Institute to Consider Possible New Dorm

By Kathy Lin
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

MIT is conducting a feasibility study to determine whether to build a new dormitory. The issue has surfaced because of demand for both undergraduate and graduate housing.

The issue is "very much under discussion," and "there are no specifics at this point," said Dean for Student Life Larry G. Benedict. He is hoping that the feasibility study will be complete and a recommendation can be made within a year.

Benedict said the study will look at many different factors, including possible locations, cost, operating expenses, what kind of building it might be, MIT's borrowing capacity, student input and more.

It is not yet known if it will be a graduate or an undergraduate dormitory, he said.

The funds for the construction of a new building would be borrowed, Benedict said, so "the current budget crisis really has nothing to do with the planning process." MIT would borrow money from the financial markets by selling bonds.

Benedict said a new dormitory would be revenue neutral, meaning rents would pay for the total cost of the building.

A new dormitory could temporarily house students from other existing dormitories while renovations are being made. East Campus, Bexley, and Burton-Conner are currently slated for renovations.

"One of the things we're going to try and do if (the dormitory) goes up is to vacate one of the parallels in East Campus for a year and do renovations there," he said. "The following year, the other parallel will vacate and we'll do renovations there."

Various renovation plans have been discussed in the abstract; said East Campus Housemaster Julian K. Whateley, but he had not heard about the above plan.

"If it's done very carefully and sensitively, it might be something to consider," he said, but he had not "really thought about the consequences." MIT Engineering plans for Student Life Larry G. Benedict said a new dormitory is currently slated for renovations.

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Land Near Sidney-Pacific Will Be Developed for Residential Space

By Frank Dabek
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

In a reversal, a parcel of land near the Sidney-Pacific dormitory will be developed as residential space following a controversial attempt to build laboratory space on the site.

It appears that economic forces were the deciding factor in causing Park Development to back out of the laboratory space plan.

The parcel at 100 Landsdowne street is part of the larger University Park development with 3,248 residents at 100 Landsdowne Street.

Forest City did not return phone calls for more detailed information about their plans for the site.

Another developer has expressed interest in the site. David Finnegan, a spokesman for Forest City, said that the company could not find a tenant for the lab space and would develop the site in housing instead.

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Over Half of Next House Occupied by Class of '07

By Shual Chen
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

The Class of 2007 is unevenly distributed in undergraduate housing, but the effect of the imbalance is not clear.

Next House shows the greatest imbalance with freshmen representing more than half of the dormitory's residents for two years in a row. Next House has a total of 176 freshmen, 84 more residents than all of Random Hall.

Normally unsustainable, a fifty percent freshmen population in Next is possible because about 100 freshmen left the dormitory last year, leaving only 87 sophomores.

Some dormitories, like McCormick and Senior House have approximately 25 percent freshmen in the dormitory. Baker, Burton-Conner, MacGregor, New House, Next House, and Simmons each have more than thirty percent freshmen.

This means that Bexley, Random Hall and Senior House each contain only about 3 percent of the freshmen class, while Next House has 17 percent.

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Chicago Garbage Strike Continues

The Senate Judiciary Committee voted along party lines on Thursday to approve the judicial nomination of Charles W. Pickering, Sr., and send it to the full Senate, a move that came as no surprise.

Pickering, a federal trial judge in Hattiesburg, Miss., was first nominated to the federal appellate court by President Bush in 2001, but was defeated along party lines when Democrats who then controlled the committee said he had a long history of racial insensitivity. Senate Republicans charged that he had been treated shabbily and Bush renominated him to the same post after the Republicans regained control.

The committee session on Thursday was, at its most elemental, a replay of the complicated debate about whether and how far a white political figure could have evolved in terms of racial attitude over four decades. But the usual fragile sheath of courtesy that surrounds such events had thinned.

Before the straight-party-line vote of 10-9 in favor of the nomination, there were several heated arguments and Sen. Lindsey Graham of South Carolina, a freshman Republican, became moist-eyed when he accused the Democrats of irresponsibly describing Pickering with the "worst possible epithet for a Southern white man," by calling him a racist.

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A measure of the administration's current dilemma is that John Wolf, the special administration envoy assigned to monitor progress on the peace plan, has returned to the United States. That is a sign that there is no progress to monitor, administration officials say.

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North Korea May Be Making Nuclear Weapons; U.S. Worried

By James Brooke

North Korea raised the tension in future nuclear talks by saying on Thursday that it is making atomic bombs that it has reprocessed from 8,000 spent fuel rods. The United States responded that it could not verify the Korean statement, but still took it seriously.

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The U.S. military practices how to shoot down hijacked commercial airliners as often as three to four times a week, honing its defenses against terrorist attacks on U.S. cities, a senior general said on Thursday.

The drills, which began after the attacks of Sept. 11 revealed shortcomings in the military's readiness to react, the North American Aerospace Defense Command has rented commercial jets, loaded with scores of military volunteers and carried out mock hijackings up to the point where airborne Air Force fighter pilots would intercept hijacked aircraft.

``We exercise several times a week whether it's an airplane shooting down an airplane, or air defenses in the national capital area," the officer, Gen. Ralph E. Eberhart of the Air Force.

What a cold morning! With the start of October, early freezing temperatures returned to interior Massachusetts and New Hampshire as the leaves turned and there was frost in the suburbs. October is a colorful month of change as the last warm days harden into the start of winter.

It is a dramatic month, and a number of books, plays, and films are set during this season. This is the autumn, "Autumn in New York," "When Harry Met Sally, "The House," and "Breakfast at Tiffany's." All are set in the Northeast during autumn.

October is a beautiful month filled with variety. In Boston, the average high on the first of the month is 67°F (19°C), but it is only 57°F (14°C) by the end. It has been as cold as 32°F (0°C) and as hot as 89°F (32°C) in a volatile month. Perhaps the most striking changes of the month is the rapidity with which which light is lost. Sunset occurred at 6:25 p.m. yesterday, but it moves to 5:11 p.m. by October 24. Sunset has not moved an average of 20 minutes between June and October.

While losing the hour to the time change, the sun sets 40 minutes earlier at the end of that month, the second to begin.

Cool temperatures will continue through the weekend, and showers will develop as a low rotates through the region.

Weekend Forecast


Thursday: Showers and locally cloudy. Low 49°F (9°C).

Friday: Cloudy with scattered showers late. High 66°F (19°C).

Snow: Showers through afternoon, then mostly cloudy. High 62°F (17°C), low 55°F (12°C).
Iraqs Arms Inspector Says No Illegal Weapons Found So Far

By James Risen and Judith Miller

WASHINGTON

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From The Editor

Beginning in this issue, there are two pertinent changes to the Opinion section which should be made known.

First, guest column submissions will now be identified by having the author's name italicized. In addition, on occasions where there is no room for a particular letter on this page, those letters to the editor which are placed on the facing page for a particular letter on this page, those letters to the editor should be sent to letters@the-tech.mit.edu. The Tech makes no commitment to publish all the letters received.

Second, in order to stimulate more discussions among campus issues, we have begun to solicit guest column submissions from members of the administration (with the aid of the editor in chief, managing editor, opinion editor, and other interested parties — students, faculty, and community members — to submit letters to the editor (of maximum length around 150 words) or full length guest columns (of about 750 words) to letters@the-tech.mit.edu). The Tech makes no commitment to publish all the letters received.

Our goal, as always, is to foster dialogue in the community on issues of importance to MIT or worldly matters. We're dependent on your feedback to make this happen! Keep that mail coming.

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**FEATURES**

**Sex and the SafeRide**

The Seven Golden Rules

By Daniel Chai

- I recently got out of a five-year relationship and consequently I've been thrown back into the "game."
- I'd like to write about what's going on in my dating life right now, but there just hasn't been much going on lately. You might be thinking, "Wow. Five years. That's pretty long." Or, you might be thinking, "Why is he writing this column?"
- Well, let's get down to business. I'll be talking about my opinions on love and relationships in general.

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**Ask Nutty B**

**Sex Gear**

Nutty B is currently a graduate student at MIT, and this is his first attempt to be (or pre-emptively) a guy who you know you have a boyfriend. Don't let a girl think that she's going to marry you when you know you're going to break up with her on the first day of the relationship.

1. Trust is extremely important. How can you be with someone that you can't trust? You can't worry about what she's doing all the time. It's not healthy and physically draining. However, if she comes back from a first house with "We'll miss you -- You're the best" stumped on her ass, you might have reason to worry.
2. You have to be honest with each other. There's no easier way to complicate things than to lie to the person you're interested in.

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**UA Q&A**

By Harel Williams and Rose Grabowski

Dear UA,

What is the status on the Flag situation? Is it now ok for me to hang my Pirate flag outside my dorm window? C'mon, you know pirates are super cool.

—That She's Hated

At the UA Senate meeting this past Monday, we invited both Jonathan A. Goler G, the graduate student who originally put up the Israeli flag at Sid-Pac and started the flag-hanging controversy, and Karen Nilsson, the director of housing, to come speak to the senators and give the opinions of both sides of the issue. It appears that things are settled somewhat, such that students can put flags up inside their windows, but not outside.

However, many students still feel strongly that flags should be allowed to hang outside their dormitories, so we will be holding a discussion session this Monday, Oct. 6, at 9:00 p.m. in W20-400 where people can voice their opinions about this housing policy. You're welcome to come participate in the discussion — we'll also recommend bringing the Pirate flag as a visual aid to further your argument.

Dear UA,

During the spring elections last year, I voted for Pius Usamere and Jacob Faber for UA P/VP because I was impressed with their commitment to maintain a "Goals Checklist" for the UA. Where is it?

—Check-mate

Pius, Jacob, and the rest of the UA are working vigorously right now at getting the Goals Checklist ready for publication. We're trying to include as many projects and goals as possible so that the undergraduate population can get a better idea of what we're up to this year.

Look for the first publication of the checklist Friday, Oct. 10, in The Tech, and regular updates every few weeks after that.

Dear UA,

I live in an apartment off campus. So since I'm not on a dorm mailing list or other living group e-mail list, I don't get a lot of the regular updates from the UA such as minutes from Senate. Can I get any info? And who is my UA Senator anyway?

—Off-campus Dan

This is a really good question... and it's something we don't hear about all that often for the very reason you specified: there is no way at the moment to contact all of the off-campus residents.

Fortunately, the UA Senator representing off-campus students, Katherine H. Allen '05, has created a new e-mail list that will hopefully bring residents in apartments and undergraduates in the Senior Segue program. The list is "off-campus@mit.edu," and you can add yourself on any Athena station or on the Web. Visit [http://web.mit.edu/ua/www/uaqa.uaqa@mit.edu](http://web.mit.edu/ua/www/uaqa.uaqa@mit.edu)

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**We'll show you how to get busy in the dark room.**

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Dear Positive Sinking,

I recently found myself on a page
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ReportCans
sage/17889 full of instant message acronyms. I already knew about "brb-" "Idk" "tty/" and such, but I never realized there were so many legitimate and weird shorthand phrases. Do you use any of them?

~Njkn

To be honest, I don't know which shocks me more... the link you sent me, or the fact that you were apparently "taked in front of computer" when you wrote me the e-mail. I'm going to just skip over the mental image and delve straight into the weird world of web slang... wuucapped.

Firstly, ty for the e-mail... I used to use too many ty's when I chat because they're a pita. Why is up with mom's trying to be hip and poppin' fresh by im'ing this junk... do they think I'm going to be rnbuous and jomp because they're all 1337 at chatting?

Ygb, onnoha they should all gypo and gross, jodw, aha, but all these people use stuff that's palono and expect the world to rfn... apope?

Speak normal English, it's good for you.

A forwarded e-mail from "kah" to Positive Sinking:

For those who watch what you eat... Here's to being healthy in 1999, according to this article. Of course, it's not the only thing you can do to get healthy. Here are a few more tips. Try some of them out and see if they work for you.

1. The Japanese eat very little fat and suffer fewer heart attacks than the Canadians, British or Americans.
2. The Mexicans eat a lot of fat and also suffer fewer heart attacks than the Canadians, British or Americans.
3. The Japanese drink very little red wine and suffer fewer heart attacks than the Canadians, British or Americans.
4. The Italians drink excessive amounts of red wine and also suffer fewer heart attacks than the Canadians, British or Americans.
5. The Germans drink a lot of beer and eat lots of sausages and fats and suffer fewer heart attacks than the Canadians, British or Americans.
6. Ukrainians drink a lot of vodka, eat a lot of potatoes and cabbage rolls and suffer fewer heart attacks than the Canadians, British or Americans.

CONCLUSION:
Eat and drink what you like. Speaking English is apparently what kills you. OK, so maybe speaking normal English isn't better for you. Darn, there goes that one. Also it would appear that my advice to all of you to pick up a Canadian accent (do it just, effl) may not actually have all the benefits I extolled (though I still bet you'll help pick up members of the opposite sex, so it'll at least help you make the most of what little English-speaking time you have).

Now a result I would really like to know is whether or not these results also apply to those who speak pig-latin. I can only imagine that adopting pig-latin as our national language would help this country's chances of cheating coronary catastrophes.

Now, I'm not saying that pig-latin will help is get in the kind of shape Italians are in (normal Italians, not Godfather-like Italians), but it's got to be a step in the right direction (nearly east).

As you can tell, I'm already wayyy ahead of all y'all. I mean, just look at my name, it's already in pig-latin. Well, my first name is at least. Apparently before my parents decided to protect my health, I had a lot in common, nominally, with Mousseau Shaquille O'Neal. Pretty cool, eh? That's what it's all about.

So next time you're chatting it up with a friend over a pile of greasy fries or tab 'o' lard, remember to switch-to a healthier conversation-

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For 30 ways to help the environment, write Earth Share, 3400 International Drive, NW, Suite 2K (AD4), Washington, DC 20008.
Hay Fever

Jen, what are you doing? My TA is freezing hot! I'm moggling him.

You're such a stalker! No, I'm not!

Damn! My ass is sculpted.

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Mike, the Guy

I don't believe you!

What do you mean, you don't believe me? You can make it happen if you concentrate enough, man!

... Said, "Hey, Mike..." Wait, wait, this is the really gross part of... Um...

... And then, I was laughing so hard, Mike started to come out of my nose! So then my advisor said, "Hey, Mike..."

Haha-

Hahaha!

... He said, "Hey, Mike..."

Allright, guys, I told you study break is over. Let's get serious here!

So how's the studying going?

he started...

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Interview: Playboy Playmates

The Playmates Discuss Geeks, Monkeys, and the Mansion

By Udhay Krishnan

It's 9:00 a.m. and I'm still unshowered,barely awake, and standing in the center of my disheveled bedroom, littered with pizza boxes, problem sets, and beer cans, trying to remember something. I stop, looking around as a legitimate reason for why my frat brothers came into my room and made me chug 151 at 3:00 a.m.

Sound familiar? I'm sure it's a lot of people's Saturday morning. However, this Saturday was to be fantastically different, for through the powers that be, I had arranged for an interview with three Playboy Playmates at this year's Collegefest.

A thousand questions ran through my head as I got dressed and made my way to the Hynes Convention Center. The were the golden questions, the ones that you would dream of asking a Playmate if you only get the chance. The ones that Howard Stern can ask nonstop every morning.

Little did I know that two hours later I would be standing right across from three stunningly beautiful women, and such questions would be completely forgotten, as if that part of my mind (controlled by my penis) had been washed away.

I had no doubt that they were willing to answer any question I would ask, but it became infinitely more comfortable for me to ask questions concerning body parts, sex acts, and threesomes. The 300-pound boom that accompanied them during the interview didn't exactly strengthen the undertaking, either.

Nonetheless, it was still an interesting experience to have a regular conversation with Playmates.

Nick: So what are you guys going to be doing today?

Stephanie Heinrich (October 2001): Well, basically we're here to sign autographs, give away a bunch of free stuff, and meet fans.

Lauren Michelle Hill (April 2001): And steal some free stuff too.

Alicia Burley (Cyberclub Girl): I still do real estate and I used to work for a computer company.

Nick: What did you guys do before you worked for Playboy?

Heinrich: I was studying at the University of California and got noticed during one of the Playboy college searches. Hill: I was at the University of Southern California.

Burley: I'm a Cyberclub Girl. I still do real estate and I used to work for a company called Micromuse.

Nick: What was Micromuse?

Burley: You suck.

Nick: Yeah, we do. But anyway, what is the biggest misconception you have had?

Heinrich: It's a lush, beautiful place, first off. When there is a party, it's like everything you have heard. Everyone lets go and it is crazy as an amazing time. The girls start to hang out together. There are great people to meet and interesting things going on. But there is no party, everything is quite peaceful and laid back. It's just a place to relax.

Burley: Yeah, it's not like there is a party every day of the week with girls running around naked.

Heinrich: Don't ever say that.

Burley: The monkeys there are really nice too.

Heinrich: Monkeys? Yeah, there is a really nice petting zoo there. They have really beautiful peacocks, rabbits and monkeys. It can be really fun.

Nick: Besides posing in the magazine, what else are you required to do under your contract with Playboy?

Heinrich: I have just moved out to California and I have a manager out there and an agent. Eventually I would like to go into acting. Though I still plan to stay with real estate for the time being.

Hill: I am also in California, doing modeling and acting. Eventually I plan to go back to school and get my degree.

Heinrich: I am definitely going to miss it. I feel like I have been part of it for a long time. It would be hard to go back to school right now since it's been so long. I guess I am still one of those uneducated ones out there.

Burley: That's OK — there are a bunch of us.

Hill: Tell me, does the photographer always get paid at the end of the interview?

Heinrich: No.

Burley: That's just a vicious rumor.

Heinrich: Too bad, our photographer was feeling lucky. So is smart really sexy?

Burley: Intellect is very sexy.

Hill: Alana, what do you like most about Boston?

Burley: I really love the nightlife here. Out here there is Avalon, Axis and other really nice and big clubs, whereas in places like California you just have the smaller clubs. I am definitely going to miss it.

Heinrich: Do you ladies know the Dalai Lama was here last week?

Burley: What is he really?

Hill: He wouldn't do an interview with me though. Anyway, what are your thoughts on his philosophies and beliefs and the political situation with Tibet and China?

Nick: Ok, forget that — I have noticed that each time I look through Playboy, there are less and less pictures and more and more advertisements. I opened one up the other day and five of those cards fell out. What's the deal?

Heinrich: More silence, munching.

Nick: How about this. What's your favorite movie — each one of you?

Hill: "Casablanca."

Burley: "Scarface."

Heinrich: Mine would probably be "Fast Times at Ridgemont High" or something.

Brian Lour and Toddah Laman contributed to the reporting of this story.
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6:30 p.m. - 7:10 p.m. - Yom Kippur Services. Chapel, Kresge, Religious Activities Center. Sponsor: Hillel, MIT.

7:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. - Chinese traditional music performance group from Nanjing to host at Orchestra at MIT Student Center. Free. Room: MIT Museum -N52 265 Mass Ave. Sponsor: MIT Museum.

Tuesday, October 7
4:30 p.m. - 1:00 a.m. - LMRC Build Time. These are our normal meetings, where we build the layout. The next meeting is October 14.

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quences for doing something like that.

"Clearly, some things need doing in East Campus," he said, but, "ideally, students won't move out for too long."

Anticipated renovations at East Campus include new wiring, new plumbing, new air handling, new ventilation, a new roof, and new floors.

"I am hoping we're going to build" the new dormitory, Benedict said. The recommendation based on the feasibility study will be passed on to the president and senior administration. With their approval, the final decision about building a new dormitory will ultimately be made by the MIT Corporation.

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ACN Lawsuit Seeks Housing Guarantee

Booth said that Forest City had received a building permit and will build housing on the site.

Plans to develop the 100 Landsdowne Street parcel as biotechnology lab space were met with opposition from MIT student leaders and neighborhood activists, but were eventually approved by the city’s planning board in March of this year. The decision centered around whether Forest City had fulfilled its obligation to construct new housing under the city’s Interim Planning Overlay Permit process.

Neighborhood pursues lawsuit

The Association of Cambridge Neighborhoods in protest filed a lawsuit to appeal the planning board ruling allowing the space to be used for laboratories.

John Moot, a member of ACN, said that his group is continuing to pursue the lawsuit against the planning board, Forest City, and MIT despite Forest City’s reversal. He said they were attempting to obtain a written guarantee that Forest City will build housing on the site and to recoup legal fees.

Moot said that the planning board’s March ruling allowing research and development at the site was “totally illegal in our opinion.” Moot also questioned Forest City’s commitment to building housing. Forest City said that there was “no market for housing. That was so outrageously wrong,” Moot said. “They’ve made false statements.”

Forest City’s decision may also have been influenced by the approach of an Oct. 1 deadline. If Forest City had not begun development of the land by Oct. 1, MIT had the option to give development rights to another group.

Forest City is currently developing University Park under a long-term lease agreement with MIT, which owns the land.

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Opinions Mixed on Effects of Unequal Distribution

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or from about 12 percent to 40 per-
cent freshmen.

MacGregor showed a decrease from 140 to 109 freshmen, an almost 10 percentage point drop on the composition last year. McCormick's freshmen population also decreased from 76 to 54, or 32 to 23 percent.

Effects of frosh imbalance unclear

"I don't know if it's affecting the culture," said MacGregor House-master Munther A. Dahleh. "It's hard to see at the beginning." Julie B. Norman, associate dean of academic services, said that it is too early to see how the imbalance is affecting the freshmen.

William R. Watson, Baker housemaster, said that freshmen can "potentially have a great impact on the house" since they number more than one third of the dormitory, but "we won't really know until next year."

Next House Housemaster Lisa Mikic said the large number of freshmen is "fine. I think they inte-
grated nicely."

Students also seemed to have a mixed opinion, with some worrying about maintaining dormitory culture and others unsure.

"I don't think [the imbalance] is affecting [dormitory life] that much. Some of them are really lucky and getting sophomore doubles," said Allison M. Taylor '06 from Simmons. Doris Lin '07 said, "It's kind of nice that you get to know everyone. I basically know all the freshmen" on the east side of McCormick.

Because of the increased number of freshmen in MacGregor, "it's a lot different now because I don't know a lot of people," said Matthew T. Socks '04. "The atmosphere and personali-
ty of the entire area starts all over."

However, Adrienne M. Inner '04 said that New House "hasn't changed much" since the influx of freshmen.

Residents Who Are Freshmen

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continue involving more students in the process.

The panels were installed on July 25, but there will be a public ribbon-cutting ceremony on Oct. 15.

More panels being planned

"This is just the beginning," Rao said. There will soon be solar power panels on two more MIT buildings, possibly including Hayden library, as part of a grant from the Massachusetts Technology Collaborative, she said.

The grant, totaling $45,701, provides for the installation of photovoltaic units on the MIT campus, on several homes in the surrounding Cambridge community, as well as on the homes of MIT affiliates.

Rao also said that MIT will help install solar panels for homeowners with help from the city of Cambridge.

"A lot of the motivation for this project came from ongoing conversations with MIT students," she said, including the student group Share a Vital Earth, Students for Sustainable Growth, and the Freshman Energy Seminar led by Professor Jeffrey L. Steinfield.

"I think MIT should really be a leader in this field... MIT has become aware that it's behind in terms of environmental practices on campus," said Samuel J. Arey, former president of Share a Vital Earth. "I see their efforts, and I think it's a good thing."

Rao applied for the grant jointly with Dr. Edward C. Kern of the Laboratory for Energy and Environment and Director of Utilities Peter L. Cooper. She said the initiative is a very good example of partnerships between MIT departments.

She said the panels were manufactured by RWE Shott Solar, Inc. and the system designer was Zapotex Energy of Cambridge, MA.

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Men's Cross Country Places 3rd at Maine

By Inman Hendley

On Saturday the MIT Harriers traveled to the University of Southern Maine for a sneak preview of New England Division III Regional Championships in November.

If the race ended at one mile, Middlebury would have won decisively. The lead runner came through the mile mark shooting, "My heart rate is only 110!" But his monitor must have been counting every other beat, because a few minutes later he was nowhere to be found.

MIT knew not to take it out too hard with the hills looming on the third mile. Ben A. Schmeckpeper '05 was especially conservative, running two seconds behind Eric A. Khatchadourian '06, and Brian C. Anderson '04 through the first two miles, instead of taking his usual forty-second lead on Tech's second through fifth men by that point in the race. Kevin F. Ikeda '07 and John A. Brewer '05 came through two seconds behind Schmeckpeper in 11:01 for two miles.

MIT led going into the downhill third mile, but Bates College began to zero in, and Williams College was making up ground fast.

Bates only had four runners in the mix. The final mile was downhill and fast, allowing Williams to take advantage of running more conservatively earlier in the race. Anderson tried to make up for lost ground and passed Khatchadourian, who began to fade in the last mile. But he couldn't catch Bates' fourth man, and when the dust settled, Bates came out second with seventy-four points, on top of MIT by two points. Williams took first place individually and in the team competition with sixty points.

Schmeckpeper was the second place individual, running 26:33. Brulois held on for an impressive tenth-place finish in 27:06, ten seconds faster than he ran last week on a much easier course. Brewer was next in fifteenteenth with 27:19, followed by Anderson twenty-fifth in 27:39, and Khatchadourian twenty-sixth in 27:48. Jan H. Driver '05 and Chris J. Fidkowski G also ran well to round out the top seven in 28:07 and 28:24, respectively.

MIT X-Country Takes Fourth at UMass Race, Third at Home Meet

By Martha W. Buckley

"Pressure is nothing more than the shadow of great opportunity," said Michael Johnson of racing. The MIT Women's Cross-Country team has taken this motto to heart.

After earning their first-ever top ten ranking in the New England Division III coaches' poll last week as a result of their fourth place showing at the MIT Invitational Classic at Franklin Park, the Greater Boston Track Club won the meet with a score of 90 points.

MIT's finish at the meet was particularly impressive because MIT was missing Alisha R. Wheaton, finishing with a score of 48 points and NEWMAC conference rival Wheaton College placed second with 74 points.

While MIT remained in striking distance of Wheaton, finishing with a score of 60 points.

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Coming back from an IT-band injury, Karen L. Condon '07 packed it up with Veronica A. Andrews '05 to finish in 20:26 and 20:30, respectively. Rounding out the top eight were the pair of Karen A. Kinnaman '06, Jen A. Gaugler '05, Betsy R. Eames '06, and Hillary Y. Dyer '07. Condon's time (20:26) was a 34-second personal record, Gaugler's time (20:48) was a 24-second personal record, and Dyer's time (21:05) was a personal record by over one minute. Also setting personal records on the Franklin Park course were Andrea J. Dooley '06, Elizabeth R. Walker '06, Katieus Brak '05, Jessica A. Thompson '07, Becky L. Ideell '07, Heather M. Phihps '07, and Somin Lee '07.

As impressive as the race results were, the commitment that the MIT women show off the race course is the most defining aspect of the team. Every Sunday the MIT women go on long runs, ranging from eight miles to Nancy J. Benedetti's amazing fifteen miles.

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