Chomsky, Magnanti, Schmalensee; Deans Say They Will Step Down

By Manisha Padi and Hanhan Wang

Three deans — Robert J. Silbey of the School of Science, Thomas L. Magnanti of the School of Engineering, and Richard Schmalensee '65 of the Sloan School of Management — will be stepping down from their positions in the coming months to return to research and teaching, as announced by the MIT News Office on Friday. Magnanti and Silbey will stay on as deans until their successors are identified, while Schmalensee will stay on until the end of the academic year.

According to Provost L. Rafael Reif, in a letter that the News Office reported was sent to the MIT community on Friday, had long "looked forward to pursuing academic interests they had put aside for some time while shouldering the demanding responsibilities of school leadership…in favor of MIT's and their schools' "best interests." It is unclear if students received the letter.

"As my term was up last December, I asked the Provost if I could step down," Silbey said in an e-mail yesterday. "He asked me to stay for a while during the transition" between President Charles M. Vest, who is retiring, and Susan Hockfield. "I agreed but now the time has come to move on." Silbey has been the interim dean since he was appointed interim dean in Feb. 2000, hopes to return to the chemistry department to resume his teaching. He has taught at MIT since 1966.

Chomsky Addresses Crisis in Middle East

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**EU Gives Qualified Endorsement in Expansion**

By Dan Blumberg

Brussels, Belgium

Romania and Bulgaria will receive qualified endorsement on Tues- day to join the European Union on Jan. 1, but the bloc will warn that expansion must then halt until the organization makes needed struc- tural changes, the European Commission president said on Monday.

Jose Manuel Barroso, the commission president, said that the ad- mission of the two countries marked the last phase of integration in a European Union that has been starved beyond capacity for now.

“The upcoming enlargement with Bulgaria and Romania will be the last step in European enlargement,” the Commission’s president said above. “But it is not in a position to further integrate Europe without further institutional reforms. There are limits to our absorption capacity.”

He added that the European Union’s moribund constitution, which promised a streamlined system to accommodate an expanded membership, would have made further enlargement more manageable.

But after its emphatic rejection last year in France and the Netherlands, Barroso said the group either had to revitalize the charter or face the need of changes another way.

**Shanghai Leader’s Fall Shows Split in China’s Power Structure**

By Joseph Kahn

Beijing

As the storm clouds of a national anti-corruption campaign loomed on the horizon last summer, the Communist Party of China was in a dilemma — how to change its image without alienating anyone.

With the political climate in Shanghai and one of China’s most powerful officials, summoned report- ers from the main state news agency to his office for a rare interview.

On Sunday, security forces put Chen, 59, under a form of house arrest known as “double designation.” The state news media reported Monday that he had lost his political posts, including his membership in the ruling Politburo, and that he might face criminal charges.

**Inquiry Tries to Identify Prime Minister’s Killers**

By Warren Hoge

Kandahar, Afghanistan

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**The Arrival of Autumn**

By Scott Strantsky

9/26/2006

As the equinox itself was three days ago, today is the day with equal amounts of daylight and darkness. (To be precise, there is one less minute of daylight than the night before, but it will not get any more even than that this year.) The Cambridge area should experience nice weather over the next couple of days. We might see some showers later this week.

**Extended Forecast**

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By Carlotta Gall

See New York Times

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**Judge Permits Federal Suit For Light Cigarette Smokers**

By David Cay Johnston

10/26/2006

Because some 45 percent of smok- ers currently smoke light cigarettes, potentially vast numbers of people from around the country could be involved.

Michael Hausfeld, a partner at Co- hen, Meline, Haustell & Toll who is representing the plaintiffs, said that the class could reach tens of mil- lions of people and involve damages to the industry of up to $200 billion.

Any damage award would be tripled under the racketeering law on which the case has been brought.

Investors on Monday imme- diately drove down the price of tobacco shares. Shares of Altria, whose Philip Morris division makes half the nation’s cigarettes, fell 6.4 percent to $77.96 at the prospect that a jury would decide what monetary damages might be due smokers who thought that light ciga- rettes were less deadly.

Before the case can proceed to a jury trial, the class action ruling must be upheld by the 2nd U.S. Cir- cuit Court of Appeals. Some litiga- tion experts expressed strong doubt that it would survive such an appeal.

Bill Ohlemeyer, associate general counsel of Altria, said “the judge is wrong on the law and wrong on the facts.”

Ohlemeyer said that Supreme Court decisions and court rules pro- hibit treating fraud cases as class ac- tions because each individual claim of reliance on false statements must be proven.

Monday’s ruling is a blow to what tobacco companies have previously described as an “improving legal en- vironment” for the industry.

Tobacco companies in recent months had won a string of victories in cases involving the dangers of smoking.
Amid Conflicting FBI Reports

By William J. Broad

The bureau issued a key piece of public confro

ition, an FBI official has reiterated the bureau's judgment that the anthrax in the letter attacks five years ago bore no special coatings to increase its dead-

liness and no hallmarks of a military weapon.

In theory, that finding could widen the pool of potential suspects in the unsolved case since the perpetrator would not have required low skill and could have worked with more com-

monplace materials. What started as the largest criminal investigation in American history now, five years later, appears to be stalled.

The statement by the bureau official contradicts an array of assessments over the years about the anthrax at-

tacks, which in late 2001 killed five people and sickened 17 others. Tainted letters were dropped into a mailbox in

Pentagon, N.J., sending anthrax to sev-

eral news media offices and two U.S. senateurs. Soon after, a variety of public and private experts proclaimed the deadly spores to have been specially treated to enhance their ability to float in the air and reach deep into human lungs, where they could germinate and kill their host. Some experts called the an-

thrax military-grade.

But the bureau official, Douglas J. Berek, a scientist at the FBI Labo-

ratory in Quantico, Va., disputed such claims as mislabeled in a recent journal article.

"A widely circulated misconception is that the spores were produced using additives and sophisticated en-

gineering supposedly akin to military weapon production," Berek wrote in the August issue of Applied and En-

vironmental Microbiology. "The pes-

sistent credence given to this impres-

sion fosters erroneous preconceptions, which may misguide research and pre-

paration efforts and generally detract from the magnitude of hazards posed by simple spore preparations."

The FBI declined to make available lead scientists in the investigation.

The Hartford Courant and The Washington Post referred to the Berek piece in recent articles.

William C. Patrick III, a scientist who once made germ weapons for the American military and is now a private consultant on biological de-

fense, agreed with the FBI's assess-

ment. "The material was good, but not weapons grade," Patrick said in an interview: "You can't make that in your basement. It requires sophisticated equipment."

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gan early, reinforced by edgy public of-

ficials and federal scientists struggling to assess an unfamiliar threat quickly.
HASS Expands Imagination

My thanks to Peter A. Shulman for taking the time to write his profoundly interesting essay on education at MIT (Sept. 22, in response to the opinion piece by Justin Wong, Sept. 19) and to The Tech for being willing to print it.

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The coach is heading to London, slowly rolling in a queue of cars as the green English countryside comes into view. After taking a look at me if the sun burned through the cloud cover rolling in a queue of cars as the green English countryside comes into view. After looking at me for some time, he said, "I can see that you are not used to this place. Tourists cannot get over the beauty of King's College in the town's center. The first enterprise near the town (which derives its name from the days when it served as a crossing point over the river) was that the English education system existed. Newton, Maxwell, Darwin, Watson, Crick, Byron, Tomson, and even the original John Harvard studied here.

The town has a small shopping area with a pleasant but overpriced (even by English standards) public transportation touch to it. While most of the stores are pretty posh, there are a few reasonable shops, such as the local supermarket, which serves the role as a LaVender's for twenty-four to thirty-four hours old. For entertainment, the town is well-equipped with a fire hose, Cambridge seems to be more sedated than MIT, Cambridge. There are enough pubs to keep all who choose to imbibe satiated, in close proximity so one does not have to cover too many. They are adored by the people, but also refuse any of my suggestions for improvement. The city council might be a better choice for me. Granted, a commensurate amount of drinking is associated with an evening at Coco's, Candy's, Soul Tree, or one of the other bars. If I could manage to avoid too much carnage. The English weather are about as unexpected as the bushes I can see. As a middle-class male from Virginia, I am familiar with my "insights," since approximately over twenty-five years have been荒在wards the sun's departure from the sky. However, have you tried to talk to him in a natural way lectures are structured, how grades are calculated, how much lecture time than we do at ETH. A freshman at ETH attends about 30 hours of course work per week. Problem sets at ETH are almost never graded and are therefore often neglected. The final grade for almost all of our classes is completely determined by one single exam that is usually given at the term but immediately after the subsequent break. This necessitates a lot of studying during the break. Our system has advantages: learning best happens when you are introduced to the subjects you are studying beforehand. This gives you a better view of how different topics connect. But the drawbacks are more serious: many students work very little for their classes during the term - which is a problem, because if you don't catch up at home it is very hard to follow the lectures, leading to frustrating and illusory success. (You would want to be able to write in French, for instance.) An extra, initiatives you may take to come off from university since you can't stay in this place. Oddly enough, probably the most significant difference were not very visible during our stay: while MIT is one of the most selective universities in the world, ETH is government-funded and required by law to admit students from every Swiss secondary school, regardless of their grades. At ETH, English is almost free (as most European universities are). That should matter a lot. But the number it does for example, the dropout rate is about 50% at ETH. But in daily life students is a little less easy. With more: the campus, the dormitory system, the way lectures are structured, how grades are handed out, you may be happy about being at MIT.
You're a freshman in college, so the possibilities are literally endless. You can either go on being the nerd that got you here in the first place, or you can totally reinvent yourself into someone remotely interesting. As seniors, we feel like we should help freshmen avoid some potential pitfalls that can stand in the way of the reinvention process.

Don't take anything that other freshmen aren't taking. Seriously. No one cares that you got an A++ in multi-variable calculus at your local Rejected From State Schools Community College. What is multi-variable calculus anyway? Around these parts, it's 18.02. Welcome to MIT, where we don't play with "names". Even the students have numbers. Hey, at least they're not tattooed on you, yet.

How was your senior prom? So you won state in soccer at Montana Mountain High? Where the hell is Montana? No one cares about your high school. Moving on.

No one takes 18.03 their fall term freshman year, except the Course VI smellies; you'll know what we're talking about when you walk into an Athena Cluster the night before that first 6.001 project is due. While we're on classes, take TEAL and rip on it even if you don't really hate it that much. Why? Because everyone else is doing it. As a wise man once said in John 3:16 (maybe John? Could be Jesus), "It's not about doing what's right; it's about doing what's cool." At least, that's what we got out of John 3:16.

Make friends with smart kids in your class. When you see one checking his email on the TEAL computers using a text-based mail client, ask him if he wants to go get boba tea and play DDR after class. If you feel bad about copying, well, then don't think of it as copying 'cause everyone does it; refer to John 3:16. Remember: at MIT, you never do the math: that smart, 5'4", quiet guy with the forgettable name does. In related news, if any of you ladies out there need help with your psets, feel free to email vcabral@mit.edu or soyegg@mit.edu.

End any long distance relationship within the next … well, immediately. Let's be honest, there's only one reason to be in a relationship, and that's spiritual enlightenment. And by spiritual enlightenment, we don't mean phone sex, we mean sex. If it weren't for the headache of having to patch things up every month, we'd totally break up with our girlfriends during those special few days. However, don't be clever and change your voicemail to, "Hey Ann, we're over, everyone else, leave a message." And definitely don't write something in your school newspaper about specifically breaking up with her. Oh, wait … Anyway, when you go home for Thanksgiving, you're going to want to be stuffing that turkey, if you know what we're saying. So just let her down gently, you asshole.

None of what we just said matters if you didn't manage to do the most important thing you have to do as a college freshman — join a house. Just know this: if you didn't get a bid anywhere, that means over 50 percent of the male population at MIT thinks you're lame. Think about it, MIT kids think you're lame.

Ladies, don't think we forgot about you. If you're not affiliated as a "house girl" by now, think of the bright side, no one will expect you to shave your legs for the next four years.

You can figure the rest out on your own.

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dent or head of each will nominate students for the Senate on the first UA meeting of the year, scheduled for Oct. 2, 2006.

To encourage increased participation — seven constituencies had no candidates as of Friday — Miller ’07 said she and UA President Andrew T. Lukmann ’07 “tapped the grapevine” through word-of-mouth.

“Former senators, committee chairman, and house presidents pushed the elections with their own constituencies,” Miller said. “I personally spammed my dorm discuss list a few times.” The increased publicity was apparently effective since the number of UA senate candidates tripled since last Friday when there were 10 candidates. The total number is now 31.

The fact that three constituencies have no candidates running is “unfortunate, but it could have been a lot worse,” Miller said.

The voting process has one difference from previous years, according to Miller. Affiliated undergraduates who reside in dormitories will determine their constituencies during the vote this week. In the past, a separate period of time — a week before the vote — was set aside for candidates to decide whether to affiliate themselves with their Fraternities, Sororities, and Independent Living Groups or their dormitory. This change, proposed by Lukmann last year, was made in an effort to “move everything up a bit” in the voting process, said Miller, so that the Senate could start its affairs sooner, such as approving the Association of Student Activities budget.

Because of the voting change, senate allocations or affiliations will not be determined until after voting ends. “We’ll have to wait and see at the end of the week,” Miller said in an e-mail, since “people don’t have to decide until they vote.”

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Many of the listeners attended Chomsky’s lecture because the seriousness of the topic intrigued them. Samuel H. Poon ’09, who has read several of Chomsky’s political books, said the professor “bases his opinion on valid evidence.” Poon also believes that “the Western media fails to cover the whole side of the story,” and that Chomsky works “to really reveal the other side of the story.”
“Many people hear the name Chomsky and no matter what the topic of discussion is, they come,” Iman Kandil ’09, a member of both organizations that planned the event, said in an e-mail. She also mentioned that “Chavez’s comment about Chomsky having died probably made many people come.”
However, the real root of the issue is helping the MIT community understand the conflicts occurring in the West and “promoting Palestinian Awareness on campus,” according to Kandil.

Solution to Sudoku

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‘Fab Tree Hab’ Novel Solution To Environmental Predicament

By Carolyn Y. Johnson

THE BOSTON GLOBE
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Having global warming, a projected energy crunch, and suburban sprawl, a team of MIT researchers has envisioned a radical antidote: truly “green” homes, nurtured from scolding to tree house.

“The fab tree hab” is a fanciful orb of a home that is literally alive, with a frame of growing tree trunks grafted together, insulation made of clay and straw, and vines instead of vinyl siding. The heating, cooling, and plumbing would all mimic natural processes.

“The structure is a statement against cutting down timber,” said Mitchell W. Joachim, the architect who designed the house, “composed of 100 percent living nutrients.”

Joachim said he was inspired in part by a report by the university’s Energy Research Council this spring, which stressed the need for greener buildings to help curb the carbon dioxide emissions that drive global warming.

In a utopian dream world it would be possible “to grow a whole village from seeds,” Joachim said, but subdivisions won’t turn into forests overnight. First, he said, people would have to accept arboREAL abodes — and even then it would take years to weave and shape growing tree branches into a house. The first step, he said, could be green garages that would help offset a small part of the emissions of cars parked inside.

“The thing that strikes me,” said Martin Moeller, senior vice president and curator of the National Building Museum in Washington, DC, is “they’re trying to explore actual scientific connections to natural processes. . . . You have people trying to reenvision the fundamentals of the building.”

Transition From Vest to Hockfield
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systems and computational biology, cancer biology and astrophysics,” Reif wrote in the letter, as reported by the News Office.

Magnanti, who has been the Dean for the School of Engineering since Jan. 1999 and who is one of MIT’s 13 Institute Professors, feels that he has helped during the transition from Vest to Hockfield. He also said that it believes it is time for a new perspective and new leadership in the school. “I love being able to represent the best engineering school in the galaxy,” Magnanti said. “I’m most proud of helping faculty and students achieve their goals here.”

Reif wrote about Magnanti’s “deep commitment to leadership through technical excellence and innovation.” According to the News Office, his job has not always been satisfying, however. “There are too many meetings. It takes me away from what attracted me to such a marvelous school — the teaching and the research.” He plans to work with students and do research once he steps down. Magnanti has been a member of the faculty since 1971.

Schmalensee, who plans to step down at the end of the academic year, said that the timing of his leave has been largely dictated by the Sloan School building project, which he considers his most significant contribution since he became dean in Jan. 1998. The building will be located on Memorial Drive and Main Street and is expected to be completed in the fall of 2010.

“I want to close out the project,” Schmalensee said. During his term as dean, Schmalensee has directed fund-raising efforts, obtaining $150 million towards the new building. Schmalensee has also worked on curriculum design and professionalism training for the Sloan MBA program.

A professor of economics and management, Schmalensee is looking forward to his one-year sabatical leave, which is given to every dean after stepping down. “Being back on the faculty is being promoted,” Schmalensee said. Additionally, he is looking forward to spending more time with his family and to returning to the classroom.

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Cause Still Unknown Following EC Flood

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and the MIT police.”

Over 20 rooms initially received water damage, according to Collins. Since the first day, the water has also trickled down to the first floor and basement. “The damage was extensive,” EC House Manager Joseph F. Graham said in a phone interview last Thursday.

The cleaners arrived at EC on the morning of Monday, Sept. 18, the day after the flooding, Collins said, and the rooms were cleaned out by Monday afternoon. Not all students returned to their rooms, however, as “some student chose not to return until everything had dried out.” All the student rooms are currently livable.

“We’re lucky,” Collins said, because most of the rooms had minor damages. The laundry rooms were available to residents for free all last week, as anything that was on the floor — clothing, for instance — needed to be washed.

“Most of the water leaked in through the closets so most of the damaged personal articles were clothing and food,” Bader said.

“Some textbooks were damaged as well. Anyone living in the vicinity with a throw rug, had to chuck it.”

“My room wasn’t too bad,” Jessica H. Lowell ’07, who lives on the fifth floor of the east parallel, said in an e-mail yesterday. “I didn’t lose anything valuable, I just had to wash a lot of clothes when I got back.”

The carpet on the fifth floor of the east parallel, right outside the kitchen, is being replaced, and the kitchen and lounge near the kitchen will need to be replaced in their entirety, according to Bader.

“Almost anything that people had on the floor in rooms near the kitchen was ruined,” Bader said.

The fourth floor carpet will also need to be replaced. Housing will continue assessing the damage to determine what else is necessary, Collins said.

“All of the student rooms have been cleaned and are livable,” Bader said in an e-mail yesterday. “My room, the GRT suite, is carpeted and the carpeting will need to be replaced. The bedroom is worse than the other room, and I am unable to sleep there because of the smell, and I’m assuming, health hazard. Since the tiles underneath contain asbestos, they will also need to abate the room for asbestos.” Bader will be staying in Eastgate graduate residence for a month, he said, while his EC room is sealed off to deal with the asbestos abatement.

MIT will not reimburse students for damaged personal belongings. MIT housing policy states that “the Institute assumes no responsibility for loss or damage to personal property of students or guests. This includes, but is not limited to, loss by fire, theft, water, and malfunction of electrical or mechanical systems. Residents are advised to obtain insurance to cover their personal property or check if their parent’s homeowner policy will apply.”

Benjamin P. Gleitzman contributed to the reporting for this article.

Residents in the east parallel of East Campus moved many of their belongings into the hallway after the fire sprinklers on the fifth floor discharged and flooded the floor on Sept. 17.

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Tufts Wins One Game of Finals, MIT Controls the Other Three

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nament: Bridgewater State and Colby College. Last season, they beat Bridgewater State but lost to Colby College. This season, MIT faced both, starting with a 30–14, 30–20, 30–19 win over Bridgewater State.

Three Rotations Each Beat Colby
Colby College was MIT's second victim, and the Engineers dominated play from the start. Using its top rotation of players in the first game, MIT jumped out to a 4-0 lead and never looked back, cruising to a 30–11 win.

As they did throughout the tournament, the front line of May, Cleeland, and Sojka took over and led their team to a 19–19 tie, Rogoz, Cleeland, and Sojka were part of a five point run that eventually led to a 30–28 win.

MIT Gives Williams First Loss
Saturday began with a semifinal match against the 10-0 Williams Ephs. Cleeland set the tone early with a kill, tip, and block that established her presence at the net. The Engineers took their first serious lead 14–9 with a four point run keyed by excellent serves from Lindsay E. Hunting '08. The lead slowly extended until the game ended 30–21.

The side out offense played particularly well in the 30–20 second game win for MIT, allowing only six hold serves and keeping the longest Ephs run at three points. Libby Carrie C. Buchanan '08, Hunting and May consistently dug well, getting the ball to Morris in a good place to run MIT's variety of plays. Williams stepped up the intensity in the third game, playing point for point with MIT through a 21–21 tie. A block by Cleeland and Alexandra N. Huston-Carico '08 and a kill by Morris has filled the setting role well and has a great group of defenders around her that will be another relatively easy win for the Engineers when they built a 29–23 lead, but the Jumbos wouldn't give up and scored five straight points that got their fans involved and MIT fans wondering if their team was going to have a Red Sox-proportioned crumble. Rogoz ended their concern when her hit landed perfectly in the corner and brought the Engineers out of reach for the Ephs at 26–21. But Williams fought back yet again and got within 1 at 29–28 when a block by May and Briana J. Stephen-son '07 ended the game and sent MIT to the finals.

Engineers Outlast Tufts for Title
MIT made it look easy in the first game against Tufts, playing mistake free volleyball to jump out to a 7–1 lead and coast to a 30–13 win. Both Morris and the hitters timed their tips (soft shots targeted at empty areas of the floor) perfectly and kept Tufts blocking off guard.

The second game was a total reversal for Tufts. The Jumbos’ Katie Wysham built her team's enthusiasm with three early kills that helped Tufts build a 3–8 lead. MIT was never able to get within fewer than four for the rest of the game. The Engineers lost focus towards the end and Tufts rolled to a 19–30 win.

Momentum swung back to the MIT players in the third game when their blocking game returned. Two blocks by Cleeland and Huston-Carico within a minute of each other put MIT ahead 15–7. Both teams had a few hits during the final point of the match before Stephenson put it away with a powerful kill.

It looked like the fourth game would be another relatively easy win for the Engineers they built a 29–23 lead, but the Jumbos wouldn't give up and scored five straight points that got their fans involved and MIT fans wondering if their team was going to have a Red Sox-proportioned crumble. Rogoz ended their concern when her hit landed perfectly in the corner and brought her teammates screaming onto the court in celebration.

Winning the tournament is a serious accomplishment on its own and a good sign of the season to come. Morris has filled the setting role well and has a great group of defenders and attackers around her that will make MIT tough to beat.
**Women's Volleyball Beats Four Top Teams to Win Tournament**

By Travis Johnson

For the second consecutive year the MIT women's volleyball team emerged from a strong field of 13 other schools to win last weekend's MIT Invitational Tournament. The Engineers won four matches, sweeping the first three against Bridgewater State College, Colby College, and Williams College, and defeating Tufts University (30–13, 19–30, 30–20, 30–27) in the championship match. MIT's opponents were only close in three of the 13 games over the weekend, the third game against Colby, the third against Williams and the second and fourth against Tufts. The Engineers prevailed in three of these, lost 19–30 in the second Tufts game, and won the other 10 games by an average margin of 11.9 points.

Amanda J. Morris '08 set her way to tournament MVP, keeping her poise and timing throughout the long weekend and emerging as an on-the-floor leader for the team. Middle hitter Alexandra T. May '10 continued her hot first season with a performance this weekend that prompted an all-tournament team award. The Engineers started the tournament on Friday against two teams they faced in last year's NCAA tourney.

**Wheaton Scores Twice in 2nd Half To Beat Soccer in a Muddy Match**

By Jeff Lemieux

The MIT men's soccer team (3–4–0; 0–2 NEWMAC) entered Saturday's home match against Wheaton (5–3–1; 1–1–0 NEWMAC) looking to avenge last season's loss to the Lyons in the conference championship game. Unfortunately for the Cardinals, it wasn't to be, as Wheaton defeated MIT 2–0 in a match that kicked off on a dark and dreary late morning.

A strong rivalry between the schools, coupled with muddy weather conditions, led to numerous fouls, setting the tone of the game early. By the end of the game, the Engineers had fouled Wheaton 24 times, while the Lyons had returned the favor 20 times.

Thomas S. Caldwell '09 made two saves in net for the Engineers, while Wheaton's David Croft made three saves, earning his first victory of the season in his first start.

MIT takes the field again today on the road in Wenham, Mass., taking on Gordon College in a match that kicks off at 4 p.m.