Media Lab Extension Plans Remain on Hold

By Kelley Rivoire

The new building to house the Department of Brain and Cognitive Sciences, Picower Center for Learning, and Memory and McGovern Institute for Brain Research is currently on schedule to open in the fall of 2005, said Project Manager Amie Abramson MCP ‘82. Unlike the construction of the Stata Center, which encountered problems with delays and additional costs, construction of the BCS building appears to be proceeding on schedule.

However, construction of the extension for the Media Laboratory, which has been on hold for several years, is still pending funding. Head of Media Arts and Sciences William J. Mitchell said he is optimistic that groundbreaking may begin within the next year.

BCS building underway

About 65 percent of the construction on the BCS building is currently done. Abramson said the building will be 411,000 gross square feet, comparable in size to the building still under discussion with the official opening date for the building currently done, Abramson said. The construction on the BCS building is underway.

The new Brian and Cognitive Sciences building, located on the corner of Main Street and Vassar Street, spans the railroad tracks. The construction is on schedule for a 2005 opening.

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Tonegawa said that funding for specialized equipment in several of the experimental facilities of the Picower Center is currently a few million dollars short. However, he designed new buildings to minimize vibrations.

New building to unite BCS faculty

The new BCS building will accommodate all professors in Course IX, said Professor Mitiganka Sur, Head of the Department of Brain and Cognitive Sciences. Currently, he said, faculty are spread among buildings E18, E19, E25, and NE20.

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downtown Boston — another sure sign summer is just a memory.

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Valley yesterday, this system should bring us similar amounts of rain today.

from 21 polling sites.

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suring Congress to overhaul the nation’s intelligence community,

President Bush on Thursday to become personally involved in pres-

The chairman of the independent Sept. 11 commission called on

Presidential Election

U.S. May Buy Minimum Annual
Vaccine Stock to Boost Supply

By Andrew Pollack
THE NEW YORK TIMES

The government is seriously considering making commitments to buy a certain number of flu shots each year to help bolster supply and avoid shortages, such as the one that occurred Thursday, now, officials said Thursday.

&#34;It clearly is everybody’s front burner,&#34; Dr. Anthony S. Fauci, director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, said in an interview. “How many people do we want to vaccinate next year? Let’s buy that amount.”

Tommy G. Thompson, the secretary of Health and Human Services, also mentioned the idea Thursday to a group of reporters in Washington, Austin said. The board quarantined boxes from 21 polling places.

According to his spokesman, BioShield is a program that spurs companies to develop vaccines and treatments for anthrax and other biological weapons by guaranteeing that the government will purchase them. The program could be used in the case of a large-scale attack.

Such purchase commitments would not do much to solve this year’s situation, which has been marked by the lack of vaccines in many locations, long lines for shots and sharply rising prices around the country.

Government officials are contin-

uing to contact companies that make flu vaccines for other countries to boost their output.

That includes a Canadian company, ID Biomedical, which might have up to 1.5 million excess doses that might be made available to the United States. President Bush, in his debate with Sen. John Kerry on Wednesday night, referred obliquely to this when he said the government was “working with Canada” to “help us realize the vaccine necessary to make sure we have got flu vaccinations during this upcoming season.”

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Chemical Exposures Caused Gulf War Illnesses, Federal Panel Says

A federal panel of medical experts studying illnesses among veterans of the war in the Persian Gulf has broken with several earlier studies and concluded that many suffer from neurological damage caused by exposure to toxic chemicals, rejecting past findings that the ailments resulted mostly from wartime stress.

Citing new scientific research on the effects of exposure to low levels of neurotoxins, the Research Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans’ Illnesses concludes in its draft report that “a substantial proportion of Gulf War veterans are ill with multi-symptom conditions not explained by wartime stress or psychiatric illness.”

It says a growing body of research suggests that many veterans’ symptoms have a neurological cause and that there is a “probable link” to exposure to neurotoxins. The report says possible sources include sarin nerve gas from an Iraqi weapons depot exploded by U.S. forces in 1991; a drug, gyrodystrohime bromide, given to troops to protect against nerve gas; and pesticides used to protect soldiers in the region.

The chairman of a presidential advisory group, Dr. Joyce C. Lashof, who reported in 1996 there was no causal link between toxic exposure and the veterans’ symptoms, said Thursday that she had not seen the new report but was open to changing her views if the findings were based on solid new research and not advocacy by veterans’ groups.

“We certainly weren’t sure that our report was the definitive answer,” said Lashof, professor emerita of public health at the University of California at Berkeley. “It was based on the best evidence available at the time.”

All the chemicals cited in the new study belong to a group called acryloylmercaptopropionic acid, exposure to which can cause a range of symptoms including pain, fatigue, diarrhea and cognitive impairment, according to the draft report obtained by The New York Times.
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ACROSS
1. Wife of Jacob
5. Ad award
9. Heats
14. Beige shade
15. Leven or Ness
16. Mile of "The Verdict"
17. Show no respect for
18. W. __ Maugham
21. Conceive mentally
22. "__ the ramparts..."
23. Editor’s note
24. Drinking aids
28. Get too much sun
29. Equality grp.
32. Ph.D. exams
33. Big truck
34. Strike a stance
35. Tender touch
36. Actor Alan
37. Work units
38. Kindled again
e.g.
39. Actor Cronyn
40. Kindled again
41. Sneaky
42. Soft cheese
43. Small woods
44. Hanging to one side
45. Old French coin
46. Of religious rites
47. Ends up
48. Skim through
49. Refresh
50. Smoothly agreeable
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2. Repeat
3. Thistle, e.g.
4. Actor Cronyn
5. Shuts
6. One not comfy in company
7. Pryme Pays rapper
8. Crise of surprise
9. Expressionless
10. Plus item
11. Pearl of "Cheers"
12. Essence
13. Fill too much
14. Skim through
15. Strong acid
16. Cesspools
17. Pond growth
18. Sandy color
19. Carols
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26. Carols
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29. Carols
30. Carols
31. Adam and Rebecca
32. Kind of steak
33. Private school, briefly
34. Do-over in some board games
35. In the vicinity
36. Jazz drummer Art
37. Trumpet’s cousin
38. Archtype structure
39. Smoothly agreeable
40. Slalom gear
41. Latin handle
42. Swear, casually
43. Old ruler
44. Country near Nor.
45. Like a dipstick
46. Bruin’s sch.
47. Stranger — fiction
48. Christmas helper
49. Old ruler
50. Father, father, father
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Splatform
by James Biggs

Crossword Puzzle
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CAMPUS LIFE

Money Makes My Head Go Round

By Akshay Patil

Well, now, aren’t you all looking particularly nice today? There’s nothing like fall recruitment to throw our campus into a tumultuous time of suits, skirts, and jackets. The days grow colder, midterms wreak havoc, and as the leaves turn yellow, students’ thoughts turn to green.

For someone with close to no idea as to what to do with him/herself (I keep my options open), it seems like a tempting opportunity to give the money thing a spin. After a number of years learning all sort of engineering and analytical skills you find yourself going “uhm, so what now?” and so you go to a finance company info session on a whim and realize that the slides they’re showing you say “we want people with engineering and analytical skills.” Why’s that you? Or me!

But wait a minute, I know absolutely nothing about finance or money. In fact, I have a $1000 reimbursement sitting in my backpack and have yet to pick up my paycheck which has been sitting in Student Services for 2 weeks. Could you really mean me? “No finance experience necessary, we want people eager to learn.” I guess so.

So I, like oh so many of the beaver-creed, stepped in the same room as money. My interest are “writing, humor, music, and life outside the Institute; a life spent primarily in front of a computer, working late, and not eating right… much like life here, except with old people. But hey, I’m an old person too, now, so it felt like it was time to slip on the old people. But hey, I’m an old person too, now, so it felt like it was time to slip on the

I check it out.

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East Campus Dinner Moves to Building 32

The first East Campus weekly all-you-can-eat dinner of the year was held on Tuesday in the Forbes Family Cafe, instead of Pritchett Grill, where it has taken place in previous years. General Manager of Community Dining Services Stephen Porter suggested the new location to the housemasters last year.

“I felt it was a very enticing atmosphere... it’s a far better facility,” said Porter. People seemed to be pleased, Porter said, and the rest of the EC dinners will be held in the Stata center as well.

Housemaster and Senior Lecturer Julian K. Wheatley said the $6.50 dinner, which included turkey with trimmings and vegetarian lasagna, was well-prepared by the chef. The new dining hall is a “nice setting,” said Wheatley, “but some of the furniture is a little strange.”

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The faculty dining area, on the fourth floor of Building 32 near the R and D Pub, sits empty after hours.

The R and D Pub is on the 4th floor of Stata center, overlooking Vassar St.
CI-Ms Three Years Old Without Assessment

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been “very focused on implementation” of the program, said Anna Redwine, assistant dean for the communication requirement. As a result, they “haven’t quite figured out the best way” of assessment, she said.

SOCR is comprised of 14 members, including Redwine, Frazer, two undergraduate representatives, Charles Stewart III, associate dean of the School of Humanities and Social Science, and several faculty members.

Assessment left up to departments

“We haven’t started the review process yet,” said SOCR Co-Chair Professor Paul L. Penfield Jr. Though this is the third academic year that CI-M subjects have been offered, “we don’t have a means of assuring [their effectiveness] now,” said Penfield.

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This academic year marks the first year that all of the CI-M subjects in every department are being offered, just in time for the Class of 2005 to graduate, said Frazer. “The challenge has been the sheer volume” of CI-M subjects, she said.

Penfield said the timing was crucial because, depending on the department, students have little or no flexibility in choosing CI-Ms but have several CI-H subjects to choose from.

“Every department that has a degree program was mandated by the faculty to have two CI-M subjects, said Penfield. “When you come to the department program, you don’t have to choose a CI-M, usually all you have to do is satisfy the degree requirements for the department.”

Seniors must complete CI-Ms

Frazer said that a special tool was developed to track student’s completion of CI-M subjects to ensure they are taken at the expected rate of one per year.

Upperclassmen in some majors have encountered difficulties with scheduling CI-M subjects and planning around subjects that have only been finalized in the past year or so. In Course VI, for example, many seniors encountered scheduling conflicts with the required CI-M subject 6UAT (Preparation for Undergraduate Advanced Project), which is a pre-requisite for 6UAP (Undergraduate Advanced Project).

Course Administrator Anne M. Hunter said that because of the scheduling problems, students will be allowed to petition to take both subjects at the same time.

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Extension for Media Lab Awaits Funding

said he is currently working with Dean of the School of Science Robert J. Silbey to secure the additional funding, and he does not anticipate a problem with finding it in time for the opening of the building.

Media Lab Extension still on hold

Construction on an extension to the Media Lab has been delayed for over three years because the economic recession forced several donors to retract their promised funding, Mitchell said.

As to a date when construction might begin, “my guess is within a few months,” Mitchell said.

The total cost of the extension will be about 97.5 million dollars, with 20 to 25 million dollars in funding still lacking. Originally, the cost of the building was anticipated to be about 30 million dollars more, but at the time of the delay the construction plans were changed to cut the costs, mostly by eliminating basement space, Mitchell said.

Mitchell said that Media Lab is currently “desperate for the [additional] space to accommodate existing activities” and new activities as well. He said that value of the project is “both functional and cultural,” referring to the innovation of architect Fumihiko Maki.

Once funding is secured, a new project team will be created, as the original team was disbanded during the delay. Mitchell estimates construction would take about 26 months in a best-case scenario.

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**Field Hockey Beats Wheaton 2-1**

By Caitlin Murray

The field hockey team gave their fans (outnumbered 17 to 5) something to cheer about Tuesday as they improved to 7-5-1 with a 2-1 win over the Wheaton College Lyons.

Just three minutes into the game, an uncharacteristically sloppy attack, Wheaton's Lynndie Ryalls managed to penetrate the Engineers defense, scoring an unassisted goal, for the Lyons first and only point of the game.

Undeterred by Wheaton's early lead, the Engineers commanded the field for much of the first half, taking advantage of the Lyons slightly weaker defense. Noelle J. Kanoga '06 and Deanna M. Lentz '06 led attack after attack for the Engineers, but the Lyons defense, scoring an unas-
sisted goal, for the Lyons first and only point of the game.

Wheaton attempted to take the lead again late in the first half, but failed to capitalize on three consecutive penalty corners, as Cheryl A. Texin '06 cleared the ball after the third corner with a powerful shot to the other end of the field, setting up the next goal for MIT.

With five minutes left in the first half, and the ball in Wheaton territory, Lentz scored an unassisted goal, giving the Engineers a lead they would keep for the rest of the game. It was far from easy to maintain that lead, however. Late in the second half, the game acquired a sense of frantic urgency, as Wheaton sought any opportunity to tie it up, and fans on both sides of the field grew surprisingly boisterous (the Wheaton fans for fear of worsening their losing record of 4-6, the MIT fans for fear of a long overtime on their losing record of 4-6, the MIT fans for fear of a long overtime on metal bleachers in 50° weather).

Midway through the second half, changing a typical hard hit by Texin, Lentz took a face-first dive into the turf, knocking her out of the game. Whether because of the loss of their top scorer, or just fatigue, the Engineers were unable to mount the same offensive effort seen in the first half, accruing only four shots throughout the span of the second half.

However, this did not stop the Engineers from shining defensively, allowing only one shot on goal.

Sharon M. Prange '07 made for a powerful presence at midfield by doggedly pursuing the Lyons and repeatedly knocking the ball out of MIT territory. This allowed Amaran-
ta P. Hunter '07 to show off her offensive effort seen in the first half, breaking through with a shifty turn into space in the Wheaton territory.

The Engineers managed to hold onto their lead through the second half, improving their conference record to 2-2. They will travel to Mount Holyoke on Saturday, where a win would give MIT a winning confer-

**Drugs and the Fall Of ’96 MVP Caminiti**

By Yongyi Zhu

Troubling years finally came to a troubling end when Ken Caminiti died of a heart attack at the age of 41 on Sunday afternoon. The reason for the heart attack is yet unknown, but an autopsy is being conducted to find the cause.

Caminiti was the National League MVP in 1996 while playing with the San Diego Padres, and he took the team to the World Series. He played for 15 years total, with the time split between the Astros, Padres, Rangers, and Braves. After his tenure in base-

Caminiti spent the last day of his life with an ex-con, Rob Silva, who told Newsday that Caminiti seemed edgy. Silva reported that Caminiti did not take any drugs or drink in the hours before his death, despite the guess that his death is caused by some combination of the two.

Early last week, Caminiti tested positive for cocaine, violating his probation in drug-related crimes, having millions of dollars to his name test for drugs, but they are not looking to catch the players that are using illegal drugs and at least try to fix their problems now, as the NFL’s substance abuse program attempts to do.

Most people will abide by the laws of their sport when confronted with the choice of playing and getting paid or taking drugs and not having a salary. Not many people are going to do what Ricky Williams did and leave the NFL because he had earned enough money and just wanted to smoke marijuana. But the issue isn’t just drugs, it’s about being a role model.

In fact, the public no longer looks up to most sports stars and oftentimes sees them more as people with huge problems. An example of a bad role model is Mike Tyson. He pretty much did every bad thing imaginable and has fallen tremendously since the days he was mostly known for his boxing conquests. Tyson has gone from having millions of dollars to having millions of people look down on him. He has declared bankruptcy and has also embarrassingly lost a supposed easy match in the ring.

A more shocking example of a great role model turned bad is Kobe Bryant. Before his turn to adultery, Kobe was the sweet young star ready to propel the Lakers to more champi-
onships than even Phil Jackson could imagine. Then came the one night in a Colorado hotel room.

From now on, Kobe will be known as much for his choices off the court as on it, and his innocence will be lost forever.

No matter what Charles Barkley says, athletes are our role models. This means that they have a big responsibility to the general public. Children look up to them. Even athletes that are guilty of crimes, as on-hand, we love to write about them, good or bad.

However, athletes must realize that no matter how they feel, they are not superhuman and are not above the law. Mike Tyson, Ricky Williams and Kobe Bryant should all realize that too. Too bad for Ken Caminiti, he didn’t find out until it was too late.