Underclassmen Give In Alumni Campaign

By Apoorva Murarka

A total of 460 gifts from freshmen, sophomores, and juniors were collected during the Underclassmen Giving Campaign last week. Fifteen percent of the underclassmen donated during the UGC, totalling about $2,500. Donations ranged from $1 to $40 with the average donation being just over $5.

The UGC, a pilot program started by the MIT Alumni Association, was designed to help develop a sense of philanthropy among the underclassmen at MIT, as seniors are already contributing to the senior gift, according to UGC and Senior Gift Advisor Rosheen B. Kannavath, fund officer for the Alumni Association. UGC will run for another week in the spring, from February 26 to March 2.

UGC’s goal is to achieve a combined 20 percent participation from the underclassmen for the two campaign weeks, 10 percent for each week. UGC’s aim is to hit a certain level of participation from the student body rather than raising a particular amount of funds,” Kannavath said.

“I think it’s a great concept but I don't think that going to the undergraduate body is the right way to raise funds because we do not have much money ... I mean, we are starved students,” said Irina Shklyar, the Undergraduate Association McCormick Hall senator. “As a senator, I did not hear anyone from my constituency complain to me, but I have heard complaints in general.”

At the end of last week, 15 percent of the underclassmen had already contributed. Freshmen, 20 percent of whom had given to the UGC, also formed the largest percentage of the donors among the underclassmen.

“The participation levels are pretty fantastic for a week considering that last year, Senior Gift had to run from March through June to get just over $5,” said Shklyar.

Playwright Suzan-Lori Parks reads lines from her “The American Play” in 10-250 last night. Parks, who received a MacArthur “genius grant” fellowship in 2001 and won the Pulitzer Prize for Drama in 2002, spent her evening at MIT alternately musing on her childhood, discussing the process of writing, reading and singing from her plays, and giving advice to her audience. “Language is a physical act,” she said. “It’s not something that happens from the neck up. It’s not cerebral.”

Grads Enter Finance, Consulting

Survey Shows 33 percent of ’06 Graduates Accepted Jobs in These Sectors

By Joyce Kwan

More MIT graduates, including those who majored in science and engineering, are accepting jobs in the financial and consulting industries than ever before. Thirty-three percent of 2006 graduates — undergraduate and graduate students included — entered either the financial or consulting industries, according to the 2006 Graduating Student Survey conducted by the Careers Office. This is an increase from 19 percent of graduates in 2004.

Of the top 10 employers that hired the most MIT graduates, seven were finance or consulting firms, and at least a few students in nearly every course entered the financial or consulting industry. For more details, see the table and graph on page 11.

The 2006 survey received 1,550 responses, or 74 percent of the graduating class. Jobs in the financial and consulting industries are appealing because they provide both intellectual challenges and opportunities to work on real-world problems, said John B. Nonnamaker, associate director of the Careers Office.

“You know exactly where you’ll be in five years,” said David H. Friend ’01, a physics and electrical engineering double major who has accepted a consulting job for Bain & Company. “(A job in finance or consulting) gives more developmental security.”

Friend is one example of science and engineering majors at MIT pursuing careers in the world of finance and consulting. The general consensus among students and recruiters is that as disparate as the fields seem, both require strong analysis and quantitative problem-solving skills.

“Science and engineering students take up very quickly because they have quantitative skills,” said Friend.

MIT to Collaborate With Singapore on Game Lab

By Angeline Wang

MIT and the Singapore Media Development Authority are currently in the contractual phase of establishing the Singapore-MIT International Game Lab, a collaboration that will work toward furthering digital game research and developing academic programs in game technology.

William C. Uricchio, a professor of Comparative Media Studies and one of the primary investigators of SMGDL, describes the price tag of this initiative as “very significant.”

“I think it’s fair to describe it as the single largest investment in a non-military sector university gaming environment,” he said. Uricchio declined to give a specific amount because contractual negotiations are still taking place.

The contractual phase should be complete by January, Uricchio said. It will be followed by a five-year initial research and training period. During that time, the project will be centered at MIT, as the program grows in Singapore. Most undergraduate involvement will also take place at MIT through the Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program.

This new project is one of many that involve MIT-Singapore collaboration. Other projects include the Singapore-MIT Alliance and SMA for Research and Technology, a project that is currently being developed. According to Uricchio, Singapore’s new National Research Foundation was exploring ways to intensify collaboration with MIT. A series of mutually beneficial projects is needed for admission into most graduate programs each year, according to the Admissions Office. The GRE is needed for admission into most graduate programs each year, according to the Admissions Office.

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U.S. Military to Review How It Informs Iraqi Officials of Raids

By Christine Hauser

WASHINGTON, Oct. 27—Two U.S. military officials informed the Iraqi government about raids by American forces that killed several hundred Iraqis in a Baghdad neighborhood this week, but the Iraqi government should have been informed about the raids at least 72 hours in advance, the American military official said.

The raids in the Karrada district, which is considered a Shiite militia enclave, are part of an American-backed operation against a Shi’ite guerrilla leader known as Abu Dura. American troops also killed a Canadian company, Apotex, to flood the market in August with a cheaper thinner.

The outcome of that trial would be reviewed, a Democrat senator said. The American administration has an interest in showing that Iraqi officials are taking a lead in the political and military affairs of the country.

The Bush administration says it is interested in giving Iraqis enough sovereignty to make them want to take over security and other matters they have been handling with American troops. But American forces have kept control in some areas in Iraq because they do not trust the Iraqi forces to do the job yet.

The American military official, speaking on condition of anonymity for the Iraqi officials of military operations, said he was an issue in the current Beijing party secretary, a member of the nine-member Politburo, the top-most leadership.

His remarks indicated that Maliki's inability to keep his Shiite guerilla leader known as Abu Dura, and under control. Fire support was called in, and American aircraft after the operation, the troops involved received information about the possible location of an American soldier of Irish descent who has been missing since July. Based on that information, Iraqi forces involved in the raid entered a mosque to search.

The prime minister was apparently not aware of the raid's element of the raid, Caldwell said.

"U.S. forces and the government of the country — it's a very sensitive nation, something that you would notify a senior person about, then he turns to his friends. Even then we are going to notify them."
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THEATER REVIEW

This ‘Bee’ Gets an A

Very Nice Show; No Matter How You Spell It

By Bill Andrews

The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee

The Wilbur Theatre

Through Dec. 31, 2006

F or some reason, when I saw “The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee,” I was reminded of the Bee, the winner of which goes on to the national competition in DC and riches and glory. The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee was a whole musical about a spelling bee, any of the spellers who win the bee will be an upcoming star in the world of spelling and will become another’s parent, for example) and some spellers change mannerisms and a scarf as per the speller’s request, elicited the most laughter of all. Honestly, how can “sinkjoo” and “Xanadu” not be funny just by themselves? For most of the show, I was laughing like I was at a comedy club.

However, what makes Spelling Bee truly impres sive is how smoothly it segues from goofy songs about ejections (the cause of someone’s loss and magic feet, to songs about feeling stage, and without such a strong cast it just couldn’t work. Luckily, these nine actors mesh perfectly, recreating the crazy dynamic kids have with each other, and accurately portraying relationships with authority figures and family.

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CONCERT REVIEW

Built to Spill at Avalon

Indie Rock Grows Up, But the Sound Stays Predictable

By Sarah Dupuis

Built to Spill
Avalon
Monday, Oct. 2, 2006

Listening to a Built to Spill album is like tasting a culinary masterpiece. A basic round of music, the various musical phrases placed throughout the record are anything but repetitious, and seem to appear spontaneously.

The album opens with the melancholy and slow-paced “Lie to Me,” an eery tune that starts with the slow strumming of guitar, a piano part that seems to trickle as the choruses provide small bursts of melodic energy. This wouldn’t be so frustrating if near their end, the songs make some of the more soothing, and perhaps the band was playing to familiarity; the audience’s reaction. Perhaps Built to Spill will be able to tap into that momentary excitement as they continue their tour through November.

Built to Spill’s old and beloved sound. This is not a throwback album at a time when his tendencies as a producer are the continuation (and hopefully culmination) of mistakes are those of omission. His faults this time — almost fourteen years — and their live show is largely a chugging grunge-inflected guitar lick for the despondent lyrics, giving the listener an impression of a perpetually setting sun. After the release of an acoustic set of serene and disarming personal breakup songs, Beck’s decision to make Guava a throwback album at a time when his tendencies as a songwriter were moving in another direction was still disarming, but ultimately unsurprising.

If Guava is an echo of the album that Odelay was, then one would have to describe The Information as a shadow of an echo of Odelay. If you’d like to know exactly how such an idea would manifest itself, just look to “Motorcyclic.” With parts of its vocal melody noticeably cribbed from “Devil’s Haircut,” “Motorcyclic” consists of a buzzing acoustic guitar lick that is immediately hounded by a swarm of thumb pianos. The Information’s best track, “I Think I’m in Love,” while charming in its outspoken uncertainty, is also under-rehearsed and the fact that this base-line is a facsimile of the guitar lick from the Beattles’ “Day Trippers.” Unlike Guava, which had the excellent singles “Gutter” and “Onva Onda Guava,” there’s very little on The Information to provide argument against Beck bringing back his prime.

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Sea Change

Odelay

Mutations

were produced by the Dust Brothers, Beck has also frequently worked with Nigel Godrich on previous albums, such as Sea Change and Mutations. It seemed odd to see Beck on this album is an unaddressed issue, and Beck hasn’t addressed it. Why and how Godrich lost his signature boldness in working with Beck on this album is an unanswered issue. Perhaps Beck is just too self-assured to retain his status as a top-tier producer.

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Trio by Emezie Okorafor

THE ADVENTURES OF MAN

Hey, Death, how much do you make for doing that? Oh, that? That's just a little hobby of mine.

Well, what do you do for a job then? It's real obvious. Guts.

I'm a Physics TA! Well that explains the anger, I suppose.

Oh come on!

GRAD HOROSCOPE

Mars and Jupiter's energies pose the question, "Are you in charge of your Destiny?" while Uranus' orbit chimes, "Don't be silly, you're in grad school."
### Crossword Puzzle

**Instructions:** Fill in the grid so that each column, row, and 3 by 3 grid contains exactly one of each of the digits 1 through 9.

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### Bonus Crossword

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Police Log

The following incidents were reported to the MIT or Cambridge Police between Oct. 12 and Oct. 24, 2006. This summary does not include incidents such as false alarms, general service calls, or medical shuttles.

Oct. 13:
Lot 2 (20 Albany St.), 4:32 p.m., Report of a damaged motor-vehicle.

Oct. 14:
NS2 (265 Mass Ave.), 12:30 a.m., Report that while working in the rear of NS2, a woman jumped out of her car and stole his model plane.
W42 (156 Memorial Dr.), 4:10 p.m., Complaint about male subject in W42 music library arguing with employees; cars dispatched; arrested Anthony Smith, 900 Washington St., Brooklyn, NY; suspect transported to Cambridge Police.

Oct. 15:
W61 (450 Memorial Dr.), 3:10 a.m., Report of person wandering halls and stairwell yelling on the third and fourth floors, checked by MIT Police and Housing; all quiet in the area.

Oct. 16:
15 Leland St., 5:13 p.m., MIT Police transported a student to Boston Police to file a report regarding a past assault at a Boston night club.

Oct. 19:
Riverside Lot, 12:07 p.m., Malicious damage to a vehicle.

Oct. 20:
TC (528 Beacon St.), 6:44 p.m., MIT Police investigate noise complaint.

Oct. 21:

Oct. 22:
Lot 14 (25 Vassar St.), 5:38 p.m., Hit and run reported; vehicle was struck while parked in the East Lot.

Compiled by Angeline W. Ang
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Joanna B. Moody, a recruiter for JP Morgan Chase & Company, said, “We’re always looking for a diverse class,” she continued. Science and engineering majors are regarded as highly as majors in more immediately relevant fields, Moody added. “Any quantitative major is going to be helpful in the financial world,” said Scott F. McDermott ‘79, a managing director at Goldman Sachs who received both his SB and PhD in physics from MIT. “The physics curriculum tends to develop an intuition for problem-solving. Any MIT curriculum does.” Along those lines, Nonnamaker said, “[MIT] students are highly desired.”

Christine L. Nee ‘07, a chemical engineering major and the president of the MIT Science and Engineering Business Club, mentioned that in addition to the immediate gratification that jobs on Wall Street offer, such jobs also create an aura of glamour. Already offered a position by Morgan Stanley, Nee said that acquiring experience in finance would empower her with more dimensions she would to join research companies later in her career.

Also according to the 2006 Graduating Survey, the top destinations in the United States for working graduates were Massachusetts, New York, and California, with the United Kingdom and Japan topping international destinations. “Job content” and “creative and challenging work” were listed as the top two factors contributing to students accepting their job offers.

Of the undergraduate students who responded to the 2006 survey, 68 percent responded “yes” to a question asking whether they accepted a job related to their major, while 26 percent responded “no,” and 6 percent responded “don’t know.”

Data specific to gender has not been compiled. “Anecdotally, there has been no gender preference,” Nonnamaker said.

Both Friend and Nee cited peers as an influencing factor in their decisions to enter their fields of interest.

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### What Sectors Did June 2006 MIT Graduates Enter?

#### Finance, Consulting Appeal to Most Majors

#### Jobs, from Page 1

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Monday, October 30, at 7:30 pm
Ashdown House - Hulsizer Room

Speaker
Yasir Kazi, Doctoral Candidate, Islamic Studies, Yale University

Questions: era@mit.edu
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NW35 Groundbreaking
To Be Held in November

The groundbreaking for construction of the new graduate student dormitory, currently called NW35, will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 8 at 3:30 p.m. When the dormitory opens in summer 2008, first preference for rooms will be given to residents of Ashdown House (W1), a graduate dormitory that will subsequently be converted into undergraduate housing.

Giving Ashdown residents first choice in the move to NW35 will leave “plenty of room” for other students, said Karen A. Nilsson, associate dean and director of housing. NW35 will have 550 beds while Ashdown has 360 beds. Some Ashdown residents will not be looking to move into NW35 for various reasons, including graduation or moves off-campus or to other dormitories. The details of the move have not been completely worked out, Nilsson said.

Ashdown Housemaster Terry P. Orlando said that giving Ashdown students first preference is “very appropriate.” Ann Orlando, also an Ashdown housemaster, said that she and Terry plan to be housemasters of the new dormitory.

Earlier this month, Ashdown residents expressed their hope that NW35 be renamed Ashdown. In addition, they requested that some of the rooms in NW35 be given the names of Ashdown rooms. A decision on the naming has not been announced.

The ceremonious first shovel of dirt will be turned at the site of construction in the Pacific St. parking lot on Albany St. directly across from another grad dormitory, The Warehouse (NW30). A reception in the multi-purpose room of Sidney-Pacific graduate residence will immediately follow the groundbreaking.

—Marie Y. Thibault
als were submitted, and "we've been collaborating ever since," he said.

The Singapore Media Development Authority expects about 300 "of our best talents from the industry and academia" to become involved in SMIGL, MDA's Michael Yap said to the MIT News Office. The MDA also believes that the collaboration will improve Singapore's competitive advantage in education and tourism.

The benefits of the partnership for MIT includes increasing the level of MIT's game research, adding "a significant international dimension to our thinking about games," and increasing collaboration between CMS, the Electrical Engineering and Computer Science Department, Uricchio said. Working with Singapore will also allow MIT researchers to think about games from an Asian perspective and consider cultural specificity.

SMIGL will have offices in Singapore and at MIT that will oversee the projects activities. Henry Jenkins III, also a CMS professor, is the other primary investigator.

Nicholas R. Hunter '06, who is currently a producer for Electronic Arts, a video game company, was brought into the SMIGL program when he was an undergraduate as a student consultant.

"My goal then (and now) is to make sure that SMIGL provides opportunities to the students involved to get to do work that will help prepare them to enter into the games industry," Hunter said.

According to Hunter, this project is something that has been considered for a long time. "However, it's hard to get projects going without a common cause. The chance to cooperate with Singapore served as a catalyst for multiple departments at MIT to come together."

The project, which draws from earlier conferences and research efforts, officially got off the ground during the spring. Many trips to Singapore were made to find the right partners for the project and to develop relationships with the Singaporean government, industry, and academia, Hunter said.

"This is a broad collaboration across industry and academia," Uricchio said. "Singapore seems to have embraced the concept of the network more insightfully than any country that I know of. They partner with top universities from around the world both by sending students out, and by welcoming institutions to set up shop in Singapore."

Uricchio said that gaming was looked at specifically because of the untapped economic and creative potential. Gaming is one industry that is experiencing huge growth, Uricchio, in comparison to the publishing, film, and music industries that are either stable or shrinking.

"We see a lot of potential at looking at games as a medium instead of just as entertainment," Uricchio said, citing education as a specific platform where games could be useful.

"With games, you can model things in physics and you can't really show with a video or with photographs," he said. "With an interactive platform, you can have people experience certain aspects of physics that they wouldn't be able to otherwise."

Uricchio describes SMIGL as very different compared to past MIT-Singapore collaborations, as it is based in the humanities, arts, and social sciences, as well as in engineering and computer science subjects. The other major MIT partnerships with Singapore center around engineering.

"It's something that we're all very excited about," Hunter said. "It seems only appropriate that the birthplace of 'SpaceWar' has another major research effort into games. "SpaceWar," developed in the 1960s, was one of the first computer games.

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51 percent participation from the seniors,” Kavanagh commented.

During the week, booths for each class collected donations in Lobby 10. People donated on the spot in cash or using TechCASH and credit cards. “Campaigning is basically done in the hallway in Lobby 10 as it allows us to reach different groups of people, so hopefully we can talk to people we could not talk to in the fall,” Kavanagh said.

The funds collected during UGC will go toward the Public Service Center expedition grants to pay for MIT students to go abroad to do public service. Disaster relief trips to Pakistan and the D-Lab program have been funded by these expedition grants, Kavanagh said.

“We are not just looking for donations but we also want people to understand the importance of philanthropy and the PSC,” Kavanagh said. “PSC is a great organization on campus that students don’t have awareness of and we hope that we were able to inform them about it.”

Overall, the results of the first week of UGC were very favorable, Kavanagh said. “It was a pilot program and even if it was a small donation it was more than what we had expected — within a week in fall, we had 15 percent participation from the underclassmen and that is fantastic,” he said. “I will definitely look at it as a success and hopefully we will have another 15 percent participation level in spring.”

According to Senior Gift Chairman Dwight M. Chambers ’07, UGC will not be marketed before the spring as it is a much smaller program than the Senior Gift. The Senior Gift will kick off on Nov. 8. Chambers said, the first time that it will begin in the fall.
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Several Tackles Help Engineers Beat Salve

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Attempts and only one interception which was minimized by his three touchdown passes.

While offense was MIT's best defense on Saturday, several Engineer defenders made big contributions. .

Engineer linebacker and captain Philip T. Zakielarz '07 led the team with seven solo tackles for a total of nine total bring downs. Safety David O. Kalk '08 was second on the team with seven total tackles.

Kalk's biggest contribution can't be quantified; he switched over to cornerback in the second half and shut down Salve's leading receiver Antonio Guzzo to just one second-half reception.

This Sunday the Engineers will welcome first year NEFC member, the Plymouth State University Panthers (2-3, 2-5), to Steinbrenner Stadium.

With victories over UMass Dartmouth and Western New England College, the Panthers should be a tough match-up for MIT, who will try to maintain the momentum from their victory over Salve Regina when they face Plymouth State.

Tufts Tamed by MIT in Championship Match

Volleyball, from Page 20

finished with 17 kills, 10 digs, and three blocks. Rowe anchored the Engineers' blocking corps with seven stops, adding 13 kills as well. Morris notched her second double-double of the tournament with 44 assists and 12 digs. Zheng led the back row with 14 digs while Huntington and Buchanan each contributed 11.

May and Stephenson were forces to be reckoned with in the championship match versus Tufts. The duo each recorded five blocks with May tallying 16 kills (.375 hitting percentage) and Stephenson posting 10 kills (.438). Rogoz contributed 12 kills for the second consecutive match, and Rowe totaled four blocks and a team-high three aces.

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momentum during the next 10 minutes as they extended their lead to 3-1. Ayuso initiated a fastbreak and then set up Amanda P. Hunter '07 for what proved to be the game-winning goal.

Wheaton quickly cut its deficit in half when Ardito knocked in the rebound of Dimick's shot with 7:14 remaining in regulation.

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**Volleyball Wins All Games For Crown**

By Mindy Brauer

The MIT women's volleyball team did not drop a game in four matches as it captured its first host of Tournament crown in four years this past weekend.

The Engineers blanked Mount Holyoke College (30-18, 30-21, 30-22) and Brandeis University (30-24, 30-20, 30-28) in pool play on Friday, then defeated Amherst College (37-30-20, 30-22) and Brandeis University (30-24, 5-3) in the NEWMAC.

While the Lyons fell to 13-6 overall and 3-5 in conference play, the Engineers quickly followed up on their first win of the new season with a 3-0 sweep of the Lyons to advance to pool play on Sunday, Oct. 29.

Amanda J. Morris '08 represented MIT on the NEWMAC all-conference team. Morris averaged 38.5 assists/match and 8.75 digs/match, while Alexandria T. May '10 received her first tournament MVP award, averaging 13.75 digs/match.

Against Mount Holyoke, Brianne Stephenson '07 powered the Engineers' (8-26-6, 2NEWAC) offense with 13 assists and six digs, while Lindsay E. Hunting '09 and Carrie C. Buchanan '08 back up Alexandra T. May '10 as she returns the ball to serve. The Engineers dominated time of possession in their first scoring drive of the game, which totaled 6:3 seconds. The Engineers went on to win 30-14, 30-17, 30-27 over Babson.

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After a four-day TD run by Utz and the Engineers went to the air with wide receiver Kevin T. Vogelsang '09 who capped off the next two of the last three MIT scoring drives.

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The excellent running effort combined for 163 yards on 22 carries for Babson. Guzzo's 137 yards on 15 carries led the Engineers' own defensive unit well rested as they watched Mancuso and company go to work.

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