By Jay Cameron

As rush begins today, fraternities say they are more optimistic about recruitment going into the second year of having rush during the semester.

"I have every reason to believe that by the end of the month, we'll have more new members than after rush last year," said Interfraternity Council Rush Chairman John J. Hux '03. "I see more contact between fraternities and freshmen than I did during [the same time] last year."

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Rush Begins Today
Bush Authorizes Negotiators To Offer Aid to North Korea

By David E. Sanger

The New York Times

President Bush, in a significant policy shift going into talks last week with North Korea, authorized American negotiators to say that the United States is prepared to take a range of steps to aid the starving nation — from gradually easing sanctions to an eventual peace treaty, senior American officials said on Thursday.

In the past, Rice has criticized the administration's 1994 nuclear freeze agreement with North Korea for giving the country fuel oil before it dismantled anything.

But she and other officials said that Bush was presented with a new negotiating strategy at his ranch in Texas last month, and approved the specifics after a meeting of his senior national security aides in late August.

"We're going to give these talks a real chance," Rice said. "This is the best opportunity for getting a resolution for a long time." But she quickly added that "it all depends on North Korean behavior." This was a clear reference to its threat, delivered at the talks last week, to conduct a nuclear test, and previous threats to make its supplies of plutonium available to the highest bidder.

Bush has called such comments "blackmail." The key change in the approach at the Beijing talks was in providing for a sequence of rewards to North Korea, according to a State Department official who briefed reporters on Thursday and other officials familiar with the talks.

Late last year, the White House publicly dismissed the notion that North Korea would see any benefits from its entire nuclear infrastructure was eliminated. But even then, the high-stakes struggle was playing out between State Department officials — who favored offering some rewards to the North Koreans for intermediate steps — and hardliners in the Pentagon and the vice president's office.

That struggle continues, and officials said that the parties were fully engaged in it up to the time the negotiating team led by James Kelly, the assistant secretary of state for Asian affairs, left for Beijing last week.

But the senior State Department official said on Thursday that "we made clear that we are not seeking to arrange North Korea," and the negotiators said "we are willing to discuss a sequence of demilitarization measures with corresponding measures on the part of both sides."

Recruitment of Iraqi Security Will Accelerate, Rumsfeld Says

By Douglas Jehl

The New York Times

WASHINGTON — Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld, arriving in Iraq on Thursday, said his highest priority is to accelerate the enrollment and deployment of former Iraqi officers to work with the United States to combat disorder and violence here.

The plans outlined by Rumsfeld on Thursday represented a shift and appeared to reflect the growing realization here and in Washington that the major and consequential admissions to the American project in Iraq are proving insufficient to the task.

Recruitment by insurgents and attacks on American soldiers, coupled with a growing sense in Iraq and the United States of the limits of American power, appear to have placed the Bush administration in the difficult situation of recognizing a need for more help while trying to be able to ask for any more from the United States.

Rumsfeld is the most senior American official to visit Iraq since May, and his journey comes closely on the heels of a wave of bombing attacks, including the strike six days ago that killed a top Shiite cleric and nearly 100 others in Najaf.

The new emphasis on enlisting more Iraqis to work on achieving greater security has come in tandem with the administration's decision to turn over to the United Nations — once viewed with great skepticism — for help in recruiting more non-Ameri-
Embattled Estrada Withdraws From Debate Over Nomination

By Neil A. Lewis

WASHINGTON

Miguel Estrada, whose nomination by President Bush to an important federal appeals court post was blocked by an extraordinary filibuster mounted by Senate Democrats, gave up his two-year struggle on Thursday.

"I wrote to ask you to withdraw my pending nomination," Estrada said in a letter to Bush. "I believe that the time has come to return my full attention to the practice of law and to regain the ability to make long-term plans for my family."

The fight over Estrada's nomination was the most prominent and most protracted battle in what has become a nasty ideological and political war with no end in sight between the White House and Senate Democrats over who gets to sit on the federal bench.

Republicans moved swiftly to deplore Estrada's fate and turn his withdrawal into a mobilizing moment among the party faithful in the wake of the Supreme Court's decision that event became depicted as a gross injustice, and it generated long-term political fervor.

"Despite all the superlatives and the wide bipartisan support for his nomination, these Democrat senators repeatedly blocked an up-or-down vote that would have led to Mr. Estrada's confirmation," Bush said.

Other Republicans were far harsher, noting that Estrada became the first appeals court nominee defeated through a filibuster strategy while they were reluctant to say so explicitly, some strongly suggest-ed he was opposed by Democrats because of his Hispanic heritage.

Rep. Tom DeLay of Texas, the House majority leader, said Estrada was the victim of a "political hate crime."

said in a statement referring to the Democratic filibuster or threat of extended debate that prevented the nomination from coming to a vote on the Senate floor.

"The treatment of this fine man is an unfortunate chapter in the Senate's history," Bush said.

Davis Campaigns Against

DEBATE

With Mounting Confidence, Gov. Davis Campaigns Against Recall

By Dean E. Murphy

WALNUT CREEK, CALIF.

As Gov. Gray Davis of California left the first recall contest on Wednesday, he had the air of confidence of a man gaining control over his political destiny. Though the outcome of the Oct. 7 recall election remains anyone's guess, and Davis continues to trail even in his campaign's internal polls, there is a growing sentiment among Democrats and many political analysts that Davis has a fighting chance of surviving the effort to oust him.

Just a few weeks ago, many of the same people who had written off Davis' prospects and were suggesting the Democrats' only salvation lay with Lt. Gov. Cruz M. Bustamante, one of the 135 candidates lined up for the governor's job who should lose the recall vote.

"Sometimes you like the devil you have more than the devil you don't have, so you hold your nose, and say, 'OK,'" said Barbara O'Connor, director of the Institute for the Study of Politics and Media at the California State University, Sacramento. "I think he has a shot, and I wouldn't have said that a month ago."

Davis seems to be benefiting indirectly from divisions within the Republican Party, reflected by a standoff between the party's two leading candidates for his job, actor Arnold Schwarzenegger and state Sen. Tom McClintock. If Davis loses the recall vote, which will be determined by a simple majority, the successor candidate with the most votes on the second part of the ballot would become governor.

Efforts have failed by top Republicans to get McClintock, the contest's most heralded conservative, to drop out. Even if they were to succeed before Oct. 7, McClintock's name would remain on the ballot and would likely draw the votes of his most dedicated followers anyway.

Davis also has the advantage that Bustamante, the top Democrat among the possible successors, is a lackluster campaigner who has staked out many positions to the left of Davis.

On Lie-Detector Tests

The Energy Department said on Thursday in a surprise announce-ment that it was sharply curbing the number of lie-detector tests it will give to people who have access to nuclear secrets, particularly at the nation's weapons laboratories.

Deputy Energy Secretary Kyle E. McSlarrow told a Senate hearing that the new policy was likely to reduce the number of people given polygraph tests from some 20,000 now to 4,500, mainly in sensitive arms and intelligence posts.

"No one," he said, "has suggested that we abandon their use, or that we hire people and entrust them with national defense informa-tion with no prior checks or reviews whatsoever."

But McSlarrow acknowledged that the department, which runs the nation's nuclear weapons laboratories, had faced many criticisms of the polygraph technique in the last year and had come to agree with some of them. Thus, he said, officials proposed "substantial changes" in the tests' routine use for trying to ferret out spies.

In 2001, Congress instructed the Department of Energy to adopt widespread polygraph screening in reaction to the case of Wen Ho Lee, the scientist at the Los Alamos weapons laboratory in New Mexico who was suspected of being a spy but was freed from jail in Sep-tember 2000 after admitting to a security violation.

That order raised an outcry from experts who ridiculed lie detector tests as pseudoscientific and a potential threat to national security.

U.S. Open Finally Resumes Play After Continuing Rain Delays

The U.S. Open match that began Monday in the high-profile court in Louis Armstrong Stadium did not end until Thursday at 5:28 p.m. in the much more modest confines of Court 10. After four days, three court changes, one injured chair umpire, too much rain and too little sleep, Francesca Schiavone of Italy dropped to her knees with delight and relief after Ai Sugiyama of Japan knocked her last shot wide in what had been expected to be routine fourth-round encounter.

Not that Schiavone would have much time to savor her 6-7 (5), 7-5, 6-2 victory. Because of the rain that washed out all but four matches on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and because Open organizers remain determined to play the women's final as scheduled Saturday night, Schiavone was asked to take only a few hours' rest before playing her semifinal against Jennifer Capriati.

"I will be ready," Schiavone said.

It would be advisable to be ready for anything at this Open, including the upset of second-seeded Roger Federer of Switzerland. He lost in the Round of 16 on Thursday to 13th-seeded David Nalbandian of Argentina, 3-6, 7-6 (1), 6-4, 6-3.
Letters To The Editor

Another Banking Option

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(Oh, and for the record, I'm not affiliated in any way just a happy customer who went through two lousy evil corporate-monster-sized-we'll-ignore-you-unless-you-have-$3,000-or-more-banks before being told about Wainwright.)

Millan de Vries

Terror Futures Are Not Immoral

Terror futures markets should not be used because "It is immoral to gain a profit or advantage in life based on the death of a fellow man." Gun-slingers and assassins behold! And funeral directors, coroners, and crisis counselors, you are immoral too!

This is not right. Clearly, we must distinguish between those who gain profit by causing the death of their fellow man (they are indeed morally and immorally) and those who gain profit by successfully alleviating the suffering they are not. A terror futures market falls into the second category. Traders would make money by accurately forecasting terror events; thereby reducing the evil by helping the rest of us to be better prepared. They are no more immoral than the analyst who gets paid to do such forecasts (short-selling on the conventional market).

The editorial rhetorically poses the question of this technology: "Could this help enough to outweigh its immorality?" My response echoes that of the insightful editorial dissenting view: if it helps any at all, then it is worth using! I challenge the editorial majority to answer these questions instead of having them brought up themselves. How many prevented/mitigated attacks or saved lives would it take for the editorial majority to overcome their "moral" objections?

The position presented by The Tech editorial is popular and politically correct, but it is not logically coherent. If terror analysts and coroners are not immoral, then neither are terror futures. I'll wager the board majority will find it difficult to explain why they are different!

Tor Schoenmeyr

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The real Reason for Embedded Journalists
Ruth Miller

Much attention has been given to the tragic event of September 11, 2001, when hijackers commandeered American passenger airplanes and flew them in to world trade center towers in New York City and into the Pentagon, the home of the Department of Defense in Washington, D.C. The United States, and other countries, have been engaged in a war against terrorism, and the media have played a crucial role in informing the public and shaping public opinion. In this opinion piece, Ruth Miller discusses the role of embedded journalists in covering the war on terrorism and suggests that they may be useful in providing a different perspective on the conflict.

Forget Davis, Recall Californians
William Li

Aside from my attempts to run for California governor this summer, I passed the usual August deadline to file for the primary in Los Angeles with my family. In the end, I guess I just wasn't willing to part with $3,500 of my hard-earned summer income to file petitions with the Secretary of State. Dropping nightfall proved too tempting for me to take time to file the mundane paperwork. So, unable to qualify, I guess I'm not accepting the necessary 55 signatures on my nomination papers. Maybe next time, when the weather is warmer and the number of Californians is up, again, when another millionaire offers "Dollar for Signature," then I just might join the circus.

The special recall election of current California Governor Gray Davis has been underway for several months, and the date for voting will be on October 7, 2003. This provides much needed education for Californians. If I were a governor, I would be better suited for the position as I have the following qualifications, as quoted in the editorial in the Los Angeles Times: "To be a govern- nor is to be a sort of gendarme, charged with the protection of the public welfare."

I have a confession to make. You see, I didn't write the book alone. As a noted conservative news site, claiming that I was the first one to point it out, I'll try to fact-check, except, of course, that making the election of their representatives, who is that you would seek out in the book?

The political mayhem in California that began this summer with a petition to recall Davis, and will likely continue many months after the recall election, has provided the rest of the country, and possibly even the world, many, many, hard laughs. For some, the chaos is no surprise to beget the look at a political system under initiatives and recall elections.

The early 1990s, an amendment to California's state constitution allowed for controv- ersial matters to be voted on in general elections, provided the matter received a threshold number of signatures on a petition. The first time. Since then, California has decided many key issues on election balloting, includ- ing taxes, bilingual education, restrictions to abortion, and immigration. The rhetoric behind these petitions and popular votes that have been restored to the people's hands. In reality, however, the practice has allowed special interest groups and selfish elites, those who possess the skills and hold the resources to do so, to manipulate the people in order to benefit themselves.

A further problem in this kind of direct democracy is that voters are.prevy to the swamp-like landscape of the voters, and distort the truth for their own purposes. It's easy to read over the word "embedded" and not even think about what these journalists are doing, or even care. Regardless of the necessity of military action in Iraq, the most stream- lined way to once and for all do it, and the media has become more or less a mouth piece for the Bush camp. So if we aren't getting all we need to know, perhaps we should be clogging the media around election time with repetitive pictures of Saddam Hussein statues falling, pictures of Saddam Hussein statues falling, pictures of Saddam Hussein statues falling, pictures of Saddam Hussein statues falling. I'm not sure which image is most in use. And if the news media are being manipulated by the military to advance their own agenda, they're certainly doing a better job of it than I've ever seen. Knowing the risks of warfare, soldiers continue to fight. They see a variety of guerrilla tactics in the media, and they're aware of the daily strike. From being cautious, military personnel run the risk of "friendly fire" and being killed. They are not sure if they are to rise, but report tragic deaths like this one and not go on with their mission. Journalists, on the other hand, are usually able to get close to the action, and bring into question the feasibility of the entire operation. However, knowing the varied use and scale of guerrilla tactics, journalists continue to risk their lives in trying to get the most accurate information possible.

While this intention is incredibly noble, it is also being squandered. Why would Ameri- can journalists embed themselves in war and the loss of resolution. Here in 2003, things are looking similar for another Bush.Now, that's a big word in the vocabulary of the millions of Americans who have already broken their rash post 9/11 pledges to care about the rest of the world?" the phrase "embedded in war" and leaves out the much larger context of the war itself. Knowing the varied use and scale of guerrilla tactics, journalists continue to risk their lives. Knowing the varied use and scale of guerrilla tactics, journalists continue to risk their lives.

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Cinderella (Eleanor M. Pritchard ’06) gives her step-sister, Florinda (Marissa L. Jacovich ’04), a rough hairdo in preparation for the Royal Ball.

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Physics Pass Rates Increase Drastically

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received a score of "English as a Second Language Subject Required" and must take Expository Writing for Bilingual Students (11F 225). Leslie C. Perelman, director of writing across the curriculum, whose office administers the test, said that when the faculty decide a FEE score, they ask themselves the question "Will this person do okay in a CBL subject, or does this person need some work on their writing?"

Ben M. Boumgord '07 said that he wrote about early decision versus early action, and his essay about "a new experience" included Campus Preview Weekend on Fifth East at Next House.

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Fraternal Organizations for empty beds. The reimbursement amount will slowly shrink over time.

"For the short term, it's hopeful," Council said, but because it's a three-year transition plan, fraternities and living groups must "plan for the future."

Rush begins with Kresge Kickoff

Rush Kickoff is from noon to 5 p.m. on Kresge Oval today, when Rush begins with Kresge Kickoff. The LGC will also hold a p.m. on Kresge Oval today, when Rush begins with Kresge Kickoff and three-year transition plan, fraternities and ILGs will be encouraged to attend the kickoff, but will mainly be a promotional event for the next ten days of official fraternity rush.

Sororities will begin an informal rush and seventeen days of living group rush. The future." For the short term, it's helpful," Council said, but because it's a three-year transition plan, fraternities and living groups must "plan for the future."

The LGC will also hold a rush carnival co-sponsored by the Science and Engineering Business Club and Smile@MIT starting at 1 p.m.

Today's kickoff will be different from two years ago, when the kickoff event brought together the entire freshman class in Killian Court to meet the FSILG members who gathered on the sidelines awaiting the signal to begin rush. This year, fraternities and ILGs will be encouraged to attend the kickoff, but it will mainly be a promotional event for the next ten days of official fraternity rush.

Sororities will begin an informal recruitment this fall but will not begin formal recruitment until spring.

Law, Violence and Justice

Law in the United States is everywhere, ordering the most minute details of daily life while at the same time making life and death judgments. It claims to do justice and to be justified in using violence to pursue its aims. We will attend to the peculiar ways the American legal system deals with the human suffering-with examples ranging from the legal treatment of persons living in poverty to the treatment of victims of sexual assault. How is law organized to cope with their pain? How are the actions of persons who inflict injuries on others defined in legal terms? Here we will examine cases on self-defense and capital punishment. Throughout, attention will be given to the practices of police, prosecuters, judges, and others who deploy law's violence.

17.906

Law, Violence and Justice

Professor Austin Sarat
Fridays 1:00 - 3:00 pm
E51-385
HAVE AN IMPACT ON PROBLEMS OF RACE AND EDUCATION

17.907 Solving Problems in Race and Education

12 units
Thursdays 1-3 pm
E25-117
Tobie Weiner

Explores how race, education, and community affect MIT and the Cambridge and/or Boston Community. Students will be given an in-depth background into specific community problems at MIT or in Cambridge/Boston. Problems and concerns examined will include racial, economic, and political issues. The class allows students to select the issues or concerns on which they will focus for the semester. Students will work throughout the semester to propose solutions that allow for the MIT and Cambridge educational communities to become more inclusive, efficient and equitable.

For more information contact Tobie Weiner at 253-3649.
Second baseman Todd Walker rifles a throw to first to secure a double play for the Red Sox. The Sox won 6-3 against the Toronto Blue Jays on Aug. 27.

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Dear UA,

I have been a student here for close to three years now. This year I have decided to get into the party scene. I have heard so much about it, and I was wondering how to get into it.

First of all, do you have a list of parties that are going to take place this year? I have heard that the party scene here is much bigger than the party scene at other colleges. Is that true? If it is, how do you get into these parties?

Would you be willing to give me some advice on how to get into the party scene? I am very excited about this, and I am looking forward to seeing what the party scene has in store for me.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

[Name]

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Dear Nutty B,

I am a PhD student here going into my third year. Just a few days ago, I met this girl at a party I was at. She is very pretty, and I would like to get to know her better. However, I am not sure how to approach her. Any advice?

Thank you.

Sincerely,

[Name]
It's just like Starbucks, only with Jolt instead of coffee! Have you tried it?

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Well, you shouldn't have blown your money on tuition, should you?

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Positive Sinking
The Death of DTH and a Call for E-mails

By Akshay Patil

Well, welcome back to the "tube. Hope you had a great summer, because it's over. It's not coming back. Well, I guess it sort of is, but that'll be a different summer, which will be similar, but altogether not quite the same as the one we just had. I, however, digress.

For all you regular viewers, you will notice that today's programming differs slightly from normally scheduled Friday Fun Section, "Down the Hatchet." I'm sorry, to say that "Down the Hatchet" is dead ... it is no more, it ceases to be.

Surely if it rests in peace. Instead, we here at The Tech are proud to introduce a new feature that you would really like entitled "Positive Sinking."

Basically the idea behind "Positive Sinking" is that it has no more ideas.

Nope. No interesting ones anyways. I do have some choice words about how FOX cancelled "Family Guy" and the appalling lack of penguins in American media, but those are rants that I will spare you, the concerned viewers. So, in an effort to keep all of you entertained (including all you freshmen and assorted new people who think that previous paragraph made absolutely no sense), I have decided that the easy, ethical, environmentally-safe thing to do this term is start an e-mail-focused column. That's right, every week tons of thousands of you should write fascinating e-mails to me (sinkingpaj@gmail.com), from which I will select the utterly wondrous few that will provide fodder for whatever it is I decide to write about.

Valid topics include pretty much anything from animals taking over the world to how much I rock/suck-ass to philosophical questions concerning my ability to type with boxing gloves on.

"Positive Sinking" is an unabashed attempt to create a virtual orgy of ideas ... an abundance of attitude.
Events Calendar

Visit and add events to Events Calendar online at http://events.mit.edu

September 5, 2003

Friday, September 5

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. - One-Day Symposium. One-Day Symposium in celebration of the completion of the renovation of the Dreyfus Building (Building 18). Free. Room: Wiesner Information Center. Sponsor: The Massachusetts Institute of Technology Winters Group (sponsored by the Writing and Communication Center). Share a piece of your writing with other interested and supportive writers. Open to all MIT students, staff, faculty, and spouses. Free. Room: N42-253. Sponsor: Usability at MIT.

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Sloan. Free. Room: N42-253. Sponsor: Usability at MIT.

10:00 a.m. - Admissions Information Session. Admissions Office Information Session will be held in the Admissions Reception Center (10-100). Enter MIT at the main entrance, Lobby 7, 77 Massachusetts Ave. Free. Room: Lobby 7 (Main Entrance Lobby at 77 Massachusetts Ave). Sponsor: Information Center.

10:45 a.m. - Campus Tour. Student-led campus tours are approximately 90 minutes long and begin promptly at 10:45 a.m. The tours meet at the Admissions Reception Center (10-100) and then proceed to the MIT Museum. Free. Room: Lobby 7 (Main Entrance Lobby at 77 Massachusetts Ave). Sponsor: Information Center.


12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Writers Group. New writers are invited to join our weekly Writers Group (sponsored by the Writing and Communication Center). Share a piece of your writing with other interested and supportive writers. Open to all MIT students, staff, faculty, and spouses. Free. Room: N42-417. Sponsor: Writing and Communication Center.

12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. - EPF Meeting. Environmental Programs Task Force or EPF meets every month to discuss current and future environmental initiatives on campus. Free. Room: 10-250. Sponsor: Environmental Programs Task Force.

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Meet In 68-121. Free. Room: 68-121. Sponsor: 7.13. This evening is the first meeting of the Science and Engineering Business Club. Free. Room: Kresge BBQ Pits. Sponsor: GSC Orientation.

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1:10 p.m. - 1:50 p.m. - Muslin Friday Prayer. Weekly congregational prayer for Muslims. People of other faiths welcome to attend. E-mail msa-ec@mit.edu for more information. Room: W11. Sponsor: Muslims student association.

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11:50 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - China Today seminar series - Entrepreneurship In China. Free. Room: 10-250. Sponsor: Music and Arts Committee, Graduate Student Council, GSC Financing, GSC Orientation.

8:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m. - Sangam Movie Special. Movie Screenings. E-mails are typically received for MIT SSA near the end of the term. Room: 3-353 or 3-362. Sponsor: International Student Services, MIT-India Program, MIT France Program, MIT-Germany Program.

Saturday, September 6

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Edgerton Brunch & Yard Sale. Enjoy a free brunch and pick up fabulous deals at the Yard Sale at Edgerton. Room: Edgerton Courtyard. Sponsor: Edgerton House Residents Association, GSC Orientation.

11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. - Multicultural Welcome BBQ. Welcome BBQ Open to all. Free. Room: Kresge BBQ Pits. Sponsor: AISES, Association of Puerto Rican Students, Black Women's Alliance, La Union Chicana Por Aztlan, Mexican-American Engineering Students Association, and the American Indian Student Association.

1:00 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. - Warehouse Tours. Walk around the Warehouse and explore its fascinating architecture. Free. Room: Warehouse. Sponsor: Ashdown House Residents' Association, GSC Orientation.

1:00 p.m. - 4:15 p.m. - Ashdown House Tour. Visit the second oldest graduate dorm in the country, and enjoy its beautiful architectural features! Room: Kresge House. Sponsor: Ashdown House Residents Association, GSC Orientation.


2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. - Tang Hall & Westgate Tours. Visit the tallest dorms on MIT campus, and enjoy magnificent views of Boston across the river! Room: Tang BBQ Pits. Sponsor: Tang Hall Residents Association, GSC Orientation.

3:30 p.m. - 4:15 p.m. - Ashdown House Tour. Visit the second oldest graduate dorm in the country, and enjoy its beautiful architectural features! Room: Kresge House. Sponsor: Ashdown House Residents Association, GSC Orientation.


5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. - Warehouse Dinner. Enjoy some delicious dinner just before the Outdoor Movie. Free. Room: Warehouse. Sponsor: The Warehouse, GSC Orientation.

6:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. - Welcome Picnic. Gatherings from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m., then switch out as they try to take their revenge. Room: N52-118. Sponsor: Tech Model Railroad Club (TMRC).

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. - Tang Outdoor Movie. Come enjoy an outdoor movie in the Tang courtyard. This event is a part of the traveling social and will be followed by people building over town. Free. Room: 10-250. Sponsor: Tang Hall Residents Association, GSC Orientation.

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8:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m. - MITCSSA Dance. Ballroom dancing and disco will be served. Free for MIT student and $5/ea for non-MIT community. Room: Lobdell Dining. Sponsor: Chinese Student and Scholar Association, GSC Activities.

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 combat with rubber-dart guns. Shoot your little targets, then watch out as they try to take their revenge. Room: N52-118. Sponsor: Assassins' Guild, MIT.

8:00 p.m. - "Into the Woods." Stephen Sondheim's musical. (2.0 p.m. matinee on Aug. 31). $9. 58 MIT community/other students, $6 MIT/Wellesley students, $3 MIT students; all reservations are required in advance. Room: Kresge Little theater. Sponsor: Musical Theatre Guild, MIT.

8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. - SOCIAL JUSTICE COOPERATIVE FRIDAY MOVIE, Documentaries and titles to come. Room: 10-250. Sponsor: Theodore Roosevelt House Community, GSC Orientation.

9:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. - Night on the Town. Go out and explore Lansdowne Street, one of Boston's hottest night spots. There is something for everyone to do! Room: Depart. Sponsor: Depart, GSC Orientation.

10:00 p.m. - "L'Auberge Espagnole." $3. Room: 10-250. Sponsor: LSC, Center for International Studies, MIT-India Program, MIT France Program, MIT-Germany Program.

Sunday, September 7

12:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. - Whale Watch. Meet graduate students and whales on a four-hour whale watch. $10/$15. Room: Depart Kendall (t) inbound. Sponsor: GSC Orientation.

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - ICC BBQ. Free. Room: Kresge BBQ Pits. Sponsor: Tech Model Railroad Club (TMRC).

7:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. - Tang Movie Night (rain date). Free. Room: Tang House. Sponsor: GSC Orientation.

8:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. - International Folk Dancing (participatory). International folk dancing. Teach and beginners' dances from 8:00 to 9:00 p.m. A mixture of all skill levels from 9:00 to 11:00 p.m. Occasional live music. Note: We will move to La Salla de Puerto Rico (on the second floor of the Student Center) if it is available. Room: GSC Orientation. Sponsor: GSC Orientation.

9:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m. - Off-Campus Residents Social. Meet other residents from your area and enjoy free appetizers. Free. Room: to be announced. Sponsor: GSC Orientation.

9:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m. - Dance Party. A high energy dance party with DJs from New York, San Francisco, and of course Boston. Free. Room: Sidney-Pacific Hall. Sponsor: Sidney-Pacific House Council, GSC Orientation.

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By Phil Janowicz

**Column**

Down 9-7 in the top of the ninth in Philadelphia, the Red Sox came to the plate. Having already battled in an up-down game for the past three hours, the Phillies were in the lead. Fortunately for the Sox, Jose Mesa was coming in to close out the game.

Notorious for his late-game meltdowns even more so than Armando Benitez, Mesa proceeded to give every Red Sox player a Christmas gift. Mesa gave up two walks with a single sandwiched in between when recent reacquisition Lou Merloni came to the plate. The many Red Sox fans in the 61,068-person crowd at the Vet started cheering "Louuuuu!" Then, Merloni hit a soft bouncer to Tomas Perez at third that Perez couldn't handle for an out. You can't blame Mesa for that single, but you can blame him for the previous two walks and wild pitch which prompted the intentional walk of Nomar.

Now, with the bases still loaded and the Phillies clinging to a 7-8 lead, Mesa proceeded to walk Kevin Millar to blow another save. Maybe the Phillies could have minimized the damage, but Trent Noah came to the plate. Phillies manager Larry Bowa immediately decided to go to the only guy left on the bench, Turk Wendell, to counterize the wound. Unfortunately for the Phillies, Trot Nixon smashed a 379-foot shot to right field which capped the Red Sox comeback.

What impressed me even more in that inning was the at-bat by sidearm closer Byung-Hyun Kim. With one out and a runner on first, Kim was called upon to hunt the runner over to second. After missing a bunt and finding another one off, Kim found himself down 0-2. Then, Kim lined a bullet down the first baseline. Unfortunately, he hit it to the one spot on the field where Phillies first basemnn Jim Thome could record an unassisted double play to end the inning.

The reason that at-bat impressed me is it shows that all members of the Sox are giving it their all no matter when or in what situation they're called upon to do so. Jeff Suppan remarked, "This was a great win for us as a team, everybody contributed!" Todd Walker called that win the best one of the season so far.

Perhaps this is just what the Sox needed to make a late-season surge in the standings.

**Janos Awards:**

This week's Jano Awards are dedicated to the memory of Wesley Williams. 

Hitting: "Fox" Trot Nixon of the Boston Red Sox. In addition to his monster grand slam, Nixon added another home run in Chicago last Tuesday to complement his .450 average the last week.

Honorable Mention: Jody "Spans the Impaler" Guerrero of the Montreal Expos.

**Honorable Mention:** Vladimir "The Lipman" Guerrero of the Montreal Expos.

In addition to his monster grand slam, Nixon added another home run in Chicago last Tuesday to complement his .450 average the last week. Having already battled in an up-down game for the past week, rookie Jody Gerut has eight runs scored, four homers, 13 RBIs, and a .357 average. With Coco Crisp and Ryan Ludwick shaping up to be great additions as of late, next year's Indians outfitted will be dangerous.

Pitching: Matt "Jenny" Morris of the St. Louis Cardinals. Back from a plethora of injuries, Morris pitched one hell of a week. Giving up only two runs in 14 innings over the past week, Morris seems to have returned to dominating form. Matt, you're just what the Cardinals needed.

Honorable Mention: Brian Schmack of the Detroit Tigers. You heard me. Schmack has the perfect birth name for a relief pitcher so no nickname is necessary. Having given up only one run since being called up from AAA, Schmack recorded his first major league win last Tuesday against the Indians. Hopefully, the Tigers can look forward to a Schmack-down in the ninth next year.

Utility: Tony "Manager of the Year" Pena of the Kansas City Royals. Okay, let's face it. The Royals are exhausted. Thankfully, September call-ups are here to give the Royal starters some much needed rest here and there. Despite the rampant exhaustion, Tony Pena still believes that the Royals can win as long as they still have heart. It takes a special guy to keep the Royals motivated and in the playoff hunt. If you're not already, you should all pull for the Royals.

Honorable Mention: Vladimir "The Lipman" Guerrero of the Montreal Expos. Back from a herniated disk in his back, Guerrero has returned to form at the plate. In the past week, Guerrero has seven runs, five homers, eight RBIs, one stolen base, and a .458 average. Guerrero has brought back with him the Expos playoff hopes.

Honour of the Week: Antonio "You Can Call Me" Alfonsoe of the Chicago Cubs. No matter what you do, you don't touch this ump. Period. In game two of the Cardinals-Cubs doubleheader Tuesday, the Cubs were down 0-2 with the bases loaded and two outs. Matt Morris delivered a pitch inside, and the ball was hit down the third base line. The third base umpire, Justin Klemm, followed the ball until it hit the ground and called it just barely foul. Multiple replays showed a little bit of chalk kicked up from the ground where the ball hit, but the ump says go.

After the batter promptly flew out to end the inning, Misses Alfonsoe ran over to Klemm and complained enough to get tossed. Kenny Lofton held him back from getting a suspension, but Alfonsoe went up to say something to Klemm. Alfonsoe claims that he wasn't trying to bump him a good ten feet back, but that seems hardly accidental. Crew Chief Mike Reilly said of the attack, "It was one of the most severe attacks of an umpire I've seen in the big leagues." Even if it was accidental, you shouldn't have even put yourself in the position to do so.

Honorable Mention: Jose "Platano" Mesa of the Philadelphia Phillies. I hate you now. I hated you in 1997. Hopefully, this year you'll once again let the Marlins win playoff games.

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