Half of ’10 Men Join Fraternities in 2006

By Mansi Padd

Three upperclassmen and about half of male freshmen decided to pledge a fraternity during this fall’s rush. About 80 percent of the 355 freshmen who were offered bids accepted, according to statistics provided by the Interfraternity Council. A total of 441 bids were given out, and 373 freshmen still have open bids.

This year’s yield rate is very similar to that of the last two years, but the actual number of pledges has gone up, partly because of a larger freshman class. Last year, 444 bids were given out and 255 of the 320 freshmen who were offered bids accepted, according to statistics provided by The Tech. Phi Delta Theta, with 22 pledges, was one of the most successful fraternities during this year’s rush.

Vest Sole Candidate for President

President Emeritus Nominated as President of National Academy

By Joyce Kwan

The nominating committee of the National Academy of Engineering unanimously approved Charles M. Vest, MIT’s president emeritus, to be the sole candidate for presidency of the NAE. Members of the NAE will vote in March 2007 to select the president, whose term will begin on July 1, 2007, according to an NAE press release.

If Vest wins, he will take the place of William A. Wulf, who has served as president of the NAE for two consecutive terms. Each NAE president term lasts six years and bylaws of the NAE prohibit anyone from running for another term. Although Vest is the sole candidate at present, other candidates may still be added to the ballot until Jan. 15, 2007, as stated in the press release.

“...a little bit more work for the non-profit center one way or another.”

Vest, president, the third longest of any MIT president, was marked by student life and a dot-com era build-up that led to the start of several construction projects.

The Clearinghouse system, the trips were the best part of rush,” said Christopher J. Jarrette, ’10, a pledge at Alpha Delta Phi. “I love getting to know the brothers, and of course, I appreciate the free food.”

The Cleaninghouse system.

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Princeton Follows Harvard, Banning Early Admissions

By Alan Finder

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At first glance, Dutchin’s actions—according to the police, seem baffling. A graduate of the prestigious Brooklyn Technical High School, Dutchin had two bachelor’s degrees, in math and physics, from MIT and a once-promising Wall Street career. In January, he earned a master’s in economics from New York University. But demons had long plagued Dutchin, who moved with his parents at 14 from Guyana to the Jamaica section of Queens.

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Tonight: Lots of clouds, gusty wind.

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The Weather

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Afghan Suicide Bombs Kills 18, Including 4 Canadian Soldiers

By Corlatta Gall and Abdul Waheed Wafa

The Afghan government said Monday that 18 people were killed and more than 60 were wounded in a suicide attack by a man who burst into a small city administration building, demanding gifts from citizens in a southern Afghan city.

Eleven other soldiers were wounded as well as 27 villagers, many of them children, local government officials said.

The bombing was in the southern city of Ghazni in the country's east, where officials said it was the only attack of its kind from Taliban fighters at two weeks of heavy fighting.

The NATO commander in Afghanistan, Lt. Gen. David Richards, declared victory in the area on Sunday, saying that NATO had taken control of the area and had forced out the remaining Taliban fighters.

Irjan’s Freeze on Enrichment Could Wait, France Suggests

By Elaine Sciolino

In an effort to jump-start formal negotiations between six world powers and Iran over its nuclear program, President Jacques Chirac of France suggested Monday that Iran would not have to freeze major nuclear activities until the talks began.

Over the years, Chirac consistently has taken an extremely hard line against Iran in both public and private. But his remarks in a radio interview could be interpreted as a concession to Iran, whose officials have said they will not suspend their production of enriched uranium as demanded by the U.N. Security Council.

Iran and the six countries together, we must first find an agenda for negotiations, then start a negotiation,” Chirac told Europe 1 radio.

During this negotiation I propose that on the one hand, the six refrain from referring the issue to the Security Council, and that Iran refrain from uranium enrichment during the duration of the negotiation.

But, as a sign of how fluid the maneuvering over how to reframe Iran’s nuclear ambitions has become, Chirac’s comments were just ambiguous enough for multiple interpretations.

In New York, for the opening of the U.N. General Assembly, Bush administration officials insisted that the American position has not changed: that the United States will not join the talks until Iran suspends uranium enrichment.

After reading the text of Chirac’s remarks, a senior administration official, who spoke on the condition of anonymity, said he did not believe that Chirac had said the United States would sit down to talks until Iran suspends enrichment.

“In other words, we’re content to keep Iran’s nuclear program suspended,” the official said.

The formal position of the six world powers is that Iran must freeze uranium enrichment activities as a condition of the start of negotiations.

What is under discussion, the official and other European diplomats said, is that Javier Solana, the European Union’s chief diplomat, in ongoing talks with the chief Iranian negotiator, Ali Larijani, about the conditions for suspension.

In the meantime, the United States would continue to try to draw up a sanctions resolution in the Security Council.

If Solana and Larijani can agree on conditions for a suspension, American and European diplomats said, the United States could join the talks at the same time that Iran suspended enrichment. That approach, the diplomats said, could be a face-saving way for all sides to pretend they did not make big concessions.

Chirac’s remarks were the first by a leader of one of the six countries — the five permanent members of the Security Council (Brazil, China, France, Russia and the United States) and Germany — that suggested that the suspension is not a precondition for talks.

Clearly, Chirac’s remarks took Bush administration officials by surprise, in particular because ever since the six powers made a proposal to Iran on June 3 to provide a package of incentives in return for suspending enrichment, the Americans and the Europeans have been careful to appear united. Russia and China might have had to be dragged along, the thinking went, but the others would hold fast to the American line on sanctions.

Salmon Concerns Delay Pipeline For Russian Liquid Natural Gas

By Andrew E. Kramer

Citing damage to salmon rivers on the Sakhalin Island, the Russian government on Monday withdrew environmental approval for the largest private energy development in the country, the Royal Dutch Shell- operated Sakhalin-2 liquefied natural gas project.

The move, while foreshadowed by Russian government statements in recent weeks, came as a significant setback to the $50 billion energy development work that is currently employing 17,000 people on the island and is presented by Shell as the world’s largest combined oil and natural gas drilling project.

Liquefied natural gas from Sakhalin-2 has already been sold in futures contracts for delivery in 2008, including shipments to the West Coast of the United States, it was unclear whether Monday’s decision would force delays to accommodate new environmental studies on a pipeline that largely already finished.

The complex development studies the coastline on the northern rim of the island, with offshore platforms, a liquefied natural gas plant and, humankind’s longest pipeline project to stretch toward an ice-free port in the south, near Japan. It has had its share of skeptics among conservationists, earlier critics prompted a delay to safeguard gray whale feeding grounds.

This time, oil analysts in Moscow said the environmental ruling looked more like a maneuver by the Russian government to renegotiate terms or force Shell to sell a stake to Gazprom, the state natural gas company in Russia, on favorable terms.

A ruling came amid a tense business dispute between the Anglo-Dutch oil major and Gazprom.

It remained unclear, analysts said, whether the decision was a limited attempt to bring Gazprom into the deal, or a reflection of a beginning of a more sweeping revi of the production sharing deals that brought foreign companies to Sakhalin Island in the 1990s.

The complex development was worth of sub-A rctic land off Russia’s east coast, and the surrounding seas hold more oil than the remaining deposits in the North Sea. Nearly unappetized now, the island’s resources could help shape energy markets in Japan, Korea, and China for decades.

The ruling by Rosprirodnadzor, the state regulator, revoked a 2003 environmental ruling that had first opened the way for Shell to exploit the site.

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Attacks in Iraq Leave Many Dead as Talks Pause on Autonomy

By Richard A. Oppel Jr. and Abdul Razzaq al-Saiedi

Suicide bombers attacked a market in Tal Afar and the Iraqi police in Ramadi on Monday, killing at least 23 people, as political leaders in the capital struggled to reach a deal that would end the fight over splitting Iraq into autonomous states.

The worst attack was in Tal Afar, where a bomber wearing an explosive vest killed 21 people and wounded 17 others when he blew himself up near a line of people waiting to receive their allotment of cooking fuel, according to Iraqi state television.

Tal Afar, a dusty, agrarian city of a quarter-million in northwestern Iraq, has been the scene of fierce battles over the past two years as American troops have fought to wrest control of the area from groups affiliated with al-Qaida and from other insurgents.

Two suicide bombs struck the police in Ramadi, the restive capital of Anbar province west of Baghdad. News agencies quoted Iraqi officials as saying that 13 people had been killed. But an American military spokeswoman said U.S. forces in the area had counted two dead, both Iraqi policemen.

Early Tuesday morning, the American military released statements disclosing two new combat deaths: One soldier killed by a roadside bomb in northeastern Baghdad on Sunday afternoon, and another killed by small-arms fire in north-central Baghdad, also on Sunday afternoon.

Negotiators from major Iraqi political blocs met late Monday in an effort to resolve the bitter fight over how soon Shiite provinces in the south can break off into autonomous regions with substantial control over their security and the billions of barrels of oil beneath southern Iraq.

A faction of Shiites and Kurds led by the Supreme Council for Islamic Revolution in Iraq, or SCIRI, a powerful Shiite party with close ties to Iran, proposed a compromise on Monday, according to an adviser to Khalid al-Alia, a deputy parliament speaker and one of the negotiators for the faction.

The SCIRI faction wants to pass a bill in parliament that would give provinces a quick route to forming autonomous regions, which are allowed by the new constitution’s “federalism” provisions.

But furious Sunni Arab leaders say the constitution might not have even been approved in last October’s referendum had it not been for their last-minute support. And they gave that support only after a provision was added that called for portions of the constitution to be renegotiated as soon as parliament was called into session. But that has not happened.

Under the new proposal, according to the aide to al-Alia, parliament would form a committee to propose constitutional amendments, as sought by the Sunnis. At the same time, parliament would proceed with the federalism proposal backed by SCIRI and the Kurds, but the law would not become effective for one year, or until after the constitutional committee finished deciding whether to propose amendments.

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Quorum Needed for Legitimacy

I have no doubt that you will receive many vociferous responses to the article “Simmons Can Still Be Used to Hire Strippers”. While I am sure many of the indignation over the possible hiring of strippers is justified, I want to make a more mundane point regarding Simmons’ constitution. Why on earth don’t they hire strippers?

As an alumna of the fraternity system here at MIT, I personally see the usefulness of requiring that a certain percentage of officers be

By Justin Wong

Early in my academic program, I welcomed the humanities requirement as a break from my engineering and math courses, but through the years I have come to question the role of the humanities courses in the technical courses. For example, the concept of the humanities requirement: does it serve the HASS exposure necessary for such spiritual growth? Shouldn’t the humanities component undoubtedly promote MIT to be an engineer. While a curriculum with very little humanities courses in the core should hold up as a model, than in all my HASS classes I was questioned about the role of the humanities courses in the technical courses. If the humanities students become a unique flavor to humanities that undergraduates receive in the core, I will ask the question: do they really serve the purpose of the humanities students have? The humanities courses may offer opportunities for future classes and literature written on the role and responsibility of the humanities as well. With the proposal would still expose students to the role and responsibility of the humanities as well. The humanities courses may offer opportunities for future classes and literature written on the role and responsibility of the humanities as well. The humanities courses may offer opportunities for future classes and literature written on the role and responsibility of the humanities as well. The humanities courses may offer opportunities for future classes and literature written on the role and responsibility of the humanities as well. The humanities courses may offer opportunities for future classes and literature written on the role and responsibility of the humanities as well. The humanities courses may offer opportunities for future classes and literature written on the role and responsibility of the humanities as well. The humanities courses may offer opportunities for future classes and literature written on the role and responsibility of the humanities as well. The humanities courses may offer opportunities for future classes and literature written on the role and responsibility of the humanities as well. The humanities courses may offer opportunities for future classes and literature written on the role and responsibility of the humanities as well.
Dear Nutty B,

I am a sophomore this year and classes began two weeks ago. I just realized the major decision that is facing me is whether or not I will like a class. Perhaps in another semester, I might add what a strange thrill to read “HASD”-in a newspaper other than The Tech, or her groupmate is studying. Who knows what details her university life might show up in future strips? Will she start talking in numbers, and missing sleep, and going to LSG? Will she become a hacker? My fiancée and I think she would be awesome if it turns out she’s living at Stanford University. On the other hand, I think Burton-Confounder’s more likely. What neat things about us will she expose to the rest of the world? Then again, how can people know what’s left behind if we don’t think about it.

I guess we’ll just have to wait and read any thing about the paper.

Dear Stephanie,

I think you are confused in a field of study with taking its classes. Wait, don’t argue with me yet, child.

Yes, the story line in Doonesbury has been a series of calls Alex made to her dad, Mike, trying to get him to take care of some problem. When she has trouble with her first post, or she didn’t get into the Hasbro High School, I will add what a strange thrill to read “HASD”-in a newspaper other than The Tech, or her groupmate is studying. Who knows what details her university life might show up in future strips? Will she start talking in numbers, and missing sleep, and going to LSG? Will she become a hacker? My fiancée and I think she would be awesome if it turns out she’s living at Stanford University. On the other hand, I think Burton-Confounder’s more likely. What neat things about us will she expose to the rest of the world? Then again, how can people know what’s left behind if we don’t think about it.

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Dear Nutty B,

You aren’t in the class I TA’ing, are you? Also, do you have anything to do with the bin of packages that’s left in front of your door? (I thought for a minute that you were a student from MIT, but that was probably paranoid fantasy.) I really think I should make some kind of commitment to you his name again two minutes after meeting you. If you have any other reference to associate with each person except his face. And when meeting people...
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Dutchin Known For Academics

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parents and siblings went to bed, the teenage Dutchin stayed up, poring over textbooks as the clock ticked past midnight. "I would tap his head and say, 'What have you up here, no one can take away,'" said Loraine Dutchin, 49, who lives in Crown Heights, Brooklyn. "He was brilliant, everything he touched turned to gold. But his whole life was studying. He was so bottled up."

Dutchin's academic prowess earned him entry into top-notch schools, and he landed a scholarship to MIT, Loraine Dutchin said. His parents, Carlyle, a nighttime security guard, and Carmen, a housecleaner, sent him whatever extra money they could scrape up his phone bills and buy crisp new clothes.

A framed picture of Dutchin's graduation from MIT, displayed in Loraine Dutchin's living room, shows Dutchin beaming with pride, gripping the dean's hand in a firm shake.

In November 1992, he was hired as an assistant broker at Cowen & Co., an investment banking firm in Manhattan. But two years later, for reasons he kept secret from his family, Dutchin lost his job.

And then his life began to unravel.

In 1996, Carlyle Dutchin, 73, died of prostate cancer. Dutchin's mother stayed in Guyana after accompanying her husband's body there for the funeral. Dutchin had been living with his parents. Suddenly alone, he became mired in lassitude and despair.

Loraine Dutchin took her brother in, but his relationship with his family was strained at best. Though he was a quiet man, she said, he often was overcome by sudden bursts of anger. He became enraged when her family was wrong, she said. "His eyes were wild." Dutchin stopped visiting Loraine Dutchin; from whom Loraine Dutchin says she is estranged. Yet he seemed to stay out of trouble, and enrolled at NYU.

It is not clear how Dutchin, who could not be reached for this article, paid the tuition. (His lawyer, David Affier, refused to let him be interviewed.) But in January 2006, he earned his long-dreamed-of master's degree.

And then, it seemed Dutchin began to drift again. This summer, the police searched for him after he vanished from his East Village apartment, though he reappeared after several days.

Less than a week later, just before 11 a.m. on Sept. 9, a gloriously sunny day, Roe, 41, the off-duty detective, set off down East 14th Street with his cousin toward a diner. They had just passed Third Avenue when Roe felt a bright, shattering crack, as loud as thunder, across the back of his head.

Roe and his cousin grappled with the assailant for the pipe. They wrestled it from him, and police of- ficers arrived and arrested Dutchin. And Roe, alert but dizzy and bleed- ing, leaned against a wall and sunk slowly to the ground.
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Updated Rush Rules Get Positive Reviews

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which allows fraternities to track the whereabouts of prospective pledges, was still controversial among fraternities and pledges. “Many people I know thought it was odd, but I never had a problem with it,” said John R. Walk ’10, a pledge at Zeta Psi. Jarrett agreed, calling the Clearinghouse system “creepy” at first, but said that he soon became used to it. Both agreed that the “no camping” rule was a good thing. The rule was instituted this year to prevent fraternity members from going to other houses to invite freshmen to their own fraternity’s activities.

“The ban on camping changed the face of rush,” said Young. “It was a lot more important this year that fraternities make a personal connection with rushers.” This year also saw the removal of the gag rule, allowing brothers to reveal their affiliation if it is a natural response to a question. It is “a lot less awkward when you can tell people where you live,” Young said.

Pledges and fraternities seem to agree that overall, rush was a positive experience.

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Faculty and student diversity was an important issue during Vest’s term.

“Our educational system must better serve an increasingly pluralistic society,” he said in 1990 in his inaugural address. “Efforts to attract women and students of color and to provide an environment in which they can successfully complete their education must continue and grow increasingly effective.”

According to the NAE press release, Vest was “a member of the bipartisan Commission on the Intelligence Capabilities of the United States Regarding Weapons of Mass Destruction … led a U.S. Department of Energy task force on the future of science programs … and chaired a presidential advisory commission on the redesign of the International Space Station in 1992-1994.”

The NAE, founded in 1964, is part of the National Academy of Sciences, which was established by President Lincoln in 1863. A “private, independent, nonprofit institution,” as the NAE Web site states, the institute advises the federal government on and “conducts independent studies to examine important topics in engineering and technology.”

The president of the NAE “chooses initiatives for the institute to undertake,” NAE public relations officer Randy Atkins said in a phone interview.

Vest became a member of the NAE in 1993 due to “technical and educational contributions to holographic interferometry and leadership as an educator,” according to the NAE press release. He holds a BS in mechanical engineering from West Virginia University, an MS and PhD from the University in Michigan, and 10 honorary degrees including one from MIT.

When Vest assumed the presidency in 1990, hackers welcomed him to the Institute by hiding his office door behind a fake bulletin board.

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Former MIT President Charles M. Vest addresses the Undergraduate Association in late 2003.
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Admission Procedure
To Change For Many Universities, Colleges

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rise in the US News & World Report rankings. They spoke of efforts to drive up a college’s number of applications, so it can turn away a greater proportion of students and appear more selective, or to distribute merit aid to lure students who are top notch but not financially needy.

“It just feels ugly, the way it is now,” said one of the participants, Robert Weisbuch, the president of Dickinson College in Madison, N.J., while reviewing the sessions a few weeks later. “How do we remain competitive, which is a good thing in many ways, and yet at the same time try to make more rational and less fetishized this whole process for students and families?”

“Some of the behavior that institutions engage in is quite unbelievable,” said Patrick T. Barker, dean of the Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania. “There are perverse behaviors that get generated where people do things to drive the rankings.”

Some colleges and universities have already taken action on their own. At Penn State College in Carlisle, Pa., said last month that its senior executives would no longer participate in an annual survey sent out by U.S. News, which asks university officials to assess other colleges.

At Amherst College, officials increased the number of working-class and low-income students in the freshman class that enrolled weeks before they could compare financial aid offers from various universities.

“It’s the right decision for universities in terms of equity,” said a member of the freshmen class. Thomas H. Parker, dean of admissions at Amherst, in announcing its decision on Monday, said it agreed with Harvard that early admissions forced low-income students to commit to the university before they could compare financial aid offers from various universities.

The University of Delaware said in May that it would eliminate early admission. Princeton, in announcing its decision Monday, said it agreed with Harvard that early admissions forced low-income students to commit to the university before they could compare financial aid offers from various universities.

Princeton’s decision will affect the class entering in 2008. In addition, each year officials from a loose association of 40 small, less well-known liberal arts colleges tour the country together, marking their colleges as alternatives to high-pressure, high prestige institutions. The event is known as the Colleges That Change Lives tour, after a book with that title by Loren Pope that was published in 1996 and was reissued this year in a revised version.

“I’m not a believer in selectivity,” Pope, a former private college counselor, said. “I think it’s phony.”

“Now everybody is obsessed with the idea of getting into a name-brand school,” he said. “The universities cannot do nearly as good a job as the colleges I like.”

The presidents of the 11 colleges represented at the New York meeting are discussing the creation of a statement of principles, the possibility of agreeing to reduce their use of early admission and merit aid, which is based on grades and test scores, not financial need; and whether they could commit to ensuring that at least 20 percent of entering freshmen are from working-class or poor households.

“Do we really need to be part of this arms race in merit aid?” said Colin Diver, the president of Reed College in Portland, Ore. “Do we need to participate in this scramble to increase the number of students to whom we say no?”

“I talk to lots of presidents who would love to disarm,” Diver said, “but they’re afraid to do it unilaterally.”

They are also considering creating a new set of statistics to measure their educational standing. The proposed standards would be available to the public, but the individual measurements would not be combined to produce an overall score, as in the ranking guides.

“There’s the data, make of it what you will,” said Douglas C. Bennett, president of Earlham College in Richmond, Ind., and another participant in the New York session, describing the theory of the proposal.

“I think the solution is not only intense and has been pretty sharply critical of efforts to rank institutions on a single scale,” Bennett said.

Brian Kelly, the executive editor of US News & World Report, said the magazine’s rankings appear to satisfy a deep hunger from students and parents for unbiased, accurate information about colleges. “I see this as a pure exercise in consumer journalism,” Kelly said. “The data is tremendous demand for this.”

Fortunately, we have been able to create a model that’s sustained itself.”

This is data that these guys collected and didn’t make public,” he added.

It is from clear whether the college presidents can act in concert without being accused of collusive behavior, in violation of federal antitrust laws. Two dozen elite universities signed a consent decree in 1991, in which they promised to no longer exchange information on the amount of financial aid being offered to specific students. The Justice Department had been investigating the sharing of such information as a possible antitrust violation.

Anthony W. Marx, the president of Amherst College, said he thought the group should initiate a discussion with the Justice Department about what forms of collective action might be permissible.

“Competition is important and strengthens us and can open our net,” Marx said. “But if it’s designed to drive us in a way that’s self-serving and not in society’s interest, then that’s a problem.”

The catalyst for the New York meeting was Lloyd Thacker, a former college admissions officer and high school guidance counselor who argues that the aggressive strategies of corporate competition, including marketing, branding, and image making, have compromised education.

“As educators, we would not design a system that looks like this,” Thacker said. “Colleges are businesses, yes they are, but they are businesses of a certain kind. They are public trusts.”

We’ve sharpened our business acumen by continuing what is good for business with what is good for education,” he said.

Many of the presidents said one of their goals would be to install in high school seniors a sense that which college they attend does not determine the course of the rest of their lives. “It’s not God’s judgment on your soul,” Weisbuch of Drexel University said. Not all of the presidents agree on what needs fixing in college admissions. Many of the most prestigious colleges do not offer merit aid, and some of the less selective institutions are still determined to increase their number of applicants each year, to find more good students and achieve a broader mix in their freshman classes. Many of them believe it is time to take some risks.

“If we can’t behave well,” said Thomas H. Parker, dean of admissions and financial aid at Amherst, “then who can?”
BCG invites all PhD and MD candidates to an Information Session and Reception on Thursday, September 21, 2006, at The Charles Hotel from 6:30 to 8:30 PM.
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<td>- Create a new web site with interactive features (votes, polls, and forums) to help the UA to better gauge student opinions.</td>
<td>- Examine Department of Athletics, Physical Education, and Recreation managerial infrastructure to seek ways of improving its operation efficiency and cost-effectiveness.</td>
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<td>- Work more closely with Institute and faculty committee representatives to ensure that the UA has the pulse of the faculty and the administration.</td>
<td>- Submit a proposal for a built environment which generates energy, processes waste, demonstrates new innovative building technologies, supports a vibrant learning community, and lays down a path for structure retrofit.</td>
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<td>- Cultivate a stronger relationship with campus media outlets, including weekly or bi-weekly UA Q&amp;A interviews.</td>
<td>- Investigate and report on MIT’s ecology and use of consumables for community and research use.</td>
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<td>- Focus resource development efforts on finding sponsors for undergraduate student groups and activities.</td>
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Men's Soccer Wins 4-3 Overtime Thriller

By Caroline Huang

The MIT men's soccer team overcome a 2-1 deficit to bring home a hand-fought 4-3 overtime victory last Wednesday. Andrew M. Bishara '09 slotted a ball deep into the back of the net for MIT (3-1-0), converting his only shot into the game winner. MIT dominated the overtime period and prevented Tufts (0-1-1) from getting a shot on goal. An MIT team that stood in stark contrast to much of the game, which featured mistakes in opportunities and sloppy defense by both teams. "Both teams had lapses on defense. They hit the crossbar twice and the uprights twice. We missed four point-blank scoring chances," MIT Coach Wal ter A. Alessi said.

Forward Alex R. Morgan '07 opened the scoring just two minutes into the game, cleaning up a loose ball at the top of the box to give MIT a 1-0 lead. Morgan eventually tallied two goals and an assist.

Despite falling behind early, Tufts (0-1-1) had abundant chances to get back into the game, most notably the four shots that bounced off the goal posts. Goalkeeper Thomas C. Pari '07 was steady and several times reacted saves to keep in the game.

Tufts forward Dan Jozwiak tied up the score in the 23rd minute when Daniel Perry '08 couldn't intercept a pass by Joey Stamospe. A flurry of scoring in the second half began when the Jumbos' Bob Kastoff capitalized on confusion near the MIT goal. Another Pari save followed by a header assist by Mat T. Sheffer '07 hit a free kick that deflected off an MIT defender David Nole redirected the ball off the post. Morgan eventually put a header in the net for MIT's lead, the MIT men's soccer team cleaned up a loose ball when the MIT men's soccer team opened the scoring just two minutes into the game.

With less than ten minutes left to play, MIT scored the equalizer when Morgan put a header on the back of the net. Morgan's goal capped off a combination play with Ryan T. Sheffer '07 hit a free kick that defender David Nole redirected into the net for MIT's lead, the MIT men's soccer team cleaned up a loose ball when the MIT men's soccer team opened the scoring just two minutes into the game.

Both Cross Country Teams Dominate Quad Meet

By Adrien Bolger and Chris Bruce

Patience and careful execution of the race strategy brought both the men's and women's cross country teams to victory against Bates, Keene State and the University of Southern Maine last Saturday.

The race took place at a true cross country course at Twin Brook Park, ME that features hills, wooded areas, and even makes the course kept times slow but provided a great opportunity for strategic racing.

The MIT men raced first, executing a race strategy brought both the men's and women's cross country teams to victory against Bates, Keene State and the University of Southern Maine last Saturday.

By going out slow behind the other teams runners in the early miles, they were able to pass opponents late in the race when they were hurting most. Tailing only 32 points, they can overtake the win, while the other three teams had a close battle for second with USM winning out at 65 points.

Jake J. Razevich '09 led the MIT men with his second win in eight races, covering the eight kilometer course in 26:57, the 3rd fastest time by an MIT runner on the course. Kevin F. Bruños '07 led the rest of the team, finishing 63th in 27:27. Freshman Jon- obine J. Enns '06, a great deal of potential, with many freshmen and sophomores stepping into strong roles, and with the team hand- ly beating some of its regional com-

Volleyball Shows Depth in Win Over Clark

By Travis Johnson

MIT continued to be efficient with its serving offense in the second game and had a seven point run with Katherine C. Rowe '10, a four point run with Ellen E. Sojka '08 serving, and another four point run with Carrie C. Buchanan '08 serving. The Engineers won two long points while Rowe was serving early on, demoralizing Clark. MIT eventually cruised to a 30-16 win.

The third game started to look like a blowout when MIT jumped out to a 12-1 lead. But after a Clark timeout the Cougars calmed down and played nearly even with the Engi-

MIT set the tone early when its front line used superior skill and height to block two hits in the opening minutes. The Engineers ended the match with seven blocks, near their NEWMAC-leading average of 2.4 per game.

Tech pulled ahead on a streak of four consecutive points when Amanda J. Morris '08 was serving. MIT was actually more effective while serving than while receiving serve. Usually it is an advantage to receive serve because you get the first spike opportunity, but that was not the case on Saturday.

"We still need to work on our serve to keep us on our pass. Dill said afterwards. Passing was not always crisp for MIT on Saturday, both from the digger to the setter (Morris) and from Morris to the hitter.

Stumpy Mitts play allowed Clark to stay close through the early stages of the first game, but the Engineers were more talented and disciplined to let the Cougars hang around for long and eventually opened up a 17-9 lead that they carried through to a 30-21 game win.

In overtime, MIT was in convincing fashion and everyone got to play in a 30-21, 30-14, 30-14 sweep of Clark University.

Coach Paul Dill cycled through three different lineups that together involved all 11 Engineer players and despite some commu-

nication and passing errors, MIT (10-1, 2-1 in NEWMAC) was able to control play throughout and never trailed Clark (6-2, 1-1) beyond the early moments of each game.

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