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# Alexander to Handle Institute Endowment

## New Head Not Proposing Big Changes

By Curt Fischer  
STAFF REPORTER

Late on a Friday morning, Seth Alexander says he wants to enjoy the day's clear weather. "Finance guys don't get to see a lot of the sun," he says.

Alexander will assume presidency of the MIT Investment Management Company, which controls the Institute's \$6 billion endowment, on May 15.

Alexander previously staffed Yale's investments team, which recently outperformed nearly all other American universities, including MIT, achieving a 22.4 percent return on their endowment in Fiscal Year 2004. But MIT's new money manager is looking more to avoid the limelight than to rock the boat. "Changes should be made incrementally," said Alexander, who characterized his job as a "support function to the university."

But college investments and their managers have come under increasing scrutiny recently. One longstanding controversy involves Alexander's counterparts at Harvard, who were recently criticized for receiving exorbitant salaries. Jack Meyer, former head of Harvard's investment operations, presided over a staff of six money managers who were collectively paid \$78.4 million in 2004.

The big paychecks generated resentment among some members of the Harvard community, who alleged that the payouts, which made the investment staff members better-paid than any other university official, were inappropriate in the supposedly egalitarian realm of academia.

Most other universities, including Yale, pay their investment managers far less. One factor may be academic egalitarianism, but another is the way

the money is managed. At most universities, external investment firms manage the bulk of university funds.

Usually, internal university staff manage the relationships with these external fund managers. In contrast, the bulk of Harvard's enormous endowment, valued at over \$25 billion, was managed directly by the staffers under Meyer, who paid his staff large bonuses to keep them from leaving for more lucrative careers managing their own funds.

The MIT model aligns closely with Yale's, said Alexander. He and his staff will manage work with over 100 outside money managers. Trust is crucial to these partnership, Alexander said. "Once you find the right relationship, everything else is easier," he said, adding that he expected good relationships with outside investment firms to last decades.

Alexander's view on the salary controversy and his own position is that universities need to "find people that have a sense of the mission of the school they are working for." He intends to keep his office out of the headlines. "It's my contention that all the news at MIT should come out of the labs and classrooms," he said.

Another issue colleges have faced is pressure to divest from Sudan. Harvard, Stanford, Yale, and others have recently announced divestiture to protest the apparent genocide being perpetrated in Sudan.

But Alexander said his job was to focus on returns and let others make the political decisions. "It's important for such decisions to be made elsewhere." MIT has not yet announced any investment policies

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OMARI STEPHENS—THE TECH

Jason T. Riethmann '08 goes for water just before his team with Jonathan A. Birnbaum '08, Daniel R. Stone '08, and John P. Vivian '08 advances in a cake speed-eating competition. The Cake Study Break, held yesterday evening in Lobdell Food Court, leads up to various Spring Weekend festivities this coming weekend, including a concert by the band Cake on Friday, April 28 at 8 p.m.

# CME More Popular in Cambridge

By YINUO QIAN

The Cambridge-MIT Undergraduate Exchange, the British school's only exchange program with a U.S. university, has seen higher student demand from Cambridge students than MIT students, consistent with previous years. About 50 MIT students applied to the program this year, according to Senior Associate Dean of Undergraduate Education Margaret S. Enders. Cambridge, on the other hand, had an applicant pool of over 100 students. Started in 2000, CME is a one-year program for third-year undergraduates, who pay normal tuition to their own universities.

Of the 41 MIT sophomores ac-

cepted into the program, 32 have accepted so far. At least 38 Cambridge students plan to come to MIT next year.

As part of the agreement between MIT and Cambridge, participants from each school must be roughly balanced. Currently, each school sends about 40 students, but "It is hoped that this figure will increase slightly in the future," the University of Cambridge Web site states.

Unless more MIT students apply, the program cannot expand, Enders said. Fifty-five MIT students applied to the program last year.

According to Enders, there are many reasons MIT students decide

to remain on campus for all of their academic years. MIT students often participate in the Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program and other long-term programs, which require commitments on-campus during the academic year. Students who have already been accepted may also hesitate to actually go to Cambridge because of the discomfort of being exposed to another culture and being away from their current friends, Enders said. Additionally MIT students may be concerned that it may be difficult to pursue a second degree if they go. This is not an issue for Cambridge students, who are

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DAVID TEMPLETON—THE TECH

Police officers arrest a suspect for an undisclosed offense at 6:30 p.m. this past Sunday, April 23 on the sidewalk outside of the Student Center.

# IS&T Staff Fixing Recent Problems With Primary Web and Mailing Servers

By John A. Hawkinson  
STAFF REPORTER

Over the past week, Information Services & Technology has seen a variety of problems with web.mit.edu, MIT's primary Web server, and also with the mail server outgoing.mit.edu, which is responsible for accepting outgoing e-mail from campus users and routing it to the correct destination.

## Large files slow web server

Jeffrey I. Schiller '79, MIT Network manager, said web.mit.edu's slow performance and unavailability on Monday was caused by attempts to access several very large files. In attempting to serve those files, the web server encountered a performance bottleneck and became non-

responsive.

To combat the problem, Schiller said, IS&T has limited the maximum size of files on web.mit.edu to 250 megabytes. Yesterday's problems were caused by files as large as 2,000 megabytes.

## Web server delays updates

Because of a change made last Thursday to web.mit.edu, users may see a delay of up to five minutes between changing a Web page and seeing that change on web.mit.edu. To mitigate this, users can use the "shift-Reload" feature of most browsers to force an update.

The delays are caused by the ad-

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MIT Medlinks held a dating auction for charity at No.6.

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MIT's tenure extension policy for women giving birth was automatic in 2001.

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# WORLD & NATION

## Brooklyn Man Gets 25 Years In Beating of Gay Man

By Andy Newman

THE NEW YORK TIMES

NEW YORK

A Brooklyn man was sentenced Monday to 25 years in prison for beating and stomping a gay man so viciously that he suffered serious brain damage and is partly paralyzed. The defendant, Steven Pomie, 25, had told investigators that the victim, Dwan Prince, made a pass at him on the street.

Justice Deborah A. Dowling of State Supreme Court in Brooklyn seemed aghast at the intensity of the attack as she sentenced Pomie for assault committed as a hate crime. "Words alone should never be enough to provoke such a rage," she told him. "That's never an excuse for anything."

Prince, now 28, was a construction worker and a porter in his apartment building in Brownsville, Brooklyn, and was taking out the garbage last June 8 when Pomie walked by. Pomie told investigators that he was wearing his girlfriend's pink tank top and that Prince made some flirtatious remarks to him.

A prosecution witness testified that he saw Pomie and another man beating and kicking someone and then leaving, and that as Prince lay against a wall dazed and bleeding a few minutes later, Pomie returned and kicked him squarely in the head.

## Greenpeace, EPA Ex-Chiefs To Lobby for Nuke Plants

By Matthew L. Wald

THE NEW YORK TIMES

WASHINGTON

The nuclear industry has hired Christie Whitman, the former administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, and Patrick Moore, co-founder of Greenpeace, the environmental organization, to lead a public relations campaign for new reactors.

Nuclear power is "environmentally friendly, affordable, clean, dependable and safe," Whitman said at a news conference Monday. She said that as head of the EPA for two and a half years, ending in June 2003, and as governor of New Jersey for seven years, she had promoted various means to reduce emissions of gases that cause global warming and pollution. But she said that "none of them will have as great a positive impact on our environment as will increasing our ability to generate electricity from nuclear power."

Whitman headed the EPA when it published rules for the proposed high-level nuclear waste repository at Yucca Mountain in Nevada. After she left office, the courts threw out the rules because they covered only the first 10,000 years of waste storage, while peak releases of radiation were expected after that time.

## Bush Offers Limited Support For Senate Immigration Bill

By Elisabeth Bumiller

THE NEW YORK TIMES

IRVINE, CALIF.

President Bush reinserted himself into the divisive debate over immigration on Monday, speaking favorably of a stalled Senate compromise that would put the vast majority of the nation's 11 million illegal immigrants on a path to citizenship.

In remarks to some 300 Orange County business leaders, Bush said the bipartisan Senate compromise, which fell apart this month as Republicans and Democrats maneuvered for political advantage, was "an interesting approach."

His words fell short of an outright endorsement of the plan, but they signaled that he preferred the Senate approach over a House immigration bill that focuses on border security and would turn illegal immigrants into felons. The president's position put him to the left of many conservative Republicans who say the Senate plan's citizenship provisions amount to amnesty.

# Bombs Rock Crowded Resort In Egypt, Killing At Least 30

By Michael Slackman

THE NEW YORK TIMES

NAKHEL, EGYPT

Three blasts tore through Dahab, a crowded resort town on the Sinai Peninsula, on Monday night, killing at least 30 people and wounding more than 115.

The attack, the third at a popular Sinai resort in two years, raised the specter that one of the United States' closest allies in the Arab world is faced with a homegrown terrorist threat trying to destabilize the government.

There was confusion in the hours after the blasts, but what was clear was that a resort town on the Bay of Aqaba, a tourist spot frequented by scuba divers, was awash in blood on one of the most popular holiday weekends of the Egyptian calendar.

Perhaps most worrisome to the government was that for the third time terrorists struck about the time of a national holiday. On Tuesday, Egypt will celebrate the anniversary of Israel's withdrawal from Sinai in 1982.

"I do not think it is a coincidence that this attack happens amid celebration of Sinai Liberation Day,"

the interior minister, Habib al-Adli, said on Egyptian television. "The other two attacks in Taba and Sharm el Sheik also took place during celebration of national occasions; that raises question marks."

"We will catch all those responsible very soon."

The bombs started going off at about 7:15 p.m., in the center of the city, where the streets were packed with tourists celebrating the Coptic observance of Easter on Sunday and the ancient Egyptian spring festival of Sham el Nessim.

First hit was the Nelson Restaurant, then the Aladdin Cafe and then the Ghazala Supermarket, all within five minutes. As survivors ran for cover, television images showed a grisly scene with charred body parts, and merchants trying to cover the blackened, bloodied boardwalk with newspaper. Ambulances rushed in a procession from Cairo, more than six hours away, to help carry the wounded to hospitals.

"The tables and chairs have gone, there is nothing left," Joseph Nazir, who owns a safari company in Dahab, told Britain's Press Association said, describing a local restaurant.

"Everybody is panicking, a lot of people are crying. We will be affected by this for a long, long time."

Egyptian authorities at first said the bombs appeared to have been detonated by remote control. Later a local official said the explosions appeared to be the work of suicide bombers.

Officials acknowledged a good deal of confusion and uncertainty over what had actually occurred.

But officials said that the bombings did not appear to be sophisticated, and that the blasts did not appear as powerful as attacks in Taba in October 2004 and in Sharm el Sheikh in July 2005. The Taba attack killed 34 people and the Sharm el Sheikh bombing left at least 60 people dead.

Dahab, which means "gold" in Arabic, is more out of the way than the popular Sharm el Sheik or Taba. It is effectively two villages, a Bedouin village in the south and the administrative center in the north. Like other areas in the Sinai, Dahab remains popular among Israelis. Last week there were many Israelis for the long Passover weekend, but most had left by Wednesday.

# At Least 40 Civilians, Security Force Recruits Reported Slain

By Richard A. Opiel Jr.

THE NEW YORK TIMES

BAGHDAD, IRAQ

At least 40 Iraqi civilians and security force recruits were either killed or found murdered on Monday, the Iraqi authorities said, as insurgents unleashed a wave of car bombs across Baghdad.

Throughout the capital, seven car bombs struck, killing at least 10 people and wounding 76 others. Their targets were the back gate of Mustansiriya University, two Iraqi police patrols and a busy intersection at rush hour. All of the dead were civilians.

At least 15 other Iraqis died across the country, the victims of by drive-by assassinations, bombs and mortar fire, according to an Associated Press tally from the police.

The bullet-riddled corpses of 15 recruits for a special Interior Minis-

try unit trying to help calm the restive city of Ramadi were found in the backs of pickup trucks in Abu Ghraib, west of Baghdad, a ministry official said. Later on Monday, Iraqi officials said they had reports that the bodies of 17 other security force recruits were found in a similar slaying 60 miles west of Ramadi.

By some measure, the scene here was reminiscent of a period about a year ago, when Sunni Arab insurgents mounted coordinated car bomb attacks across the capital and killed scores of Iraqis in an attempt to destabilize and intimidate the country's infant interim government.

At the time, the prime minister-designate — Ibrahim al-Jaafari — was struggling to name a cabinet, a harbinger of what many Iraqi officials came to describe as weak and

unappealing leadership that became almost powerless to deal with a sophisticated insurgency and growing sectarian fighting.

Perhaps trying to stem any repeat of the sense of precariousness that dominated Baghdad last April, the new prime minister-designate, Jawad al-Maliki, chosen just two days ago, confidently predicted on the state-run television that he would have a new cabinet in place in just 15 days — half the time accorded him under the new constitution.

And in a CNN interview, he vowed to fix the main problem facing the country: "a torn relationship in the Iraqi community with all of the sectarian and ethnic backgrounds." He also pledged to undo what he called the "state of misunderstanding that was spread in the last period."

## WEATHER

### What is Truth?

By Timothy R. Whitcomb

STAFF METEOROLOGIST

As a scientist, I used to like to harass philosophers who, instead of looking for answers, would instead decide that something could not be known. I dismissed what seemed to be an act of academically throwing up my hands. I have come to learn, though education and experience, that I needed to give the philosophers more credit, at least regarding the weather.

Truth comes in many guises claimed by religious and secular alike. On a more practical note, though, what is the temperature outside? Your thermometer says that it is 46°F. Does that mean the true temperature is 46? I doubt it — that thermometer you have in your hand was calibrated during the Nixon administration and the measurements oscillate wildly over even the smallest time period. You can't say for certain that it is 46 degrees — you can, however, guess based on what you know about the error characteristics of your instrument that the temperature is much more likely to be 46 degrees than, say, 15 or 20. The "correct" measurement is then not a single number, but a probability distribution function (PDF).

If we can't know what the current temperature is, how can we possibly forecast what the temperature will be tomorrow? News sources continue to give you a high temperature without any indication of the uncertainty inherent in the estimate. Although it is possible to advance PDF's forward in time, it is prohibitive in terms of the required computing power. Modern forecasting techniques use "ensemble forecasts." Instead of forecasting the entire probability distribution, we instead sample the PDF and integrate those samples forward to approximate the PDF at some future time.

Providing probabilistic information is a much more intellectually honest forecast. Telling you that it is going to be 80 and sunny tomorrow while neglecting to tell you that there's also a sizeable probability of 60 and rainy just seems wrong. Admittedly, this is a bit of hyperbole, but still, there is a big difference between a confidence of 2 or 3 degrees or 10 to 15 degrees.

Now, watch as I go against my convictions.

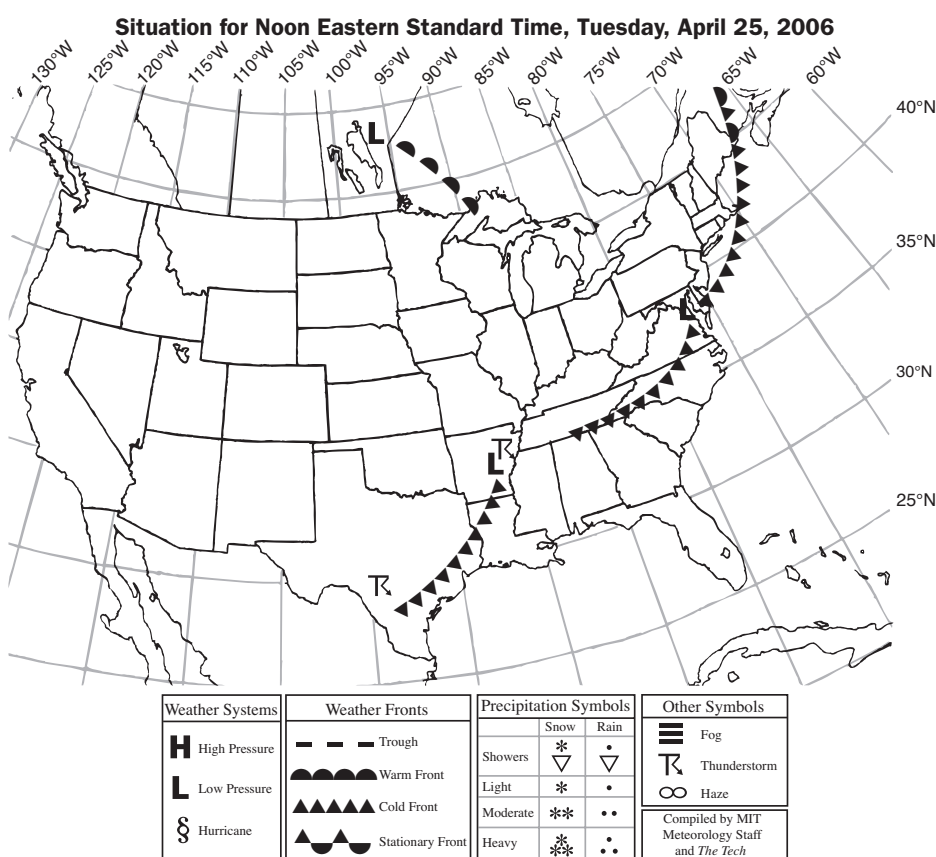
#### Extended Forecast

**Tuesday:** Rain likely. High 63°F. **Tuesday night:** Rain likely early. Low 35°F.

**Wednesday:** Highs near 58°F. **Wednesday night:** Low 40°F. Gusty winds.

**Thursday:** Some afternoon rain. High 62°F.

**Thursday night:** Low 37°F.



# Religious Leaders Sign Petition To Block Same-Sex Marriages

By David D. Kirkpatrick  
THE NEW YORK TIMES

WASHINGTON

About 50 prominent religious leaders, including seven Roman Catholic cardinals and about a half-dozen archbishops, have signed a petition in support of a constitutional amendment blocking same-sex marriage.

Organizers of the petition said it was in part an effort to revive the groundswell of opposition to same-sex marriage that helped bring many conservative voters to the polls in some pivotal states in 2004. The signers include many influential evangelical Protestants, a few rabbis and an official of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

But both the organizers and gay rights groups said what was striking

about the petition was the direct involvement by high-ranking Roman Catholic officials, including 16 bishops. Although the church has long opposed same-sex unions, and the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops had previously endorsed the idea of a constitutional amendment banning such unions, it was evangelical Protestants who generally led the charge when the amendment was debated in 2004.

"The personal involvement of bishops and cardinals is significantly greater this time than in 2004," said Patrick Korten, a spokesman for the Knights of Columbus, a lay Catholic group.

The Catholic bishops and many of the other religious leaders involved have pledged to distribute postcards for their congregants to send to their senators urging support for the amend-

ment. The Knights of Columbus is distributing 10 million postcards to Catholic churches.

The petition drive was organized in part by professor Robert P. George of Princeton, a Catholic scholar with close ties to evangelical Protestant groups. Aides to three Republican senators — Bill Frist of Tennessee, the Republican leader; Rick Santorum of Pennsylvania; and Sam Brownback of Kansas — were also involved, organizers said.

Archbishop John J. Myers of Newark said that at a meeting in Washington in February, the Senate aides recommended the idea of a postcard campaign, recalling the success of a similar effort that the bishops organized in support of a ban on so-called partial-birth abortion.

## Microsoft Opens Appeal in Europe

By Paul Meller

THE NEW YORK TIMES

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM

Microsoft kicked off on Monday its weeklong appeal of the European Commission's 2004 antitrust decision against it with a searing attack on the regulator's arguments for ruling against the bundling of Media Player in Windows.

In a packed Grand Chamber of the European Court in Luxembourg, Microsoft and the commission, Europe's highest competition authority, both claimed to speak for innovation in the software industry.

In carefully prepared presentations, each side explained to the panel of 13 judges why its interpretation of events since 1998 are essential in determining the driving forces behind the software market.

If the commission's ruling is upheld by the court then the commission will have a powerful legal weapon with which to challenge future moves to bundle products. Microsoft's strategy for its next generation of Windows, dubbed Vista, which is due for release early next year already seems to have raised that possibility.

If the court overturns the commission's 2004 ruling, then the value of that precedent will largely be lost, and the commission's authority to police competition among dominant companies will be curtailed.

## Harvard Novelist Says She Unintentionally Copied

By Dinitia Smith

THE NEW YORK TIMES

Kaavya Viswanathan, the Harvard sophomore accused of plagiarizing parts of her recently published "chick-lit" novel, acknowledged Monday that she had borrowed language from another writer's books, but called the copying "unintentional and unconscious."

The book, "How Opal Mehta Got Kissed, Got Wild, and Got a Life," was recently published by Little, Brown to wide publicity. On Sunday, The Harvard Crimson reported that Viswanathan, who received \$500,000 as part of a deal for "Opal" and one other book, had seemingly plagiarized language from two novels by Megan McCafferty, an author of popular young-adult books.

In an e-mail message on Monday afternoon, Viswanathan said that in high school she had read the two books she is accused of borrowing from, "Sloppy Firsts" and "Second Helpings," and that they "spoke to me in a way few other books did."

"Recently, I was very surprised and upset to learn that there are similarities between some passages in my novel, 'How Opal Mehta Got Kissed, Got Wild, and Got a Life,' and passages in these books," she said.

Calling herself a "huge fan" of McCafferty's work, Viswanathan added, "I wasn't aware of how much I may have internalized McCafferty's words." She also apologized to McCafferty and said that future printings of the novel would be revised to "eliminate any inappropriate similarities."

# World Bank Said to Waste Money, Use False Data in Fighting Malaria

By Celia W. Dugger

THE NEW YORK TIMES

The World Bank failed to follow through on its pledges to spend up to \$500 million to combat malaria, let its staff working on the disease shrink to zero, used false statistical data to claim success, and wasted money on ineffective medicines, according to a group of public health experts writing in the British medical journal The Lancet.

The experts, in an article to be published online on Tuesday, argue that the bank should relinquish the money it has to fight malaria, which kills an African child every 30 seconds, and instead let the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria dis-

tribute the bank's malaria funds.

The World Bank conceded in a written reply to the article that its malaria programs were understaffed and underfinanced, but denied using false statistics or paying for obsolete medicines. It said that in the past year it had revitalized its malaria program.

Bank officials said in an interview on Monday that the number of staff members working on malaria has grown from none to more than 40 in the past year, while \$62 million in new spending has recently been approved, an amount expected to rise to \$190 million by June. The Global Fund does not have staff on the ground in Africa to monitor how the money is spent, while the World

Bank does, bank officials said in their written reply.

"The story captures a lot of the bank's shortcomings from a year ago," Suprotik Basu, a public health specialist in the bank's malaria program, said on Monday. "But now we've had a year of progress."

In 1998, when the bank began the Roll Back Malaria campaign, it promised to spend \$300 million to \$500 million to help halve the number of malaria deaths in a decade. More than 1 million people die of malaria each year, mostly African children.

But just four years after its commitment, the number of bank staff working on malaria fell from seven to zero, a fact Basu acknowledged.

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### What's Happening With Campus Security?

As most of the MIT community hopefully now knows, a woman has accused two strangers of raping her in the basement of Building 16. This happened before 6 p.m. in an area students occasionally walk through, especially on weekdays.

As concerned members of the MIT community, we would like to know why there has not been more response from the MIT police and

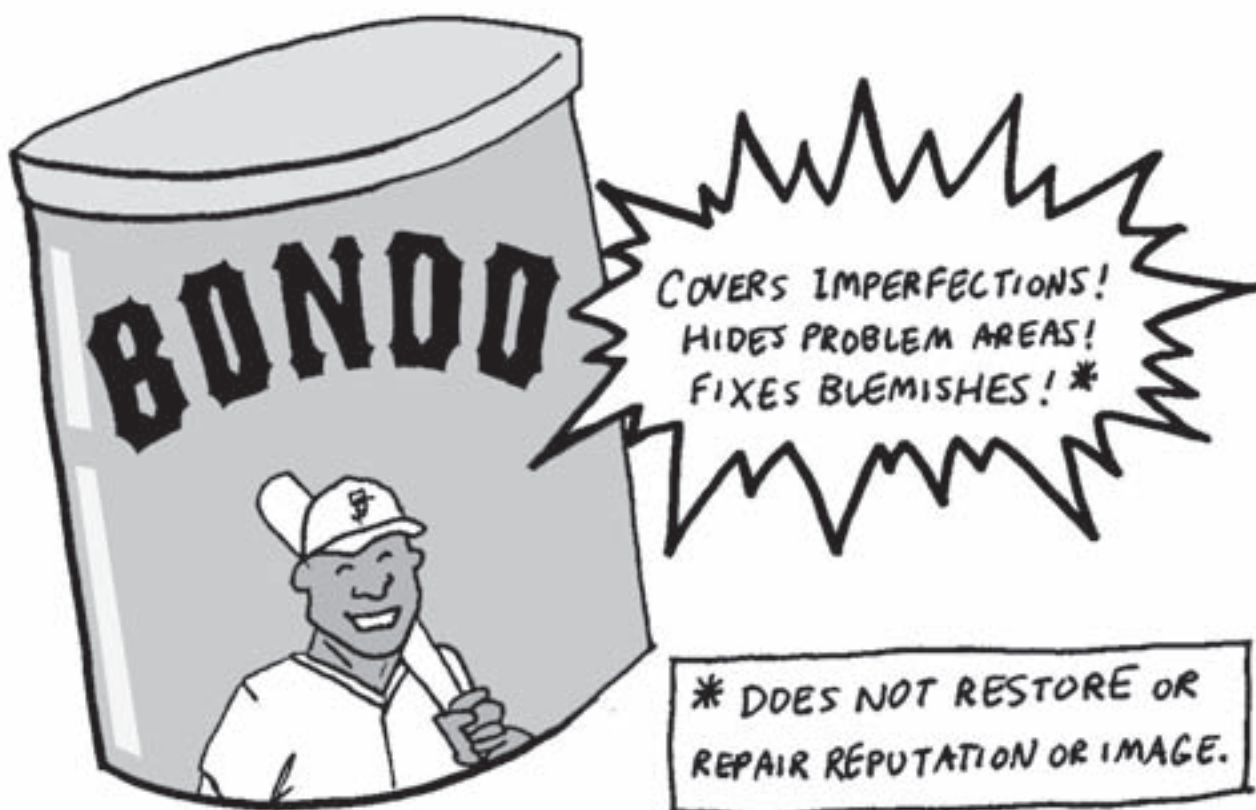
administration. Is there an increased police presence in the halls and the basements of MIT? We have not noticed this, and the relocation of the police department from its accessible, visible Massachusetts Avenue location to the less safe, less well-lit Vassar Street location does not make the situation better.

Also, it is strange and unsafe that the doors to the main cluster of MIT buildings are open all year long, allowing anyone to wander through the buildings. It's nice to have an open-door policy, but what of the students, postdocs, and staff who work late in Buildings 1 through 10, Building 16

and Building 56, not to mention elsewhere? Why doesn't the administration arrange for MIT doors to be closed after hours to decrease probability of theft (and now rape)?

We would like to know what MIT is planning to do to protect the women and men who keep this institution running.

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# CAMPUS LIFE

## Imminent Collapse A Funny Thing Didn't Happen to Me ...

By Bill Andrews  
CAMPUS LIFE EDITOR

Some of my fans (Nori) might have noticed that it's been a while since my last column. I can only apologize and shake my head metaphorically. Well, actually, it's partly my professors' fault. In fact, now that I think about it, it's entirely their fault.

Not, as you might be thinking, because they've kept me too busy to write. No, my classes are hellish and all, but really they're not that bad this term — I've had time to write two reviews in the Arts section in this column's absence, after all. But, even though I have some free time and I'm not pulling my hair out like so many of my compatriots here @mit.edu, my professors have made it pretty much impossible to read anything for fun. And that's a serious issue, because it makes me far too serious.

Y'see, people are like sponges (by 'people,' I mean me). I go along, soaking up whatever I'm reading, then spurt it all out when I write, so to speak. For instance, after reading a British novel or two, I have a slight British accent in my head, and might include a "torch" or "queen" or a "pull the other one, it's got bells on" or something in the next story I write. It's a little like "You are what you eat," only it'd be "You write what you read."

Since my profs have been keeping me too busy for leisure reading for months, the closest I come to fun reading is for 21L.458, *The Bible* (a class I affectionately refer to as Bible Study). Alas, you can't really sit there readin' the Bible and chuckling to yourself. Especially when your fiancée's Catholic, and she's got a mean left hook. So that's left me with only seriously-minded thoughts; that might cut it in Arts, but it's not really what we're about in Campus Life.

The reason, therefore, for a lack of my columns of late is a lack of mirth in my life. I mean, who'd want to read a serious little column about average consumer intelligence, the undeniable passage of time, or some other equally boring and carefully considered column? The rest of this newspaper, and life in general, can be pretty boring and depressing; why should I add to that?

Of course, all this had been going on subconsciously, and I didn't really know why I wasn't being particularly funny anymore. Then one day I had an epiphany, my first one outside of poetry class. A bunch of us were goofing around, trying to punt despite tooling calling out to us, listening to LAMP (<http://lamp.mit.edu>) when someone put Robin Williams on. We were transfixed, mesmerized by his hypnotic hilarity. It was the first on-purposely funny thing we'd witnessed in a long time, and it opened my eyes.

Immediately I started writing this column in my head. Which, by the by, explains why even today's column isn't particularly uproarious, since I only had that one Robin Williams shot of comedy in my system. But now that I know I'll have to work extra-hard to keep some comedy in my system, both for my own good, and for those who are genuinely too busy to do anything fun. I know it's possible — in the past I'd keep up my private reading, sometimes just to spite the professors ("Ha, you think just by assigning me whole books two essays and four movies I'll stop reading Stephen King? Shows what you know, profs!").

So the next time you find yourself frazzled, living from pset to pset, it's time to get some comedy in your life. Watch a decent sitcom, listen to a stand-up comic, or pick up a newspaper and turn to the comics (unless it's the Times, which is too educational). Maybe just call up a friend and shoot the breeze, tell a few jokes.

After all, they say a mind is a terrible thing to waste, what with course 9 kids going hungry. They say love is a matter of chemistry, and sex a matter of physics. They say math is a game of rules and no goals, and philosophy's a game of goals and no rules. They say ocean engineering ... oh, wait. Well, clearly, life@mit.edu can be funny; you just have to be willing to listen.

## Ask Nutty B!

By Bruce Wu  
STAFF COLUMNIST

Nutty B is currently a graduate student at MIT who tries to give his two cents' worth on anything and everything. You know the drill! Please e-mail him with any questions, and give him an excuse to procrastinate at 3 a.m. Send all questions to [askNuttyB@yahoo.com](mailto:askNuttyB@yahoo.com).

Dear Nutty B,

*I am a senior going to grad school. The deadline to reply to the schools I have been accepted at has passed, and I have accepted the offer from one school. What's puzzling me now is that the more I think about it the less I am sure about my decision. Did I make the right choice? Will I regret it?*

—Unsure

Dear Unsure,

You start to doubt your decision only a few days after you make it? And I thought I was indecisive! Do I know if you made the right choice and if you will regret it? If I could predict whether or not one will regret choosing a grad school, do you think I'd have chosen this place?

What made you start to doubt your choice? I assume from the time you received your acceptance letter to April 15 you've had a chance to talk to the professors and students from the potential schools and even had a chance to visit. Did some new information just come

up and make you wonder? If so, and if you think it's that important (for example, you just discovered Stanford was not in Texas and you couldn't go on living so far from the Bush ranch), then it's not too late to change your decision. Call the schools and explain to them the true reason, and if it's reasonable, I'm sure people will listen. However, if this feeling of doubt surfaced simply because you were uneasy about your future, I've got news for ya: it's normal!

When it comes to something we aren't exactly sure about, we are likely to get a little uneasy. I am sure you've considered all circumstances and made the decision you think is best for you, and I think that's all you can do as a human being. Instead of wondering if you made the right choice or if you would regret it, how about believing you've made the right choice? In the future, if something doesn't go exactly as you've planned, try to turn it around so you won't regret your original decision. You are entitled to your own life: you can have it, or you can let it have you. I am sure you know which one to choose!

Dear Nutty B,

*This is a long shot, but in case we share similar tastes in literature, perhaps you can help me. I've been an avid reader all my life, especially of the fantasy genre. But I've been so busy reading scientific journals since I came here that now I want go back to reading*

*but feel totally disconnected and have no idea what to read. Can you help?*

—Bookworm

Dear Bookworm,

As it turns out I also enjoy reading fantasy literature. I don't read sci-fi, however, so if that's what you are into, I can't really help. Also, it's quite difficult to suggest a booklist for you without knowing your taste, and since I'm known to be a bit of a nutcase, my taste isn't exactly "normal." How about if I just tell you a few of the books I recently read and enjoyed?

In addition to the popular *Harry Potter* series and the *Lord of the Rings* trilogy, I have been quite hooked on George Martin's *A Song of Fire and Ice*. If you haven't read Dan Brown's *The Da Vinci Code* and *Angels and Demons*, I highly recommend them. And this is not exactly fantasy, but if you are into really long books that make you cry like a baby, perhaps you can try Jamie Oliver's *At Swim, Two Boys*.

Again, these are just the books I've read and enjoyed, not a list of Best Sellers or anything. My advice would be for you to go to Amazon or Barnes and Nobles and look at their best sellers and see what other people are reading — I've found quite a few good books this way. Of course, don't read so much that you forget about your scientific journal articles!!

# Know Your Rights Week

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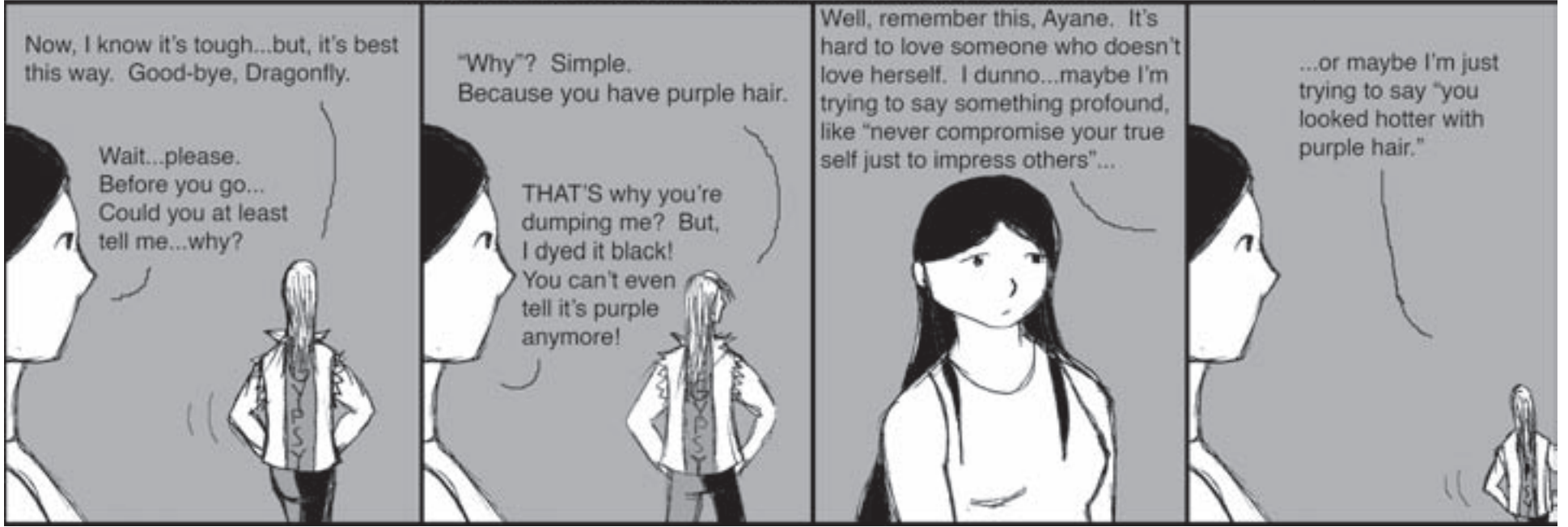
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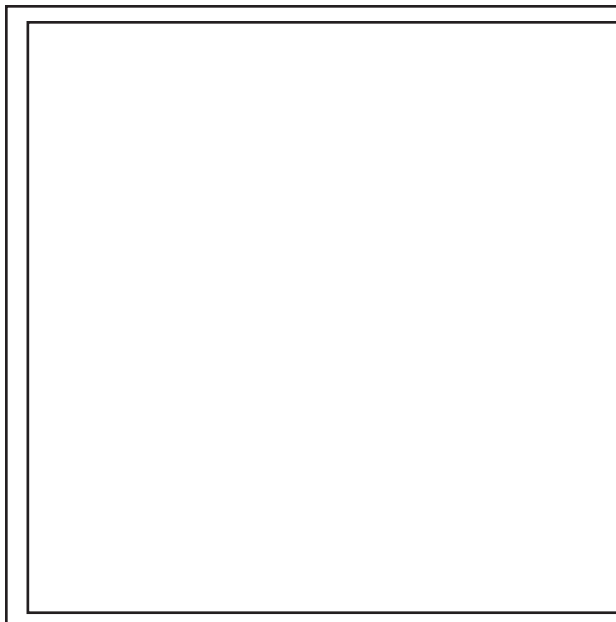
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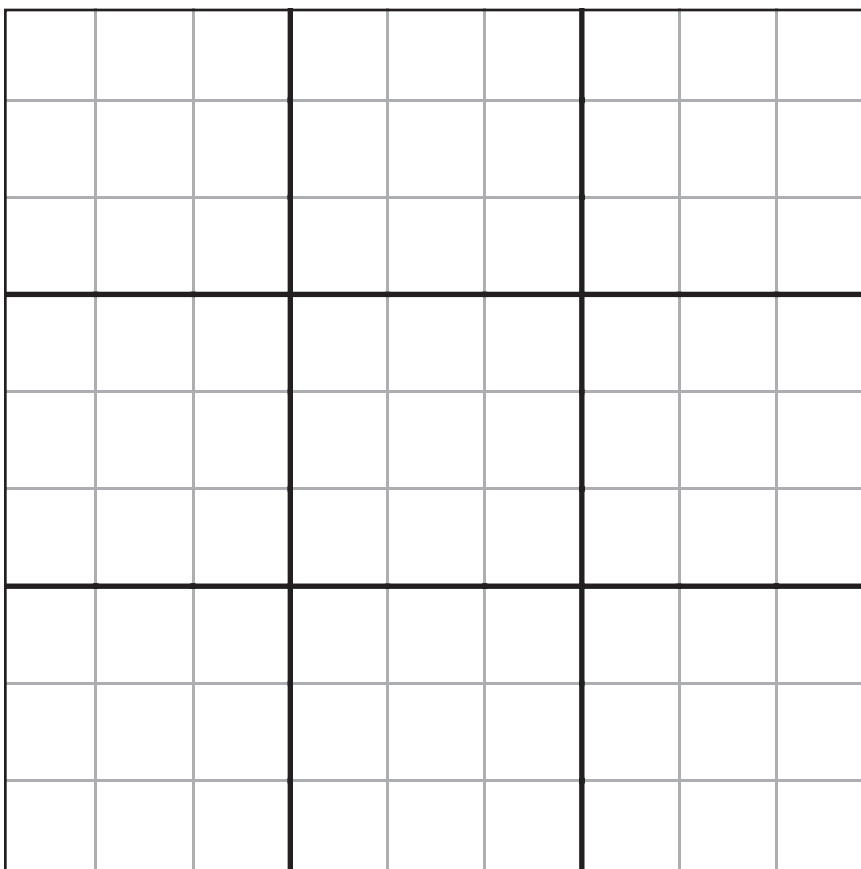
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# sudoku

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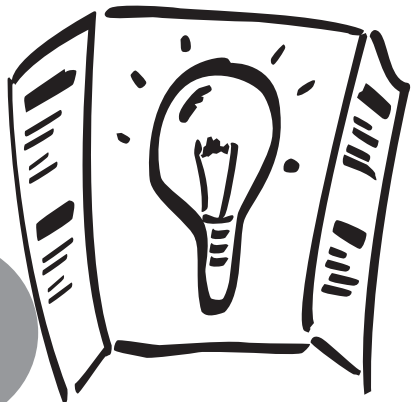
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# 2006 Institute Screw Contest Results

Name	Affiliation	Designed Charity	Amount
John G. Brisson II	2.005, 2.006	J.G. Brisson Sr. Scholarship Fund	\$246.01
Stephen C. Graves	MIT Committee for Community	MIT Community Fund	\$166.46
Haynes R. Miller	18.03 Professor	Union of Palestinian Relief Committee	\$74.24
Anne M. Hunter	Course VI Administrator	Center for New Words	\$60.30
Kimberly L. Berkowski	5.12 professor	Hospice of Cambridge	\$24.68
David S. Jerison	18.02 professor	Americares Pakistan Earthquake Relief	\$14.78
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$586.47</b>
Your Mom (5 days)		Breast Cancer	\$7.62

For the annual “Big Screw” contest, MIT community members cast one-cent votes for the faculty staff member they felt had screwed them over the most. The contest ended April 12, though the awards ceremony has not been held. The total amount will go to Brisson’s charity, but because the “Your Mom” contestant was entered by accident, the money will be donated to a breast cancer charity.

SOURCE: JAMES J. WYNOROWSKI '06, ALPHA PHI OMEGA



CHRISTINA KANG—THE TECH

Tina S. Amarnani '08 bids on James R. Verrill '07 at the Medlinks Dating Auction, held at the No. 6 coed fraternity last Thursday, April 20. Medlinks and their friends were auctioned off with free dates to Bertucci’s, movies, and other locations. All proceeds went to a Southeastern Foundation scholarship fund.

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# New MIT Money Manager Tells Plan

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related to Sudan.

Alexander takes his job at a new era for money management at MIT. The impending retirement of Allan S. Bufferd '59, MIT's treasurer since 1999 who has been at the Institute for over 30 years, will coincide with a restructuring of the way money is managed at the Institute. Bufferd currently oversees both the investment of endowment funds and the administration of MIT's operating budget — quite an expansive domain of responsibility by modern university standards.

Alexander's primary charge is MIT's nearly \$6 billion endowment, but he is also responsible for other MIT money, including the \$2 billion employee pension fund. Responsibility for financial and budgetary oversight of the Institute's operations will shift to MIT's Executive Vice President, who, on an interim basis, is Sherwin Greenblatt '62.

This split is not yet fully defined, however. Alexander said that he does not know yet how many staff currently under Bufferd will come under his management, and how many will work under the EVP.

Alexander is not planning to radically alter MIT's portfolio, instead focusing on responding to changes in the world's economic environment. Overall, the endowment right now is "very healthy," Alexander said.

But would Alexander ever consider leaving MIT for a private industry job that could pay him many times more? "I doubt it," he said. "I want to be here for a very long time."

With that kind of dedication to MIT, it's only natural to wonder about Alexander's own salary. So, how does MIT compensate their new investment leader?

The sun glints off Alexander's face as he looks up and smiles.

"Very fairly."

## Solution to Sudoku

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8	7	4	2	5	6	1	9	3
2	6	1	9	3	8	4	5	7
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1	5	8	7	6	9	2	3	4
6	9	2	3	4	1	5	7	8
7	4	3	8	2	5	9	6	1
4	2	6	5	8	7	3	1	9
9	8	5	4	1	3	7	2	6
3	1	7	6	9	2	8	4	5

## Solution to Crossword

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A	B	E	D	P	A	R	K	A	I	D	E	S	
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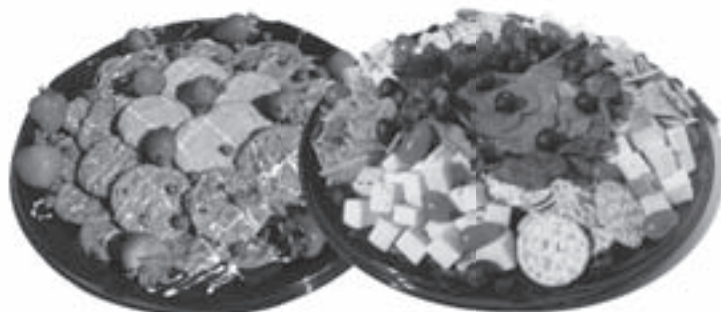
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## IS&T Mailing Server Monitoring Goes On

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dition of a "Web cache" (using open-source software called "Squid"), Schiller said. The Web cache allows the Web servers to reduce their dependency on the AFS file system, which has been a source of recent sluggish performance. AFS is the mechanism used to access the data that the Web servers provide to browsers.

### Indexing also causes web slowness

Separately, web.mit.edu continues to experience occasional slowdowns caused by automated search engine indexing. Search engines, like Google, build their databases by periodically retrieving all content on the Web. While Google's indexing is not the cause of recent problems for web.mit.edu, other search engine indexers have been problematic.

According to Schiller, the indexing operations can interact poorly with the AFS file system used by the Web servers.

Because web.mit.edu is actually multiple machines with web traffic divided between them by a load balancer, IS&T has responded to these incidents by re-configuring the balancer to "funnel" the indexing traffic

"to a dedicated set of web servers to reduce the impact on the web-viewing public," Schiller said. There are three servers for general use, and two that handle this search engine traffic.

Every time a new search engine begins indexing, similar problems may arise, Schiller said. The most recent incident was Thursday, when an indexer identifying itself as "Scooter/3.3" began indexing web.mit.edu and caused major slowdowns.

### Outgoing mail sees problems, too

According to Mark V. Silis, who manages the network services within IS&T, problems with outgoing.mit.edu have occurred sporadically since Friday, March 14. Only users who authenticate with passwords are affected; those who use Kerberos authentication are not affected. When the problem occurs, users get an error message when attempting to send outgoing mail.

IS&T has "not been able to catch" the failure while it is occurring or determined its exact cause, but will "continue to monitor the situation," Silis said on Thursday.

Users can report problems to the Computing Helpdesk by called 617-253-1101 or emailing [computing-help@mit.edu](mailto:computing-help@mit.edu).

## CME Program Praised By Dept. Coordinators

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not eligible to get more than one degree.

The CME office and fifteen participating MIT departments advertise the program via e-mail and information sessions throughout the year. According to Course VI administrator Anne M. Hunter, sixteen course VI students applied this year and fourteen have been admitted. The department coordinators also go over the prerequisites for each student and write recommendations.

Course VI professor Tayo I. Akinwande said that students will definitely benefit from the very different academic and social atmosphere abroad.

"MIT teaches you to solve problems of all kinds and Cambridge teaches you which problems are worth solving," Course II CME coordinator Gareth H. McKinley PhD '91 said. "The combination of both viewpoints provides a fantastic and uniquely international viewpoint of world-leading engineering education."

Ting Wen '08, who was accepted into the program and plans to study at Cambridge next year, said that MIT students can see how classes are conducted at Cambridge and make "tons of friends."

Addressing possible student concerns about their GPA and degrees, Enders said that most students GPA's are improved after returning from Cambridge.

Nationally, almost two-thirds of students who study abroad are female. Similarly, more women apply to the CME program than men, Enders said. Any students still interested in applying for this fall can contact her or a department coordinator to get more information, she said.

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### Solution to Bonus Crossword

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# ASA Elections Results

Position	Name
President	Jennifer D. Lobo '07
Treasurer	James R. Peacock IV '08
Secretary	Aaron D. Mazzeo G
Undergraduate Members At-Large	*Michael McGraw-Herdeg '08 Michael Shaw '07
Student Member At- Large	Dennis V. Perepelitsa '08
Graduate Members At-Large	Obrad R. Scepanovic G Philip A. Rolfe G

The general body of the Association of Student Activities voted 48-5-9 last night to approve sending a CD version and implementing a Web site version of the student group mailings that are sent to incoming freshmen each summer. This summer mailing is the only mailing student groups are allowed to send to incoming freshmen. These mailings have traditionally been sent in paper format, but last year the Association of Student Activities switched to a CD version. The ASA's executive board will make the final decision on the mailings.

\*McGraw-Herdeg is the Managing Editor of The Tech.

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If you wish to make an appointment at the MIT Medical mental health service, call 3-2916. The receptionist will schedule you for an intake phone call. This is an approximately 15 min. phone call during which an intake clinician will establish the general problem and its urgency, as well as gather information that will help match you with the clinician who will be the most helpful to you. The clinician will then schedule you for an initial hour long appointment. If you don't have the privacy for a phone call, you can choose to come to the mental health service (3rd floor of MIT Medical, building E23) for your intake interview.

If you cannot wait, there are walk-in hours every afternoon, Monday-Friday from 2 pm to 4pm. If you come during walk-in hours, you will be seen, although there may be a wait. Appropriate follow-up will be arranged at that walk-in visit. This can include being scheduled for an intake appointment.

### What should I expect at my first visit?

During the first visit, you will talk with a clinician about the concerns that prompted you to make the appointment. The clinician will also take a history, which will involve asking some questions about your family, childhood, and substance use. Usually the session will end with some feedback and suggestions about the best treatment. Sometimes a recommendation is made for treatment outside of the medical center; sometimes a recommendation is made to consider medication.

### Does it cost anything to use the mental health service at MIT Medical?

For graduate and undergraduate students there is no charge for visits to the mental health Service at MIT Medical.

This is one of a series of mental health FAQs developed by the Student Health Advisory Committee (SHAC) with input from MIT Medical's Mental Health Service (MHS). More questions and answers on mental health issues are available online.

Go to <http://web.mit.edu/medical> to find answers to the following questions:

- ▶ **Who should use mental health services?**
- ▶ **Is everything in a mental health visit really 100% confidential?**
- ▶ **Does MHS prescribe medications?**
- ▶ **What if I want to see a clinician outside MIT?**
- ▶ **How are mental health services covered if I am on my parents' insurance?**
- ▶ **How are mental health services covered if I have the MIT Student Extended Insurance Plan?**

To learn more about SHAC membership, look out for our "Turn the Tables: Examine Medical" event, or visit our website <http://web.mit.edu/medical/student>.

#### MIT Mental Health Service

MIT Medical, E23-3rd Floor

For appointments and information (617) 253-2916

Walk-in hours 2-4 pm, Monday-Friday for urgent matters

## SPORTS

## Two Pride Homeruns Key in Doubleheader Losses For Baseball

By Travis Johnson  
SPORTS EDITOR

Fielding and baserunning errors proved costly for MIT Baseball (14-10, 6-6 NEWMAC) in 4-3 and 8-1 losses to Springfield College (15-15, 8-4) Saturday.

**T**he MIT pitcher Christopher M. D'Annunzio '09 had a rocky start in the first game, walking the first two batters. An error by shortstop Greg R. Williams '08 and a homerun by Adam Tarquini put Springfield up 4-0.

D'Annunzio settled down following the homerun and become nearly unhittable. After getting out of the first inning and walking Springfield's Chris Stack in the second, he retired every batter he faced for the rest of the game. Pitching through the complete seven innings, D'Annunzio mowed the final 17 by hitting corners with his fastball and freezing batters with his curve.

Meanwhile, MIT's offense also started quickly, though not at the same pace as Springfield. An RBI double by Warren W. Bates '06 led to two runs in the bottom of the first, and Jason T. Witzberger '07 pushed across another in the second to bring the score to 4-3.

But the Engineer offense died there. The best chance to tie the game came in the fifth, as Witzberger drew a lead off walk. Springfield pitcher Jimmy Lisowski, a lefty, picked off the speedy Witzberger, who may have been trying to steal. Bates then hit a double that would have easily scored Witzberger.

Springfield right-handed pitcher Scott Samolewicz shut down the Engineers in the last two innings, allowing no hits and striking out three.

The second game, a nine-inning affair, was close through seven. MIT pitcher Jay M. Turner '08 was on, holding his opponents to two unearned runs caused by two Williams errors.

The Engineers got a run on a Wayne P. Duggan '06 double in fourth inning, but couldn't break through to tie the game. They had a golden opportunity in the sixth, when Steven M. Nunez '09 led off the inning with a single. Witzberger followed with a single of his own, but as the ball skirted between the first and second basemen, Nunez collided with it. Since no fielder had touched the ball first, Nunez was called out.

Once again, the baserunning mistake proved costly, as Duggan slugged a ground rule double that would have scored Nunez. To end the inning, designated hitter Thomas M. Phillips '09 struck out with Duggan and Witzberger in scoring position.

Things fell apart for Turner and the Engineers in the eighth. Springfield strung together a hit batter, single, error, and James Miner homerun to pull ahead 6-1 and silence any hope of an MIT rally.

Springfield lefty Joe Carlos pitched a complete game, allowing only the one run on eight hits and striking out five. He had good stuff, threw consistently in the strike zone, and held MIT to 1-of-6 hitting with runners in scoring position.

MIT pitcher Joseph P. Yurko '08 relieved Turner and got the third out of the eighth inning, but had a rocky ninth, allowing two Springfield insurance runs on three singles.

These were the final NEWMAC regular season games for MIT and Springfield. The 6-6 Engineers finished fourth and the 8-4 Pride second out of seven.



CHRISTINA KANG—THE TECH

Evan W. Tindell '06 rips a forehand on his way to an 8-5 win in a doubles match against Wheaton College. The Men's Varsity Tennis team defeated Wheaton 7-0 on Saturday, April 22 at its last home match. The Engineers finished the regular season with a record of 10-2 overall and 5-0 in conference play.

## Softball Slugs Past Emmanuel 6-1, Scoring Five in Last Three Innings

By Mindy Bauer

ASST. DIR. OF SPORTS INFORMATION

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**T**he MIT softball team snapped a six-game losing streak with a 6-1 victory over Emmanuel College in non-conference action on Wednesday. Although the Engineers (4-18) only outhit the Saints (12-20) 8 to 6, they matched their season highs of three doubles

and two triples in a game to power their offense.

In addition to fanning nine batters and picking up her fourth win of the year as a pitcher, Leah A. Bogsted '08 got a hit, an RBI, and a run. For Emmanuel, Lisa Donehey fell to 3-8 on the year as she scattered eight hits, walked five, and struck out two.

Emmanuel posted its only run in the top of the first. Whitney Howe

led off with a single that dropped in behind third base. Katherine Palmer-Thompson pushed her across with a two-out double to centerfield.

The Engineers quickly evened the contest in the bottom half of the inning. Amanda M. Jason '08 reached on a walk, moved to second on a sacrifice hit by Corinne E. Vannatta '08, and advanced to third on a wild pitch. She then scored on single up the middle by Bogsted.

MIT extended its lead to 3-1 with a pair of runs in the fourth inning. Kaitlyn G. McCartney '09 doubled down the left field line and Adrienne H. Hee '08 picked up a two-out walk. Jason then cleared the bases with a triple to right center.

The Engineers added another pair of runs in the fifth. Melissa M. Tanner '09 hit a double down the right field line and then advanced to third on

Texin's ground out to shortstop. Bogsted reached on a walk and immediately attempted to steal second. With both base runners trying to advance, Bogsted drew enough attention from the infield to allow Tanner to score. Following a strikeout by Stephanie V. Brennan '09, McCartney notched her second double of the game with another shot down the leftfield line that brought Bogsted home.

MIT got their sixth and final run in the bottom of the sixth when Hee led off with a triple to centerfield and Tanner hit a RBI single to right field.

Jillian Medeiros, Stephanie Rege, Ashley Tomczak, and Jennifer Walsh each got hits for the Saints.

Tanner paced Tech by going 3-for-4 with an RBI and a run. McCartney went 2-for-3, also recording an RBI and a run.

## Pride Softball Dominates Engineers, Outscoring MIT 19-3 in Doubleheader

By Mindy Bauer

ASST. DIR. OF SPORTS INFORMATION

MIT closed its season with a pair of losses to Springfield College in NEWMAC softball action Saturday.

**T**he Engineers finished the year with an overall record of 4-20 and a 2-14 mark in conference play. The Pride (21-18, 9-7)

took the opening game 13-1 in five innings and then won the nightcap 6-2.

In the first inning of the first game, Amanda Johansson got the Springfield Pride started with a two-out single through the left side. Sarah Bagierek brought Johansson home with a double and then scored on Keir Stanford's single. Caitlin McGaughey recorded an inside the park homerun, giving Springfield a 4-0 edge.

The Pride's offense exploded with nine runs on seven hits in the next inning, making the score 13-0.

MIT got on the scoreboard in the bottom of the third frame. Adrienne H. Hee '08 drew a two-out walk and then moved to second on a single by Amanda N. Poteet '08 through the left side. A Springfield error al-

lowed Hee to score.

The Pride's Denise Fumicello and Bagierek both hit 3-for-4 and recorded two RBIs. Jennifer Warnick went 2-for-3 and scored twice. In the pitching circle, Stephanie Blackman picked up her 10th win of the year after facing seven batters in two innings of work. Amanda Miller closed the game, allowing two hits and striking out one.

Hee scored the only run for the Engineers, hitting 1-for-2, including a run and a walk. Backup pitcher Katherine C. Bankert '09 lost her second decision of the season, allowing the first ten runs. Leah A. Bogsted '08, who relieved Bankert in the second inning with no outs, scattered six hits and fanned two batters in her four innings.

Like the opener, Springfield had an early start, scoring in the first inning of the second game. Angela Atkins earned a walk and scored on Johansson's double to leftfield. Following a single by Bagierek and a strikeout, McGaughey's hit to centerfield plated Johansson.

MIT answered with a run in the bottom of the second. Cheryl A. Texin '06 posted a ground-rule double and then advanced to third on Bogsted's sacrifice hit. Corinne

E. Vannatta '08 picked up her first RBI of the day with a single.

The Pride made the score 3-1 in the fourth. Stanford led off with a single through the left side and later advanced to second on Kasey Calderone's sacrifice hit. Lauren D'Arrigo brought Stanford home on a single to right field.

The Engineers responded in the bottom of the fourth with a run of their own. Bogsted singled to shortstop and was awarded second on a throwing error. Vannatta drove her in with a double to centerfield.

Springfield tacked on two runs in the sixth and added one more in the seventh to secure the win. Five different players recorded RBIs for the Pride. Bagierek posted another 3-for-4 hitting performance as Johansson, Stanford, and McGaughey each went 2-for-4.

Pride pitcher Samantha Rhodes collected her ninth win as she yielded six hits and struck out two in three and a third innings. Blackman surrendered two hits and fanned two to close the game.

Texin and Vannatta each hit 2-for-3 for MIT. Bogsted received the loss for the Engineers, allowing eleven hits and one walk while striking out four.



DAVID TEMPLETON—THE TECH

Chi-Fong Wang '08 launches her javelin at the Coed Invitational on Saturday, April 22 at Steinbrenner Stadium. Wang won the women's competition with a peak throw of 125' 7.75".

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