets Militant Leader As Gunned Attack Israeli Base

By Molly Moore
THE WASHINGTON POST
TURKISH DEFENSE MINISTRY

Two Palestinian gunmen snipped their way through a fence at the Israeli military's largest base in the northern Jordan Valley just before daybreak Thursday and opened fire, killing two soldiers standing guard and wounding another nine, some of whom were inside their tents, according to Israeli military officials. Israeli soldiers killed the attackers.

In violence elsewhere in the Palestinian territories Thursday, Israeli Air Force Aggressors fired on a car of a Palestinian militant in the Gaza Strip, killing the driver and wounding at least 15 civilians in the second such attack in as many days.

In the West Bank city of Tulkarm, undercover Israeli security forces fired on a car carrying members of the al-Aqsa Martyrs Brigades, a militant group associated with Palestinian Authority leader Yasser Arafat's Fatah movement, killing the driver and wounding four other people, according to Israeli military officials.

The pace of violence in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, which escalated after the outbreak of the U.S.-led war against Iraq, has intensified in recent months. After the Palestinian assault on the Bekaa military base, near a Jewish settlement of the same name in the northern Jordan Valley, about 35 miles northeast of Jerusalem, a spokesman said the Israeli military has opened an investigation into safety procedures there.

The al-Aqsa Martyrs Brigades and the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine claimed joint responsibility for the attack in telephone calls to the Associated Press.

To the southwest, in Gaza City, Israeli Air-64 Apache helicopters fired missiles into the car of a Palestinian militant driving along a road near the Kibbutz. On his way to the Palestinian National Authority headquarters for meetings, Mahmoud Zatmeh, a local militant and one of the leaders of his movement, was killed along with a 16-year-old Palestinian girl who was sitting in the back seat of the car.

The Israeli military said the girl was a passenger, but added that her presence in the car was "irrelevant" to the attack.

The attack on Zatmeh, a leader of the Islamic Jihad organization, died minutes after the girl was killed, according to witnesses at the scene.

One Cold Thing Leads to Another

By Robert Lindsey Korty

Today: Gray again. Cloudy with rain developing during the afternoon.

High: 59°F (15°C), Low: 46°F (8°C)

Tonight: Rain. Low in the mid 30°F (1°C).

Tomorrow: Rain continuing. High in the upper 40°F (5°C).

Saturday: Rain ending in the afternoon. High in the mid 40°F (5°C).

Sunday: Sunny and milder, high near 55°F (13°C).

Canadian health officials placed employees at a technology plant in Ontario under quarantine after one worker showed up for work despite showing symptoms of severe acute respiratory syndrome, known by its acronym SARS.

Workers in Ontario Thursday will begin to move out of the four buildings that house the facility, according to reports at Novoye Delo, the largest daily newspaper in the capital.

Los Angeles Times

The House on Thursday thwarted an effort to force automakers to raise the fuel-economy standards of SUVs and other vehicles as it moved toward approval of a comprehensive energy bill.

Democrats from auto-producing states joined Republicans wary of government regulations to defeat the measure, which would have moved toward approval of a comprehensive energy bill.

Workers 28 Boys Die

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Bush, Blair Address Iraqis Using Former Government's TV Channels

By Mike Allen

The Bush administration took over Iraqi state television Thursday, replacing tributes to Saddam Hussein with conciliatory greetings from President Bush, the Pentagon and British Prime Minister Tony Blair.

The shows were beamed onto Baghdad's Channel 3, one of the deposed government's frequencies. The Pentagon-controlled programming is part of a multimedia campaign to persuade Iraqis - probably to be held next week at an airbase outside Nasiriyah, to debate the enterprise are on the way.

"We need to convince Arab audiences, which are still skeptical but are beginning to see evidence of our intentions, that we are true to our word," a senior administration official said. "We are there to help Iraq create a new Iraq." The administration launched the channel the day after Saddam's government collapsed and U.S. troops took control of Baghdad. Among the other efforts by the allies to get their message out, Britain plans to begin printing 10,000 copies of an Arabic-language newspaper, Al Zaman (The Times), for distribution in southern Iraq by this weekend.

U.S. officials said that within days, they hope to open a second television channel featuring subtitled versions of the three major U.S. networks' dinnertime newscasts, as well as PBS's "The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer" and Fox News Channel's hour-long politics show, "Special Report with Brit Hume.

The second channel also will include about two hours of Arabic-language news from the Broadcasting Board of Governors, the government agency that oversees Voice of America.

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The process Powell outlined, the most extensive glimpse to date the Administration has given about how it will unfold as the war winds down, could spark new transatlantic tensions. At their Belfast, Northern Ireland, summit just a day earlier, President Bush and British Prime Minister Tony Blair agreed that the United Nations would have a "vital role." But Powell made it clear that the world body's role would be limited.

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Despite strong warnings from European allies about the need for U.N. involvement in all aspects of post-war Iraq, Powell forcefully rejected the prospects of a U.N. supervisory role in the political process during the transition. The U.N. role should instead focus largely on humanitarian aid and reconstruction issues, he said.

"We believe that the coalition, having invested this political capital and life and treasure into this enterprise, we are going to have a leading role for some time as we shape this process. The people of Iraq will have confidence in us because of who we are and what we've done," Powell said in an interview with the Los Angeles Times.

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The United States is scrambling to pull together the first of several meetings of "free Iraqis," probably outside Nasiriyah, to debate the process of self-government and free try is being liberated, not occupied, which is part of a multimedia campaign to persuade Iraqis - sometimes by using the abandoned infrastructure of Saddam's propaganda networks - that their country is being liberated, not occupied, by U.S. officials. The second channel also will include about two hours of Arabic-language news from the Broadcasting Board of Governors, the government agency that oversees Voice of America.

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The Columbia accident and growing doubts about the safety of the space shuttle are forcing NASA to accelerate efforts to build a new space vehicle - one that can begin operating in less than a decade.

The space agency is awarding $135 million to three major aerospace companies to begin developing a new transatlantic vehicle that could become a multibillion-dollar fleet of orbital space planes just big enough to ferry crews of about four astronauts back and forth to the international space station.

The plan, with little fanfare, represents a potential watershed in the U.S. space program. In a departure from the ambitious goals it has set since the dawn of the Space Age, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration wants a reusable system that will break new technological barriers but instead reduce costs and improve safety - perhaps by adding a crew escape system, for example.

The space plane would not have its own main engines, but rather ride atop an expendable rocket, such as a Delta 4 or an Atlas 5. Pilots would be a thing of the past, and maneuvering the craft in space would be small, automated thrusters. The plane would carry only tiny payloads - making room for them would require reducing the size of the crew and removing seats, NASA officials say.

Study Shows Humans Difficult to Clone

New research suggests that it may be a lot harder to clone people than to clone other animals, an unexpected scientific twist that could influence the escalating Congressional debate over human cloning and embryo research.

The new work by scientists in Pittsburgh provides an explanation for why hundreds of attempts to clone monkeys have all failed despite successes in several other mammals. The scientists said they suspect that similar roadblocks exist for all primates -- the evolutionary grouping that includes monkeys and humans.

If true, researchers said, then Congress may not have to worry that basic cloning research on human embryos will lead to the production of cloned babies. Free of that slippery slope, they said, Congress could settle for less stringent restrictions on embryo cloning studies, which scientists favor.

But opponents of human embryo research said they see things differently. The new research not only identifies previously unrecognized hurdles to human cloning, some said, but also points the way to overcoming those hurdles. They noted that the scientists who did the work have already come up with a potential way to get around the problem.

The one thing both sides seem to agree on is that the newly discovered obstacle to primate cloning makes it more likely than ever that rogue scientists' recent claims to have created cloned babies were hoaxes.

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Letters to The Editor
Quesitons of Leadership
As if the Defense Department hawks had not already done enough damage to international relations, they would now rub salt into the wound with their plans for post-war governance in Iraq. At the helm, they placed General Jay Garner, a man who has made his fortune in the very missile defense systems now being deployed in Iraq. Garner, who will answer directly to Rumsfeld and fellow-hawk Wolfowitz, and has close ties to Ariel Sharon, is hardly one to inspire confidence in the Iraq people.

Even more troubling is RumSFeld's pummeling of Ahmed Chalabi, the neo-conservative head of the Iraqi National Congress (INC). For decades, the INC has served as the CIA's "eyes in the desert"—in essence, intelligence in exchange for a promise of regime change. Once Saddam is gone, Chalabi dreams of returning to Iraq, privatizing the oil system, and parcelling it out among his Richmond, Walkabout Ricky Kovacs.

The new leaders of Iraq ought to have respect for its people and a profound understanding of its culture. Instead, the neocon- servative imperialists have shown nothing but intolerance and contempt for Islam, or for any views that differ from their own.

Rumsfeld and Wolfowitz—and the like-minded puppets they now seek to enlist—have absolutely no mandate to lead a newly liberated and supposedly "democratic" Iraq.

Maya Montenegro G

Offensive Content
At 8:20 p.m. on Friday, April 4th, our small group arrived at room 54-100 to help set up for a concert of world music and minority music. There was a lecture going on. The group inside had the room reserved until 9:00, so we all sat as far back in the lecture as we were in the for the shock.

The speaker was Yaron Brook, executive director of the Ayn Rand Institute. I later learned that the MIT Objectivist Club sponsored the talk. For those not familiar with Ayn Rand's work or the philosophy she created (objectivism), suffice it to say that laissez-faire capitalism (don't worry about regulating child labor or the environment, the corporations will see to it) and the individual man as self-interested hero (see ubermensch under "Third Reich") are prominent features. Nice words like "individual rights" are used to cover deeply held superiority complexes.

As an audience members nodded approval, Brook stood at the podium, asserting that colo-nialism had been beneficial. The British brought civilization to India and the Indians were happy when it happened. What's more, the real decline for poor countries began when they got rid of the Europeans and restricted Westernization.

Brook also feels strongly that the only way to combat terrorism is to Westernize the Arab world. No more of this wishy-washy appeasement by the USA that is invading on the non-Western heathens for so long.

But these are comparatively minor points, for as we all sat there in disbelief, the depths revealed themselves. Brook somehow managed to take up the white settlement of North America with gusto. "99.99% of the land was uninhabited" so colonization was "natural and proper." Besides, the Indians "were civilized," he assured us. Those comments are not being taken out of context.

It is estimated that between 12 and 15 million Native Americans inhabited the lower 48 states at the time of Columbus' accidental discovery. There were vibrant nations residing in each and every one of these territories. By 1900, they numbered fewer than 250,000.

This man was spewing such virulently racist, white-supremacist, apologia nonsense that our group was looking at each other, not sure what to do, it was so sickening.

After Dr. Brook answered a question by denying that genocide had been carried out against Native Americans, our group began to loudly disrupt the lecture, shouting "White Power!" and "Zigir Halil!" I am glad that we were there to rise up and identify that reason for what it is. The unanswered question: Does the MIT Objectivist Club stand by the words of their invited speaker? 

Jeff Drutz G

Akamai's Actions Unacceptable
Akamai's denial to provide its services to Al-Jazeera's English website is symptomatic of the hypocrisy that permeates George Bush's and Tony Blair's war of aggression against the Iraqi people. Al-Jazeera, a shinning beacon of free speech in region, has been the first casualty in this gloriously illegiti-mate war to create a shining beacon of free-dom in the Middle East. It seems that Ameri-ca has no qualms about seeing soldiers bravely firing missiles into the air but turns quaky when Al-Jazeera shows the bloody mess you get when the same missiles hit the ground.

Akama's actions are vile and go against MIT's and America's proclaimed values. A company that markets an MIT technology has chosen to join the campaign to silence a free voice with a message that is undeniably embarrassing to the US government and offensive to the American public; the Anglo-American invaders are as welcome in the region as the German army in Poland, or the Japanese army in Korea, or the IDF in the Gaza strip.

Shihab Elborai G

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Spin doctor
Shankar Mukherji

On April 9, news headlines around the world sounded the death knell of Saddam Hussein's brutal regime in Iraq. As Sad- dam's statues came tumbling down around the city of Baghdad amidst jubilant residents, an Iraqi ambassador to the United Nations Mohammed Alawi announced that "the game is over." And though force fighting will undoubtedly continue throughout the country in the immediate future, it is clear that the nature of war has changed. Iraq has turned over to a new era in the annals of his- tory. The fall of Baghdad, of course, has led to much commentary and analysis of its causes. For leads to scene of country in the immediate future, it is clear decent, hard-working people who surely houses and felled cannot be held responsible for the picking up the pieces left by the invasion force. The rebuilding of the nation that we have so
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The levying of sanctions against the per- petrators would raise the much-needed fund- ing necessary to reform an injusti- tiable fashion - those who cause the damage are required to pay the cost. If the United States and Britain are serious about discussing this conflict as partly a humanitarian mission on behalf of the Iraqi people, then how is it taking away their cash earmarked for desperately food and medical supplies a fair solu- tion to the disaster caused by U.S. and British armed forces? The only humanitarian solution is to allow the Iraqis to keep their war wealth while not being left to deal with the aftermath of war. This conflict as partly a humanitarian mission on behalf of the Iraqi people, then how is it taking away their cash earmarked for desperately food and medical supplies a fair solu- tion to the disaster caused by U.S. and British armed forces? The only humanitarian solution is to allow the Iraqis to keep their war wealth while not being left to deal with the aftermath of war.

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CHESTER ARE YOU STILL UPSET ABOUT CHANGING FROM 6 PANELS DOWN TO 4 PANELS? WELL, CHEER UP!

I BROUGHT YOU SOME GOODIES THAT'LL MAKE YOU FORGET ALL ABOUT THE DAYS OF 6 PANELS!

I GOT YOU... 6 SNICKERS BARS, 6 LUDLUM BURGER KING APPLE PIES, A BOX OF 6 DONUTS, 6 LAVENDER CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIES - THERE WERE EIGHT BUT I ATE TWO - UMM... 6 BAGS OF MACGREGOR GUMMY PEARS, AND A 6-PACK OF ORANGE SODA.

I EVEN RENTED YOU A MOVIE FROM THE VIDEO STORE! CAN YOU GUESS WHICH ONE?

THE 6TH SENSE... HA, HA!

WITH ALL THIS COOL STUFF, YOU'LL HAVE A POSITIVE MENTAL ATTITUDE IN NO TIME!

IT'S TIMES LIKE THIS WHEN I WISH I HAD A MIDDLE FINGER.

Hay Fever

by: Giao Wong and Jennifer Peng

Discover the mysteries of the Far East Biggest CPW Party!

Tonight! Baker Rm. 222

Babeilicious Girls! Total Eye Candy!

Baker Rm. 222

Who wants goldfish when you can get Ass of Ass?

Tonight! Baker Rm. 222

Later in Room 222.

Chen: They're still in high school!

Age ain't nothin but a number.
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See, that's the problem with y'allliberals. Y'all just try to be so dramatic that y'all just ignore the goal.

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POW!

Sic Semper Patriarchy!

The Adventures of The Reverend and The Queen

Realizing they are two sides of the same coin after a compelling Boston Globe piece, Boston's two most politically inclined super-heroes team up to fight organized crime.

PILED HIGHER AND DEEPER

IS IT "WRONG" TO EAT THIS FOOD, JUST BECAUSE THIS IS NOT MY DEPARTMENT? IS IT "WRONG"? I'LL TELL YOU WHAT'S "WRONG".

"WRONG" IS THE FACT THAT AT MY AGE, MY SALARY IS BARELY ENOUGH TO PAY RENT! "WRONG" IS THAT THE WORLD'S BRIGHTEST STUDENTS HAVE TO STRUGGLE TO EAT A DECENT MEAL!

ASK YOU IS IT SO "WRONG" TO NOURISH OUR BODIES AS WELL AS OUR MINDS IN OUR PURSUIT OF RESEARCH FOR A BETTER TOMORROW?

(OF COURSE IT'S "WRONG", KID... BUT YOU'D BE SURPRISED HOW WELL-FOOD YOU CAN BE WITH JUST A LITTLE SELF-DENIAL)

Dilbert® by Scott Adams

YOU NEED A BODY DOUBLE. THEY'RE POPULAR WITH YOUR MOST SUCCESSFUL DESPOTS.

IF SOMEONE TRIES TO TRAP YOU INTO BEING HELPFUL, DO WHAT I WOULD DO.

IF SOMEONE TRIES TO TRAP YOU INTO MAKING A DECISION I'LL TAKE THE HIT.

I WANT YOU TO THINK OF THIS AS YOUR OWN PERSONAL DRESS CODE. IF SOMEONE TRIES TO TRAP YOU INTO BEING HELPFUL, DO WHAT I WOULD DO.

I'M LEAVING EARLY, IN CASE I HAVE A DENTAL APPOINTMENT OR WHATNOT.

YOU NEED A BODY DOUBLE. THEY'RE POPULAR WITH YOUR MOST SUCCESSFUL DESPOTS.

WHAT ARE YOU WRITING?

A POWN FOR MY ENGLISH CLASS

WHAT ARE YOU WRITING?

WAIT, SEEMED PATIENT.

Across

1. Hold firmly
2. Pelican's bill peak
3. Discharged a debt
4. Severity
5. Westernmost of the Aleutians
6. Feature similar to a pilaster
10. Soap plant
11. Part of pants
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24. Tripod for Homer
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**Down the Hatchet**

**How to Care for Your Prefrosh**

Do not smoke your prefrosh — They cause blindness. Seriously.

Do talk — Hey, just because there are high school students running rampant on the MIT campus doesn’t mean that you don’t have work to do. Besides, it’ll present a more accurate representation of life at MIT (what do you mean MIT students do work?).

Do not eat your prefrosh — Your Dorm/FSLG has a person called “student liaison” for CPW. If you eat your freshmen, your student liaison will get in a lot of trouble with MIT and possibly the parents of your ex-prefrosh/dinner.

Do not store your prefrosh — This message brought to you by the CLC. If you’re caught with an intoxicated prefrosh, tell the police officer you’re from Athena cluster. In fact, if you expose them to the rank environment that defines the MIT campus doesn’t mean that you don’t have work to do. Besides, it’ll present a more accurate representation of life at MIT (what do you mean MIT students do work?).

Do not refer to the prefrosh as “You kids these days” — Remember, your prefrosh has endured the pains of high school and the college application process, it is only fair to give them the due respect you would give any mature adult. Calling them names like “punk,” “hey you,” and “what’s his/her face” is preferred.

Do not throw your prefrosh into the Charles River — Yes, they can be trying at times, but no matter how frustrated you may get with your prefrosh, please do not throw them into the Charles River. First, they have not yet passed the rigorous MIT swim test, so their safety cannot be assured. Second, it’s littering. Third, the Charles River is just plain dirty.

Do tell your prefrosh about MITFP — Just because Stick it to the man. Do not lock up your prefrosh to ensure a better future — The MIT weather bubble is only operated during CPW. It functions independent of the presence of prefrosh on campus. Numerous studies in the area using the scientific method have all yielded the same results. Further research also shows that chocolate can reduce the chance of any type of cancer by up to 50%.

Do not feed the prefroshes — Prefrosh need to maintain their hunting abilities outside of MIT. Feeding one might make your prefrosh lazy. Instead of independently searching and hunting for sustenance, the prefrosh will merely rely on other students for free food. When the prefrosh leaves MIT, it may no longer be able to survive in the outside world. While it might be tempting, please do not feed the prefroshes; it’s for their own good.

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Composed by Elina Groberman

**Difficulty Level 5**

White to Move and Checkmate In Four

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By Akshay Patil

**COLUMN**

Do not show them Athena — Your average Athena cluster. In fact, if you expose them to the rank environment that defines the undergraduate experience for far too many students, you may very well cause your prefrosh to wet their pants in fear. Exposure is unavoidable, try to ease their transition into this digital world by introducing them first to quick-stations and mini-clusters instead of dumping them directly into our computational geekdom. Of course, your prefrosh may be different. Perhaps they have a UNIX workstation at home and/or program in LISP on a regular basis... in this case feel free to introduce them to Athena and let them wet their pants in pleasure.

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**Wireless Network Trends and Opportunities**

Friday, April 11, 2003

10:00 a.m. - Admissions Information Session (Followed by the Campus Tour)

Location: 4-312


11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon - MIT Campus Tours.

Depart from Weeks Hall at 11:00 a.m. or from the Tour Center at 10:00 a.m. Following the tour, visitors will be invited to join our weekly Writing Group (sponsored by the Writing and Communication Center) and a seminar in the series "Reading and Writing about Science: Methods and Issues." Free. Room: Kresge Lobby. Sponsor: Office of the Arts.

12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m. - Canadian Lift Off! University of Toronto Space Flight Society presents: "That's Not Rocket Science!" This talk will show the audience the incredible technology behind rocketry through various demonstrations and an array of slides.


12:00 noon - 1:30 p.m. - ASP Student Seminar. "The Promise of Biometrics" Mr. Richard McCaskill Vice President, Lumidigm Corporation. The lecture will cover the history of biometrics and the current state of the field. Free. Room: 3-346. Sponsor: AeroAstro.

12:00 noon - 1:30 p.m. - Interdisciplinary Seminar Series. "Fedoron a Calab-Yau e" free. Room: 2-143. Sponsor: Differential Geometry Seminar.

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What’s an FSILG?

Welcome to MIT’s Campus Preview Weekend! One of the unique features of the MIT community is that it offers a wide variety of fraternities, sororities, and independent living groups (FSILGs) for students. You might be hosted in one now or are just interested in learning more about what the system has to offer.

50% of the male undergraduates at MIT have joined a fraternity, so we represent a large and active portion of the student body. When a person joins the fraternity system at MIT, he becomes part of the tradition of academic excellence, community service, leadership, and brotherhood that fraternities represent. Members of fraternities can be found volunteering at local shelters, doing clean up events in Cambridge and Boston, tutoring one another, leading the MIT community, and hosting social events. Being in a fraternity at MIT is an experience that cannot be equaled anywhere else.

Another opportunity at MIT is sorority life. The MIT Panhellenic Association serves as the governing body of the sororities here, and with over 400 total members. The Panhellenic Vision is “A Unified Community that Fosters Personal Development and Empowers All Women.” Sororities provide leadership opportunities, academic support programs and tutoring, countless philanthropic opportunities, formals and mixers, and life-long friendships. The sororities here at MIT are part of national and international sisterhoods. Upon graduation, this creates great career networking possibilities and support networks when moving to new communities.

The MIT Living Group Council (LGC) is an organization representing the Independent Living groups at MIT. The living groups house MIT undergrads, but provide a lot more than just housing for their members. Each group prides itself on its unique flavor and activities - from live bands at parties to tea at the Ritz to old school Nintendo tournaments. The member houses are Epsilon Theta, Fenway House, pika, Student House, ep, and WILG. The first four of those are co-ed, ep is all-male, and WILG is all-female. You might not have heard of living groups, but they are a very unique opportunity not found at many other schools.

The three governing bodies are here to answer any questions or concerns that you might have. Below is a list of events during CPW where you can get more information about the FSILG system. Please come to one or all of the events. Thank you for coming to MIT, and we hope to see everyone back in the fall. Enjoy your Campus Preview Weekend and make sure to experience all that MIT has to offer during this time; it only happens once!

Feel free to contact the IFC (ifc-exec@mit.edu), Panhel (panhel-exec@mit.edu), or the LGC (lgc-exec@mit.edu) at any time with questions.

http://itc.mit.edu

http://web.mit.edu/panhel/www

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FSILG Events

Thursday
10 – 5: In Lobby 10, we will have members of the fraternities trying to raise money for a local charity. They will also be handing out information about the fraternities and answering questions.

Friday
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4 – 7: In Kresge Oval, come to the FSILG carnival. There will be games, food, music, and members of the community hanging out in front of the student center.

4 – 7: At the Panhel Community Service Booth outside of Kresge, come help make mobiles for MGH’s Neonatal Intensive Care.

7 – 8: Women’s Dessert in Baker Dining. Come get yummy desserts.

Saturday
11 – 1: Come to the activities fair at Johnson Athletic Center to meet members of the Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic Council. They will be handing out information about fraternities and sororities and answering questions.

12.30, 2.30: The fraternities will be giving two hour tours of their houses. Meet in Kresge Oval.

3-6: IFC Pickup basketball in Rockwell Gymnasium.

6.30 - 7.30: FSILG Parent’s Welcome Reception. The IFC has invited members of the governing bodies of the FSILGs, the Student Life Programs Staff, Alumni, and the MIT Police to come to the reception so that parents have the opportunity to ask any questions that they have about MIT, academics, and/or FSILGs.
CPW, from Page 1

than the total number of pre-frosh that registered to attend CPW.

"I think it's really great to see that so many people want to be here and willing to share their experiences at MIT by hosting pre-frosh," said Jennifer T. Chang '04, whose pre-frosh activities will be..."Life at MIT" in 4 days

This weekend will provide prospective students with a firsthand experience of our own. More events are scheduled this year than ever before. Most of them will be held in the past, including several large events at the newly-built Zeigler Sports and Fitness Center facilities, where this year's pre-frosh will have full access during their stay.

Changes in this year's CPW program from previous years include the first-ever Activities Fair jointly organized by the Admissions office and the Association of Student Activities. The Interfraternity Council is also planning larger-scale events than it has hosted in the past. Traditional CPW events such as tours, lectures, a capella concerts, barbeques, outdoor exercise, and improv comedy will also continue to wow both incoming freshmen and fully matriculated students alike.

While some event organizers hope to lure prospective freshmen with live music and loud colors, others such as the CPW student service center plans to keep it simple with freshly baked cookies and good conversation. They hope to hold its first CPW Open House today and Saturday in their new office along the Infinite Corridor for anyone interested in hearing more about service.

"Community service is a great way to become acquainted to the community at MIT and a great way to learn about Cambridge," said Sallie Sunniva, Director of the PSC. "Pre-frosh should think about their time, interests, and ambitions and come in to talk to someone about how CPW sounds. We have CPW student leaders who can tell you what it's like to study at MIT and how to best fit its service into your life."

In most undergraduate courses, however, the Friday of CPW will be a day just like any other.

"I don't have anything special planned," said Professor of Mathematics Antonella Colagiovanni, Stat.

"[Friday] we'll be doing the Dirac delta function, which is infinity at one point and zero everywhere else, so it's not going to be a friendly part of MIT's good name I hope that the other less erratic events we're offering are more interesting."

Activities Fair

This is the first year that the Association of Student Activities has collaborated with the Admissions office to organize an activities fair during CPW. The fair will parallel the Activities Midway that is part of the orientation program for incoming freshmen in the fall. However, it will be slightly smaller than the midway, with only all of the almost 300 ASA recognized groups scheduled to set up booths on Saturday in Johnson Athletic Center.

Several MIT Administrative offices will also be at the Activities Fair, including the Campus Police.

"MIT boasts a huge number of student activities... so this is a great opportunity to showcase all we have to offer to pre-frosh," said ASA President Jennifer S. Yoon '05.

"The second audience that we're catering to is the entire MIT community who might have missed the Activities Midway in the fall or are just looking for new activities to become involved with."

Although a full flock of them and eager studen
t group leaders might be changing by the first of April, there are still some groups that still have open positions.

"We have groups that represent a huge range of interest. You might come in thinking you'll join one group, but then end up loving another activity you might not have considered, so definitely just go in there and keep an open mind!

Publicizing the Greek system

 Roughly 50 percent of pre-frosh are being housed in fraternity houses this weekend. The Interfraternity Council hopes that through our experiences, prospective freshmen will see the advantages to MIT's Greek system, which includes 27 fraternities and 5 sororities that make up close to a third of the undergraduate student population.

This year's IFC sponsored events are focused on making this year's CPW informative as well as fun for prospective freshmen. "We've been carefully stepping it up this year," said IFC President Lawrence W. Colagiovanni '04. "We're really going to try to give houses more interaction with the pre-frosh so they don't have to plan up a lot of separate events we're also really trying to push for setting the MIT fraternity system as a whole and showing what sets it apart from Greek life at other schools."

The IFC and Pachemcllne Council will set up a booth in Lobby 10 today to provide information geared towards pre-frosh and their parents asking questions about the Greek system and being candy to raise money for the Big Sister Association of Greater Boston. The IFC will also host a carnival in Kingsman Oval tonight from 4 to 7 p.m. with games, food, and music.

For this year's pre-frosh, Colagiovanni stresses the importance of exploring MIT's "weather-changing machine" as part of the orientation program to familiarize the students of how new MIT students might be impacted in "a broad sense of all that MIT has to offer, both socially and academically. "This will includen crams a lot of stuff into a short amount of time, but it shows how diverse we are as a school. CPW is what we call MIT," said Colagiovanni, who ended up pledging the fraternity at which he stayed during his first year.

MIT weather machine broken

According to The Tech's meteorologist, the weather forecast for this weekend looks less promising than the recent Campus Preview Weekends, with highs in the upper 40's and predicted showers.

"The rough weather finally got to see what Boston's really like for 96 percent of the school year. Apparently, MIT's weather-changing machine is broken," said Adrienne M. Lerner '04, who will not host any pre-fresh this year, but plans to take part in many of the many CPW festivities this weekend.

Despite the grim weather forecast for the weekend, CPW administrators are optimistic that the weekend will be a success and that MIT's "weather-changing machine" will be fixed the following week.

"I'm appealing to my friends, the weather spirit, to help out with this one. Usually they are very helpful, but now that they are on grades sec
tend semester, they might be too busy to lis
ten to my' weather," said Lerner.

"It's all about balance"

In the past, some prospective freshmen have found that they got the most out of organi
dized events while others preferred more informal gatherings and conversations. In order to make the most out of the experience of visiting MIT or any other college, Jones offers some advice. "Try to determine what our culture and values are as a community and see if there is a match. Spend time with facult
ey, students and staff. Go to at least one class and at least one party," Jones said. "Experience a little of everything. It's all about bal ance."

Colagiovanni reminds the prospective freshmen this weekend is not limited to the activities listed on the schedule of events. "I'd definitely encourage pre-frosh to go into Boston and explore not only what MIT has to offer, but what going to school in Boston has to offer," he said. "That could also be a huge selling point for someone who's never been in a new city before."

Like many of their predecessors, this year's pre-frosh may not appreciate the real meaning behind CPW.

"Eat as much free food as possible because it's free, and you don't get free food here," said Lerner.

A detailed schedule of the events planned for CPW can be found online at the website http://web.mit.edu/admissions/inside/experi
cence/cpw/.
Mission to the Amazon

12,000 Students Experience Research, Life in the Amazon Rainforest

By Rebecca Roques
Features

For some students entering a project-based learning experience, they'll only go as far as the adjacent cluster of the K12 TECH rooms. But the students of Mission 2006 went as far as the lush forests of the Amazon.

From fishing for piranhas to biking under the canopy of the rainforest, this group of students had a spring break they will never forget. "Each year we try to design a trip where for a few days one of the things that you would get out of this is a sense of what kind of activities were involved in our day-to-day work," said Shaw.

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First Impressions of a Prospective MIT Freshman

By Elysa Wan

I arrived for Campus Preview Weekend at 8:30 a.m. Thursday morning, so my day began as I waited with three other freshmen at the wrong terminal at Logan Airport.

After waiting for an hour, chasing down a bus and misplacing our luggage on a different bus, we finally found our way to the MIT campus.

During the bus ride over, the conversation strayed to the topic of college admissions, a subject I thought would be dead after April 2, the date that most colleges notify students of admissions decisions. After listening to a few people list highlights of their resumes, I once again hoped that college really does kill your ego.

I registered in a glotted room of dazed teenagers and their parents and received the unmistakable red and lilac folder that identifies one as a prefrosh. These folders included schedules, fliers, a meal card good for $5! until Saturday, maps and even personalized business cards with my name, address, phone number and e-mail address.

Although the fantasy of naively signing my professionally printed business card to a beautiful stranger at one of this weekend's parties was delicious, I finally managed to tear myself away from those fantasies.

Not one to hang around aimlessly, I jumped into the day, choosing six of the forty-some classes offered.

The old adage says that getting there is half the adventure, in my case it was at least 85% of the adventure.

I can't accuse any of the students and faculty that guided my way for being anything less friendly. Nonetheless, my feet are looking for an antagonist.

As but they rested cozily in a coffin on a class on the causes and prevention of war, I decided the 20 minute walk was worthwhile.

Today's lecture was on weapons of mass destruction. I was at once impressed by the engrossing, dynamic lecturing of Professor Stephen W. Van Evera. Even more encouraging were the intelligent, insightful questions posed by students. This place must be unique.

The other classes of the day were interesting. I could follow some, and others left me comatose.

The class day was rounded off by the Physics Colloquium on "Optical Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence: Interstellar Communication with Lasers."

Hearing Harvard professor Paul Horowitz, a huge star — excuse the pun — in radio astronomy predict that there will be contact with extraterrestrials by the end of this century brought a flush of excitement to my cheeks.

The agenda for the rest of the weekend fills up 25 pages in the CPW handbook. Some highlights may be the CPW party Thursday night, complete with liquid nitrogen ice cream, the Alpha Delta Phi Feast party, The Activities Fair and oodles and oodles of free food.

Unlike many other prefrosh, I have decided definitely to enroll at MIT — after getting a big envelope in December, I refused to stomach another college application.

When I walked down the infinite corridor for the first time this morning I realized that I will do this an infinite number of times in the next few years. I also realized that the buildings weren't in numerical order.

This weekend doesn't need to sell MIT to me, but it will give me a feel for what my next four years will be like.

And if its anything like my first 10 hours on campus, I can't wait.

Plans Made for Improvement of River Jogging, Bike Paths

Memorial Drive, from Page 1

intersection for nearly a decade. MIT contributed plans for the new design of the intersection and submitted them to the MDC. The plans were accepted and integrated into the overall plan with few modifications, Brown said.

Park space added along river

The second phase will expand and improve the space along the Charles River. The Metropolitan Parks System's goal is to enclose the space without blocking river views from campus buildings and drivers, according to the MDC report.

The existing jogging path will be widened from two to eight feet to accommodate more pedestrians and cyclists. A second path will be added closer to the river's edge.

The project will also improve the landscaping along the river. Currently, the trees and greenery are dying, and the space is in overall poor condition. A line of trees will create an edge between Memorial Drive and the park space.

A timetable for phase two has not yet been determined, said MDC representative Felix Brown.

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Week 4: Desire, action, results and the natural rest between activities.

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Week 5: The different states of attention, and how to develop them.

A practical exercise in attention.

Week 6: The purpose and meaning of life.

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Week 7: The control of attention.

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The following incidents were reported to the MIT Police February 1-28, 2003. This summary contains most incidents reported to the MIT Police but does not include incidents such as: medical situations, ambulance transfers, false alarms, general service calls.

February 1: Bldg. 14, report of suspicious person in building.

February 2: Tan, report of unknown male carrying computer cable, checks out okay; Bldg. 8, report of stolen laptop, $3,400; Baker, report of loud music.

February 3: Bldg. W31, report of stolen laptop, $1,400; Bldg. 4, report of two unknown males trying to open doors, gone on arrival; Bldg. 8, report of stolen wallet, credit card, debit card, and cash $110; Bldg. 27, report of stolen aluminum, $1,000; Student Center, male arrested; Sigma Chi, identity fraud; Delta Kappa Epsilon, laptop computer stolen, $3,500; 2) laptop stolen $1,400.

February 4: Bldg. W31, report of stolen bikes, $300; Bldg. 9, report of stolen projector, $7,580.

February 5: Baker, report of stolen laptop, $3,500; Bldg. 4, report of past larceny of a saxophone $4,600; Bldg. 50, report of stolen purse, $150; Bldg. 60, report of stolen coat, unknown value; Bldg. E25, report of suspicious package.

February 6: Student Center, report of suspicious male, trespass warning issued; Audrey Street, report of suspicious person attempting to gain access to dormitories on Memorial Drive; Bldg. 8, report of stolen laptop, $3,600; Student Center, Dennis Nickerson taken into custody on an outstanding warrant; Westgate Lot, 59 Toyota stolen.

February 7: Senior House, report snowballs being thrown at passersby, subjects gone on arrival; Bldg. NW96, report of skateboarders in area causing a disturbance.

February 8: Bldg. E51, report of graffiti in men's room; Amherst Alley, Hamen Downes arrested.

February 9: Student Center, 1) report of stolen purse $170; 2) stolen backpack, items and cash $75 Bldg. E55, report of stolen wallet, cash and leather coat $250.

February 10: Bldg. 35, report of stolen cash, $40; Bldg. 4, backpack stolen, $170; Bldg. 35, report of stolen vacuum, $1,000.

February 11: Bldg. 45, stolen cell phone, $250; Religious Activities Center, report of graffiti; Student Center, jacket and keys stolen, $270; 1) Bldg. NW14, vandalism; 2) cash stolen $5; Chi Phi, suspicious activity.

February 12: Student Center, report of suspicious male, trespass warning issued.

February 13: Student Center, Carlos Lafontaine arrested for trespassing; Bldg. 1, report of stolen tools, $300; Zagier Center, radio reported stolen, item found later; Bldg. 18, attempted larceny of construction equipment.

February 14: Bldg. E33, domestic dispute; Sigma Phi Epsilon, stolen wallet and articles of clothing, $105; Student Center turnover, traffic dispute.

February 15: Zagier Center, report of stolen wallet, cash and credit cards, $35.

February 16: Macgregor, report of harassing phone calls; Student Center, report of larceny of cash from a safe; Bldg. N42, report of stolen motor vehicle.

February 17: Bldg. W31, report of assault and battery.

February 18: Bldg. 66 exterior, report of students playing around administration building, seat on their way; Bldg. 5, report of breaking and entering, computer equipment stolen, unknown value; Student Center, report of female soliciting, gone on arrival; Charles River, report of two students attempting to walk across river, Lambda Chi Alpha, report of loud music.

February 19: Bldg. 68, laptop stolen, $4,000; Next House, report of harassment; Club 1, stolen computer monitor, keyboard and a skate bag, $620; Bldg. W35, report of stolen MIT ID; Bldg. 66, MIT ID stolen.

February 20: Bldg. 2, VCR stolen, $300; Theta Xi, wallet stolen, $5.00; Johnson Athletic Center, report suspicious person; Student Center, annoying e-mail; Bldg. 13, animal complaint.

February 21: Bldg. E15, suspicious person; Bldg. E52, wallet stolen, $200; Bldg. NW16, report of graffiti; Bldg. W21, report of suspicious person, checks out okay; Bldg. 2, report of graffiti; Bldg. W48, storage box stolen, $330; Bldg. E2, suspicious activity; Student Center, backpack containing laptop and calculator stolen, $1,100; Bldg. W35, 1) wallet stolen $25, 2) assault and battery, while playing basketball.

February 22: East Lot, 59 Mazda stolen; Lambda Chi Alpha, report of persons throwing snowballs from roof.

February 23: Phi Beta Epsilon, suspicious person, gone on arrival.

February 24: Bldg. 10, MIT ID stolen; Student Center, two homeless persons assisted to shelter; Bldg. 1, suspicious activity.

February 25: Bldg. 35, suspicious person in area, trespass warning issued; Student Center, 1) wallet stolen, $70, 2) male taken into custody on an outstanding warrant.

February 26: Rotch Library, backpack stolen $100; Main Street, report of three males cutting a lock on a bike, checks out okay; Bldg. 4, wallet stolen, $10.00; Bldg. W79, cash stolen, $101; Bldg. 37, annoying telephone calls.

February 27: Bldg. 1, suspicious person in office, gone on arrival of MIT PD; Bldg. 50, food stolen $40; Bldg. E40, wallets stolen, $146; East Campus, report of stolen credit card; Bldg. E23, laptop stolen, $1,600; Windsor St., lot, vehicle stolen elsewhere, recovered here; Bldg. 56, student problem; Bldg. E52, cash stolen, $500; Rotch Library, two way radio stolen, $280; Bldg. E56, jacket and clock stolen, $40.

February 28: Bldg. E52, past larceny, computer, $3,500; Bldg. 1, stolen tools, $400; Bldg. 7, report of suspicious package; Bldg. E18, suspicious activity.

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Hope of enacting a ban on smoking in Cambridge workplaces, including bars and restaurants, are fading even as surrounding communities enact their own bans.

The proposed ban, which has been before the city council for more than a month, has not yet been able to attract the five votes required for passage. In an interview after Monday’s council meeting, City Councillor Anthony D. Galluccio said that he doubted the issue would come to a vote. “I don’t know that [supporters of the ban] have the votes,” Galluccio said.

Galluccio and Councillor Denise Simmons appear to hold the deciding votes. Galluccio seems likely to vote against a city-wide ban; he has indicated that he would rather see the law enacted at the state or federal level. By exempting cigarette smoke from workplace safety regulations, federal legislators “dropped the ball,” Galluccio said.

Opponents of the ban argue that it would adversely affect bar and restaurant owners. Galluccio said that it would be easier to vote for a “ban that has parity across the state.”

Simmons said that she is “dead in the middle” on the issue of the ban but based on her comments appears likely to vote against it. In an interview after Monday’s council meeting Simmons echoed arguments made by bar owners. “We’re asking [bar and restaurant owners] to absorb whatever cost without any knowledge,” she said.

Simmons said that she expects to make a final decision after seeing an upcoming report on the economic impact of the ban prepared by the city’s economic development committee. The ordinance committee will meet on May 14 to discuss the economic impact of the proposed ban.

Harold Cox, the city’s public health officer and one of the chief proponents of the ban said that he “feels very optimistic” about the prospects for passage of the ordinance. “It’s not a done deal until [the councillors] actually vote,” Cox said.

Councillors oppose smoking, ban

While their support for the city-wide smoking ban is undecided, both Simmons and Galluccio indicate in public statements that they oppose smoking on a personal level. Simmons identified herself as a “non-smoker” and said that she appreciates non-smoking bars.

Galluccio said that the money that would be spent enforcing a smoking ban “should go to anti-smoking efforts.”

Other councillors oppose the ban and oppose smoking. Councillor

Ken Reeves said during debate at Monday’s council meeting that he would vote to ban cigarettes and smoking entirely in the city. During the same debate, however, he simply asked Councillor and Vice-Mayor Henrietta Davis on statistics she produced that implied that a smoking ban would reduce heart attacks. Reeves is likely to vote against the ban.

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Faculty consider decreasing number of class labs

TEAL, from Page 1

“We’re running into things we didn’t see with two sections basically because we weren’t doing it with 550 people,” Belcher said. “I think we probably have too many experiments in the course, so one of the things we were thinking of doing next year is to cut down on the number of experiments,” Belcher said.

Students responded favorably to the idea of fewer laboratories, saying that it would make it easier to draw connections between what they’re learning in lecture and the concepts that the experiments are supposed to reinforce.

“I think there’s too much emphasis on experiments,” said Chris P. Tostado ’06. “Large portions of the concepts that the experiments are teaching that it would make it easier to understand them,” Belcher said.

“I feel like I go to class and people expect me to know things that have gone across and what hasn’t gone across,” Feld said that PRS questions are important teaching aids. “When I discuss material, and put up a set of questions, I can immediately see what has gone across and what hasn’t gone across,”

Belcher said that they had also heard from the focus groups that students felt that they were expected to have previous knowledge of electricity and magnetism.

“I feel like I go to class and people expect me to know things already,” Sterk said.

Belcher said that one reason for this may be that in the past TEAL was only offered in the fall, to students who had either taken the class once before or who had seen some of the material in high school.

One aspect of TEAL that they have not received many complaints about, Belcher said, is the group format of the class.

In past semesters, Belcher said, they formed groups in the class based on pre-tests. Groups were assigned randomly throughout the semester, which caused conflicts in some groups.

Amelia E. Virostko ’03, who is in a group with two freshmen, said that she would prefer to group people—especially seniors—by year to help match up ability and motivation levels.

“We have completely different motivation levels,” Virostko said of the other members of her group. “It would be so much better” to group people together by year.

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'Grains of Rice' Celebrates Asian Culture

Radha Kalluri '99 shows her dance talent in a South Indian classical dance called Visayaka Kaarthikam. Grains of Rice, a celebration of Asian cultures, ran last Saturday night in Walker Memorial.

Tingting Peng '05 poses gracefully during a traditional Chinese fan and ribbon dance.

Trisha Montalbo '98 demonstrates elegant balancing skills in Binassuan, a classical Filipino dance.

Stevie Ace Flores, 11 years old, was killed by a drunk driver on March 23, 1993, on Pacific Coast Highway in Wilmington, Calif. If you don't stop your friend from driving drunk, who will? Do whatever it takes.

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**GSC Elects Officers**

The Graduate Student Council elected new officers for the 2003-2004 school year on Wednesday. R. Erich Ceafield G is the new president of the council. Ceafield is a student in the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science and has served in many leadership positions on campus, including as a chair of the GSC Orientation Committee.

Mishael R. Fokert G will become vice president. Fokert has served on the MIT Mental Health Task Force. One of his goals for his tenure as vice president is to create departmental student groups that will act as advocates for students.

Albert C. Chow G and LaRueh C. McEacher G were elected secretary and treasurer of the GSC, respectively.

MIT grad programs ranked high

The 2004 U.S. News and World Report “America’s Best Graduate Schools” has ranked the MIT School of Engineering as the best engineering school in the country for the fifteenth year in a row.

Stanford University, the University of California at Berkeley, the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and the Georgia Institute of Technology rounded out the top five in U.S. News’ list.

The MIT Sloan School of Management tied for fourth place with Northwestern’s Kellogg School of Management.

The report does not report new rankings for science or social science programs.

U.S. News and World Report ranks schools based on five attributes: faculty resources, research activity, student selectivity, peer school assessments, and corporate recruiter assessments.

New House restricts printing

In an e-mail to the dormitory, New House President Michael J. Childres announced that the dormitory executive committee decided to institute a quota of 75 pages per week of printing to New House printers. The purpose of the quota is to save money on paper.

Those who print a cumulative 50 or more pages over the weekly limit will be required to pay a $5 fee. If a resident prints over 100 cumulative pages, their printing privileges will be suspended and fined $10.

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**Taekwondo Takes 1st in INCTL Competition**

By Christina Park

On Saturday, April 5th, the Sport Taekwondo Club sent a 42 member team to Connecticut for the second Ivy/Northeast Collegiate Taekwondo League (INCTL) tournament of the spring season, hosted by Yale University. After a long day of competition, the MIT students emerged with a landslide victory, putting them ahead in the overall League standings for the year.

The tournament day began with forms competition, where each student performed a choreographed set of moves judged on elegance, grace, balance, and agility. Due to the sheer size of the men’s black belt division, the top 10 scores were taken from the field of over 40 into the second round.

Jeremy Krichef ’04, Conor Madigan ’05, and Richard Simms ’06 were able to take home first place in the men’s black belt division, as well as the overall League champion.

MIT’s women’s black belt division also performed well, with first place being taken by Brian Bliss ’04, with a 2nd place finish in the overall League, and a 3rd place finish in the women’s black belt division.

Several of the MIT students have much to prove to the league. They did not get in an attempt to repeat what the Rockies did in 1997. minus 100 lbs and is my pick for Rookie of the Year.

The Dodgers have this year for the pitching rotation. But is gaining valuable experience at the top of the rotation. The Rockies have sneaked into the top 10 by going 11-2 so far this season. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually. The Expos and Phillies are usually.
Sports
Athlete of the Month: Dan Sura
By Tom Kilpatrick

"It's like an adventure going around and trying to find the best spot," Daniel A. Sura '03 told me early last Saturday morning as we headed out to the beach for a surfing session (yes, surfing). His statement ended up defining the day as we visited beach after beach in his Dodge Astro, all the way up to Maine in search of suitable waves.

Most people don't know you can surf in New England; fewer know you can in the winter. That's what the Stuart, Florida native has been doing since his freshman year, braving sub-40 degree water temperatures and frigid air. "Wetsuits are lined with titanium... your hands and feet stay warm for about an hour," Sura said without a hint of irony.

The Atlantic is so cold in New England that surfers must even wear wetsuits for much of the summer. To add insult to injury, the waves have less power than those of a similar size in, say, Hawaii. This is because the Eastern continental shelf is so flat that the waves lose most of their energy before reaching shore. (In Hawaii there is a steep gradient as the island rise out of the ocean floor, so waves lose less of their energy.)

However, Sura doesn't seem to have any particular longing for California or Hawaiian shores. He mentioned that he may go to Brazil this summer after graduating but he's returning to MIT's Ocean Engineering department for graduate school in the fall.

Local waves messed up by winds
The forecasts called for chest- to head-high waves as a mini-Noreaster blew up the coast, so we headed out and stopped in Medford to pick up some surfing buddies of his. Sebastian, Alex, Tash, and Josh came along in two separate cars. Our first destination was Revere Beach, which actually can be reached by T on the blue line. On the way there Sura explained that only under certain conditions are there proper waves for surfing. Almost as important as the size

American League East
I have to start here so all the rabid Red Sox fans can get their fixes. This is the weakest division in the AL this year for three reasons. Tampa Bay, Baltimore, and Toronto. Tampa Bay's goal this year is not to lose 100 games. Baltimore's leading home run hitter and offensive producer last year was Tony Batista. At least he's facing hitter and offensive producer last year of the Red Sox in the AL East, and here's why.

American League Central
This division has some great talent that no one's heard of. Well, besides Detroit. The White Sox have added high-velocity Bartolo Colon (listed at 240 lbs-he must have dropped 60 lbs in the off-season) to their rotation to add to their ace Mark Buehrle. The "good guys" will have a solid season but won't make the playoffs. The Twins just don't seem as