

MIT Police, Family Search For Missing Senior Daniel Barclay

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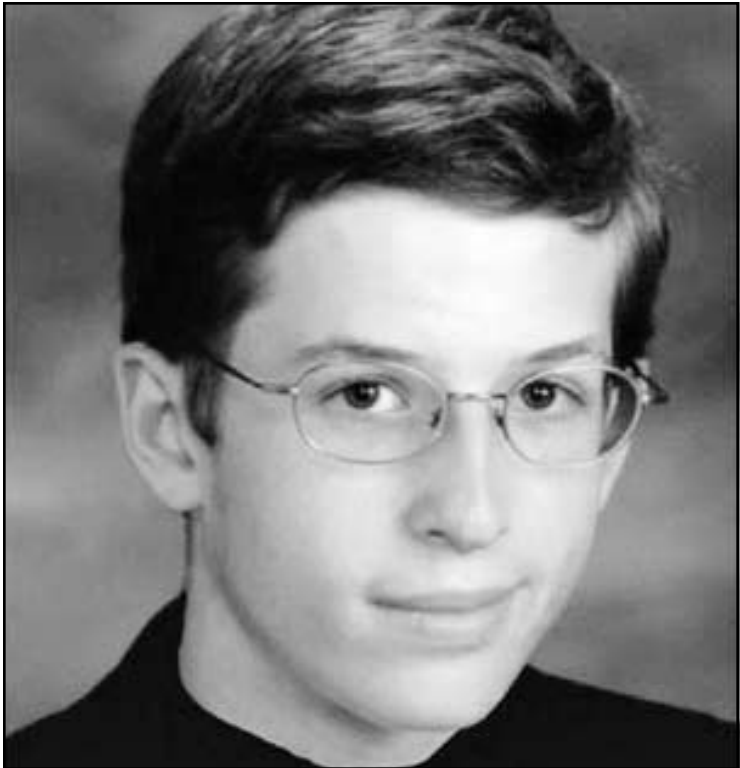
Undergraduate Daniel J. Barclay '07 has been missing since Sunday, April 8. Barclay, 5'11", has brown hair and blue eyes, and may be wearing a dark fleece jacket, according to an MIT News Office press release. Barclay, 22, who is a former Opinion staff columnist for *The Tech*, was last seen in his Ashdown House residence.

According to the MIT Police, Barclay was declared a missing person on Friday, April 13 and is listed in both state and national missing persons databases. Anyone with information regarding Barclay's disappearance is urged to call the MIT Police at 617-253-1212.

The last sign of Barclay was his AOL Instant Messenger away message that was set late Sunday evening, Barclay's mother Susan Kayton '78 said. According to Kayton, the message read, "I have to meet with some sketchy people I thought I'd never have to deal with ever again in east Cambridge."

Senior Associate Dean for Students Barbara A. Baker said that the investigation is "focused through our campus police." "We're hopeful that he will be found and will be found in good health" and "every lead is being pursued," she said.

"It's possible that he was bushwhacked in east Cambridge," said Kayton, "Or maybe he was looking to get away." Barclay may have gone on one of the long walks he sometimes takes, she said.



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Detective Willard J. Boulter III, who is in charge of the investigation, said MIT is "working with local, state, and federal agencies."

Lieutenant Albert F. Pierce, Jr. said that MIT is actively investigating the case and that "all the colleges in the Boston area have received his photo."

Pierce raised the possibility that Barclay just needed to get away, in which case he should contact someone. "[Contacting someone] could put a lot of people at ease," Pierce said.

"If he doesn't want to be found ...

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Virginia Tech Shooting Takes 33 Lives, Shocks Academic Community

By Shaila Dewan
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THE NEW YORK TIMES

The police identified Cho Seung-Hui, a 23-year-old student, as the killer of 32 people in the shooting rampage at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, releasing new information on Tuesday about the troubled mind of a young man few people on campus knew.

Federal investigators said Cho — a South Korean immigrant who Americanized his name and preferred to be known as Seung Cho — left behind a note that they described as a lengthy, rambling and bitter list of complaints focusing on moral laxity and double-dealing he found among what he viewed as

wealthier and more privileged students on campus.

And new information emerged that may help explain a fateful two-hour delay by university officials in warning the campus of a gunman at large. According to search warrants and statements from the police, campus investigators had been busy pursuing what appears to have been a fruitless lead in the first of two shooting episodes Monday.

After two people, Emily Jane Hilscher, a freshman, and Ryan Clark, the resident adviser whose room was nearby in the dormitory, were shot dead, the campus police began searching for Karl D. Thorn-

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In Short

¶ A candlelight vigil in honor of the Virginia Tech shooting victims and their friends and family will be held today from 5–6 p.m. on the steps of the Student Center. Students are also encouraged to wear Virginia Tech's school colors, orange and maroon today.

¶ The Angels and Airwaves concert will be held this Sunday, April 22 at Johnson Athletic Center at 4:30 p.m. to celebrate Biodiesel@MIT's victory in the mtvU GE ecomagination

challenge. More information about the band is available at <http://www.myspace.com/angelsandairwaves>.

¶ Deborah Loeb Bohren will join MIT as vice president for external affairs starting May 21. Bohren is currently executive vice president at the Washington, D.C. public affairs firm of Powell Tate. Bohren's appointment was announced in an e-mail letter to the Institute's faculty and staff on April 18.

Privacy Laws Restrict Mental Illness Disclosure to Parents

By Tamar Lewin
THE NEW YORK TIMES

Federal privacy and antidiscrimination laws restrict how universities can deal with students who have mental health problems.

For the most part, universities cannot tell parents about their children's problems without the student's consent. They cannot release any information in a student's medical record without consent. And they cannot put students on involuntary medical leave, just because they develop a serious mental illness.

Nor is knowing when to worry about student behavior, and what action to take, always so clear.

"They can't really kick someone out because they're writing papers about weird topics, even if they seem withdrawn and hostile," said Dr. Richard Kadison, chief of mental health services at Harvard University. "Most state laws are pretty clear: you can only bring students to hospitals if there is imminent risk to themselves or someone else, so universities are in a bit of a bind that way."

But, he said, some schools do mandate limited amounts of treatment in certain circumstances.

"At the University of Missouri, if someone makes a suicide attempt,

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New Lobdell Thai Restaurant Construction Slated For Summer

Construction for a new Thai restaurant that will fill the last spot in Lobdell Food Court is slated to begin over the summer, according to Richard D. Berlin III, The new Subway restaurant is scheduled to open next month.

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Prices at the new Thai restaurant will be competitive with those of other restaurants in Lobdell and the Student Center, according to Berlin. It has not been decided whether new employees will be hired or if the restaurant will partner with an existing company on campus, Berlin said.

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Big Screw Money Goes to Make-A-Wish

By Benjamin P. Gleitzman
NEWS EDITOR

This year's Big Screw candidate Maureen R. Lynch, Design and Manufacturing I (2.007) course administrator, amassed over \$1,500 in the final day of the competition to claim the 2007 title. During the week-long contest, national service fraternity Alpha Phi Omega collected \$2,919.09, including \$1,920.67 submitted on behalf Lynch.

This is the largest amount of money raised in recent memory through the Big Screw contest, said Sarah C. Hopp '08, the service vice president of APO. All money collected during the event will be donated to Lynch's charity of choice, the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Lynch was surprised with the trophy, a four foot left-handed aluminum screw, during the 2.007 laboratory period yesterday afternoon.

"I'm relieved that the winner has been announced," said Lynch, admiring her award.

"Up until the last day, [Laboratory in Software Engineering (6.170) professor Michael D.] Ernst was slightly ahead of Lynch," said Laurel H. Bobrow '07. Many \$100 bills, wrapped in \$1 bills, were submitted for Lynch on the final day, along with a huge number of \$20 bills from the 2.007 support staff. Ernst only

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Maureen R. Lynch, Design and Manufacturing I (2.007) course administrator, knocks on the doors of mechanical engineering graduate students after being awarded the Big Screw by Alpha Phi Omega. Upon winning the award, Lynch led a victory parade through Building 3.



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New Hampshire Governor Says He Supports Civil Unions

By Pam Belluck

THE NEW YORK TIMES

BOSTON

New Hampshire's governor said Thursday that he would sign a bill legalizing civil unions for same-sex couples.

For weeks, the governor, John Lynch, declined to express his views on the civil union bill, which was passed by the State House of Representatives and is expected to be passed by the State Senate next week. Both chambers are controlled by Democrats for the first time in more than a century.

The measure would make New Hampshire the fourth state to allow civil unions, following the lead of Vermont, Connecticut and New Jersey. California allows domestic partnerships with benefits similar to civil unions. Massachusetts is the only state that allows same-sex marriage.

"It's a matter of conscience, of fairness and preventing discrimination," the governor, a Democrat, told reporters in Allentown, N.H., according to his spokesman, Colin Manning.

Manning said the governor opposes same-sex marriage, adding that "the civil unions bill does extend the rights that married couples do enjoy — hospital visitation, crime victims' rights, health insurance — but at the same time it preserves the distinction of marriage."

Hedge Funds' Activism Creates New Wealth For Law Firms

By Ellen Rosen

THE NEW YORK TIMES

For corporate lawyers of a certain age, it seems like the 1980s all over again.

Proxy fights, once the exclusive domain of investors like Carl C. Icahn, are on the rise. The primary cause is easy to spot: "The resurgence of shareholder activism is a direct result of the growth of hedge funds," said Marc Weingarten, a partner at Schulte Roth & Zabel.

And the re-emergence of proxy fights is a reason that mergers-and-acquisitions lawyers, along with longtime fund-formation lawyers, are redefining the hedge fund practice.

The result is a boon both to law firms that originally advised hedge funds, like Schulte Roth; Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld; and Seward & Kissel, as well as to those with more traditional corporate finance practices, like Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom; Sidley Austin; Sullivan & Cromwell; and Willkie Farr & Gallagher, among others.

Chinese Growth Shows Little Restraint, Rising 11.1 Percent

By David Barboza

THE NEW YORK TIMES

SHANGHAI, CHINA

China's economy continues to accelerate at a blistering pace, growing 11.1 percent in the first quarter of this year from the first quarter of 2006, according to data from the National Bureau of Statistics released Thursday.

The surge in growth is almost certain to force Beijing to step up efforts to cool the economy. Pressure is also mounting on officials to allow the value of the currency, the yuan, to appreciate more quickly.

A benchmark Chinese share index — anticipating higher interest rates and perhaps other measures aimed at taming domestic stocks — plunged 4.5 percent Thursday, ending a robust rally that had driven prices to record highs in recent days.

Despite the big drop, the Shanghai Stock Exchange composite index closed at 3,449.02, up more than 200 percent in the last 16 months.

More than a dozen interest rate increases and other moves to tighten money and lending over the last three years have failed to tame growth in China, the world's fastest-growing major economy.

Attorney General Encounters Criticism at Senate Hearing

By David Stout

THE NEW YORK TIMES

WASHINGTON

Attorney General Alberto R. Gonzales encountered anger and skepticism from senators on Thursday as he insisted that he had nothing to hide in the dismissals of eight U.S. attorneys, an episode that has cast a shadow on the Justice Department and brought calls for his resignation.

"I am here today to do my part to ensure that all facts about this matter are brought to light," he told the Senate Judiciary Committee this morning, noting that the panel's inquiry into the dismissals had already yielded thousands of pages of internal departmental communications and hours of interviews with department officials.

"These are not the actions of someone with something to hide," Gonzales said in his opening remarks.

But his reception from Democrats and Republicans alike signaled the extent of Gonzales' problems. He is trying to hold on to his job amid accusations that he has been less than forthcoming, at best,

about his role in the firing of the federal prosecutors, and senators from both parties pressed him on the matter on Thursday.

"Today, the Department of Justice is experiencing a crisis of leadership perhaps unrivaled during its 137-year history," said the panel's chairman, Sen. Patrick J. Leahy. "The Department of Justice should never be reduced to another political arm of the White House — this White House or any White House. The Department of Justice must be worthy of its name."

Leahy, D-Vt., made it clear at the outset that he was not persuaded by the repeated assertions from President Bush and his allies that the dismissals of the U.S. attorneys, who are political appointees and serve at the pleasure of the president, were above board.

"Indeed," Leahy said, "the apparent reason for these terminations had a lot more to do with politics than performance."

Democrats have questioned whether at least some of the eight prosecutors were fired because they were being too aggressive in investigating possible crimes linked

to Republicans, or not aggressive enough in going after Democrats, or both.

"I did not do that," the grim-faced attorney general told the senators. "I would never do that, nor do I believe that anyone else in the department advocated the removal of a U.S. attorney for such a purpose."

But Leahy pressed Gonzales on conversations he had with Karl Rove, President Bush's chief political adviser, about removing David C. Iglesias, the U.S. attorney in New Mexico. "So, when was David Iglesias added to the list of U.S. attorneys to be replaced?" Leahy asked.

When Gonzales said he did not remember, although he thought Iglesias was slated for removal between Oct. 17 and Dec. 15, Leahy responded: "He was added either before or after the elections, but you don't know when. Is that what you're saying?"

Gonzales insisted that he did not recall the timing. So Leahy asked why Iglesias was let go, since Gonzales himself had earlier expressed confidence in him: "When and why did he lose your confidence?"

Bush, Lawmakers Fail to Agree On a U.S. Troop Iraq Timeline

By Jeff Zeleny and Jim Rutenberg

THE NEW YORK TIMES

WASHINGTON

After weeks of acrimonious sparring over financing the next phase of the war, President Bush and congressional leaders softened their tone on Wednesday but failed to resolve their differences over a timeline for removing most U.S. combat troops from Iraq next year.

Bush met with a bipartisan group of lawmakers in the White House for nearly an hour, the first face-to-face discussion since the House and Senate passed emergency Iraq spending bills last month with provisions to end the war. Democrats said they would send the president legislation by the end of next week, despite his pledge to veto it.

"We believe he must search his soul, his conscience, and find out what

is the right thing for the American people," Sen. Harry Reid of Nevada, the Democratic majority leader, told reporters after the meeting. "I believe signing this bill will do that."

The White House, though, said Bush had no intention of signing any legislation that included a call for a troop withdrawal. Democrats do not have enough support to override a veto, so the debate over financing the troops remains at an impasse.

Sen. Mitch McConnell of Kentucky, the Republican leader, said, "The president, obviously, as you already know, is not going to accept language that specifies a date for surrender or language that micromanages the efforts of our military in Iraq."

The discussions took place on one of the deadliest days of the year in Baghdad, where at least 171 people were killed in bombings. Democrats said the violence underscored the ur-

gency of finding a new direction in Iraq, one that did not place U.S. troops in the middle of a civil war.

At the beginning of the meeting, Bush declared, "People have strong opinions around the table and I'm looking forward to listening to them." And for the next hour, according to participants and aides in the room, a frank conversation unfolded between the president and the 10 legislative leaders seated around the table in the Cabinet Room.

A White House official who attended the meeting, and spoke on condition of anonymity in order to describe details, said Bush's first question to the Democratic leaders was, "When can you get me a bill?"

And, this official said, Bush told the Democrats that he hoped to ultimately follow several of the guidelines set forth last year in a report by the Iraq Study Group.

WEATHER

Looking Past the Finish Line

By Tim Whitcomb

STAFF METEOROLOGIST

Our recent bit of un-springlike weather seems partially responsible for a creeping malaise spreading through the normally cheerful New England population. I noticed that I was getting progressively grumpier, but I hadn't realized how bad it was until I read a Metro reader's letter to the editor calling for serious harm to befall Puxatawney Phil: the adorable ball of fur that symbolically determines our climatic fate.

I was up in New Hampshire this past Sunday and was greeted by several inches of the kind of snow that's perfect for creating snowmen and packing into snowballs to pelt neighborhood children who dare mess with that sculpture. It was an idyllic scene, but as I sat there enjoying the peaceful stillness of the winter landscape, I looked at the calendar. It was the middle of April: instead of a bearded fat man wearing red and bearing gifts, we've got a bespectacled, skinny tax agent in a dark suit out for our wallets.

The Nor'easter that walloped the area left some amazing pictures of flooding: the combination of lots of rain, high winds, and high tide came together to wreak havoc in coastal towns. For Boston, the storm recorded about 2.5 inches (roughly 6 cm) of rain at Logan Airport. As the wind dies down and the ground dries out, I am pleased to announce that the word "sunny" appears in every single forecast this issue (well, just the daytime forecasts, but you probably could have guessed that).

Extended Forecast

Today: Sunny. High 57°F (13°C).

Tonight: A little less windy. Low 43°F (6°C).

Tomorrow: Sunny. High 63°F (17°C).

Tomorrow night: Clear, still cool. Low 42°F (5°C).

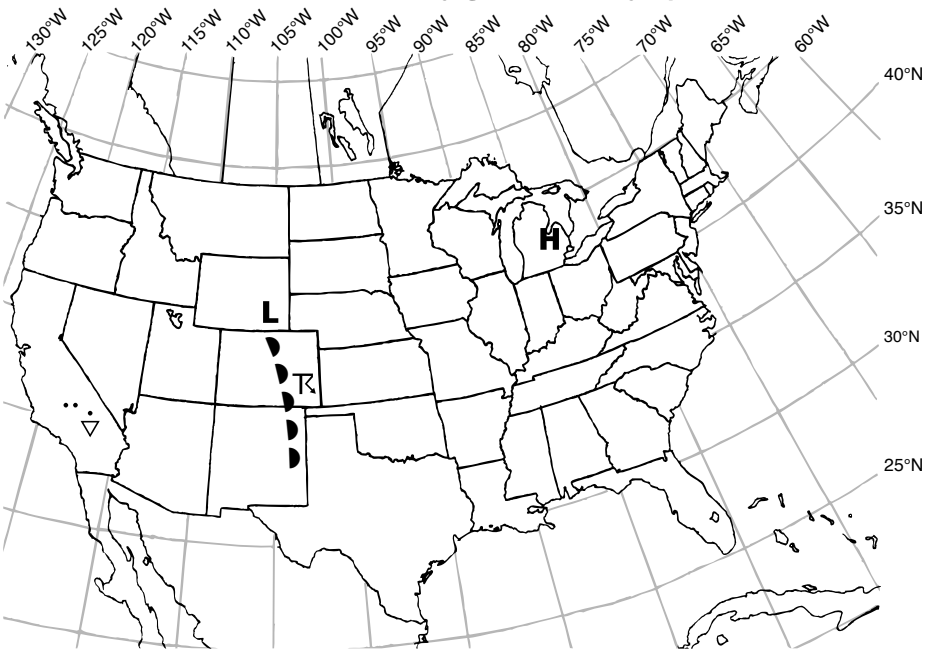
Sunday: Sunny. High 65°F (18°C).

Sunday night: A few clouds. Low 47°F (8°C).

Monday: Mostly sunny. High 75°F (23°C).

Monday night: Some clouds. Low 52°F (11°C).

Situation for Noon Eastern Daylight Time, Friday, April 20, 2007



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Justices Uphold Partial-Birth Abortion Ban in a 5-4 Decision

By Linda Greenhouse
THE NEW YORK TIMES

WASHINGTON
The Supreme Court reversed course on abortion on Wednesday, upholding the federal Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act in a 5-4 decision that promises to reframe the abortion debate and define the young Roberts court.

The most important vote was that of the newest justice, Samuel A. Alito Jr. In another 5-4 decision seven years ago, his predecessor, Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, voted to strike down a similar state law. Alito's vote to uphold the federal law made the difference in the outcome announced Wednesday.

The decision, the first time the court has upheld a ban on a specific method of abortion, means that doctors who perform the prohibited procedure may face criminal prosecution, fines and up to two years in prison. The federal law, enacted in 2003, had been blocked from taking effect by the lower court rulings that the Supreme Court overturned.

The banned procedure, known medically as "intact dilation and ex-

traction," involves removing the fetus in an intact condition rather than dismembering it in the uterus. Both methods are used to terminate pregnancies beginning at about 12 weeks, after the fetus has grown too big to be removed by the suction method commonly used in the first trimester, when 85 percent to 90 percent of all abortions take place.

While the ruling will thus have a direct impact on only a relatively small subset of abortion practice, the decision has broader implications for abortion regulations generally, indicating a change in the court's balancing of the various interests involved in the abortion debate.

Most notable was the emphasis in the majority opinion, by Justice Anthony M. Kennedy, on the implication of abortion's "ethical and moral concerns."

"The act expresses respect for the dignity of human life," Kennedy said.

The decision was a major victory for the Bush administration and its vigorous defense of the law, which President Bill Clinton had vetoed twice before President Bush signed

it. Bush welcomed the ruling, saying: "The Supreme Court's decision is an affirmation of the progress we have made over the past six years in protecting human dignity and upholding the sanctity of life. We will continue to work for the day when every child is welcomed in life and protected in law."

It was also a vindication for the strategic choice the anti-abortion movement made 15 years ago, when the prospect of persuading the Supreme Court to reconsider the right to abortion seemed a distant dream. By identifying the intact procedure and giving it the provocative label "partial-birth abortion," the movement turned the public focus of the abortion debate from the rights of women to the fate of fetuses. In short order, 30 states banned the procedure.

The decision on Wednesday came seven years after the court struck down one of those state laws, from Nebraska. Kennedy was a strong dissenter from that decision. With Alito's vote, he was in a position this time to write not for the dissenters but for the new majority.

World Bank Head Seeks Support To Stop Criticism Over Leadership

By Steven R. Weisman
THE NEW YORK TIMES

WASHINGTON
Paul D. Wolfowitz sought Wednesday to quell discontent over his leadership of the World Bank by promising top aides that he would change his management style, but he suffered a blow when one of those aides urged him to resign, bank officials said.

The officials said that at a meeting with about 30 vice presidents of the bank, Wolfowitz asked for suggestions on how he could restore faith in his management after a furor over charges of favoritism toward his companion in 2005.

He has also been criticized by bank employees for being insular and overly reliant on a handful of aides. According to several bank officials who talked to people who were at the meeting, one of Wolfowitz's two senior deputies in charge of running the bank, Graeme Wheeler, a former senior Finance Ministry official from New Zealand, said Wolfowitz needed to step down as president for the good of the bank.

"The fact that Graeme would ask

him to resign has been all over the bank today," one official said. "He is an unassuming guy who is very well respected here."

Wheeler, appointed managing director last year by Wolfowitz, did not return telephone calls or respond to an e-mail message seeking comment.

The session with Wolfowitz and his vice presidents was the first such meeting since the world's finance ministers were in town last weekend. It was seen within the bank as reflecting his determination to remain in his job, as he vowed to do on Sunday, despite a rebuke from the bank's most powerful oversight committee, which issued a statement of "great concern" about his leadership.

Bank officials said that while Wolfowitz was not specific about what the management changes would be, he did say that resigning would not be good for the bank. In the meeting with the vice presidents on Wednesday and in separate talks with groups of them on Tuesday, Wolfowitz solicited ideas on "the way forward," they said.

Officials said the vice presidents

left the second meeting with a mandate to discuss Wolfowitz's appeal for suggestions and Wheeler's call for his resignation with their staffs.

The bank's 24-member executive board also scheduled a meeting for Thursday to discuss the situation. Officials close to the board said they did not expect any specific actions to be taken.

They said the board was still trying to decide whether to reprimand Wolfowitz or to make some other assessment of his role in the transfer and promotion of his companion, Shaha Ali Riza, in 2005, when he came to the bank, and the large raises she got.

Bank officials said the board would also discuss disclosures about the conduct of Rizain taking a monthlong leave in 2003 to go to Iraq under the auspices of a private Defense Department contractor.

Bank officials said Riza did not clear the trip with top bank officers, and some said it was contrary to bank regulations for her to travel to Iraq at a time when it was inappropriate for the bank to have dealings with the American-led military occupation.

With New Technique, Doctors Remove Woman's Gallbladder Through Vagina

By Denise Grady
THE NEW YORK TIMES

Doctors in New York have removed a woman's gallbladder with instruments passed through her vagina, a technique they hope will cause less pain and scarring than the usual operation, and allow a quicker recovery. The technique can eliminate the need to cut through abdominal muscles, a major source of pain after surgery.

The operation was experimental, part of a study that is being done to find out whether people will fare better if abdominal surgery is performed through natural openings in the body rather than cuts in the belly. The surgery still requires cutting, through the wall of the vagina, stomach, or colon, but doctors say it should hurt less because those tissues are far less sensitive than the abdominal muscles.

Interest in this idea heightened after doctors from India made a video in 2004 showing an appendix being taken out through a patient's mouth. The patient had abdominal scars that would have made conven-

tional surgery difficult.

The New York patient, 66, had her gallbladder removed on March 21 and is recovering well, said her surgeon, Dr. Marc Bessler, the director of laparoscopic surgery at Columbia University Medical Center. Bessler said he thought it was the first time the operation had been performed in the United States, and he plans to show a video of the operation at a gastroenterology meeting in Las Vegas on Sunday.

"Going through a natural orifice, the mouth or rectum or vagina, to get into the abdomen and do an operation, is being excitedly worked on by a whole lot of people," Bessler said, adding that companies were beginning to make special surgical tools for the operations and that doctors had formed an organization called NOSCAR (www.Noscar.org), which stands for Natural Orifice Surgery Consortium for Assessment and Research.

The idea is part of a broader trend to make surgery less and less invasive. In the late 1980s and early '90s, surgeons began remov-

ing gallbladders with laparoscopic surgery, performed through a few small slits in the belly for a camera and surgical tools instead of the 10-inch incision needed for the original, open operation. Although some doctors were skeptical at first about the laparoscopic approach, it soon caught on, and now accounts for 90 percent of gallbladder operations.

"But patients still have pain, recovery time, and scars," Bessler said. "The next phase to make it better is to eliminate the remaining causes of pain — incisions and instruments that have to go through the muscles of the abdominal wall."

Surgeons not involved in the research had mixed reactions.

Dr. Christine Ren, an associate professor of surgery at New York University's school of medicine, called the vaginal procedure "repulsive" and said: "As a woman I find it very invasive, physically and emotionally. To me it's quite distasteful. You will really have to prove to me that there is a benefit."

Gates Reassures Israel on Arms Sale to Saudi Arabia

By David S. Cloud
THE NEW YORK TIMES

TEL AVIV, ISRAEL
Defense Secretary Robert M. Gates said Thursday that he had reassured Israel about a planned major American arms sale to Saudi Arabia and other Persian Gulf countries, saying that the sale would not threaten Israel's military superiority and that it is necessary to counter the threat from Iran.

Speaking to reporters after talks with Prime Minister Ehud Olmert and other top Israeli officials, Gates said that he stressed the point that Israel faced a greater threat from Iran than from the Arab countries that are to receive the sophisticated American weaponry.

Though the arms package has not been described publicly by American officials, they said that Israel expressed the most concern about one element of the package, satellite-guided munitions that are to be sold to Saudi Arabia for the first time. Israel has received the highly accurate bombs from the United States for years.

Gates said he made clear that the United States would help Israel maintain its military advantage over its Arab neighbors, and urged Israel not to oppose the proposed sale, which the Bush administration sees as a way to counter Iran's growing strength.

He said he told Israeli officials that they "needed to take into consideration the overall strategic environment" in the Middle East.

After Two-Day Visit to New York Waters, Whale Dies

By Anthony Ramirez and Ann Farmer
THE NEW YORK TIMES

NEW YORK
A 12-foot-long whale that had surfaced and frolicked near the mouth of the Gowanus Canal on Tuesday, delighting and surprising even the most hardened of Brooklyn residents, died yesterday, officials said.

The whale — a minke, the second-smallest whale species — had been thought to be in good health because it was surfacing regularly. Like other ocean mammals, whales must surface to breathe air.

Shortly before 5 p.m., during low tide, it was seen churning in the water. Teri Frady, a spokeswoman for the Fisheries Service of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, said, "It swam by a bulkhead" near the canal's mouth, "thrashed a little, and then expired." Neither its age nor sex were known.

Earlier in the day, biologists speculated that the whale might have followed krill or another food source into the Gowanus Canal, whose polluted waters have cleared somewhat in recent years.

Kim Durham, the rescue program director for the Riverhead Foundation for Marine Research and Preservation, which arranges for rescues of dolphins and other sea animals, said the dying whale apparently beached itself after hitting rocks near a Hess oil refinery.

Four Women Are Convicted in Attack on Man in Village

By Anemona Hartocollis
THE NEW YORK TIMES

NEW YORK
Four young women from Newark were convicted of gang assault Wednesday in the beating and stabbing of an independent filmmaker in Greenwich Village last summer, the jury rejecting their contention that they were defending themselves against an anti-lesbian attack.

But one of the women, Patreese Johnson, 19, was acquitted of attempted murder, the most serious charge in the case. Prosecutors said she had stabbed the filmmaker, Dwayne Buckle, in the abdomen with a steak knife that she carried in her purse. Johnson contended that she had only tried to cut Buckle's arm to keep him from choking two of her friends.

Along with gang assault, the jury found Johnson, who is 4-foot-11 and weighs less than 100 pounds, guilty of first-degree assault, which carries the same penalty of 5 to 25 years in prison as the attempted murder charge.

The young women sobbed and wailed "No-oo!" "Mommy!" and "I didn't do it!" as Justice Edward J. McLaughlin of State Supreme Court in Manhattan ordered them jailed until their sentencing next month, but it was almost impossible to tell who was saying what as they were led away in handcuffs by court officers.

Johnson, who worked as a night cashier at Wal-Mart, turned and mouthed "I love you" to a sister, brother and cousin in the spectator seats.

As New Jersey Cleans up, Surging Floodwaters Offer No Respite

By Tina Kelley and John Holl
THE NEW YORK TIMES

PATERSON, N.J.
While much of the region on Wednesday was cleaning up from the weekend's record-breaking storm, thousands of residents in towns along the Passaic River were forced from their homes by surging floodwaters.

From Paterson, where 1,500 residents fled, to Little Falls, where more than 400 homes were damaged, the end of the rainfall brought no respite.

The 80-mile river, which is considered one of the most flood-prone systems in the country, drains about 835 square miles of northern New Jersey and southern New York, according to the Passaic River Coalition, a preservation group. Because the Passaic drains so much water from such a large area, it takes longer for the river to crest downstream.

By Wednesday morning, six of seven bridges spanning the Passaic River were closed, because either the bridges or the roads leading to them were impassable. In addition, several roads remained closed in Lodi, New Milford and Oradell.

"Traffic was at bumper-to-bumper levels from 7 in the morning until noon," said Jose Torres, the mayor of Paterson.

While residents fought the swollen river, Acting Gov. Richard J. Codey toured the saturated state by helicopter. About 5,000 people in 11 counties were forced to leave their homes in recent days, and at least three people were killed. Search teams retrieved the body of a woman Wednesday who was believed to have accidentally driven into the Ramapo River on Sunday night, the police said.

OPINION



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iHouse Created: Open 24 hours?



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Letters To The Editor

Darfur: A Pivotal Moment For MIT

As you might have read in *The Tech* last week, the Advisory Committee on Shareholder Responsibility (ACSR) recently submitted their recommendations on divestment from Sudan to the MIT Corporation's Executive Committee (a whopping seven months after they first convened). But what you might not have heard was that on that same day, the issue of MIT's divestment came up in another forum: during the Karl Taylor Compton lecture by Senator Edward Kennedy.

During a question and answer session following the lecture, a student asked Senator Kennedy about the genocide in Darfur and about our moral obligation to act. During his response, Senator Kennedy mentioned "an impressive" grassroots divestment campaign that has sprung up across states and universities in

response to the genocide. Provocatively, Senator Kennedy turned directly to our President, who was sitting in the front row, and asked her where MIT stood on this front.

I wonder what President Hockfield would have responded had she had a microphone? Given that we are one of only a very few top universities in the country who have not even completed a formal decision on divestment, I imagine the response would have been very short. And given that 41 universities and nine states, including California — the seventh largest economy in the world — have already divested from Sudan (some more than two years ago), MIT's silence on this front is at best shameful.

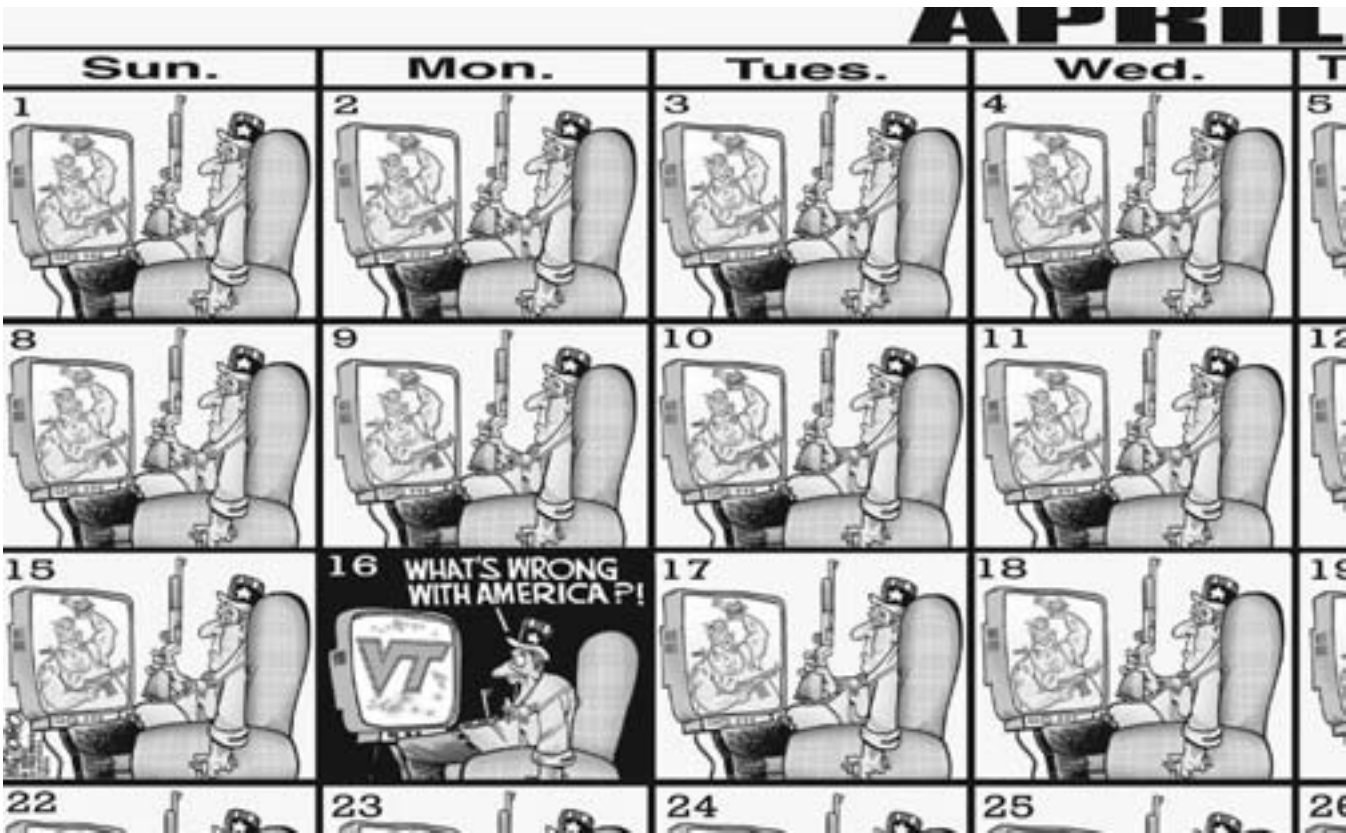
However, all is not lost. The MIT Executive Committee is now in a unique position to change things, to turn this whole thing around. How? By aiming higher, much higher. Why not, instead of simply divesting from Sudan, which we are lagging behind in anyway, take

on new initiatives that actually fully utilize the talents and capability of our Institute, to truly make MIT a leader in helping the people of Darfur?

How? Why not organize an Institute-wide fundraiser to raise money for humanitarian aid for the 2.5 million Darfur civilians currently living on a thread in refugee camps? Why not use the skills of MIT's expert engineers to start a program to build solar cookers for the women of Darfur, many of whom have been violently raped while looking for firewood to cook with? And why not use MIT's notable position with the oil and petrochemical industries to pressure them to act responsibly in Darfur?

The possibilities are endless. The only question which remains is whether we simply have the *will* to act. Otherwise, I fear we will find ourselves singing the sadly all-too-familiar tune of "Never again" while Darfur burns to nothingness.

Kayvan Zainabadi G



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RESTAURANT REVIEW

Not Miraculous, But Still Worthwhile

Miracle of Science Good, But Not Cheap

By Bill Andrews
CAMPUS LIFE EDITOR
Miracle of Science Bar & Grill
321 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA
(617) 868-2866
Open Daily 11:30am-1am

I must have walked by Miracle of Science Bar & Grill on Massachusetts Avenue at least a hundred times, but didn't know it until last week. It took my fiancée, who doesn't even live here anymore, to tell me about this place and why we should eat there when she came to visit on her spring break. Apparently, the restaurant is famous enough that her friends in the Midwest suggested we try it out, and I'm glad they did. It's a fun little restaurant with good food, a nice atmosphere, and reasonable (if not for everyday) prices.

Despite the construction that always plagues Mass. Ave. (and reached right up to the front

door when we went there), Miracle of Science has a pleasant, urbane sophistication to it. Even though it's on the small size, it felt like a homey place from the first moment we walked into the triangular-shaped space. It's the kind of place you'd feel comfortable taking your family, hanging out at with friends, or suggesting to your advisor when he or she wants to take you out for drinks. Being a science-y area and all, the menu is displayed in a periodic table of elements, with the columns and rows having similar properties (chicken dishes vs. beef dishes, appetizers vs. entrees, etc). It was cute in its own nerdy way.

We picked a table near the bar where we could see up the street (away from MIT, thank goodness), and wondered what to have. The waitress, friendly and attentive even though the place seemed packed, suggested we try a skewer dish (like a shish kebab). After a couple more minutes of thought and beer (which always helps with decisions), we decided on a chicken

skewer dish (\$10) and a regular ol' hamburger (\$7.50).

Overall the food was pretty good, though nothing really to write home about. The chicken was tasty and exotic (or, at least, more exotic than our usual fare), and came with a great blend of sauces and garnishes. I personally don't like too much going on in my mouth, but my fiancée loved the interesting interplay of foods not normally eaten together. My burger, on the other hand, was not too exotic but still very good. Too many restaurants that should really know better suffer from what I call "bad burger syndrome." This syndrome generally causes otherwise nice restaurants to inexplicably fail at producing decent burgers, either overcooking them or combining ingredients that are at odds with each other. So I was relieved when my burger was juicy, well-cooked, and didn't just taste of charcoal.

The food was good, the service was fine, the atmosphere was enjoyable, and even the view

was nice. Are we going to eat there all the time now? Not unless we win the lottery (or, at least, get real jobs). \$10 for the chicken, and \$7.50 for the burger (which was smaller than what get at the more economical Cambridge Grill), plus a couple beers at \$4 each, and it's a pretty expensive little lunch. And, due to the limited menu and the small size, it doesn't seem like this would be a really great place for dinner, either. I've since heard that the real greatness of Miracle of Science is their bar, that you can just talk for hours while getting great drinks at regular prices and having a good time; that may be the case, but it looked like a regular bar to us.

Miracle of Science is a good place to know about and have on your radar. You should eat there at least once during your tenure at MIT and keep it in mind when others are willing to pay for you. And, who knows, maybe you'll find that the blend of tastes or the fabulous bar service easily justifies the extra cost. Just so long

MOVIE REVIEW ★★

The Namesake: Lost in Translation

Ineffective Adaptation of Lahiri's Novel

By Kapil Amarnath
STAFF WRITER
"The Namesake"
Directed by Mira Nair
Based on the novel by Jhumpa Lahiri
Screenplay by Sooni Taraporevala
Starring: Irfan Khan, Kal Penn, and Tabu
Rated PG-13
Now Playing

Mira Nair's films, like Indian festivals, tend to be indulgent and excessive. Writer Jhumpa Lahiri's stories about Indian-Americans are sparse and understated by contrast. For her adaptation of Lahiri's best-selling novel *The Namesake*, Nair finds a compromise between the two styles, but her otherwise effective directing is undercut by an overambitious yet bland screenplay.

The film attempts to address multi-generational themes, but is littered with lazy approximations of the immigrant experience and tries to cover too many characters in too much detail

for its two hour running time. The novel was far more powerful, concentrating on the experiences of Gogol, a second-generation Indian-American. So while those with little exposure to Indian culture will find the film at least somewhat informative, anyone familiar with the culture or the book will be put off by the inadequate representation of the central character and the dilution of the themes essential to the novel.

The movie initially focuses on Ashima (Tabu) and Ashoke (Irfan Khan), two arranged newlyweds from Calcutta who settle "halfway around the world," in New York City, where Ashoke is a graduate student. The film begins at Ashima's house to establish her ties to India and the stark differences between that country and the US. Ashima's house in India is full of life, people, and color, though it lacks clean water and washing machines. When Ashima and Ashoke arrive at his apartment in New York City, Ashima meets snow, captivity, and loneliness. Unfortunately, *The Namesake* substitutes clichés for insight, repeatedly drawing

attention to obvious details, such as samosas and the distance between India and the US.

Thereafter, the film follows Ashima and Ashoke's son, Gogol (Kal Penn), who is searching for his personal identity as an Indian-American.

While Gogol is extremely close to his family and shows that love at home, he grows up in America, attending public schools and rock concerts. When he leaves home, he rebels against his parents' traditions and grows enamored with "old money" American culture. It takes a tragedy to remind him of his love for his family. In the end, he embraces an identity that reconciles his parents' influence with his American surroundings.

In the novel, Gogol is defined by his romantic relationships and his memories, but both are handled poorly in the film. For example, in the novel, Maxine (Jacinda Barrett) and her WASP-y parents seduce Gogol with the sense of permanence, comfort, and style evident in their lives, starting with the first time he sees her house, a Greek Revival. The film, however,

skips Gogol's first meeting with Maxine's family entirely. Too many flashbacks make either obvious or vague points. Without the right details, I missed the strong familiarity that I felt with Gogol when I read the novel.

Both Nair and screenwriter Sooni Taraporevala identify with Ashima as a main character in the movie, even though she was a secondary character in the novel. In an attempt to give equal weight to both stories, the film does justice to neither, but can only flit through the main events in these characters' lives. Bouncing from crisis to crisis, Ashima and Gogol seem oddly emotional and overly tragic, and despite all the action, the movie plods.

One complaint I had about the novel was Lahiri's insistence on a hushed tone that stripped several of the characters of personality, making them seem like contrivances. A film had the opportunity to breathe life into these characters. The film settles for simplifications of many aspects of the immigrant experience and ultimately fails to challenge or engage the audience.



Stephanie S. Cavagnaro-Wong '07, Jonas Kubilius '08, and Timothy D. Hill '07 (from left to right) perform in MIT Dramashop's production of Thornton Wilder's *Our Town*. Performances run April 18–20 at 8 p.m. in Kresge Little Theater.



Doonesbury

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

Dilbert® by Scott Adams

Pseudoscience by Daniel Klein-Marcuschamer

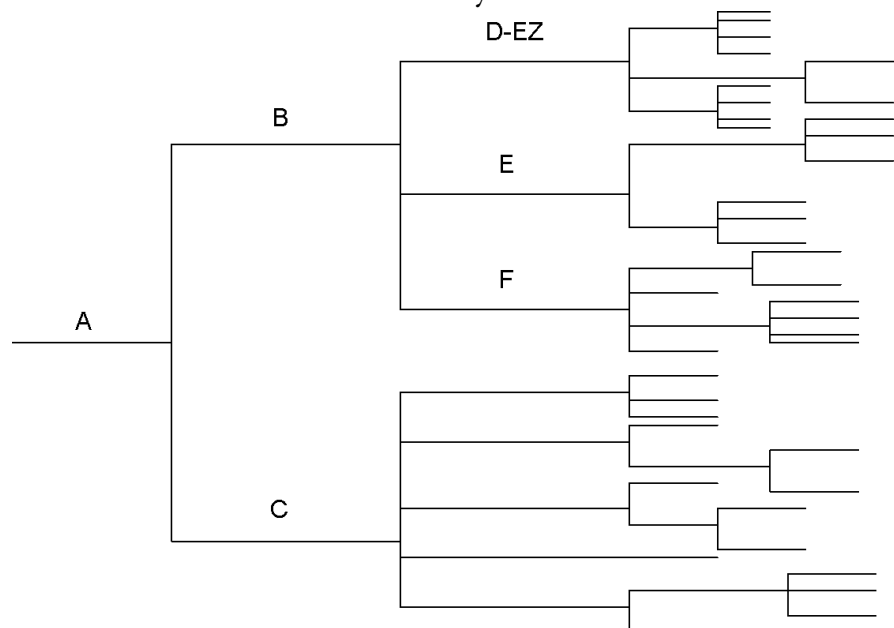


Figure 9. Dendrogram-like representation of the tax preparation process. Each horizontal line represents a form that must be completed, e.g., to complete form A, forms B and C must also be completed, and so on. The letters EZ in form D serve to throw people off by making them believe the form is straightforward. For clarity, the figure here presented is a shortened version of the full diagram. It is evident from the picture that the tax preparation problem is NP-hard.

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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. Solution on page 21.

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Crossword Puzzle

Solution, page 21

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14 Give off
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17 "Two Years Before the Mast" author
18 Leek's relative
19 Sawbucks
20 Crow
23 Sock parts
24 Gumshoe
25 Engraver's instrument
28 Bambi and kin
30 Carpentry tool
33 "Dies ___"
34 On the wagon
35 Rocky peak
36 Hunt
40 Moving vehicle
41 Negatively charged ion
42 Part of B.A.
43 The Greatest
44 Tears

45 Admonition

- 47 May celebrant
48 Woody Guthrie's boy
49 Apple
56 Assist
57 Speckled fish
58 "___ la Douce"
59 Run off
60 School for Pierre
61 Aunts in Acapulco
62 Hardy girl
63 Warning words
64 Salinger lass

DOWN

- 1 G-men
- 2 Asian nursemaid
- 3 Prong
- 4 Momentarily stunned
- 5 Mass vestments
- 6 Louise and Turner
- 7 Death Valley rarity
- 8 Third baseman
Rodriguez
- 9 Sea cows
- 10 Caper
- 11 Provocative look
- 12 Patch up
- 13 Pop-ups, e.g.

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22 Quotable catcher
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26 Error's partner
27 One-named New Age musician
28 Extinct birds
29 Israeli statesman
30 Gawk
31 Major artery
32 Carpus, commonly
34 Salon sound
37 Slugger Hank
38 Lively
39 Likely winner, perhaps
45 Packing cases
46 TV alien from Melmac
47 Exodus leader
48 Mature
49 Office folder
50 March 15th
51 Shell competitor
52 High time?
53 "Trinity" author
54 Muslim leader
55 Stun, with a gun
56 Back of the Space Shuttle

Science Should Influence Policy, Says Sen. Kennedy

By Shreyes Seshasai
STAFF REPORTER

Massachusetts Senator Edward M. Kennedy (D) spoke to an MIT audience recently about the Bush administration's current science policy, including the restrictions it places on stem cell research and its handling of global warming. Kennedy, who is the 2007 Karl Taylor Compton Lecturer, drew a crowd to a packed Kirsch Auditorium last Friday, April 13.

Kennedy praised MIT for its leadership over the past century and a half in "producing scientists, engineers, and entrepreneurs who have changed the world." He began by describing the nature of the creation of MIT by founders who "understood that the spirit of scientific inquiry could serve a model for a more enlightened age." Kennedy described the founders as those who "believed that politics should be influenced and informed by science — not the other way around."

In describing the current administration, Kennedy was very critical of President George W. Bush. "We find people in power who believe that political advantage — and not scientific truth — should inform public policy ... But, no matter how hard they try to create their own pseudo-science and pseudo-reality, in the long run, they will not succeed. The reality-based community is alive and well."

Throughout the speech, Kennedy criticized the administration's at-

tempts to influence scientific findings for its own gain. Kennedy referenced the Bush administration's delay of the approval of the emergency contraceptive pill Plan B until August 2006, despite recommendation for approval by the FDA's professional staff back in 2003.

Kennedy also described his frustration with President Bush's stance on stem cell research, which currently "opposes the federal funding of stem cell lines created since August 9, 2001." Kennedy questioned the "moral concern" that Bush has with stem cell research, stating that the choice of August 9, 2001 was arbitrary and not scientifically or morally significant.

Earlier this month, Kennedy voted in favor of a bill to allow federal funding for stem cell research, called the HOPE Act. The bill was approved in the Senate and is currently in committee in the House of Representatives.

Kennedy also saw the conflict between politics and science in the administration's actions towards global warming. Kennedy described how Bush allowed "former oil industry lobbyists employed by the White House to edit EPA documents about global warming before they were released ... [which] weakened critical conclusions about the scope and causes of climate change."

Regarding intelligent design, "the President himself has supported the



WILLAM YEE—THE TECH

Senior Senator Edward Kennedy (D-MA), the 2007 Karl Taylor Compton Lecturer, discusses science and public policy in a filled Kirsch Auditorium on Friday, April 13.

teaching of intelligent design in our public schools, notwithstanding the enormous weight of scientific evidence against it."

"This manipulation of governmental institutions for political gain not only breeds cynicism and erodes trust, but it also threatens the very

foundations of our democracy. But there is an antidote for this poison, and you've got it here at MIT. You understand that the answer to unquestioning uncertainty is not absolute certainty of our own, but a questioning spirit that seeks to find and follow the truth."

Kennedy expressed hope that "MIT will be our partner in making science and public policy partners once again" and continued by appealing directly to the MIT community. "The opportunity for investigation and innovation is what attracts so many students and researchers to MIT each year. It's the idea that a major breakthrough, a revolutionary discovery, or a new vision of society is just around the next corner. It's the idea that your intellect can be harnessed to make life better for others."

Following his talk, Kennedy answered questions from the audience. Unsurprisingly, Kennedy was asked his opinions of the current field of candidates for the 2008 Presidential election. "We need leaders that are going to talk about where we're going, and to challenge us" said Kennedy, in discussing what qualities he feels the next President should have.

Kennedy currently serves as chairman of the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee. In response to a question regarding the No Child Left Behind Act, Kennedy stressed the importance the goals of the program, but felt that the administration has not gone far enough to provide assistance to schools falling behind. The result is that the lack of funding has "left 3.5 million [children] behind." In response to a question on genocide in Darfur, Kennedy said he felt that military intervention was necessary, and he was impressed by efforts "that are taking place at the grassroots level" at universities like MIT.

Kennedy addressed the issue of health care in the United States, expressing his frustration over how the industry has maintained high administrative costs in order to gain larger profit. He specifically mentioned several members of Congress who have blocked efforts to bring technology into the health care system, an act that could, in his opinion, save billions of dollars.

Kennedy also spoke about the country's space policy, reaffirming his strong belief that no weapons should be put into space. In terms of the challenges that the space program faces, Kennedy cited economic issues. "Unless you're going to have individuals themselves that are involved in the program itself, you're not going to be really able to capture the imagination of the people in this country to give it the support."

The talk was a revival of the Karl Taylor Compton Lecture Series. Compton served as MIT's President from 1930 to 1948, retiring to become chairman of the MIT Corporation until his death in 1954. The lecture series was established in 1957 to honor Compton, and "to bring to MIT some of the great minds on the world's scene," according to MIT President Susan Hockfield. Past lecturers have included Physicist Neils Bohr, Chemist Linus Pauling, and U.S. Vice President Hubert Humphrey.

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Lyric Stage Company of Boston: *Miss Witherspoon*

Saturday, April 21 at 4pm

140 Clarendon Street, Boston

By Christopher Durang; directed by Scott Edmiston

Known for his eccentric humor, Durang's Pulitzer-Prize-finalist begs the question "does life get any better after death?" Veronica, after committing suicide, is destined to return to earth, reincarnated over and over, learning that the "other side" offers no respite. Navigating through the rough seas of fate and free will (and large objects falling from the sky), she searches for truth and peacefulness, questioning ideas of faith in a "waiting room" between death and rebirth.

Theater Offensive: *Surviving the Nian*

Sunday, April 22 at 3pm

Roberts Studio Theater at the BCA, 527 Tremont Street, Boston

Music and lyrics by Melissa Li, book by Li and Abe Rybeck; directed by Patrick Wang.

The musical follows the journey of Kaylin, who returns home to Hong Kong after a five-year absence to introduce her lover, Asha, and her new life plan to her family. The musical explores Kaylin's relationships and loyalties as well as her ability to deal with her family's own plans for her.

Boston Secession: *Mother Tongue: The Music and Meter of the English Language*

Friday, April 27 at 8pm

First Church in Cambridge, Congregational, 11 Garden Street, Cambridge

Calling Commoners and Kings! Join Boston Secession on a witty journey—from Handel and Purcell to Gilbert and Sullivan—exploring the pitfalls, pratfalls and pleasantries of setting the English language to music. Secession has commissioned three brilliant composers Byron Adams, Ruth Lomon (composer-in-residence), and Scott Wheeler to write short choral pieces that demonstrate the inherent elegance, rhythm and beauty of the English language itself.

Aardvark Jazz Orchestra: *Jazz in Film: Ellington & Beyond*

Sunday, April 29 at 3:30pm

Museum of Fine Arts, 465 Huntington Avenue, Boston

Special guest: Ran Blake, piano. In honor of Ellington's birthday, Aardvark offers a unique program of film music composed by Ellington, a Ducal piano tribute by Ran Blake, and a rarely screened short film *Date with Duke* featuring the Maestro and animated perfume bottles! Extending this theme, contemporary animated films will be shown with improvisational soundtracks, and original music by Mark Harvey inspired the will round out the festivities.

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Course II Administrator Is Big Screw Winner

Big Screw, from Page 1

raised around \$80 in the final day of the competition for a final total of \$529.71, according to Bobrow. Richard D. Berlin III, director of Campus Dining, came in third place with \$205.82.

“The [Course II] Department and the MIT community really came together to push me over the edge,” said Lynch, who jumped up and down exuberantly after being presented with the screw. The money should be enough for one-third of a wish for a child, Lynch added.

In order to motivate students to donate to the contest before it closed, Lynch “came into the lab and threatened another final” if she didn’t win, said Shannon C. Roberts ’09. Collection buckets were also passed around the 2.007 lab to encourage students to donate, Roberts added.

According to Sharon Trohon, administrative officer of mechanical engineering, money was also collected at a faculty meeting in support of Lynch. The win “has a lot to do with the course 2.007 in the year 2007 ... [Lynch] does so much for the students,” Trohon said.

Professor of Mechanical Engineering John G. Brisson II was last year’s Big Screw winner. Lynch said she plans to display the Big Screw trophy at the 2.007 final contest on May 15.

Big Screw Totals

Candidate	Title	Charity	Amount
Emery N. Brown	9.07 Professor	Codman Academy	\$4.10
Stephen Ansolabehere	Professor of Political Science	Massachusetts Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy Coalition	\$8.08
Keith A. Nelson	5.60 Professor	Home for Little Wanderers	\$10.36
Timothy F. Jamison	Professor of Chemistry	Conservation Fund	\$13.06
Christopher C. Cummins	5.111/5.112 Professor	Save the Harbor	\$19.84
Hack Candidate: Caltech		Howe & Ser Moving Company	\$20.21
Michelle D. Mischke	7.02 Professor	New England Wildlife Center	\$20.46
Daniel Barkowitz	Director of Financial Aid	MIT General Undergraduate Scholarship Endowment	\$32.12
Krishna Rajagopal	8.05 Professor	Union of Concerned Scientists	\$53.13
Brett D. Parker	18.100B Professor	MASSPIRG Education Fund	\$73.52
Richard D. Berlin III	Director of Dining	Richard D. Berlin Center for Cell Analysis and Modeling at the University of Connecticut Health Center	\$205.82
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Battle of the Bands, brought together 10 local bands to raise money for the Children’s Hospital of Boston, part of the Children’s Miracle Network. The event, sponsored by the Zeta Beta Tau fraternity, took place in Lobdell Dining Hall on Saturday and brought in over \$2,100.

(clockwise from top left)

Ben Jones, Admissions Director of Communications, sings lead for his band, The Red Decade.

Harold B. Cooper ’07 (left), Katherine E. Dalis ’05 (background), and Carrie A. McDonough ’08 (foreground) from “carrie okie band” perform.

Tim the Beaver crowd-surfs during a performance by Force the Fallen, who went on to win the competition.

Dean of Admissions Marilee Jones (right) joins Admissions Director of Communications Ben Jones’s (left) band for a song.



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Prospective Students Action-Packed Campus

Campus Preview Weekend brought over 900 prospective freshmen to MIT's campus last weekend.

(counterclockwise from left)

Matthew H. Walker G (left) reads *The Tech* as Hamilton F... hands out fake copies of *The Tech* produced by staff members of the California Institute of Technology's student newspaper.

Clayton T. Sims '08 adjusts a live video feed during the 24-hour Voodoo Telethon that started at noon on Saturday. Voodoo raised \$30 from the telethon.

Hackers constructed two giant "paper" airplanes and hung them above Lobby 10 for the first full day of CPW.



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nts Tour MIT During pus Preview Weekend

sh- MIT hackers turned the windows of building E25 into a giant stoplight on Saturday night.

Carrie A. Lee '10 dances in MacGregor's Salsa Night.

alk of Samantha Palazzolo '10 with her pocket-sized Mooninite. East Campus hosted a Mooninite construction party for CPW.

24- Nathan S. Lachenmyer '10 demonstrates the East Campus handcar for a group of prospective freshmen.

ng Adam F. Schwartz '10 of Resonance performs "I Write Sins Not Tragedies" (originally performed by Panic! at the Disco) at the CPW Closing Ceremonies.



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The 111th Boston Marathon was held on Monday, April 16. Despite the rainy weather, over 20,000 participants finished the 42.195 km race.

(clockwise from left)

An original contestant approaches the finish line of the Boston Marathon victoriously.

A group of athletes run through Kenmore Square in the final stretch of the race.

Supporters from the crowd reach out their arms to high five the tired athletes in the last 1000 meters of the Boston Marathon.

Alex N. Hornstein '07 runs the last 500 meters of the Boston Marathon on Monday.

Glenn J. Geesman '09 (left) and Willard J. Johnson '09 (right) round Hereford Street onto Boylston Street to complete the final stretch of the marathon. Geesman and Johnson both ran the marathon dressed in large red Solo Cups.



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- The following incidents were reported to the MIT Police between April 5, 2007 and April 16, 2007. This summary does not include incidents such as false alarms, general service calls, larcenies, or medical shuttles.*
- Apr. 6:** M2 (182 Memorial Dr.), 4:23 p.m., Suspect stated he needed money for a flat tire and would pay him back; victim gave him \$40 on Carlton St. Police dispatched to take report.
PDT (97 Bay State Rd., Boston), 6:40 p.m., Larceny of computer. Police dispatched to take report.
- Apr. 8:** 111 Baystate, Boston, 2:22 p.m., Caller states male 30–40 years of age, sweatshirt wearing a blue ball hat, last seen on the fourth floor of house; units arrived, building checked; suspicious person gone upon arrival.
- Apr. 9:** M14 (160 Memorial Dr.), 6:23 p.m., Hayden Library deskworker stated that a suspicious person, male wearing a dark shirt and dark pants was acting suspiciously at the computers; individual issued a trespass warning.
- Apr. 11:** W89 (291 Vassar St.), 12:39 p.m., Police take report of a laptop stolen from Building 3.
M14 (160 Memorial Dr.), 3:03 p.m., Caller states there was a briefcase left on the stairs going up to the library; looks suspicious; checked out okay.
- Apr. 12:** M16 (21 Rear Ames St.), 4:29 p.m., Malicious damage to a cabinet.
- Apr. 13:** W1 (305 Memorial Dr.), 1:46 a.m., Reporting person reports a student may be missing; detectives investigating.
W11 (40 Mass. Ave.), 3:59 p.m., Male asking for money and intimidating people; police dispatched, subject given trespass warning and escorted off property.
M10 (122 Memorial Dr.), 4:26 p.m., Killian Court suspicious person asking for money; police dispatched, check and inquiry of individual.
E2 (70 Amherst St.), 8:08 p.m., States someone stole digital camera, cash, cell phone, and watch; police take report.
E2 (70 Amherst St.), 8:08 p.m., States someone stole her backpack and laptop computer; police take report.
M14 (160 Memorial Dr.), 10:10 p.m., Reporting person stated person being aggressive, swearing; police dispatched for routine check and inquiry.
- Apr. 15:** DU (526 Beacon St.), 1:43 a.m., Report of unknown in building at 526 Beacon St., Boston; arrest of Charles Roderick, 12 LaGrange St., Brookline, Mass.; under arrest for breaking and entering nighttime.
W1 (305 Memorial Dr.), 10:26 p.m., States his laptop has been stolen from his room.
- Apr. 16:** 500 Commonwealth Ave., 7:50 p.m., Arrested Timothy M. Brien, 115 Willis Ave., Medford, Mass.; malicious destruction of property and possession of Class B, Class D.

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With VA Tech Killings, College Mental Health Debate Emerges Again

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they mandate four counseling sessions, for example," said Kadison, an author of "College of the Overwhelmed: The Campus Mental Health Crisis and What To Do About It."

Universities can find themselves in a double bind. On the one hand, they may be liable if they fail to prevent a suicide or murder. After the death in 2000 of Elizabeth H. Shin '02, a student at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology who had written several suicide notes and used the university counseling service before setting herself on fire, the Massachusetts Superior Court allowed her parents, who had not been told of her deterioration, to sue administrators for \$27.7 million. The case was settled for an undisclosed amount.

On the other hand, universities may be held liable if they do take action to remove a potentially suicidal student. In August, the City University of New York agreed to pay \$65,000 to a student who sued after being barred from her dormitory room at Hunter College because she was hospitalized after a suicide attempt.

Also last year, George Washington University reached a confidential settlement in a case charging that it had violated antidiscrimination laws by suspending Jordan Nott, a student who had sought hospitalization for depression.

"This is a very, very difficult and gray area, when you take action to remove the student from the campus environment, versus when you encourage the student to use the resources available on campus," said Ada Meloy, director of legal and regulatory affairs at the American Council on Education. "In an emergency, you can share certain information, but it's not clear what's an emergency."

Meloy estimated that situations complicated enough to involve a university's lawyers arise, on average, about twice a semester at large universities.

While shootings like the one at Virginia Tech are extremely rare, suicides, threats and serious mental-health problems are not. Last year, the American College Health Association's National College Health Assessment, covering nearly 95,000 students at 117 campuses, found that nine percent of students had seriously considered suicide in the previous year, and 1 in 100 had attempted it.

So mental health experts emphasize that, whatever a college's concerns about liability, the goal of campus policies should be to maximize the likelihood that those who need mental-health treatment will get it.

"What we really need to do is encourage students to seek mental health treatment if they need it, to remove any barriers to their getting help, destigmatize it, and make it safe, so they know there won't be negative consequences," said Karen Bower, a lawyer at the Bazelon Center for Mental Health Law in Washington, who represented Nott.

With the Virginia Tech killings, many universities are planning to remind faculty members of their protocols. "We're actually going to go ahead and have the counseling service here do a session for all our instructors and faculty on what to look for, what the procedures are, and what the counseling center can do," said Shannon Miller, chairwoman of the English department at Temple University.

At Harvard, Kadison said, dormitory resident assistants watch for signs of trouble, and are usually the first to become aware of worrisome behavior — and to call a dean.

"The dean might insist that they get an evaluation to make sure they're healthy enough to live in a dorm," he said. "If it's not thought that they're in any immediate danger, they can take or not take the recommendation."

Last month, Virginia passed a law, the first in the nation, prohibiting public colleges and universities from expelling or punishing students solely for attempting suicide or seeking mental-health treatment for suicidal thoughts.

"In one sense, the new law doesn't cover new territory, because discrimination against people with mental health problems is already prohibited," said Dana L. Fleming, a lawyer in Manchester, N.H., who is an expert on education law. "But in another sense, it's ground-breaking since it's the first time we've seen states focus on student suicides and come up with some code of conduct for schools."

College counseling services nationwide are seeing more use.

"We're seeing more students in our service consistently every year," said Alejandro Martinez, director for counseling and psychological services at Stanford University, which sees about 10 percent of the student body each year.



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Details of Virginia Tech Shootings Begin to Emerge

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hill, who was described in Internet memorials as Hilscher's boyfriend.

According to a search warrant filed by the police, Hilscher's roommate had told the police that Thornhill, a student at nearby Radford University, had guns at his town house. The roommate told the police that she had recently been at a shooting range with Thornhill, the affidavit said, leading the police to believe he may have been the gunman.

But as they were questioning Thornhill, reports of widespread shooting at Norris Hall came in, making it clear that they had not contained the threat on campus. Thornhill was not arrested, although he continues to be an important witness in the case, the police said.

At the time of the dormitory shootings, Col. W. Steven Flaherty, the superintendent of the Virginia State Police, said, "There was certainly no evidence or no reason to think that there was anyone else at that particular point in time."

State officials continued to defend the actions of the campus authorities. John W. Marshall, the Virginia secretary of public safety, said Charles W. Steger, the president of Virginia Tech, and Chief Wendell Flinchum of the campus police "made the right decisions based on the best information that they had available at the time."

At an afternoon news briefing, Gov. Timothy M. Kaine said Steger had asked him to appoint a committee to examine the university's response and try to answer some of the remaining questions about the gunman's actions.

After the shootings, the state police executed another search warrant, this time for Cho's dormitory room. The warrant said a bomb threat against the engineering school buildings was found near Cho's body. The warrant mentioned two other bomb threat notes against the campus received over the past three weeks.

Cho had used two handguns, a 9-millimeter and a .22-caliber, to shoot dozens of rounds, leaving even those who survived with multiple bullet wounds, officials said. The guns were bought legally in March and April. Flaherty said that although one of those guns had been used in the dormitory shooting, investigators were not ready to conclude that the same gunman was responsible for both episodes. But he said there was no evidence of another gunman or an accomplice.

Among the central unknowns is what prompted the gunman to move to Norris Hall, which contains engineering and other classrooms, where all but the first two killings took place. The authorities said Cho's preparations, including chaining the doors, suggested planning and premedita-

tion, rather than a spontaneous event. Bodies were found in four classrooms and the stairwell of the building, Flaherty said.

"You all have reported that this is the most horrific incident that's occurred on a college campus in our country, and the scene certainly bore that out," he said. "Personal effects were strewn about the entire second floor at Norris Hall. So it made it much more difficult for us to identify students and faculty members that were victims."

Officers also found several knives on Cho's body. They first identified him by a driver's license found in a backpack near the scene of the shootings, although it was not clear at first whether the backpack belonged to the gunman. But the name was checked against a visa application, and when a fingerprint on one of the weapons matched a print on the visa application, the authorities made a positive identification. The print matched another print left in the first shooting location.

Prescription medications said to be related to treatment of psychological problems were found among Cho's effects, but officials did not specify what drugs they were.

In addition, investigators were reviewing recent bomb threats at the university in an effort to determine whether the gunman might have been involved in them, as an effort to test the university's emergency response procedures.

Lucinda Roy, an English professor, said Cho's writing, laced with anger, profanity and violence, concerned several faculty members. In 2005, she sent examples to the campus police, the campus counseling service and other officials. All were worried, but little could be done, she said.

Roy said she would offer to go with Cho to counseling, just to talk. "But he wouldn't say yes, and unfortunately I couldn't force him to do it," she said. Students were also alarmed that Cho was taking inappropriate pictures of women under desks, she said.

In all, 33 people died Monday, including Mr. Cho and at least four faculty members. The victims' names were not officially released, but most appeared to be in their late teens or early 20s. They included Liviu Librescu, a Holocaust survivor, and Reema Samaha, a freshman and a devoted dancer. Hilscher wanted to be a veterinarian; Clark was a member of the marching band. "This is a grief that does not know an international boundary," Kaine said.

By Tuesday afternoon there were still 14 injured victims at four hospitals, out of 28 initially transported from the scene, two of whom died. The 14 included two at a Level 1 trauma center in Roanoke, one in

critical condition and the other in serious condition.

One of the luckier ones was Kevin Sterne, a senior who will graduate in a few weeks. He was hit twice in the right thigh, piercing an artery.

Sterne grabbed an electrical cord and fashioned a tourniquet until help arrived. "I think there's a good chance he would have died," said Dr. David B. Stoeckle of Montgomery Regional Hospital in Blacksburg.

Classes at Virginia Tech were

canceled for the rest of the week, and Steger announced that Norris Hall would remain closed for the rest of the semester.

Thousands of students and faculty and staff members gathered Tuesday afternoon at Cassell Coliseum, the university's basketball arena, for a solemn convocation. President Bush and Laura Bush attended the gathering and then spent much of the afternoon consoling members of the university family.

"This is a day of mourning for Virginia Tech, and it is a day of sadness for our entire nation," Bush said in his remarks.

The president said that Monday began like any other school day, but then took a dark turn.

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Family Seeks Help In Search

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please contact somebody,” said Boulter. “Send some sort of sign,” he asked of Barclay.

Boulter also said that the Barclay family was involved in the search, hiring a private investigator and calling on the Guardian Angels, a volunteer organization that patrols violent neighborhoods, to post flyers and search for Barclay. The Guardian Angels did not immediately return a voice message.

Kayton, whose husband is a lawyer, said she has “subpoenaed ... phone records,” and “posterred all of his favorite places.”

Kayton, who lives in California, said she flew out on the first flight after she learned her son was missing. The MIT Police said that Barclay’s father was flying in yesterday.

Timeline of events

On Saturday, April 7, Barclay drove to a debate tournament with the MIT Debate Team and later held a party in his room with approximately four people, Kayton said.

Boulter said the police had been in contact with “all the local hospitals and colleges where he debated,” but were unable to confirm the number of people at the party.

Barclay then placed two calls on the evening of Sunday, April 8: one at 8:15 p.m. to his grandmother and one at 10:34 p.m. to a number in San Francisco, Kayton said. Later that evening, Barclay posted his AOL away message, according to Kayton.

“What’s so heartbreaking about this whole thing is that [he told his grandmother] that ‘tomorrow night I have this toy design class presentation ... and it’s my favorite class at MIT.’ ... He didn’t show up,” said Kayton.

According to Kayton, Barclay’s friends thought he missed class because he was busy working on his thesis; Barclay’s friends contacted Kayton on Thursday, April 12, when they became concerned.

Kayton said that obtaining records about her son was extremely difficult, “Because of all these privacy laws ... we have to get court orders,” Kayton said. “The law has gone too far,” she said, specifically in regard to missing persons cases.

“It’s been eleven days and they won’t let us in his Athena files,” Kayton said on Wednesday evening. Kayton stated that MIT rejected two subpoenas for access to Athena files: one from her and one from the MIT Police filed through the district attorney.

In missing persons cases, Kayton suggested the judiciary “ease up on the burden of proof.”

Family seeks information, help

Kayton asked for help from the MIT community in finding her son and said she is interested in any information about him.

“Investigations like this ... they grind incredibly slowly,” said Kayton. “New leads come ... the list keeps shifting,” she said.

Kayton expressed her desire to know who her son’s non-MIT friends are. She said she would also like to know who was at the party with her son and whether anyone had heard Barclay mention east Cambridge.

Kayton is also looking for volunteers to canvass the east Cambridge area and praised the MIT Debate Team for their efforts. “They gave up their entire four-day weekend” to help with the search for Barclay, she said. Kayton also said the debate team found one of the first clues of the investigation; a receipt showing Barclay had purchased camping gear. Kayton said she does not believe the camping gear is related to her son’s disappearance.

Adam J. Goldstein ’09, president of the MIT Debate Team, said Barclay is a “very funny guy.” “[I] hope that we can find him,” said Goldstein.

Those interested in volunteering can contact Kayton at kayton@alum.mit.edu.

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Mai Fong, the owner of Lemon Grass Restaurant, located in Sacramento, Calif., is a partner of the new Thai venue and was brought on to help develop the menu, Berlin said. A preliminary copy of the menu has already been completed. The restaurant will start out as a “Thai noodle bowl shop, and we will add things as we go along,” Berlin said.

Based on a campus-wide dining survey from last term, MIT favored the addition of either an Italian, Thai, or Chinese food restaurant. Thai was ultimately chosen because of the survey results, the popularity of the Japanese restaurant, Shinkansen, and because the predecessor of Café Spice was an Italian restaurant which was not very successful.

The new Subway is already under construction behind a wall which secludes it from public viewing.

The new Thai restaurant, called Pho Noodle and Thai Cuisine, according to the Web site of the Division of Student Life handbook, will occupy the spot behind a wall where the old Burger King used to reside, Berlin said. It will be located next to Café Spice and the new Subway in the Student Center’s second floor food court.

—Ji Qi

Planned GRE Changes Canceled

Previously scheduled changes to the Graduate Record Examinations were canceled by the Educational Testing Service early this month. Students who take the GRE will continue to take it in its current form, a computer-based “continuous testing format,” according to an ETS press release. According to Dean for Graduate Students Isaac M. Colbert, who chaired the GRE board in charge of overseeing the changes, the impediment to the launch of the new test was the difficulty of guaranteeing complete access to the new Internet-based exam.

Colbert said that there had been difficulties “ensuring that everyone who wanted to take the test would have a seat.” “It has been very difficult to get firm commitments to ensure this,” Colbert said. “There were some sites that could guarantee some dates but not others. It turned out to be a much more difficult undertaking” than expected.

Colbert said he expected ETS would roll out the changes to the test in stages rather than all at once, stating that he believed the changes would make a better GRE. The GRE board will decide which changes to introduce first at their next meeting in late May or early June, according to Colbert. “We will have a better test that reflects the kinds of skills we’re trying to measure.”

The scheduled changes included making the GRE into a computer-based linear exam which would allow test-takers to skip and come back to questions, adding in an online calculator, and altering the curriculum and composition of the test.

—Angeline Wang

Caltech Pranks *The Tech* During CPW

On April 13, the Friday of Campus Preview Weekend, staff members of the California Institute of Technology’s student newspaper, *The California Tech*, distributed fake copies of *The Tech* to the MIT community. According to Marissa Cevallos, *The California Tech*’s editor in chief, 15,000 copies of the prank issue were printed and 11,000 copies were distributed.

Cevallos said that the prank was in the spirit of one pulled by the University of California, Los Angeles on the University of Southern California and was suggested by an advisor to *The California Tech*. Work on the issue began soon after the newspaper’s April Fool’s edition was released, Cevallos said.

MIT students have different opinions of the hack. “I thought it was incredible,” Christa M. Margossian ’07 said. “I thought it was really funny.” “It was a nice prank, but it wasn’t really comparable to the hacks MIT pulls on a regular basis,” James A. Ostrowski ’10 said.

Cevallos said the cost of the prank was reimbursed through the “Caltech Prank Fund” and declined to give more specifics. The remaining 4,000 copies were taken back to California, Cevallos said.

—Nick Bushak

Newly Elected ASA Officers

President	James R. Peacock '08
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Student Member-at-Large	Sarah C. Hopp '08

SOURCE: ASSOCIATION OF STUDENT ACTIVITIES

The Association of Student Activities held its executive board elections last Wednesday, April 11. The elections brought in many new board members, a high turnover attributed to the fact that most previous members were graduating, according to president-elect James R. Peacock '08. Peacock said that this year he hopes to expand the ASA to become more of an advocacy group that should be involved in space planning financial decisions that may impact student groups.

Solution to Crossword

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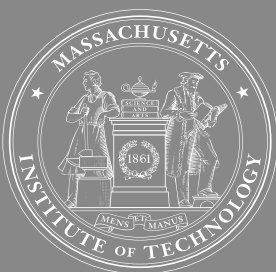
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Watson Tallies 5 Goals, 1 Assist

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clock. Watson connected on a pass from Flynn, who then recorded her first goal of the night. Roberts and Amanda P. Hunter '07 completed the spurt with unassisted goals.

Just over two minutes later, Grant found Williams for her first score to pull Wheaton within 5. But once again, MIT countered with a long run, this time scoring five unanswered goals which resulted in a 12-2 advantage at the intermission. A goal by Roberts that was set up by Watson sparked the run as Watson completed the hat trick with 3:19 to go. Samantha F. O'Keefe '09 notched what proved to be the game-winning goal

on the ensuing draw while Flynn and Mary Harding rounded out the scoring for the Engineers.

Flynn converted MIT's first free position shot of the game to start the second half to give MIT its biggest lead of the night at 13-2.

Wheaton then tallied three goals in a span of 1:36, which cut its deficit to 13-5 at 22:42. Williams' free position goal ignited the run, which was followed by an unassisted goal from Meredith Hurd and a free position goal by Abbie Sherwin. Flynn found the back of the net for the Engineers before two quick goals from the Lyons' Williams and Hurd narrowed the gap to 14-7 midway through the half.

Watson recorded the final score for MIT with 13:35 left to play. Wheaton continued to attack as Williams connected on a pass from Alexa Jurczak at the 7:30 mark. The remainder of the game was a defensive battle until a turnover by the Engineers set up Grant for the night's last goal as the horn sounded.

O'Keefe collected a game-high four groundballs while Annamaria E. Ayuso '07 and Hunter each posted three draw controls. In net, HeeJay Kang '07 made eight saves as her record improved to 4-6 on the year.

MIT will close out regular season NEWMAC play on Saturday, April 21 when it travels to Mount Holyoke College.



LEAH A. BOGSTEAD '08 PITCHES IN THE FIRST GAME AGAINST WELLESLEY COLLEGE ON APRIL 13. MIT LOST BOTH GAMES IN THE DOUBLE-HEADER; 3-0 AND 10-2.



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Taekwon-Do Takes Third at Nationals

By Richard-Duane Chambers
TEAM MEMBER

Over the weekend of March 30, the MIT sport taekwondo team continued its tradition of success at the National Collegiate Taekwondo Championships, placing third among the thirteen competing schools.

This year's championships, held on the home turf of perennial rival Texas A & M University in College Station, Texas, provided newcomers the opportunity to test their skills, and also allowed seasoned members to match wits with some of the nation's top athletes.

By the end of the two-day event, the team had captured bronze medals in the Novice (Colored Belt) and Championship (Black Belt) Divisions, claimed bronze overall, and won some twenty individual awards. Most impressively, four MIT black belts — Captain John T. Wong G, Captain Erica Y. Chan '07, Alicia Y. Zhou '06, and Sharon A. Lawrence '07 — earned the right to compete for a chance to represent the United States at the World University Games in Bangkok, Thailand.

Day one of the national championship began in the late afternoon with team members competing in forms, the performance of uniform patterns of blocks and strikes. In emphasizing the power, accuracy, and rhythm of their motions, MIT competitors demonstrated why forms competition remains a traditional strength of the team and captured numerous medals across several divisions designated by weight and rank.

Among the colored belts, Tylor J. Hess '10 and Stephanie E. Nix '09 took third among white/yellow belts, while Miranda J. Ha '07 and Richard-Duane S. Chambers G took second in their respective groups. Han Zhu '09, Stephanie R. Chiang '08, and Ning Wu G, meanwhile, prevailed with gold medals.

Black belt competitors performed equally well, despite the high level of competition they faced. Zhou, John C. Ho G, Bobby B. Ren '06, and Richard Sinn '07 secured four silver medals while John T. Wong '07 took a gold.

Despite a strong showing in forms, much of the team's excitement was reserved for the second day's sparring matches. MIT colored belts represented the team exceptionally well, with Nix earning bronze and Chiang, Chambers, and Ha earning gold.

The black belts put on a similarly strong showing. Newly-promoted black belt Lawrence, for instance, took bronze after winning a very strategic match and lost only to the tournament's athlete of the year. Similarly, Wong defeated a seasoned competitor before challenging the division winner in a very spirited bout. Soon after, Zhou, making her last tournament appearance for MIT, and Chan, last year's female athlete of the year, enjoyed clean victories and claimed bronze medals as well.

Tech has been a consistent national contender over the past few years, placing second in the meet last year and first in 2004.

The MIT team hopes to continue its forward momentum into the coming weeks, where the team will continue fighting for the Ivy Northeast Collegiate Taekwondo League cup. Meanwhile, Zhou, Chan, Lawrence, and Wong will be preparing for Collegiate Team Trials in Kansas, where they will each be seeking a spot on the United States Collegiate National Team.

Morton Headlines Impressive Track Victory

By Jeff Lemieux
DAPER STAFF

Sprinter and jumper Stephen A. Morton '10 dominated his events, winning three and placing second in one, leading the Engineers in defeating four opponents from Maine on Saturday at Steinbrenner Stadium. MIT closed with 262 points, well ahead of second place Bates College (191), while Colby (91), Southern Maine (85), and Colby-Sawyer (43) finished third through fifth, respectively.

MIT was dominant in nearly every part of the meet, winning every event on the track from 100 to 5000 meters with the exception of the steeplechase and the 400 hurdles. Morton was in spectacular form as he easily swept the sprint events, breaking the tape in the 100-meter dash with a time of 10.88 before cruising to a split of 21.91 in the 200-meter.

Morton also led a tremendous team performance in the jumps. The freshman jumped 22'8" to outdistance teammate Anthony D. Teixeira '08 for top honors in the long jump, although Teixeira paced a 1-2-3 finish in the triple jump after a leap of 43'6". Morton equaled Teixeira's distance later in the event to secure second (he lost on a tie-breaker), while Christopher B. Bateman '07 followed up a fourth-place finish in the long

jump to finish third in the triple. Teixeira's win in the triple jump was his second victory of the day. He also outdueled Omari S. Stephens '08, Tech associate photo editor, for a 1-2 finish in the 110-meter high hurdles.

Highlights for the Engineers on Saturday were numerous. James R. Oleinik '09 enjoyed an easy victory in the shot out as his toss of 48'11" was over three feet further than the nearest competitor, while Gregory D. Tao '08 won the pole vault. William B. Fedus '10 ran a 50.07 to win the open 400-meter and followed up with a fifth-place finish in the 200-meter at 23.37. The 4 x 100-meter relay unit was also convincing in its first-place showing.

William S. Phipps '10 finished on top in the race of the day, the 800-meter run, splitting 1:58.14 to finish three-one hundredths of one second ahead of Southern Maine's Jimmy Sawyer (1:58.17). MIT had three runners under the two-minute mark in the race and three of the top six finishers.

MIT was even more dominant in the 5000-meter. While Eric A. Khatchadourian '07 cruised to victory in a time of 15:10.4, the Cardinal and Gray also grabbed third through fifth, with Christopher Wong '08, M. Brian Jacokes '07 and Trevor B. Rundell '09 authoring a mighty team effort.



William B. Fedus '10 hands off the MIT baton to Christopher T. Bateman '07 during the men's 4x100-meter relay. The MIT relay team took first with a time of 43.55 seconds.



Aron Walker '07 clears a hurdle during the men's 400-meter intermediate hurdle race. Walker placed fourth in the event with a time of 58.91 seconds.



Emily Hwang '09 clears the bar during the women's pole vault competition. Hwang won with a clearance of 10'5.5".

Women's Lax Wins 15-9, Nets 12 First-Half Goals

By Mindy Brauer
DAPER STAFF

MIT's 12 first-half goals were crucial in its 15-9 win over Wheaton College in a New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference (NEWMAC) women's lacrosse game on Tuesday night. Laura C. Watson '08 and Casey M. Flynn '10 paced the Engineers (4-6, 2-3 NEWMAC) with four goals and an assist while Madeline Williams posted four goals for the Lyons (3-10, 2-3 NEWMAC).

MIT quickly jumped out of the gate as it tallied three goals during

the first 2:35 of the contest. Watson put the Engineers on the board with an unassisted goal, and then Julia N. Roberts '10 connected on a pass from Mary P. Harding '07, which was followed by an unassisted strike from Lynne D. Tye '10.

Wheaton ended the shutout at the 19:47 mark on a goal from Caitlin Grant. The Lyons forced a turnover during an MIT clear attempt and Grant picked up the groundball and sprinted to the net for the score.

The Engineers responded with four consecutive goals which extended their lead to 7-1 with 10:31 on the

UPCOMING HOME EVENTS

Friday, April 20, 2007		
Baseball vs. Coast Guard	3:30 p.m., Briggs Field	
Softball vs. Clark University (double-header)	3:30 p.m., Briggs Field	
Saturday, April 21, 2007		
Women's Lightweight Crew vs. Radcliffe College	10:00 a.m., Charles River	
Men's and Women's Track, Co-ed Invitational	12:00 p.m., Steinbrenner Stadium	
Men's Lacrosse vs. Massachusetts Maritime Academy	1:00 p.m., Jack Barry Field	
Women's Tennis vs. Skidmore College	1:00 p.m., duPont Tennis Courts	
Sunday, April 22, 2007		
Sailing, MIT Invitational	9:00 a.m., Charles River	
Women's Tennis vs. Vassar	11:00 a.m., duPont Tennis Courts	
Monday, April 23, 2007		
Baseball vs. Bates College	3:30 p.m., Briggs Field	