By Kelley Rivoire

ASA Allocation Plan Not Yet Final

The Association of Student Activities has not yet released the final office space reallocations for student groups in the Student Center since posting a preliminary announcement on the ASA Web site in early December.

ASA Graduate Member at Large Andrew R. Menard G said that the delay was caused by complications with gaining approval and funding for Student Center renovations.

Delays unexpected by ASA

This is the first time in 18 years that the ASA has proposed renovations to the Student Center, so the length of the approval process and the extensive bureaucracy involved came as a surprise, Menard said.

However, Director of the Campus Activities Complex Phillip J. Walsh said that this time lag is typical for such projects. “This has moved along fairly well from a time standpoint,” Walsh said.

The ASA has assigned student groups to different categories and assigned priority levels to them. The space will be reallocated depending on how the renovations proceed and the priority level of each group.

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MIT Grad Aims for Spot On Padres’ 2004 Roster

By Pon-Pon Yeh

Jason E. Szuminski ’01 SB Aeronautics and Astronautics (Course XVII) will find out by this weekend if he makes the regular season roster for the San Diego Padres. An announcement from CSAIL Direc-

or Rodney A. Brooks explained a tiered series of door locks will be used during non-business hours and advised building occupants to offer to help strangers passing by.

According to the announcement, the main doors to Building 32 are locked, but are card-accessible at night. Once occupants have entered the main doors, they must swipe their cards again to enter the lounge and common areas. Finally, an ID scan is necessary for entry to each specific research neighbourhood.

Temporarily, this third level of locked doors will have mechanical locks until proximity and magnetic stripe readers can be installed.

Stata, said the extra security is excessive. “In most of the campus, you can walk through the corridors,” he said. As CSAIL does not perform classified or secret research, the current high level of security is unwarranted, Stallman said.

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MIT... and baseball?

Szuminski has spent the last three years working his way up through the minor league teams of the Chicago Cubs. He definitely did not include professional baseball in his plans coming into MIT. “I came to school thinking that it was the best option I had going for me,” he said. “I had an Air Force ROTC scholarship there. That would put me into an active duty job four years after I got out of school,” he said.

The MIT men’s baseball coach, Mac D. Singleton, feels the same way. “You don’t come to MIT to...
Investigation Of White House Leak Said To Have Broadened

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The expansion of the inquiry’s scope comes at a time when pros- ecutors, after a hiatus of about a month, appear to be preparing to seek additional testimony before a federal grand jury, according to lawyers with clients in the case. It is not clear whether the renewed grand jury activity represents a concluding session or a prelude to an indictment.

The commission investigating the Sept. 11 attacks said on Thurs- day that it was pressing the White House to explain why the Bush administration had blocked thou- sands of pages of classified foreign policy and counterterrorism docu- ments from former President Bill Clinton’s files from being turned over to the panel’s investigators.

The White House confirmed on Thursday that it had withheld a variety of classified documents from Clinton’s files that had been gathered by the National Archives over the last two years in response to document requests from the com- mission, which is investigating intelligence and law enforcement failures before the attacks.

The commission said it was awaiting a full answer from the White House on why any docu- ments were withheld. “We need to be satisfied that we have everything we have asked to see,” said Al Folzengen, a spokesman for the bipartisan 10-member commission. “We have voiced the concern to the White House that not all of the material the Clinton library has made available to us has made its way to the commission.”

“Two things are needed to prevail. No senator crossed party lines. A vote of the 60-vote majority needed to limit debate on the legislation.

Concern in Upcoming Elections

The early elections President Bush has wanted to hold in the Middle East, have been delayed. The Sept. 11 attacks said on Thursday, when Condoleezza Rice, the Bush’s national security adviser, disclosed as the commission said on Thursday, when Condoleezza Rice, the Bush’s national security adviser, disclosed as the commission said.

Sanjaya Weerakoon, in Colombo, the capital. “Frankly I can feel it in my pocket,” he said. “But many others do not. They point to drought in parts of the coun- try, the shrinkage of government jobs, the way even once-benevolent parties have voted for the underlying welfare bill, even after the Senate agreed earlier this week to add $6 billion to produce child care to low-income fami- lies.

The vote to limit debate on the welfare bill was 51–47. Those who wanted to end debate, all Republicans, fell nine votes short of the number needed to prevail. No senator crossed party lines.

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The case-fire between the govern- ment and Tamil rebels in 2002 was welcomed in this village, where many families sent sons to the army, and sometimes to their deaths, dur- ing the pre-decade civil war.

But the peace seems to be earn- ing Prime Minister Ranil Wickrewan- desinghe of the United National Party little credit here as he faces voters on Friday in a historic and possibly determin- atory election in four years.

The lack of economic opportuni- ty, on the other hand, in a place where the best income possibility is to send a daughter to clean house in the Middle East, has evoked considerable ill will.
Tunisian, Five Moroccans Sought
For Terrorist Bombings In Spain

By Thanassis Cambanis and Bryan Bender
THE NEW YORK TIMES

Investigators have identified a Tunisian man as the leader of the March 11 bomb attacks on commuter trains in Madrid, and a judge has issued arrest warrants for him and five Moroccans for murder, according to court documents released Thursday. A Spanish High Court judge, Juan del Olmo, issued a European arrest warrant for Rachid Ould Akcha, identified by officials as an important figure in the bombings, and four others. The warrant said Fakhet “raised awareness of jihad” within his circle, and “indicated specifically since 2003 that he was preparing a violent act in Spain as an expression of the aforementioned jihad.”

Oulad Akcha, Rachid Oulad Akcha, Jamal Ahmedm, Said Berraj and Oulad Akcha, Rachid Oulad Akcha, were among the Morocco Islamic Combatant Group, which authorities have identified as responsible for the bombings. The court documents said Berraj “indicated specifically since 2003 that he was preparing a violent act in Spain as an expression of the aforementioned jihad.”

Del Olmo issued five other European arrest warrants: Mohammed Ould Ahla, Rachid Ould Ahla, Jamal Ahmedm, Said Berraj and Abdennasous, all of whom are Moroccans. They have been charged with murder, attempted murder and membership in a terrorist organization.

On Tuesday, Angel Acebes, the outgoing interior minister, said the investigation is focusing on the Moroccan Islamic Combatant Group, which authorities have linked to bombings last year in Casablanca that killed 191 people and injured more than 1,400. The warrant said Fakhet “raised awareness of jihad” within his circle, and “indicated specifically since 2003 that he was preparing a violent act in Spain as an expression of the aforementioned jihad.”

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Letters To The Editor

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In all conflict, combatants must decide whether to take immediate, decisive action or to use a slower, more methodical approach. Their decision is usually forced by how they need to order a counter-response. The docile and presumable stance of the Bush administration, suggests that the old adage “an ounce of prevention in worth a pound of cure” holds true for the stage of global affairs, as evidenced by the recent terrorist attacks in Bali, and nuclear ambi-
ations, among other things.

But don’t be so quick to think this is going to be the end of the threat. A vision for the future is surprisingly short-
 sighted. After all, the inability to properly deal with the current insufficiency was a failure of foresight by the Pentagon and White House.

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Perhaps the President and her party have newly allied themselves with the People’s Liberation Forces (PLF), a Marxist-Leninist group. But are her concerns justified? The last attempt to declare a national cease-fire to stop the hostilities was in 1995. It was the latest in a series of negotiated cease-fires. The Sri Lankan government and the Tamil Tigers, the island’s largest political group, renewed hostilities in 1995 after the government took over two Tamil-controlled districts of the island. The government subsequently lifted the cease-fire, and the Tamil Tigers responded.

It is a moot point whether the president and the Tamil Tigers could reach any kind of peaceful settlement, given the history of the struggle. But there has been a glimmer of hope in recent weeks. In May, the government and the Tamil Tigers signed a cease-fire agreement.

The Tamil Tigers, also known as the Tamil Eelam Liberation Tigers, are a separatist group that has been fighting for independence from Sri Lanka since the mid-1970s. The group has been involved in a civil war with the Sri Lankan government since the late 1970s.

The president and her party have generally been sympathetic to the Tamil Tigers’ cause, and have even provided them with military support. The government has also been accused of human rights abuses, including extrajudicial killings, torture, and the displacement of civilians.

The Tamil Tigers, on the other hand, have been accused of human rights abuses, including the use of child soldiers and the targeting of civilians.

It is unclear whether a cease-fire agreement will be able to bring an end to the conflict, or whether it will merely provide a breathing space, allowing both sides to continue their efforts to gain control.

The situation is complex, and there is no easy solution to the conflict. However, it is clear that a lasting peace will require a commitment to political dialogue, and a willingness on both sides to compromise and make concessions.

In the meantime, the situation remains tense, and the risk of violence remains high. The government and the Tamil Tigers must be encouraged to continue their efforts to reach a peaceful settlement.

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Sex and the SafeRide* Don’t Fly Solo: Wingman Tips

By Ankhayat Patil

FEATURES COLUMNIST

April 2, 2004

When it comes to picking up women, there are certain assets that are of great importance. Good looks, money, charisma, and fame. You’ll usually be able to pull your own weight if you have even one of these things. However, if you find yourself to be the unlucky individual without any of these qualities, your greatest asset will be your wingman.

There are certain qualities that you should look for in a wingman before you start hitting on everyone you see. Whether you are speaking to a stranger or a woman you need to look for is for loyalty. When it comes to being a team player between a woman and a friend, it definitely gets to come down to the old adage, “bros before hos.” A woman and a friend, it’s definitely got to come down to choosing between a woman and a friend, it’s definitely got to come down to choosing between a woman and a friend, it’s definitely got to come down to choosing between a woman and a friend, it’s definitely got to come down to choosing between a woman and a friend.
Sushi: Raw And Uncut

By Ian Ybara

Next time you're in Chicago's O'Hare International Airport, know that near West Bryn Mahr Avenue, there's an MIT alumna running a $1.5 billion corporation. Gordon's MIT experience was like years ago. Gordon's plan was simply to pursue professional school, Gordon's school, Gordon's plan was simply to pursue professional school.

Gordon attended MIT at a time when the world was just beginning to let women pursue jobs other than Secretary, Teacher, and Nurse. As a self-described “math whiz” in high school, Gordon's plan was simply to pursue professional school.

I was correct. Though given her passion for solving problems and penchant for picking fights she's not supposed to win, I don't think she'll do it.

As for the path we are just beginning, Gordon advised, “Find a challenge. Then pick a fight.”

By Rose Grabowski

“Rose! I actually made cookies! Real baked scratch fresh chocolate chip cookies!”

“Okay, you don’t want to know exactly what you want to do, just know a little bit.”

As Gordon's undergraduate studies came to an end, her only career interest was that she loved solving problems. It wasn’t much, but it was enough to get started. Upon a professor's recommendation, she enrolled in a one year Master's program at MIT's Sloan School of Management, hoping to prepare for the complex, open-ended problems that all organizations face. As one of only 20 women in her class, Gordon excelled at Sloan and decided what she wanted next... sort of.

“I liked intensity. I wanted to be in an environment where people worked really hard,” she recalled. At Sloan, people naturally recognized she was going into consulting. So she joined the Boston Consulting Group. While she enjoyed her time with BCG, meeting her husband in the Boston office, working for a stint in London, and opening a Chicago sushi bar, she grew tired of the structure and releasing air bubbles. My mother used to always exclude salt from her cookies because she figured salt was bad for you. But salt actually heightens the flavor of the ingredients surrounding it, so by adding salt to the dough, you are increasing propensity for experiencing flavor.

The leavening agent is usually baking soda or a mixture of baking soda and acidic salts. The sodium bicarbonate in baking soda is an alkali that reacts with alkaline compounds in the batter to form carbon dioxide air bubbles, furthering the airy texture of the final product.

Another common mistake is for wamabe bakin to mix in the leavening early in the process, while mixing the eggs for example, and leave the dough sitting for a while in the open air. This allows the chemical reaction to take place early, release the air bubbles, and deflate the dough.

Finally, the flour adds structure and support for the final product. At this point the dough should be structurally sound enough to add other ingredients like chocolate chips, nuts, whole candy bars, little children, etc.

As long as you follow these concepts along with your recipe and remember the storage rules you've learned, then your homemade cookies really mean two minutes, not 20 seconds (if you've speeded up the recipe). And if not, maybe you'll like hard, gray cookies. They're better than that Ragu Express you have on the shelf, right?
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HI.
OH, HI, DAD.
WHY ARE YOU CALLING AT 3 A.M.?
DO I WAKE YOU?
WELL, NO.

CAN YOU TELL ME HOW TO
PUT WINDEX ON MY COMPUTER?
WINDS?
YOU MEAN LINUX?

THAT'S WHAT I SAID. IINDER.
IT GETS RID OF POP-UPS.
WHAT YOU HAVE.
LINUX.

DOES IT RUN UNDER MS?
THE POP-UPS TOOK OVER MY
COMPUTER AGAIN, AND I HAD TO
UNPLUG IT.

SO, DO YOU KNOW
WHAT I CAN DO TO
TURN OFF POP-UPS?

LET'S SEE...
R-click..._lookup...kill
...you could turn off
the messenger service.

I DON'T USE MESSANGER. I USE MSN.
WOULD IT HELP IF I USED ADO?

You, but not mine.
Oh, you need a new PC?

Two Hours Later.

Trio

by Emezie Okorafor

My boys SUGAR RAY are coming to Boston in ONE WEEK! Details: alum.mit.edu/www/smit

This is the tragic story of a shattered woman.

She was once a picture of sensibility and prudence...a model student: at the top of her class who rarely lost her cool...

But then her friends left her, and loneliness drove her to seek solace in the loving arms of her only remaining companion...chocolate.

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I notice patterns often

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20 Greek Aurora
21 M. Descartes
22 Itemizations
23 Puts on
24 Farm tower
26 Munro, Milne, Lang, White, Mencken & Auden
33 Eagle’s home
34 Imprudent
35 Old Olds
36 Forbids
37 Serious play
39 D.C. bigwigs
40 Infamous Amin
41 Oceans
42 Connecting rooms
43 Eliot, Marshall, Snow, Lewis, Wells & Tittle
47 Overdue
48 Paris airport
49 Thread holder
50 Iowa State city
52 Iowa State city
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6 Strip barber
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31 Write Eudora
32 Book before Joel
37 Part of N.Y.P.D.
38 Track event
39 Small and weak
40 Infamous Amin
41 La ___ (Malian opera house)
42 Spanish sauce
43 Eliot, Marshall, Snow, Lewis, Wells & Tittle
44 Fly
45 Four-baggers
46 Says howdy
47 Overdue
48 Paris airport
49 Thread holder
50 Iowa State city
51 Mult of Garfield’s jokes
52 1958 Pulitzer winner
53 Indolent
54 Tony’s cousin
55 Over in Munich
56 Lawrence, Griffith, Foy, Wodehouse, cummings and King
57 Carrier from Tokyo
58 Arafat’s grp.
59 Anais ___

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To Our Readers:

April 2, 2004

4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. – Grains of Rice Cultural Show.
6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. – CCC Real Life Boston. Reception at 3:30 p.m. in Room 2-349. Free. Room: Kresge Auditorium. Sponsor: lbgt@mit. GLSEN Boston.
4:00 p.m. – Spring Biological Chemistry Seminar Series: Prof. Young-Tae Chang.

April 3, Saturday

7:45 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. – MIT Sloan BioInnovations Conference. Forum bringing together from industry, academe, and government to discuss the next wave of innovations in life science technology, policy, and commercialisation. Room: Tang Center. Sponsor: MIT Entrepreneurship Center. MIT Sloan-Baftarma Business Club.
3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. – Bayesian Boundaries. G. Elmore, Lehman. and Straight. Education Network of Boston is dedicated to creating learning spaces for LGBT people. Please visit http://www.gyoam.com or more information about Boston. Room: 4-209. GSDU Fund.
3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. – Brazilian Symposium. E15 Auditorium. Room: E15. Sponsor: LSC.
10:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m. – Return of the King. Note: We will move to La Sala de Puerto Rico if it is available. MIT/Wellesley students free; suggested donation $1 from others. Room: 26-100. Sponsor: LSC.

April 4, Sunday

8:00 a.m. – 8:40 a.m. – Light Heaven’s Merch. Home, Holy Cross. BC. LIGHT Heaven’s Merch and sheep on course take on Massachusetts Institute of Technology’s Kappa Alpha League in a 40-30 win on April 4. Home side of Adolph Ho. Room: Booth Ballroom. Sponsor: MIT Book Club.
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. – Science and Instrumental Reason in the Federal Republic of Germany: Heidegger, Habermas, Heisenberg. STS.
2:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. – History Colloquium. Free. Room: 36-115. Sponsor: LSC.
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April 5, Monday

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 a.m. – Undergraduate Admissions Office Information Session (Followed by Campus Tour). Groups over 15 people need to make special reservations. Free. Room: Information Center.
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. – Undergraduate Admissions Office Information Session (Followed by Campus Tour). Groups over 15 people need to make special reservations. Free. Room: Information Center.
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – CCC Center Egg-Filling Party. Come help us fill 19,308 plastic Easter eggs! Free. Room: MacGraw. Sponsor: CCC Center. Circus for Change.
12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. – The Handmaid’s Tale. Room: 10-250. Sponsor: LSC.
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. – 10 years of live combat with rubber-dart guns. Shoot your friends, then watch out as they try to take their revenge. Free. Room: 4-420. Sponsor: LSC.
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. – Science and Instrumental Reason in the Federal Republic of Germany: Heidegger, Habermas, Heisenberg. STS.
4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. – Introduction to College Teaching. Room: 26-100. Sponsor: LSC.
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In order to be considered for the Summer RA position, a student must qualify for Summer Housing under the guidelines set out by the Housing Office (see Student Life Handbook, page 53). In addition, all applicants must be registered currently be in good standing both academically and disciplinarily, and must consider for the Summer RA position if they have been accepted into an MIT undergraduate program that will begin in the Fall 2004 semester. Applicants must have lived in an on-campus dorm for a minimum of two years. Applicants must currently be in good standing both academically and disciplinarily, and must remain so throughout the term of employment.

**Come to an Information Session to learn more:**
- April 2, 3:00 PM, Student Center, PDR 1 & 2
- April 6, 7:30 PM, EC Talbot Lounge
- April 7, 7:30 PM, MacGregor Dining

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**Szuminski’s Efforts Monitored by ESPN**

MLB, from Page 1:
play pro ball. You come to MIT for the education. But along with it, you get an opportunity to play,” he said.

And play Jason did. Szuminski pitched all of his four years at MIT in spite of financial, academic, and time-related constraints. The kind of energy and enthusiasm that Jason exhibited for baseball on top of his other responsibilities earned him the respect and attention of his coach and teammates. Singleton said Szuminski “just loved to have the baseball in his hand” and would “come out intense, just ready to play.”

Former teammate John J. Kogel C said, “Jason was an awesome guy to play with not only because he was an extremely talented pitcher and great competitor, but [because] he was also one of the funniest guys on the team. He’s got a great attitude about life and the game.”

The turning point

There was one game that seemed to be the turning point for Szuminski’s interest to play professionally. Singleton recalled how scouts had come to the game to watch another player and “Jason pitched, and all of a sudden he was striking everybody out.”

Szuminski remembered that after the game, the scout talked to him and said “If you go to try to play for real, you might have a chance to get drafted, go onto the minor leagues — see how far you can go.”

While Szuminski could not put all of his energy into baseball since he had other commitments at MIT such as academics, this need to balance may have actually helped him.

Szuminski said that while MIT was a “high stress environment,” it also taught him how to conquer adversity, and to “take something that is so difficult and figure out how to be successful at it.”

He said that this can be seen in a lot of MIT graduates and students. “They go on and they’re successful in a lot of the things that they do, because they have that ability to jump into something brand new that they know nothing about and figure out how to do it very well,” he said.

However, when he’s on the mound, MIT is the last thing on Szuminski’s mind. “For the most part, I think baseball and MIT are pretty far apart. It’s a different kind of challenge,” he said.

Whether he may very well make a name for himself in the major leagues, Szuminski still has a four year commitment after graduation with Air Force ROTC, of which he has served a little more than three years. He hopes to convert the remainder into a couple of years of reserve duty. And regardless of whether he succeeds in the field of baseball, Szuminski said, “I’m never going to count the Air Force out.”

Featuring Szuminski!

Another perk of graduating from MIT and entering into a professional sport is the media attention. Szuminski has been featured on ESPN’s Page 2 column by renowned sportswriters such as Jim Cable and Peter Gammons. His progress is tracked in the Sports Illustrated magazine under the “Szuminski Watch.” In addition, he has also attracted the attention of the National Public Radio’s Sunday Edition, the San Diego Union-tribune, and Newsday.

His newfound fame, Jason said, “It’s amusing…they all seem to think they’re funny with their attempts at the rocket science jokes.” However, he dismisses the attention, saying, “They’re just anti-thecy…whether people are watching or not, I’m doing the best I can because I want to make it for myself more than anybody else.”

Baseball with the big boys

Even though Szuminski says that MIT and major-league base-

ball are “worlds apart,” he has still managed to fit right in. “I really like the atmosphere here with the Padres. It’s a real good environment, laid back, everybody has a good attitude…It’s a good feeling,” he commented.

When asked what he wants to do in the future, Szuminski jokingly replied “try to make opening day” by obtaining a spot on the roster of the Padres. As a Rule 5 drafts, if Szuminski does not make the Padres regular season roster, he will be traded back to the Cubs where he will probably stay in the minor leagues.

Regardless of what the Padres managing staff decide on Szuminski, many people in the MIT commu-

nity are rooting for him. Singleton said, “He really is a good kid and I wish him the best and you know I wish that he goes all the way… he has the passion and the enthusiasm.”

Kogel said, “I think he’ll do very well…. he has risen to every chal-

lange and turned heads doing so. He should get a shot being picked up by the San Diego Padres.”

When asked for words of advice for aspiring MIT students, Szuminski checked, then replied, “take advantage of the opportunity and go through with it.”

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Alternative Security Methods Considered

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The tight security is necessary during the move from Tech Square because many boxes of personal belongings are just lying around, he said. “We’re not trying to set up an armed camp at all, we’re just trying to provide some kind of access control so that our laptops don’t walk,” Terman said. “I think once we get past the move-in period, we can revert to our open during the day, standard security during the night” routine, he said.

“As we get used to the space, we can think [up] a rational strategy to get around the building without having to continually use keys and swipe IDs, he said.

Privacy issues raised with RFID

Stallman said he objects to the electronic locks that use Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) readers with MIT Cards.

“They are RFIDs, which are extremely dangerous, and can be scanned at any time,” he explained. “While MIT’s readers can only read cards, which open doors once the card is sufficiently close to a reader. Each is a sufficient outrage that anyone should refuse them,” he insisted.

“The idea was to start up some student projects that would use the same set of electronics, but would basically be an alternative to the MIT system,” Terman said.

“Others share Stallman’s concerns about privacy. “I think a lot of people here agree,” that the current system has drawbacks, Terman said.

“Others say metal keys create accountability concerns. “Handling them out is not the problem, the problem is we never get them back,” Terman said. “Our experience in Tech Square is that it seems that half the world has access to our doors,” he said. “When people leave the lab, they take the keys with them.”

Faculty work on privacy solution

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“We’d be interested in having a way with having the electronic system without the downside of privacy concerns, Terman said. “We’re looking into how to provide an anonymous electronic system.”

Currently, Building 32 uses the system provided by the MIT Card Office. “In some ways, we just piggy-backed on the MIT system,” Terman said.

The system can also be used to keep track of personal information and the location of people, he said. MIT already saves the data and “it’s extremely easy for the police to access that data with” the USA PATRIOT Act of 2001, he said.

The MIT Card Office keeps successful card-sweep data for two weeks, according to its Web site.

Metal keys suggested

Instead of having RFID readers for access, Stallman said Building 32 should have metal keys available for all doors, which would solve the problem of privacy and tracking people.

“If they switched some of those pox locks to metal keys, they’d have a few metal keys to deal with along with the thousands of others” in use in other buildings, he said.

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“Some kind of security on the information being collected, such as cryptographic techniques,” unlike the MIT system, which has electronic keys that can be easily copied, he said.
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ASA Space, from Page 1

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By Victoria K. Anderson

With only two members of the club competing, the MIT Synchronized Swimming Club scored four points to place 20th out of 29 squads overall and 11th out of 20 club teams at the U.S. Collegiate Synchronized Swimming Championships March 25-27 in Ann Arbor, Michigan. The Ohio State University won their 21st national championship with 95 points while the University of Florida scored 39 points to take the top spot among the club teams.

Although the entire MIT team qualified and several squads brought the maximum of twenty competitors allowed, only two team members (who performed one duet and one solo routine) elected to compete due to the conflict with MIT’s spring break. However, this setback did not prevent MIT from continuing its strong presence in the technical figures category, as their average score of 60.797 in the intermediate division placed them sixth overall and third among club teams. Individually, Victoria K. Anderson G (61.182) was 17th, and Cilanne E. Boulet G (60.411) was 19th.

In the routine competition, Anderson finished 19th overall in the solo competition with a score of 75.0 while the duet of Anderson and Boulet was 25th overall with a score of 75.2. In running that score, they posted two 8.0s and topped duets from several varsity squads including Walsh University, Carleton College, and Wheaton College.

At the conclusion of the meet, both athletes were honored as Academic All-Americans. The 100 percent rate of recognition was the highest of any squad at the championships.

Prior to their departure for nationals, MIT sent a full squad to the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference (ECAC) Championships March 19-20 at Cornell University. Despite a disappointing finish in the team routine competition, MIT finished seventh overall with 42.5 points, just barely topping Boston University’s 42 points in the 12-team field. The team’s success at the meet was strongly dependent upon their showing in the technical figure categories, as they took first in the novice category (58.563), second in the junior category (68.784), and third in the intermediate category (63.647). Individually, Alice Wuu ’05 placed fifth in the novice category with a score of 59.888, while Lesley D. Frame ’04 was 12th (58.259), and Leah C. Blaisak G was 15th (56.941). In the intermediate category, Anderson was sixth (64.108), and Boulet was eighth (63.186) while Lindsey R. Sheehan ’07 was 15th in the junior division (68.784).

In routine competition, Anderson placed seventh in solo (76.167) and teamed with Boulet for a tenth-place finish in duet (74.5). The trio of Blaisak, Frame, and Wuu finished 11th (69.667) while their team routine with Anderson, Boulet, and Sheehan finished tenth (70.667).

Although the competition season concluded with nationals last weekend, the team will be sponsoring an informal class for students at the Zesiger Center pool from 1-2 p.m. on Sundays. No experience is necessary, and participants will have the opportunity to take part in the team’s water show on April 24.

Sync Swim: The Few and The Proud

By Victoria K. Anderson

Ashley T. Tran ’07 leaps in the air during a practice at the DuPont Athletic Center. MIT will host the National Collegiate Gymnastics Association Championships today and Saturday for the first time in the school’s history.
Baker Award

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