By Marissa Vogt

Take a Break and Explore Boston's Museums and Parks

I also represent the Institute to the Corporation and what it is like to be the president of MIT. How would you describe your typical day in the life of the MIT President?

Susan Hockfield

Said Jeffrey Kirby ’08, of Phi Delta Theta, "It should just be a free-for-all," Kirby.

Clearinghouse to be used again

The Clearinghouse system, enforced last year for the first time since 2001, will return again with a more accessible, web-based interface. Under the system, brothers must register freshmen that visit their house into a giant database that all fraternities can access. It is useful for a safety precaution, as GRTs will be able to locate a freshman at any time, according to Tetzloff. Many students are unaware of this tracking device, and Nicholas D. Pennycook ’10 called it "Fishy." Some brothers also object to the system, finding it not only a nuisance to enforce, but also an invasion of privacy.

A new event is the Alley Rally, a card or trustingly shutted by the five fraternities on Amherst Al.

"Right after the Greek Grillers, freshmen make a line to the frats across the river," and this event will hopefully draw freshmen to the other campus fraternities, said Tummel. Since it is a joint-fraternity event, Alley Rally will be funded by the IFC, although Middledon declined to give a monetary amount.

Freshmen show positive feedback

"I'm really excited for the free dinners," said Thomas W. Hay ’10. The extravagance of the fishy fraternity spending at least $15,000

Most Frosh Get to Move in Lottery

By Angeline Wang

Of the 152 freshmen who entered the university and received their lottery numbers earlier this week, 124 were able to move, or 81.6 percent. This number is comparable to last year's, when 84.4 out of 157, or 85 percent, of those entering the adjustment lottery were able to move. This year, of the 124 freshmen who received their first choice dormitory, 28 received their second, 8 received their third, and 8 received their fourth. (For more statistics, see the tables on page 11.)

Predictably, a greater percentage of freshmen who received their first choice dormitory or third choices during the summer housing lottery entered the adjustment lottery than those who received their first choice. Thirteen percent of those who originally received the most choice entered the lottery, while approximately 55 percent of those who received second and third choices entered the adjustment lottery. The most popular dormitories,

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In Short

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The museum is a must-see during your tenure at MIT. My favorite room is the math room, but there are an array of presentations, including the Omni Theater (IMAX) and the Culture Dome. Additionally, the Theater of Electricity features daily lightning shows using the world's largest air-insulated Van de Graaff generator, which was donated to MIT.


Visiting this scale model of the solar system will get you on the move to explore new places in the Boston area.

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Sudan Rejects U.N. Resolution to Send Peacekeepers to Darfur
By Daniel B. Schneider
THE NEW YORK TIMES

The Security Council passed a resolution Thursday authorizing the creation of a U.N. peacekeeping force for the ravaged Darfur region in Sudan, but the resolution calls for the consent of the Sudanese government before troops can be deployed.

Sudanese officials immediately rejected the resolution. A senior adviser to President Omar al-Bashir told Al-Jazeera television that the resolution was illegal and violated the peace accord signed by the government and one of the rebel factions.

But State Department officials were quick to say the resolution did not explicitly require Sudan's consent. "This resolution invites Sudanese consent," Kristen Silverberg, assistant secretary of state for international organization affairs, said in Washington. "It is up to the Sudanese government to decide if they want to keep the peace in Darfur." But the Sudanese government has yet to respond.

The proposed U.N. force is to include a military force of up to 17,300 members and a civilian police force of 3,500. It would replace or absorb the 7,000-member African Union force in Darfur, which has been hamstrung by financial and logistical problems and failed to halt the slide into violence that President Bush has called genocide.

Flight Controller Had Little Sleep Before Crash
By Matthew L. Walsh
Lexington, Ky.

The air traffic controller in the tower on Sunday, when a Comair jet took off from the wrong runway and crashed, had just 30 seconds of sleep, a member of the National Transportation Safety Board said Wednesday.

The controller has told investigators that he saw the jet on the taxi-way and gave it clearance to take off, and then turned his back to attend to other duties, failing to notice the take-off warning. The plane crashed about 30 seconds later, killing 49 of the 50 people on board.

The safety board member, Deborah Hersman, said Wednesday that as another way to improve safety, the controller had radar responsibilities, including telling the crew of an American Eagle plane that was 13 minutes and 12 seconds behind the Comair jet to change course to avoid weather. Hersman said the controller told investigators that after giving takeoff clearance to the Comair jet, he began to take a count of traffic during his shift.

Three Polls Find Workers Sensing Deep Pessimism
By Steven Greenhouse
THE NEW YORK TIMES

Three new opinion polls released Wednesday found deep pessimism among American workers, with most saying that wages were not keeping pace with inflation and that workers were worse off in many ways than a generation ago.

The Pew Research Center found in a survey of 2,003 adults completed last month that an overwhelming majority said workers had less job security and faced more on-the-job stress than 20 or 30 years ago.

The nonprofit Pew said, "The public thinks that workers were better off a generation ago than they are now on every key dimension — wages, benefits, length of job — and on-the-job stress, the loyalty they are shown by employers or the need to regularly upgrade work skills."

In a poll conducted by委托由 the American Legion convention here. Peter D. Hart Research found that 55 percent said their incomes were not keeping up with inflation, 33 percent said their incomes were keeping even and 9 percent said their incomes were outpacing inflation.

President Bush said Thursday that withdrawing now from Iraq would leave Americans at risk of terrorist attacks "in the streets of our own cities," and that the fight against Islamic extremists as the costly but necessary successor to the battles of the last century against Nazi and Communist armies.

"The war we fight today is more than a military conflict," Bush said in a speech to veterans at a Legion convention here. "It is the decisive ideological struggle of the 21st century."

The speech, the first of five addresses to veterans this week, is part of a broader effort to develop a nuclear weapon." The latest White House offensive — the third major public relations effort in the last year to offset declining public support for the Iraq war and portray Democrats as less capable of protecting the country, a theme that has proved effective for Republicans in the past two elections.

Even as Bush spoke, a series of explosions ripped through Baghdad, images of the event that he acknowledged have been "sometimes unsettling" to the public.

Bush also took a hard line against Iran on a day when the International Atomic Energy Agency reported that it had found traces of highly enriched uranium, which can be used for bomb fuel, when its inspectors took samples in Iran last year. Bush said that "we must not allow Iran to develop a nuclear weapon."

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The three steps that Annan intends to press upon Assad are all aimed at shoring up Lebanon as an independent country. Syria has dominated Lebanon for most of the past three decades, and, by financing and arming the Hezbollah militia, the effort to dislodge Damascus from power threatened to undermine Beirut’s ability to establish its own authority.

In Israel, which Annan visited on Tuesday, the officials said that Annan found a new willingness to discuss a prisoner exchange as a way of gaining the return of the two Israeli soldiers that were captured by Hezbollah on July 12. That action provoked the 34-day war.

Repatriating the two is a priority with the Israeli public, which is putting pressure on Ehud Olmert, the Israeli prime minister, for the failure to achieve the war’s original goals of dismantling and disarming Hezbollah. "Getting the prisoners back has swung to the top of the agenda," one official said.

Where Israel had resisted all such talk at the outset of war in July, the officials said, it is now interested in finding an acceptable way to negotiate the men’s freedom. One possibility being explored, they said, was naming a U.N. special envoy to conduct the transaction.

In Stockholm, where he was attending a donors’ conference for Lebanon, Fouad Siniora, the country’s prime minister, said a prisoner swap with Israel was being considered by his government but "nothing has mate- rialized yet." He added, “I hope the Israeli government will respond to the call of reason so that we can finish with this and everybody will return to his home.”

The U.N. officials asserted that Is- rael was more flexible on the timing of the final troop withdrawal from Leba- non than was indicated by Olmert’s public rebuff on Wednesday of an Israeli suggestion that the Israelis should de- part once the planned 15,000-person international force reached 5,000.

In Rome on Thursday, Romano Prodi, Italy’s prime minister, told re- porters that Shimon Peres, the Israeli deputy prime minister, whom Annan met with on Wednesday, told him that there was support for the idea in Isra- e.
Consumer Spending, Personal Income Both Increased in July

By Jeremy W. Peters

THE NEW YORK TIMES

In a statement released this week, some members voted to leave interest rates from Wednesday’s close. Some economists had thought that prices are shooting up.

The index, which excludes volatile food and energy prices, registered an increase of just 0.1 percent in July, the smallest this year. Still, the core index was 2.4 percent higher in July than a year earlier, the Fed considers 2 percent annual inflation to be at the high end of what the economy can comfortably tolerate.

Wall Street seemed to take the July statistics in stride, as investors left stock prices virtually unchanged from Wednesday’s close. The data in the report showing low inflation was seen as particularly positive because the Fed has said it may be forced to quickly resume interest rate increases if any sign appears that prices are shooting up.

The region’s most prosperous schools have shelved the Marxist template that had dominated standard history texts since the 1950s. The changes passed high-level scrutiny, the authors say, and are part of a broader effort to promote a more stable, less violent view of Chinese history. That serves today’s economic and political goals.

Supporters say the overhaul brings mandatory history courses for middle school students face outside the classroom. But critics say the textbooks trade one political agenda for another. They do not so much rewrite history as distort it. The one-party state, having largely abandoned its official ideology, prefers people to think more about the future than the past.

The new text focuses on ideas and buzz words that dominate the state-run media and official discourse: economic growth, innovation, foreign trade, political stability, respect for diverse cultures and social harmony.

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In a hearing before Judge Joseph H. Rodriguez of U.S. District Court, he said that he had taken about $36,000 from the contractor over a two-year period. As part of his plea agreement, he said he had accepted the money with the understanding that he would help get the contractor work on one of the city’s development projects in the northeast section of Atlantic City.

In another sign of the difficulties facing Coca-Cola Co. as it tries to revive its core franchise, the president of Coke’s North American unit, Donald H. Knauss, resigned Wednesday to become chairman and chief executive of Clorox.

Knauss, 55, had been president of Coca-Cola North America for two years. He will begin at Clorox in early October, the company said.

He succeeds Robert W. Matschullat, a former Seagram executive who has served as Clorox’s interim chairman since March, when Gerald E. Johnston, 58, stepped down after suffering a heart attack.

Matschullat will remain on Clorox’s board.

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In a statement released by Coke, Knauss called the Clorox job “the opportunity of a lifetime.”

His departure comes as Coke continues to struggle in its carbonated beverage business, analysts say. U.S. consumers increasingly prefer energy drinks and bottle water to soda. Last year, the U.S. market for soft drinks contracted slightly, and the volume of Coca-Cola Classic, the company’s flagship beverage, fell 2 percent, according to Beverage Digest. Diet Coke, which had been one of the company’s bright spots, also lost appeal in 2005, posting essentially no growth for the year.

China Adds Culture and Subtracts History in New High School Books

By Joseph Kahn

THE NEW YORK TIMES

When high school students in Shanghai took their history textbooks this fall they may be in for a surprise. The new standard world history text restored neckties became fashionable.

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MOVIE REVIEW  

Snakes on a Review

‘Snakes on a Plane’ Delivers Precisely What the Title Promises

By Michael McDoug-Hedgen

Snakes on a Plane
Directed by David R. Ellis
Starring: Samuel L. Jackson
Jalana Malaligana
Keanu Gibson
Rated R
Now Playing 105 minutes

Okay, so ‘Snakes on a Plane’ is not ex-

actly the defining film of our genera-
tion. But if you haven’t already seen it, and you don’t think you want to, you’re probably mistaken; this adorable little gem of a 

movie is just what the summer of 2006 needed.

If you were reading The Tech during 1999, you would’ve seen a Washington Post story with the headline “Custoreened Ser-
pents Enter Hawaii, Snakeless Island Fights Onslaught.” In August of that year, a vicious, venomous invasive species of snake was spotted

slithering off a cargo plane onto the Hawai-

ian mainland. ‘Snakes on a Plane’ is like the

Hollywood film of this experience—it gets most of the details wrong, but it’s really exciting, and there’s at least one important celebrity. The plot is funny. FBI agent escorts a wit-
tness to a mob killing from Hawaii to Los An-
geles, and snakes ensue. But within the narrow

creative confines the story offers, director Da-
vad R. Ellis admirably controls the action such

that we’re never bored and we’re usually rooting

for the passengers more than the snakes. Sure, the movie suffers from occasional twisted logic—

if the FBI claimed the first-class cabin all to themselves, then why are its overhead compart-
ments full of luggage? — but on the whole, it wasn’t a big deal. After all, we were expecting camp.

A tremendous ensemble cast delivers ex-

cellent but forgettable performances, with two

two key exceptions: Agent Neville Flynn (Samuel L. Jackson) and the Snakes (themselves). The Internet hype behind this film had suggested

that Jackson and the Snakes were the only key

characters; this is more or less the case. Jack-

son’s lines drew raucous applause on opening

night (the best, by no means the only reason to see ‘Snakes on a Plane’), and his even-handed performance is marked by his ability to remain calm in the face of a preposterous situation. Jackson effortlessly steals every single scene he’s in, his acting turns a relatively silly set of one-liners into a witty performance.

Meanwhile, the unrealistic Snakes From Hell dominate the film. Largely computer-generated and out to kill, the snakes present no

particular identifiable motivation or character development—they are, after all snakes—but

nevertheless win cheers from the audience. The snakes are so well-caricatured that we applaud

them in the face of a preposterous situation.

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The vast difference in tone between ‘Snakes

on a Plane’ and ‘Air Force One’ has much to do with the heart of the stories. ‘Air Force One’

wasn’t a big deal. After all, we were expecting

a few one-liners into a witty performance.

Top: FBI Agent Neville Flynn (Samuel L. Jackson) clutches a dead snake.
Bottom: Taser in hand, Flynn navigates the snake-infested aisles of South Pacific Air 121.

Snakes on a Plane: The Album

Music Not as Good as the Film

By Marissa Vogt

Snakes on a Plane: The Album
Various Artists
Released Aug. 15, 2006
Label: New Line Records

This is one of those CD’s that you play in
the background and don’t really give much attention because there’s nothing really worth listening to. Too late you realize that even though most of the songs have no merit whatsoever, they’re damn catchy and now you’ve got them stuck in your head. And then you start to like it.

The main problem with the soundtrack to
‘Snakes on a Plane’ is that it is, like the film, is
targeted at millennials, who are all too

content to listen to mediocre songs that are

some bastardized combination of techno, rap,
and pop. If the songs weren’t so incredibly

addictive, especially the first track, Cobra Starship’s “Snakes on a Plane (Bring It),” I wouldn’t have even

given the album a second chance. But I’m glad I did, because a lot of the songs actu-

ally have quite a bit of energy in them, even if

it’s not great music.

Unfortunately, the humor and sheer awesomeness of putting snakes on a plane fail to translate well across media, and the soundtrack, unlike the film, fails to live up to the hyper surrounding the

movie’s theatrical release. A surprising num-

ber of tracks on ‘Snakes on a Plane’ are

about snakes on a plane — bands will record songs about anything, it seems — but those lack the humor and spirit that made the film enjoy-
able. The film’s now-famous catchphrase, “That’s it! I have had enough of these mother-

fucking snakes on this motherfucking plane,” is even incorporated into two of the tracks.

The album’s highlights include the track

by Cobra Starship, “Ophidiophobia” by Cree-

Lo, and the extremely chill closing tracks

“Lovely Day” by Donovan Frankenreiter and

“Hey Now Now” by Michael Franti & Spear-head. Trevor Rabin’s score, the final track on
the CD, does a great job of setting the mood for the film, but there’s something missing

without the snake’s-eye-view special effects. Still, the score is the best musical interpre-
tation of snakes slithering through the cargo bay of an airplane that I’ve ever heard. And it’s definitely not the worst track on the CD — that honor clearly belongs to ‘New Friend Requiem’ by Gym Class Heroes, a song about

MySpace. WTF.

While it certainly won’t win any Grammy
awards, ‘Snakes on a Plane’ The Album is,
in the end, an excellent CD to play on a road
trip or while hanging out with friends. Like

the film, even if you’re just laughing at it, at
least you’ll be entertained.

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ARTS

November 9, 2006
I realize you’re getting sick of all the advice you must be getting, freshman. You’re probably getting sick of being referred to that way, too, but don’t worry: from now on, you’ll be thought of strictly as ’010s, or in my mind, ’010s too, but don’t worry: from now on, you’ll be ably getting sick of being referred to that way, perhaps you might enjoy your froshness. Don’t be excited about everything. Here we have the number two way to recognize a member of the freshman class. Actually, I like this trait in you guys, you’re always eager and excited about practically anything. Too many upperclassmen associate de-froshing with becoming jaded (don’t worry, you will be), and while that’s a big part of it, it’s still important to be interested in stuff. But if you’re really anxious to blend in, be apathetic and cynical (for example, “I would never join the UA because they suck”).

Don’t brag This is the easiest way to spot a recent addition to the MIT frosh community. We’re all smart here, we trust each other to be smart, and we don’t need you to point out the 98% you might have gotten on your 18.02 exam or the multiple academic awards you won in high school. It’s not that we don’t care, but bringing such things up out of the blue or on the flimsiest pretenses (“hi, nice to meet you; say, what’d you get on your SATs?”) makes you look arrogant and froshy, a dangerous mix. Non-academic bragging rights, of course, can be exercised with slightly less caution; I’d like to know if I’m talking to the world champion Tetris player, or something.

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Don’t Drawlle As any upperclassman can tell you, few things are more annoying than rushing down the Infinite, late for a class, trying to eat breakfast, and having to maneuver around clumps of people casually chatting in the middle of the halls. First of all, we get jealous that you get to talk to friends while we’re starving and late, but also there’s only so much space, and if you’re not moving you’re wasting precious real estate. Prepare to be jostled rudely if you insist on doing this.

Don’t mess up the line in LaVerde’s Look, it’s hard enough having to work an extra job just to shop in LaVerde’s market, without six different lines forming at the cash registers because of uninformal frosh. There’s one line per register, and it runs parallel to and alongside the counter, yeah it’s still crowded and cramped, but it’s been scientifically proven (I tell) that it’s the most efficient way of waiting in line there. And for the love of physics, don’t socialize in LaVerde’s! There are couches and chairs not twenty yards away. If you are dis...
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Don’t be a jerk

You’ve found in my long tenure (just kidding, that there are two basic types of nerds here: the generally friendly kind who won’t talk to you because they’re too shy, and the jerks who won’t talk to you because they think they’re better than you. (There are also some non- nerds here; but I’m focusing on generalities today). Don’t be in the latter category. If you’re so devoted to yourself and your ego that you scoff at others, pretty soon you’ll find yourself with no friends, however great you might be; and friends, you’ll find, are worth their weight in gold up here. Most jerks mellow out by junior year due to loneliness, so save yourself some time and start now.

Don’t spread yourself too thin

Yes, MIT’s got millions of extracurriculars for you to try, but you have eight semesters to do so. If you find yourself in fifteen groups by Thanksgiving, odds are it’ll take you more than eight. Plus, the groupmates who are counting on you will get hugely pissed when you overbook your days, and you’ll look uncool. Pace yourself, relax, and remember that your primary reason for being here is to pass classes. It’s surprisingly easy to forget.

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Freshmen Request Moves Across Campus in Lottery

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**Summer Housing Assignment**

Based on the number of first-choice requests in the adjustment lottery, Baker House had the most, followed by Burton-Conner with 24, and Random Hall and MacGregor House with 22 each.

East Campus had the highest number of freshmen, 32, requesting to move out, with Burton-Conner following with 30 requests, and New House with 25.

Last year, East Campus was the most popular dorm during the adjustment lottery, followed by Baker House and Burton-Conner. Senior House had the highest percentage of freshmen requesting a move, followed by New House and Bexley Hall.

During the summer housing lottery, Baker was the most popular dormitory with the most first-choice requests, followed by MacGregor House, Burton-Conner, and Simmons Hall.

While there are currently 1,004 students that need dormitory housing in the Class of 2010, only 791 were eligible to move, according to Robin Smedick, assistant director of undergraduate housing. The remaining students were assigned to Next House and McCormick Hall, which offer Residence-Based Advising. Of the students who were eligible to move, 19.2 percent entered the adjustment lottery and 15.7 percent actually moved.

Administrators and students, including officers for the Dormitory Council, have said that the percent-

**Adjustment Lottery Results**

The crowding situation is “a little bit lower than last year,” according to Smedick, who predicted that there are approximately 65-70 “crowds” or crowded rooms or spaces. But she said that she would not know the exact number of crowds until room assignments are made during the summer. She’s reported back to her about reassignments that were made after Wednes-

**Results influenced by gender**

The housing adjustment lottery allowed students to either choose to stay in the building they had been assigned to during the summer housing lottery or rank up to four other dorms. The Housing Office begins with a “blind run of the algorithm,” which does not take into account the gender requirements of each dorm, Smedick said.

“We see where that takes us, but it normally doesn’t completely satisfy gender breakdowns. Usually it in-

**Eligibility of freshmen and Residence Exploration**

The number of freshmen seeking a move in the adjustment lottery because of Residence-Based Advising and thus are not included in this table. At this point in the academic year, “anything under 100 is reasonable,” Smedick said, and “anything under 80 is a good number.” The number of crowds should decrease over time, because dormitories are still receiving cancellations. “It’s a constant process,” she said.

Each building that can accommodate crowds has fewer than 20. East Campus currently has the most crowds.

Crowding has been a long-term problem in MIT undergraduate dorms. In early 2002, Chancellor Phillip L. Clay PhD ’75 pledged to eliminate crowding and was successful in achieving his goal the following academic year, when Simmons Hall opened. Crowding returned in the fall of 2003, however. Larry G. Benedict, dean for student life, also said in 2002 that crowding was not an option for the MIT housing system and has said that MIT would admit a smaller freshman class this year, however, MIT admitted students off the waitlist, increasing the class size, for the first time since 2002. Benedict has also said that MIT would encourage more undergraduates to live in fraternities, sororities, and independent living groups, as well as look into building a new dormitory to help alleviate crowding.

Currently, plans to convert Ashdown House to an undergraduate dormitory are underway. Benedict said in an interview last week. A new graduate dorm, NW35, will be built near Sidney-Pacific.

**Summer Housing Assignment**

For dormitories that require adjustments, the algorithm will be run again with gender requirements included. According to Smedick, a few extra spaces are held during the summer housing lottery for upperclass students who may be returning to MIT after a leave of absence. These vacancies are used in the adjustment lottery, allowing some dorms to accept more students than the number that moved out.

**Final Housing Assignment**

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every year, has continued out of both pride and necessity. With 26 houses and only one week to impress, fraternities must spend in order to be competitive, even if some house budgets are tighter than others. “Rush spending is outrageous,” said Tetzloff, but opposes instituting a cap, acknowledging that “it’s a frat’s choice to spend that much. We want to give a house as much freedom as possible.”

The IFC does not currently monitor fraternities’ budgets, though PBE Treasurer Kevin S. Cho ’08 is conducting an independent study on rush spending. Recognizing that “many fraternities are struggling,” he is in favor of “changing the rush culture” and of “smaller frats closing down.” Tetzloff is also trying to encourage freshmen to look past the ostentation to get to know a fraternity’s culture and noted that a lot of frats are shying away from lavish events.

Furthermore, many freshmen already have a sense of which fraternities they want to pledge as a result of their experiences from CPW or being on sports teams.

Freshman awareness of rush has also been piqued by the advertising efforts of the IFC, who launched a poster campaign showing off famous Greeks this year. Middleton hopes the advertising will “help dispel negative stereotypes about fraternities and show that they offer not only a social network but also academic support and guidance.”

The message has gotten across to at least one freshman. Zachary W. Rose ’10, who is drawn to the connections and future job internships. While the number of pledges has remained relatively steady at 250-275 in the past several years, fraternities are also hoping to recruit more members since their houses have many vacancies that were never filled after freshmen were first required to live on campus in the fall of 2002.

Fraternity rush begins Sept. 2 and extends through Sept. 9.

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MIT Women’s Volleyball Club

First practices: Sunday, Sept 10 and Sept 17
7-9pm in Rockwell Cage

Questions? wvc-officers@mit.edu

The Science of Race, Sex, & Gender

TR 2:30-4PM

An examination of the role of science and medicine in the origins and evolution of the concepts of race, sex, and gender from the seventeenth century to the present. A major focus is how biological, anthropological, and medical concepts intersect with social, cultural, and political ideas about racial, sexual, and gender difference. The approach is historical and comparative across disciplines emphasizing the different modes of explanation and use of evidence in each field.

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Yearlong Exploration Offers Career Boost
Coursework, Lectures Inspire Innovation

By Yi Zhou

As freshmen explored campus this week, a different group of stu-
dents were also getting to know the school. Ten professionals, seeking
to make a career change but lacking the academic technical expertise or
social network to do so, are looking for a solution by becoming the first
class to enter the new 10-month-long Mid-Career Acceleration Program,
coordinated by MIT's Professional Educational Programs.

Participants are selected after writing an essay on why they want to
be in MAP, said Jennifer Stine, executive director of PEP. For a fee of
$9,500, they enroll in a semester of graduate-level coursework, followed
in the spring by an internship of their choice or on-campus research.
Throughout the year, they will receive advice regarding their career
plans, meet with eminent faculty members, and attend career-building
workshops.

More than the academic rigor that MIT offers, the participants are
attracted to the Institute's expansive network and resources, to which
they will have access through this program. "All the group members
will use the opportunity to go beyond" what the program offers
to "leverage the resources of MIT for our own career benefits" and
make," Bucci said.

MAP was originally conceived out of the growing need to provide
technical support for professionals unemployed for several years, ac-
cording to Dick K. Yue '74, associate dean of the School of Engineering.
Highlighting the difficulty of re-
entering the work force following an extended hiatus, Stine stressed
that the issue of the "leaky science and engineering pipeline" must be
fixed. She said that "a good engi-
neer is always a good engineer; he
or she just needs something current" to have a successful career. Stine
has conducted research to help shape MAP, meeting with focus groups
composed of MIT alumni and pro-
fessionals in the human resources
department of local technical com-
panies as well as conducting an In-
ternet-based study.

With most among the group al-
ready holding jobs, however, the pro-
gram's focus has shifted to aid those
seeking to make a career transition.
In this light, MAP is almost a "rite of
passage, in terms of technically being
confident," Yue said. "It gives people
a little bit of oomph to get them go-
ing."

One part of a company, pro-
fessional technical in all the intricacies of
that particular company, but they
"lose sense of the broad approach
to the industry," Bucci said.

Charles J. McCauley '82, who has been working at his current company
for 15 years, experienced a "mid-
career, mid-life crisis" and wanted
to "get back in contact with a more
academic mind-set." He is seeking to
transition his career into the younger
field of nanotechnology, though he
will be working almost full-time in
conjunction with enrolling in MAP.

Another participant, John Roy,
who has worked with Hewlett Pack-
ard and Texas Instruments, recog-
ized that many software compa-


ies are outsourcing overseas and
has ambitious plans to develop and
 manufacture smart memory chips
for these companies.

Still in its infancy stage, MAP
was advertised to the public only a
few months ago and has many de-
tails yet to be resolved, Yue admit-
ted. The structure of the program
will remain flexible and reliant on
group feedback. The participants
have already attended four lectures
this week given by professors Deb-
orah J. Nightingale, professor of Aeronautics and Astronautics, Lin-
da G. Griffith, professor of Biologi-
cal and Mechanical Engineering, Joel E. Schindall '53, professor of Elec-
trical Engineering and Comput-
er Science, and Rafael L. Bras '72,
professor of Civil and Environmen-
tal Engineering.

The possibility of it transforming
into a full degree program is slim,
Yue said, as it "has not been advis-
able to cross that line." Since MIT
has traditionally prided itself in being
a small but influential force, MAP is
a way for the Institute to continue its leadership role without substantially
expanding in size.

The program will support itself
financially through its tuition as well
as with grants from the Lord Foun-
dation and from the Cambridge-MIT
Institute: More information on MAP
or any other PEP programs can be
found at http://web.mit.edu/mit/pup.

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First Round (projects must begin on or after Thursday, November 23, 2006)
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Site Visit & Committee Review: November 9, 2006

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Application Deadline: Friday, January 26, 2007
Supporting Material Deadline: Friday, February 9, 2007
Site Visit & Committee Review: March 1, 2007

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Application Deadline: Friday, April 6, 2007
Supporting Material Deadline: Friday, April 20, 2007
Site Visit & Committee Review: May 3, 2007

Application form: http://web.mit.edu/artsof/dofunding/grantform.html

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positions Available: Off-Campus

Non-Technical

Research Assistant for Violence-Prevention Projects

Work with other students and graduates in a locally based public-service organization. Contribute to the introduction, testing, and improvement of new technologies for maintaining the safety and well-being of campus community members.

Organize your research findings and present to student advocacy groups or residential program staff. A background in psychology, urban studies, or management science would be helpful.

Opportunity for promotion to project leader.

Hours: 5-15 hr/wk (adaptable to your academic schedule)

Salary: $12.00-$14.00/hr (starting)

Technical

Webmaster

Maintain a simple Dreamweaver-based site. Publish original research findings and news stories submitted by our research assistants and investigators.

A talent for graphic design would be helpful.

Hours: 3-13 hr/wk (adaptable to your academic schedule)

Salary: $23.00/hr

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Contact James Herms at herms@alum.mit.edu, (617) 853-2922; or Heather Cronoe at chedda_cq@mit.edu, (302) 841-7904.

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TT: What are the most important qualities that you look for in your job candidates?

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Entertainment Spots Abound in MIT Area

area. It begins with the Sun at the Museum of Science and extends as far as Newton, where a model of the dwarf planet Pluto can be found at the Riverside T station. Mars is the closest model to the MIT campus and is located on the second floor of the CambridgeSide Galleria. The planets are free to visit and some are within walking distance, but I suggest buying a daily T pass if you plan on exploring the outer limits of our solar system in one day.

Harvard Museum of Natural History
26 Oxford Street
Cambridge, MA 02138
617-495-3045
http://www.hmnh.harvard.edu/

Open daily, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Admission: $7 with student ID, free for Massachusetts residents on Wednesdays from 3 to 5 p.m. (September through May) and every Sunday morning (year-round) from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., free for Harvard students.

The Harvard Natural History Museum, one of my favorite museums in Boston, is reminiscent of similar natural history museums in New York and Washington but has the added benefit of being right up Mass. Ave. The best part is the Hall of Mammals, which has huge rooms full of taxidermied animals, but the geological galleries and glass flowers are interesting too.

The Freedom Trail
http://www.thefreedomtrail.org/

This quintessential Boston tourist destination is a collection of the most interesting historical sights around the city, and walking from place to place is a convenient form of exercise. My favorites include the Old North Church (be sure to stop and get some pastries while you’re in the North End) and the graveyards near the Park Street T stop. The Bunker Hill Monument has been closed for construction all summer but is supposed to reopen today, so call ahead to check before heading over to Charlestown: 617-242-3661.

Boston Public Garden and Swan Boats
Downtown Boston: bordered by Arlington, Beacon, Boylston, and Charles Streets
Admission: Public Garden is free; $2.75 for a Swan Boat ride 617-522-1966

Located just East of Boston Common, the Public Garden is beautifully landscaped and is a great place to sit and rest your feet after shopping at Downtown Crossing or walking the Freedom Trail. The Swan Boats are a short but fun ride and considering the price it’s definitely worth riding them at least once during your time at MIT.

Museum of Fine Arts
Avenue of the Arts
465 Huntington Avenue
Boston, Massachusetts 02115
617-267-9300
http://www.mfa.org/

Open daily; Monday, Tuesday, Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.; Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 10 a.m. to 9:45 p.m.
Admission: Free with MIT ID

Like the other places listed above, the MFA is easily accessible by T—just take the green line E train to the MFA stop.

Another great deal with your MIT ID, the MFA boasts an impressive collection of American art, including Paul Revere’s silverware and the portrait of George Washington that was used on the dollar bill. Musical instruments and Egyptian artifacts are also among the museum’s collections, but my favorite is the Impressionist / 20th Century European art room, which includes works by Van Gogh and Monet.
Come meet the brothers of ATO and check out the best BBQ you have ever had! We will have lamb roast, chicken, beef and all you can eat vegetables and carbs. 15:00 – Sigma Nu – Post-Tour – Want to know what the DTD has in store for you? Well you won't find out on the tour, but you might find out a little about us on the way. 15:00 – Sigma Nu – Rehearsal Dinner – Want to know what our dinner is like? Well you won't find out on the tour, but you might find out a little about us on the way. 15:15 – Phi Kappa Sigma – Salad Buffet – Just come on in and see what we have to offer. 15:15 – Phi Kappa Sigma – Shaft & Surf – Come see the Phi Kappa Sigma Shaft & Surf, by far the best in all of New England! 15:15 – Phi Kappa Sigma – St. Louis – You might have heard about the Phi Kappa Sigma Shaft & Surf, but you've never seen it until now! 15:20 – Alpha Phi Omega – Beach Party – Come out and see a party that is a little different than normal. 15:20 – Alpha Phi Omega – Shanghai – Come and see our brothers as they travel to Shanghai! 15:20 – Alpha Phi Omega – Tour – Want to know what the life of our brothers is like? Well you won't find out on the tour, but you might find out a little about us on the way.

Join us for the 2006 Rush House Tours! Cost $1 with a snow cone or $2 for you and a companion. 15:30 – Lambda Chi Alpha – Roof Deck – Come check out our amazing roof deck. 15:30 – Lambda Chi Alpha – Tour – Want to know what the life of our brothers is like? Well you won't find out on the tour, but you might find out a little about us on the way.

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20:00—21:00—We’ve rented out part of Boston’s most popular—Jillian’s Party—win an IPod or a Sony PSP!

19:00—20:00—Come see for yourself as Chef D prepares some—Dinner: Italian Buffet—includes Salmon, Potatoes, and Asparagus.

18:00—19:00—Join us as we travel over to Agawam, MA for—Salmon Dinner—dine with Sixers: great food, great company. You have to be a member of Phi Kappa Sigma to attend.

17:00—18:00—Join us for a canoe trip on the refreshing Concord—Pancakes—Warning this Dish may contain traditions of wits and fabulation. Can you brave the faulty making some breakfast food!

16:00—17:00—Running with Men—Put your 2nd amendment rights to use.

15:00—16:00—Take me back with brothers and friends of the house with—Skullhouse—Did you enjoy our breakfast pancakes, waffles, and more and get prepared

14:00—15:00—Enjoy a day outdoors before classes fire up.

13:00—14:00—Spend a day hiking in Massachusetts’ Blue Hills!

12:00—13:00—No. 6 Club—Enjoy a delicious meal before you hit the waters. Served

11:00—12:00—Making your own! We have everything you need to make your own!—Kappa Sigma—Get back with—See the Scars—you never know what you'll find.

10:00—11:00—How are steak and lobster shouldn’t be missed:—Bite of Boston—Join us for an assortment of theater games and—Trip to Staples and—Comedy Connection—It’s your chance for a home-cooked breakfast before

9:00—10:00—Enjoy a day of fun—Arboreteum—and Irish set dancing in our music room! No Phi Kappa Sigma insignia in an act as the brothers prepare for an—Trip to Staples and—Comedy Connection—It’s your chance for a home-cooked breakfast before

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2:00—3:00—Spend a day hiking in Massachusetts’ Blue Hills!

1:00—2:00—No. 6 Club—Enjoy a delicious meal before you hit the waters. Served

0:00—1:00—Making your own! We have everything you need to make your own!—Kappa Sigma—Get back with—See the Scars—you never know what you'll find.
10:00–12:00 p.m. — Breakfast at the ATO BBQ pit on Amherst St.
12:00–1:00 p.m. — Lunch at the ATO BBQ pit on Amherst St.
18:00–19:00 p.m. — Dinner at the House—Grab a bite out with the ATO brothers and have a relaxing night before classes start.
19:00–20:00 p.m. — Alpha Delta Phi BBQ—Home—Dinner—Come to the house for a relaxed night out with the brothers of Alpha Delta Phi. Have more fun with hot dogs and give away free cookies in building 16.
20:00–22:00 p.m. — Alpha Delta Phi — Live Impro-Comedy—Look forward to an evening of laughs with ImprovBoston, one of the best improv troupes in New England.
22:00–23:00 p.m. — Kappa Sigma — Break, have dinner, and join us for a hot meal.
23:00–23:30 a.m. — Free cookies given away in building 16. It’s a wicky awsome stories. Get up and tell some stories of your own. — Largest. —Kappa Sigma — Tea at Sigma Chi—Tea, Ethnic Dinner, featuring authentic Greek food! — Come find out what’s cookin’ at the Sound Body Fitness Center.

Thursday, September 6
07:00–08:00 a.m. — Breakfast — Have eggs, toast, and orange juice. — Come to the house for a relaxed night out with the brothers of Alpha Delta Phi. Have more fun with hot dogs and give away free cookies in building 16.
Women's Field Hockey Hoping For More Momentum This Year

By Travis Johnson  
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The Women's Field Hockey team hopes that this year goes as well as last year, or at least the first half of last year. The Engineers got off to their best start ever last season by winning 11 of their first 13 games, but lost momentum and their last five games of the season.

The biggest reason for the dropoff was stiffer competition. The conference divided into two distinct levels of play, with MIT (3-5-1) three games behind fourth place

Coach: Cheryl Silva  
Last Season’s finish: 3-5-1 (7th in conference), 11-7 overall, 5th in regular season standings.  
Conference: New England Women’s and Men’s Athletic Conference (NEWMAC)  

Schedule:

Date       Opponent or Event       Location
Saturday, Sept. 2, 6 p.m.  New England College  Cambridge, Mass.
Saturday, Sept. 9, 1 p.m.  Vassar College (Vassar Tournament)  Poughkeepsie, N.Y.
Sunday, Sept. 10, time TBA  Vassar College Tournament  Poughkeepsie, N.Y.
Tuesday, Sept. 12, 5 p.m.  Lasell College  Newton, Mass.
Thursday, Sept. 14, 7 p.m.  Simmons College  Boston, Mass.
Saturday, Sept. 16, 11 a.m.  Alumni Event  Cambridge, Mass.
Tuesday, Sept. 19, 6 p.m.  Nichols College  Cambridge, Mass.
Thursday, Sept. 21, 4 p.m.  UMass-Dartmouth  North Dartmouth, Mass.
Saturday, Sept. 23, 1 p.m.  Smith College  Cambridge, Mass.
Tuesday, Sept. 26, 5 p.m.  Gordon College  Waltham, Mass.
Saturday, Sept. 30, 2 p.m.  Mount Holyoke College  South Hadley, Mass.
Tuesday, Oct. 3, 6 p.m.  Worcester Polytechnic Institute  Cambridge, Mass.
Saturday, Oct. 7, 1 p.m.  Springfield College  Springfield, Mass.
Tuesday, Oct. 10, 4 p.m.  Wellesley College  Wellesley, Mass.
Saturday, Oct. 14, 1 p.m.  Babson College  Cambridge, Mass.
Tuesday, Oct. 21, 1 p.m.  Clark University  Cambridge, Mass.
Tuesday, Oct. 24, 6 p.m.  Wheaton College  Cambridge, Mass.
Saturday, Oct. 28, 1 p.m.  NEWMAC Tournament Quarterfinal  TBA
Saturday, Nov. 4, time TBA  NEWMAC Tournament Semifinal  TBA
Sunday, Nov. 5, time TBA  NEWMAC Tournament Final  TBA

Mancuso also threw 18 interceptions, so there is still plenty of room for growth. The Engineers will be looking to replace a strong senior class after graduating one of Mancuso’s primary targets in Thomas J. Kilpatrick ’06 (Second Team all-conference, MIT's all-time leading receiver in receptions and yards along with four incoming freshmen to fill the void in their passing game and defense selections. So far so good, says Coach Cheryl Silva. "Pre-season has gone really well — the team has worked hard to improve on our passing game and all-around performance as freshmen, so there is still plenty of room for growth." The Engineers will be looking to improve on their record of 3-5-1, improvements will have to be made on the defensive side of the ball. Ranked second-to-last in the New England Football Conference (NEFC) in total defense and turnover margin, the success of the MIT Varsity Football Team in 2006 will hinge on their ability to limit opponents on offense. The other side of the ball, quarterback Richard A. Mancuso ’09 and wide receiver Kevin T. Vogelsang ’09 (NEFC all-conference offense honorable mention) must build and improve on their impressive performances as freshmen. Mancuso set Institute single season records in completions (135), attempts (282), and passing yards (1587), all in just seven games of the 2005 season, good enough for an NEFC Rookie of the Year award. However, despite leading the NEFC in yards per game

In addition to Mancuso and Vogelsang, the Engineers will need a big year on offense out of tight end Chris W. Ruggiero ’07 along with running backs Robert C. Uta ’09 (led MIT with 409 rushing yards in 2005) and Thomas C. Scotton ’08, who led MIT in rushing during the 2004 season.

The Engineers begin their 2006 campaign on September 9 against Massachusetts Maritime Academy, a must-win game, with kickoff set for 1:00 pm in Steinbrenner Stadium. Another must-win game will be two weeks from the opener on September 23 when the Engineers host Nichols College. On October 7, the Engineers will face their biggest challenge of the year when they face three-time defending NEFC champion Curry College in Milton, Massachusetts.

Coach Dwight Smith enters his 19th season as the Engineers’ head varsity football coach. Compiling a career record of 56-96-1, Coach Smith has been leading the Engineers since the inception of the varsity program in 1988.

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