**MIT Alumnus Thain Chosen to Lead Merrill Lynch**

By Jenny Anderson and Landon Thomas Jr.

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The Hotel@MIT is being sold for an undisclosed price by the partnership of MIT and Forest City Enterprises to HEI Cambridge LLC, an affiliate of HEI Hotels & Resorts. The sale is expected to close by Dec. 5.

"MIT was a partner in the development of the hotel," said Pamela Dumas Serfes of the MIT News Office. "The partnership decided that this was the proper time to sell the hotel to realize a return on its investment."

Although "MIT does not have control of the hotel," it will continue to own the land underneath the hotel and collect rent on the property, Serfes said.

The adjacent Star Market and parking garage are not included in the transaction, according to a Nov. 7 press release issued by Forest City, a national real estate company. MIT owns the space occupied by Star Market and the parking garage.

"We are confident that HEI will uphold the quality and high-tech standards that the hotel and its tenants expect," said Michael Farley, senior vice president of asset management at Forest City, in the press release.

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**Top Five Salaries Paid by MIT From 2005–2006**

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**In Short**

- President Susan Hockfield is in India today to foster collaboration between MIT and India. Her week-long trip designates her as the first sitting MIT president to go to India.
- A memorial service for former biology professor Eugene Bell will be held at noon on Monday, Nov. 19, in the MIT Chapel. Bell passed away on June 22.
- MIT alum loans collection of conceptual craft to Museum of Fine Arts.
- Neil Gaiman’s Unholiest Human on Campus.
- UMOC Donates to Transition House: A total of $1,261.80 was raised through Alpha Phi Omeg-a’s Unbeliebuhldin on Campus competition, which ended Nov. 2. The sum will be donated to Transition House, an organization combating domestic violence.
- MIT Alumnus Thain Chosen to Lead Merrill Lynch.
- UMOC raises $71,135 for the Big Dig Memorial Scholarship Fund.
- The screening of the Darfur documentary film “The Devil Came on Horseback” was followed by a panel discussion featuring (left to right) Naseed Abdalbahr, human rights scholar from the University of Khartoum; Charlie Clements, president and CEO of Unitarian Universalist Service Committee; and event organizer Kayvan Zainabadi G.

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**MIT’s Oldest and Largest Newspaper**

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Transition House was the designated charity this year’s UMOC winner who raised a total of $348.32 over the course of the week. This individual, who ran under the pseudonym “Talia Winters,” declined to comment. (For full results, see the table on page 13.)

“I thought that the competition went well,” UMOC coordinator Ekaterina Kuznetsova ’09 said. “People campaigned a lot.”

Many campaigns effectively used jokes as platforms. Kuznetsova said, “A distressed middle schooler came by and asked if the Dead Kitten Society really killed kittens.” Miriam A. Madsen ’09 campaign was also amusing, Kuznetsova said. Madsen ran under the title of “Condor Noodler” with the accompanying threat of sabotaging contraceptives.

Natalia J. Chernenko ’08, whose charity was the Charles River Watershed Association, hosted a poetry reading of “The Blast of 666.” Her campaign slogan, “An Ogy of Pregnant Pollution,” was taken from the poem and used to describe the Charles River.

“We really fun to campaign,” Chernenko said. In the penultimate place at the start of the last voting day, Chernenko said she “didn’t even know [she] would get that much money.” Last year’s UMOC raised $71,135 for the Big Dig Memorial Scholarship Fund.

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By Philip Shenon

WASHINGTON

President Bush announced Thursday he was nominating a federal judge and a former prosecutor from Chicago as the No. 2 officials to the Justice Department.

He also said he had selected nominees for four other senior posts left vacant in the wake of turmoil at the department under Alberto R. Gonzales, who stepped down in August as attorney general.

The announcements came after Attorney General Michael B. Mukasey was sworn in to replace Gonzales.

According to the Justice White House had selected the nominees for deputy attorney general, associate attorney general and the other jobs, but the announcement was delayed until Mukasey, a retiring Oklahoma judge, had a chance to review and approve the list.

In a statement, Mukasey said the judge nominated as deputy attorney general, Mark Filip, 41, of U.S. District Court in Chicago, and the four other nominees, were “exceptionally well qualified” and he called on the Senate to move quickly to confirm the appointments.

Bonds Indicted for Perjury in Steroids Case

By Duff Wilson

and Schmidt

WASHINGTON

Barry Bonds, baseball’s career home run leader, was indicted Thursday on 14 counts of perjury and one for obstruction of justice — for testifying before a federal grand jury in 2003 that he never used anabolic steroids or human growth hormone.

Formerly 100 days after Bonds passed Hank Aaron to become baseball’s career home run leader, the indictment capped a four-year federal investigation. The possibility of Bonds’ appeal has long been considered the primary target of the investigation. Seven others have pleaded guilty in the case, most recently former Olympic sprinter Marion Jones.

The indictment contends the government can prove that a positive steroid blood test result from 2000 seized in a 2003 raid of Bay Area Laboratory Co-operative belonged to Bonds. If true, this is the first direct evidence that Bonds took steroids. Bonds’ lawyer, Michael Rains, said his client is innocent and termed the charges “ridiculous.” He said the government made no effort to negotiate a plea deal with Bonds, 43, and that he first learned of the indictment when he was called by a reporter.

Iraqi Premier Wants Trial of Two Shiites in Killings

By Michael R. Gordon

WASHINGTON

Prime Minister Nouri Kamal al-Maliki of Iraq has approved the trial of two Shiite former officials who are accused of killing and kidnapping hundreds of Sunnis, according to U.S. advisers to the Iraqi judicial system.

The case, which could come to trial as early as this month, would make it the first time that such high-ranking Shiites would be tried for sectarian crimes.

An Iraqi judge ruled last month that there was sufficient evidence to try the two former officials, who held senior positions in the Health Ministry. But there had been concern that the ministry might try to block the case by invoking the special immunity law that prescribes the prosecution of officials who are executing their official duties.

The approvals would set the stage for a moment earlier this week by the acting health minister al-Maliki has formally endorsed the decision. The U.S. officials said.

Fatah Leader Calls for Ouster
Of Hamas From Power in Gaza

By Taghreed El-Khedr

and Isabel Kershner

GAZA STRIP

Three days after Hamas policemen shot and killed at least seven civilians at a rally in Gaza, leading a number of Gazans to express shock and anger at Hamass' Hamas government, the Palestin- ian Authority president and the leader of the rival faction Fatah, called for the ouster of Hamas from power in Gaza.

"We must topple that gang that took control of the Gaza Strip by force and that is exploiting the suffering and tragedies of our people," Abbas said in a televised speech on Thursday, deliv- ered from his office in the West Bank city of Ramallah to observe the an- niversary of the symbolic November 1988 declaration of a Palestinian state. Hamas seized control of the Gaza Strip in June after routing Fatah forces in a brief but bloody factional war.

Abbas subsequently sided the Hamas-dominated unity government, in which Fatah had participated and appointed a Hamas-run government of moderates in the West Bank. Its authority is not recognized by Hamas. Abbas has called on Hamas to "reverse the effects of its coup" in Gaza before national dialogue can re- sume, but this was the first time he had called for its overthrow.

In Gaza, Ismail Haniya, the Hamas leader, responded with a conciliatory speech. He expressed sorrow for the bereaved families, said an investiga- tion committee would be formed and said he had asked for the scores of Fa- tah members arrested Monday by Hamas to be released. Hamas "is not a bunch of gangsters" or "a gang that is tasting for blood," Haniya said. But many here were hav- ing second thoughts about life under Hamas’ rule.

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A Saudi court on Tuesday more than doubled the number of lashes that a female rape victim was forced to take last year after her lawyer appealed the original sentence. The victim’s name has not been released.

She was arrested and convicted of prostitution in an area of Riyadh known as the Green Zone, where prostitution is illegal. On Wednesday, a federal judge in Orlando ordered a stay of the execution of the inmate, Mark D. Schwab, who had been scheduled to die at 6 p.m. Thursday for the rape and murder of his victim in 1991. The court cited the pending lethal injection case before the Supreme Court as a reason for the stay.

Despite Emergency Rule Instituted by Musharraf, Pakistan Militants Gain

By Jane Perlez

The New York Times

November 16, 2007

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Opinion

UA Has Made SafeRide Improvements

Mr. Aditya Kohli ’09 criticizes the Undergraduate Association (“UA, Simple Solution for SafeRide,” Nov. 13, 2007) for making “no visible progress” on SafeRide issues. He ignores critical successes that we have achieved in partnership with Larry Bratti of the Parking and Transportation Office. Last spring, when funding for the Boston Daytime SafeRide was withdrawn, the UA lead a student effort that included the Interfraternity Council, Panhellenic Association, and individual fraternity, sorority, and independent living groups. Through our initiative, we secured $40,000 to provide for the continual operation of this service. Without UA leadership, the very service that Mr. Kohli criticizes would not exist, and over 700 FSL/LG residents would have no convenient method of transportation to campus.

The UA is aware that old shuttles are still in service, improper scheduling, and poor tracking are important issues. Fortunately, they have already been addressed or are currently being addressed.

The delay in launching the new SafeRide buses resulted from state transportation inspection costs, not from assembly difficulties. Today, any student who waits outside the Student Center at night can easily identify the large new shuttles, sometimes called “SafeRide on Steroids.” These new shuttles do not run on a consistent schedule, but rather, makes a continual loop. If it were to stop at the Student Center to wait for a scheduled stop, then there would be an unnecessary delay in serving passengers.

Mr. Kohli also criticizes shuttleTrack’s poor reliability. It is true that we have experienced some service issues. Fortunately, they have already been addressed or are currently being addressed.

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CONCERT REVIEW
No Complaints at Menomena, Illinois
A Critic’s Worst Nightmare

By Sarah Dupuis

Menomena with Illinois
Paradise Rock Club
Friday, Nov. 9, 2007

It is so so so hard for me to write a live review of a band I really love. Generally I would try to put some perspective into my favorite acts, but I always race through the last few lutes favorites so I can actually enjoy the music without scrutinizing its presentational flaws or departures from album orchestrations. Well, friends, I guess I botched this one. I haven’t seen Menomena live in quite a few years. But I do remember the last time I went to see them in the 90’s, I saw two fantastic bands play in Boston. And because they were so fantastic, I found the time to “explore it.”

I had an unbelievable time at both shows. They were probably the best live sets I’ve seen all year. So why have I been unable to formulate my thoughts coherently until now? 7:36 a.m. on the morning of my deadline, after struggling to write all night? I took copious notes, so what’s keeping me back from typing up all the thoughts and connections I dreamed up in my memo pad?

Well, all critics have axe-envy; that is, we secretly want to front our favorite rock bands. Some reviewers may come across as cool, collected, and passive individuals who judiciously critique art where it’s required. Witters are vamps. We want to cut musicians down to validate our own worth behind desks (as opposed to on stages). We want to inflame our egos by putting ourselves above the musicians we so obsequiously worship, even if only for one periodical. Only after all of this bloodsucking can we put on an act of lipsynze. And herein lies my epigraphic dysfunction: will I seem completely and totally lame if I tell you I have no real complaints with Menomena’s and Illinois’ performances at the Paradise Rock Club last Friday?

I’d seen Menomena twice before last weekend: the first time I saw them was at Bowery Ballroom on saxophonist bassist/guitarist/vocalist Justin Harris’ birthday, and the other time was at the South Street Seaport, which boasted one of the largest audiences I’ve seen. Both times they seemed to either suffer from or he blessed by lack of a constant tempo throughout songs. Drummer/vocalist Danny Seim increased or slowed the speed depending upon his interpretations of the moment, and this made for uniquely dynamic renditions. Songs could wind up twice as slow as on the album or end up faster than I believed possible.

Everything seemed to go Menomena’s way on Friday, however. The set consisted largely of tracks from this year’s Friend and Foe (though they never seem to want to play one of my favorites, “Air A’d”) and Seim navigated each number with incredible force and consistency. Though I’d loved Menomena shows in the past, I’ve never seen them so absolutely tight, and the trio soaked the audience’s energy right up; you could tell we all you’ve all lived, Boston. We’ve been here a number of times and it’s never been that good,” remarked Harris halfway through the show, visibly sweating.

Highlights included “The Pelican,” during which Seim stumbled around on stage singing into a nonexistent microphone as though possessed by some higher musical force — for I know, he was “Weird and Raging.” Also some great new songs in a live set; it had a bit of a harder edge than on the CD but was just as haunting. And I can’t leave out keyboardist/guitarist/vocalist Brent Knopf’s use of an electronic violin and the fun “MENOMENA” on his chest and came out during their encore with a mask made of styrofoam tied to his face.

Menomena and Illinois will continue to tour for the next few weeks. They’ll split up and end in Portland and Philadelphia — their hometowns, respectively — before getting into studios to record new albums.

MUSEUM REVIEW
MIT Alum Loans Art Collection to MFA
Wornick ’60 Encourages Exploration

By Marie Thibault

Shy Boy, She Devil, and Isis: The Art of Conceptual Craft. Selections from the Wornick Collection
Museum of Fine Arts, Boston

Ronald C. Wornick SM ’60 describes the artwork he has collected as “good friends you welcome into your living conditions.” Good friend probably isn’t the first thought that comes to mind when viewers behold “She Devil,” a ceramic figure of a large-headed, winged, horned, and tailed creature. But take a closer look. The artistry behind its dark eyes is one I’ve seen before. Yarn is curled around the upper-half of the ceramic being while the lower half is a jar full of peanut butter. Make sure you don’t mind what to think about it.

That’s how Ron discovers the artwork that he loves. He says that his wife, Anita, knows a great piece of art the moment she sees it. He, on the other hand, has to walk around a piece a few times and “explore it.”

Ron explains that the work of craftsmen has traditionally been found at craft shows as “decorative arts.” Recently, however, craftsmanship has started to have deeper meaning by the art-going public. “In the last 20 years ... Mrs. Wornick and I believe something more profound has happened... It now becomes a way of what you had to say as an artist.”

Each piece tells a story, Ron says. It seems that the allure of the artwork is in trying to understand the story behind it. There is “Sea Drift,” which is a sculpture of a woman’s upper half. Her expression is anxious and her torso is tilted with waves and an empty boat. There are dotted constellations scrawled about her body. This reveals our hidden anxiety, relishing emotions, and loneliness as we look for our way in life. And then there’s the only thing that makes work in this collection worthwhile: “Chase Table,” by Judy Kensley McKie, is a gorgeous piece of furniture in itself, reminding viewers of conceptual craft’s roots in decoration. The glass top sits atop two bronze goat-like figures, each supporting the glass. “It probably wouldn’t be out of place in your own house.”

Ron, who is originally from Malden, Mass., earned a masters in nutrition and food science from MIT. According to the MFA’s biography of the artist, Ron worked for gourmet chain Brown Derby Food Company after graduating from MIT. He then turned a division of the company into “the largest supplier of military rations in the world.” Ron describes himself as “a third-rate artist,” but it seems he has a first-rate eye for the stuff. His interest in the fine arts started during childhood, when “music was my life.” He took art classes as an undergraduate, though he jokes that the art teachers tried to discourage him because they thought he was talented. Even though his career “turned out to be far away from creative art,” he says that art became part of his life with Anita.

Living in Boston stimulated Ron’s interest in the fine arts, since he had the most opportunities to see museums, theaters, and the symphony orchestra. Though he says MIT did not directly affect his love for art, “I’d be back in Boston delivering opens. I’d loved Menomena shows in the past, I’d seen them so absolutely tight, and the trio soaked the audience’s energy right up; you could tell we all you’ve all lived, Boston. We’ve been here a number of times and it’s never been that good,” remarked Harris halfway through the show, visibly sweating.

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Movies You May Have Missed

Action Rules in ‘Transformers’

Editor’s Note: As MIT students, we here at The Tech know how difficult (and expensive) it can be to make it to movie theaters to see the latest releases. So we have started this new column, “Movies You May Have Missed,” to review movies that came out months or even years ago. Below is the first in a series that we hope will provide you with new tools and resources for future recommendations — and this month, we have some recommendations for future columns, e-mail art@tech.mit.edu.

By Kevin Wang

2007

Transformers

Directed by Michael Bay
Written by Roberto Orci and Alex Kurtzman
Starring: Shia LaBeouf, Megan Fox, and Jon Voight
Rated PG-13

Transformers is awesome like winning the lottery while having a threesome, on a roller coaster, on your birthday. Which also happens to be a snow day. It’s amazing like getting a free bag of fried candy bar in a jar full of peanut butter. Make sure you wear protection, kids, because this movie will blow you away.

The term “greatest movie ever” gets thrown around too often — before getting into studios to record new albums.

“Transformers” begins with a helicopter number, which turns into a massive,九龙 killer robot, firing a missile-launching scorpion out of its chest, and then pummeling the living crap out of an army base. If that doesn’t turn you on more than late night Cinemas, you might as well stop watching. Luckily the majesty that is “Transformers” is clearly wait-
ed. And then you can sterilize yourself, for the benefit of future generations.

"Transformers" tells the confusing tale of a race of aliens visiting earth, and overall the plot is more convoluted than the Massachusetts State laws concerning statutory rape (trust me). There's something about a magical cube, a war on some other planet, some old dude's glasses, and all sorts of other extraneous garbage. Essentially, Sam Witwicky (played by Shia LaBouf) and his quasi-girlfriend Mikaela Banes (Megan Fox) team up with giant transforming robots and the U.S. army to fight other, meaner, angrier robots, and nobody cares as long as they blow each other up. Let's be honest: watching "Transformers" for the plot is more convoluted than the Massachusetts State laws concerning statutory rape (trust me).

Despite the obvious magnificence of the film, however, the world is always filled with special-interest shows are noted with stars. Send listing suggestions for this month and the future to arts@tech.mit.edu

MIT Resonance
6-250, Free
M.I.T. a cappella group Resonance is holding its annual winter concert with music (obviously), skits, and fun. On campus for free — what could be easier?

Wednesday, Nov. 21
Malajube *
The Middle East (Upstairs), 18+, $9adv/$10dos
Quebecois and francophone pop rockers infectiously play out in support of their catchy 200 album. Those sticking around for Thanksgiving break should make it out to this show for a night of guaranteed fun.

Saturday, Nov. 24
Dinosaur Jr *
Paradise Rock Club, 18+, $20
Though they now ally more with the first half of their name than the last, who can resist the unbeatable combo of J Mascis and Lou Barlow together again, playing as though they can stand one another?

Sunday, Nov. 25
Sondre Lerche (with Dan Wilson)
Paradise Rock Club, 18+, $16.50
Sondre Lerche's playing unplugged.

Thursday, Nov. 29
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Merrill directors personally wooed Mr. Thain at his home in Rye, N.Y. At 3 p.m. Sunday, Ann Cribiore, a Merrill executive chairman, encouraged Mr. Thain to join the firm. Mr. Thain also met with members of a search committee seeking to fill the top job at Citigroup, whose chief executive, Charles O. Prince III, resigned in the wake of multibillion-dollar write-downs related to subprime mortgages.

Facing Merrill’s problems will take some time, Mr. Thain said Wednesday, because the issues troubling the overall mortgage market are likely to continue for another 6 to 12 months. “We have not seen the bottom,” he said.

Mr. Thain went to the NYSE in 2004 and is widely credited with modernizing and expanding the 215-year-old exchange. He stepped into turmoil there, including a scandal over the management of Richard A. Grasso, the former chairman, and a federal investigation into pay-for-play.

Slightly more than a year after he arrived, he executed a deal to merge with Archipelago, an all-electronic platform, converting the nonprofit institution into a public one. He then took on the Deutsche Börse to win Euronext, a pan-European exchange, which ultimately merged with the New York Exchange.

“The exchange was in flux and he resuscitated the place with the acquisition of Archipelago and the merger with Euronext,” said John R. Jakobson, a former member and a current shareholder. “It was on life support then, and it is in first-rate condition today.”

The exchange went public in March 2006 at $67 a share; it closed Wednesday at $86.74.

While Mr. Thain boasts an impressive résumé, he is known more as an analytical technocrat. While he was not popular on the exchange’s floor, analysts say he was respected. For example, the Archipelago deal was criticized when announced, but he ultimately got traders to vote for it.

“He’s articulate and can consensus-build,” Richard H. Repetto, an analyst at Sandler O’Neill, said. “He had to deal with members as they saw their jobs become extinct.”

Mr. Thain started his career at Goldman as an investment banker and went on to work in mortgage securities, ultimately running the desk in the late 1980s. In 1994 he was promoted to chief financial officer and head of operations, technology and finance. In 2003, he became co-president and co-chief operating officer with Lloyd C. Blankfein, then the firm’s chief financial officer and head of securities, ultimately running the desk.

Mr. O’Neal received. Mr. O’Neal earned $70 million in the last five years, and took home an additional $161.5 million in stock he had deferred and in retirement benefits.

Mr. Thain took a pay cut to go to the exchange in early 2004. He made more than $20 million at Goldman in 2003 but agreed to a starting salary and bonus of $4 million at the exchange. He will leave with $820,000 of deferred compensation, $3.6 million in restricted stock, and options on top of the $14.9 million he made at the exchange, according to Equilar and James F. Reda & Associates.

Some challenges that Mr. Thain will face will seem familiar: rebuilding risk management and continuing to build the investment bank. But managing a huge brokerage business — Merrill’s is the largest in the United States — will be new. And he will have to learn that portion of the business at a time when the subprime mortgage crisis continues to cause Wall Street to reel.

When asked if he was nervous about joining a company whose board overawed the mess it is in, he said: “It was important enough for me to understand and I got comfortable with their answer.”

Perhaps most important, he will have to focus on Merrill’s culture, one that has been through iterations of Richard O’Neill — the happy, back-slapping-but-bloated days of the past and the highly political, aggressive reign of Mr. O’Neal.

The decision to pick Mr. Thain came as a surprise to many. While the search committee, led by Mr. Fink, made clear to Mr. Fink that he was a top, if not leading candidate, the board, from the outset saw Mr. Thain as the best choice, people briefed on the board’s deliberations said. While that decision had much to do with Mr. Thain’s mix of risk experience at Goldman and his time at the exchange, it was also influenced by a sense that the board wanted to keep Mr. Fink at BlackRock.

Merrill has a 49 percent stake in the firm, and BlackRock under Mr. Fink has presided over a sharp revival in the performance of Merrill’s equity funds, which BlackRock now manages.

Mr. Fink has an outsourcing, garulous personality and a network of personal relationships that reaches into virtually every corner of Wall Street. And as the board’s courtship of him continued, he talked freely about the pros of leading Merrill compared with the cons of leaving BlackRock. At a BlackRock board meeting last week, Mr. Fink told directors that the Merrill search committee had expressed interest in him and while he was intrigued about the possibility, the thought of leaving BlackRock, was giving him pause.

But, while the logic of his coming to Merrill might have looked good on paper, no board likes to be pulled into picking a chief executive. And the public presumption that Mr. Fink would simply be offered the job rubbed directors the wrong way, according to a person briefed on the board’s deliberations.

“One of the media speculation weighed into the board’s decision making,” a Merrill spokesman, Jason Wright, said.

Despite a week of intense discussions, Mr. Fink had little sense that the board’s top choice was Mr. Thain, according to people briefed on the talks. And when the news broke early Wednesday afternoon that Mr. Thain had taken the job, Mr. Fink was as surprised as anyone, having not received a call ahead of time, people who were briefed on the talks said.

Mr. Fink declined to comment.

Merrill directors voted unanimously Wednesday morning to offer Mr. Thain the job. While he does not start until Dec. 3, he came over to meet members of the operating committee and even stopped by an event on the 33rd floor with private clients last night.

Mr. Thain will now compete against Goldman Sachs, his alma mater, and a firm he praises. “I love Goldman Sachs and I love the people, but I think Merrill will be a great competitor.”

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At a time when most electronic gadgets come out of huge factories in Asia, Limor Fried ‘03 works on a different scale. Fried, a graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology who lives in New York, builds homemade electronics and sells them online. “The idea is that people will learn a little about electronics by assembling the kits and, in the end, have a handmade good that is also useful,” Fried said.

Using open-source software, cheap components, and fabrication tools that were once available only in large machine shops, people like Fried are finding their own niches in the high-tech marketplace. Many are using the Web to share information and sell their wares. And several startup companies are now catering to people with the urge to tinker.

Fried, who runs a hardware design business from her apartment, also laser-customizes designed into PCBs and laptops for about $30 each. From her Web site, www.adafruit.com, she sells plans and kits for electronic devices. They include kits for a universal remote control ($19.50) to turn off any television in your vicinity — and a set of lights for bicycle spokes that spell out words and draw symbols as you ride ($37.50). Fried uses the tools of industrial rapid prototyping, including lasers and preform electronic circuitry. But new materials are also such tools available to creative people who could not otherwise afford them.

Computer-based prototyping services give people the chance to design cases and enclosures out of materials like metal and plastic and have them made in a far-off factory for a few dollars. One service that started this summer is Ponoko (www.ponoko.com), and it slightly changes the manufacturing equation. Ponoko, a company based in New Zealand, allows customers to upload designs for flat shapes that can then be snapped together like Legos. Making a prototype can be as simple as cutting shapes out of card board. Users then create a digital version and send it to Ponoko, which cuts the pattern out in metal or wood with a laser.

Users can sell their plans or finished products through the Ponoko site. The company’s founders, David Ha and Derek Elley, are planning to open fabrication stations around the world, serving the point of manufacturing.

The site has various products for sale, including coffee tables and a small iPhone stand. But customers have made things as esoteric as watch cases and a bicycle headlamp. The items have added color and materials, although for now, all shipping costs are calculated from New Zealand, making the total cost intensively higher.

Another start-up aims at a hands-on crowd is Chubmby Industries, makers of the Chumby, a small device that looks like a thick photo frame. It uses open-source software to display images, videos, photos and video. It connects to the Internet wirelessly and allows you to customize it using only informa tion sources.

In contrast to other media players and similar devices, the Chumby’s internal schematics and source code — the programs that make it work — are completely open and available on www.chumby.com. This means a dedicated programmer or hardware wrapper could make it do almost anything. The device will be available online for about $180 later this year.

Phil Torrone, senior editor of Make magazine, said he did not remember a time when he was not using a computer to make or Sony, but that is not the point. Fried compared the slow advance of do-it-yourself electronics to the “democratization of tech,” leading to a world where anyone can run a radio station or build a computer.

Phil Torrone’s magazine and its Web site, www.makezine. com, give people the initial impetus to build things. Some then make the leap to selling things.

Etsy (www.etsy.com) is a popular e-commerce site for people to sell their wares. Alongside more traditional items, it offers a scattering of tech-related accessories, such as handmade iPod cases and charms for cell phones like those favored by Japanese schoolgirls.

Kerris Weaver, a geologist by day, knitted an iPod case out of audio tape (she posted the instructions on her Web site, www.girlonhowick.com/earzy). All that knitting and sewing is a far cry from the soldering and mill work going on in other corners of the Internet.

Take the “steam punk” movement, for example. This old-fashioned vision of a past populated with high-tech products clad in Victorian-era finery — like crossing the Terry Gilliam movie “Brazil” with H.G. Wells. One prominent proponent of the scene, Richard R. Nagy, also known as Datamancer (www.datamancern). net, builds and sells steam punk keyboards online.

Nagy buys computer keyboards and strips them completely. Then he replaces the individual keys with keys from old typewriters and computing machinery. Finally, he replaces the sides of the keyboard with milled metal and gears. The product doesn’t come cheap. Most of Nagy’s keyboards cost $900 to $1,500. His latest creation, the Baron of Cyprus — a copper-clad keyboard with hand-etched keys — sold for $8,400 on eBay last week.

None of these projects are likely to make a dent in the profits of Samsung or Sony, but that is not the goal. Fried added a more do-it-yourself approach to technology has its own ecological and personal benefits.

“There is a glut of technologies, and most of them do not need to be used very well,” she said. “They are also very close and proprietary, which is basically a great recipe for ‘but it is just and this.’”

―Open hardware brings with it the ability to customize and repair what you have and gives it a higher personal value and usability,” Fried added. “Stuff with higher personal value and usability is less likely to just be thrown out as soon as you are done with it, and is also profoundly more fun and fulfilling.”

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OLPC Hits Financial Setbacks

By Hiawatha Bray

The dream of a laptop computer cheap enough to distribute to millions of poor children is finally coming true — but not quite in the way its backers imagined.

The nonprofit One Laptop Per Child Foundation of Cambridge, founded by Massachusetts Institute of Technology professor Nicholas Negroponte ’66, is struggling to lower the actual cost and increase the sales of its highly-touted “$100 laptop.” But two major electronics companies — Intel Corp. and Asus Computer International of Taiwan — have complicated the foundation’s job by introducing rival laptops that seek to deliver computing to low-income youngsters, and make money, too.

Negroponte announced Intel’s new machine was sold for $399 in the United States, but also will be sold for as little as $199 to school systems here and abroad. “Our idea is to provide computing access to children,” said Donald Leung, Asus product manager, “and to sustain our own company’s need, which is profit.”

Meanwhile, Libya and Nigeria have purchased nearly 170,000 of Intel’s Classmate PC mini-laptops, priced at $200 to $300. This year, Negroponte denounced Intel, saying it is distributing the Classmate below cost in a bid to undercut the One Laptop Per Child device. But Intel has stated it will make money long run as the machines create new markets in developing countries. “We’re not coming at this only as a philanthropic approach,” said Jeff Galinovsky, senior product line manager for the Classmate. “We’re in it for business reasons.”

Negroponte’s laptop program was in 2005. Millions of his laptops were to be purchased by governments of developing countries, which in turn would give the machines to schoolchildren. The laptops cost almost $200 to make, but Negroponte said that with millions on order, manufacturing costs would plummet, driving the cost to $100 or even less.

But, so far, only Uruguay has signed onto the plan, and for just 100,000 laptops — a mere fraction of the 3 million machines the foundation had hoped foreign governments would order.

Walter Bender, the foundation’s president for software and content, said the slow pace of orders won’t keep it from achieving its goals. “We already have enough sales to bring the cost down,” Bender said. “The more sales we get, the more the costs will come down. There’s plenty of business out there for everybody.”

But last month, the foundation began appealing to individuals and charities, as well as governments, to begin buying machines. For $400, people can buy a laptop for themselves and have the foundation donate another unit to a poor child. Foundations and charities are being urged to buy hundreds or thousands of the machines for giveaways in developing countries.

“Having to require governments to buy in bulk to achieve these economies of scale just hasn’t worked out,” said J.P. Gownder, an analyst at Forrester Research in Cambridge.

But, so far, only Uruguay is already making a small profit from sales of the Eee PC, as well as two cheaper versions, selling for $349 and $299. Asus is in talks with governments about selling the machines in bulk for free distribution to schoolchildren. A company executive said last month that a deal already had been reached with one government, but Leung provided no details. Last week, the city of Fresno, Calif., said it would buy 1,000 of the laptops for use in its schools.

Intel doesn’t plan a retail version of the Classmate. Like One Laptop Per Child, it’s counting on governments and charitable organizations to purchase the machines. But Intel’s Classmate is just part of the compa-

any’s “World Ahead” program, a strategy to increase the use of computer technology in developing countries.

For example, Intel’s Rural Connectivity Platform project is working on ways to extend the range of WiFi wireless networking from a few hundred feet to a dozen or more miles. Such a WiFi system could deliver cheap Internet access to remote villages, and make it easy to put the Classmate laptops online. It would also give everyone in the village an incentive to buy more computers, most of them loaded with Intel chips.

Bender said he welcomes any effort to provide computers to poor children. “The fact that industry is starting to take interest in this space and make inroads in this space is exactly aligned with this mission. The more people in this space, the bet-

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Women's Swimming, Diving Defeats Wellesley College

(clockwise from above)

Rachel E. Price ’10 competes in the 500-yard freestyle event in a meet against Wellesley College on Wednesday, Nov. 14 at the Zesiger Sports and Fitness Center. Price finished fourth in the event, helping to bring MIT to a 1-0 record in the New England Women’s and Men’s Athletic Conference.

Doria M. Holbrook ’08 lands a dive in the 1-meter diving event in a meet against Wellesley. Holbrook took the top score in the event, helping drive MIT to a 179-118 victory.

Jennifer A. Chao ’09 swims in the 100-yard butterfly event. Chao finished in first place, her fourth first-place finish of the night.

Jennifer A. Chao ’09 competes in the 100-yard back-stroke event. Chao took first place in the event.

Ariadne G. Smith ’08 competes in the 100-yard breast-stroke event. Smith place fourth in the event.

Photography by Brian Hemond
Wrestling Places Ninth at RWU Tournament

With every MIT wrestler winning at least one match, the Engineers came through with one of their best opening day outings of the last decade at the annual Roger Williams University Tournament last weekend. The Cardinal and Gray finished ninth out of 51 teams with a score of 55, beating out Norwich University (54) and Worcester Polytechnic Institute (53).5.

Individually, “this was our best performance in seven years [in this tournament],” said Wrestling Head Coach Thomas E. Layte. “Every guy won at least one match.”

Returning from a strong rookie campaign in which he was named to the Pilgrim League All-Star Team, Joseph B. Silverman ‘10 finished fourth in the tournament in the “toughest” weight class of 184 pounds, Layte said. The coach also lauded Glenn J. Greens ’09, who won his first career tournament at 255 pounds, with Sean D. Jameson ’10 placing second by default.

Travis C. Samuel ’08, meanwhile, picked up his first win of the season. “Travis is a four-year wrestler who has made great improvements each year,” Layte said.

Additionally were Kenzan Tanabe ’11 and Grant M. Kadokura ’11, who won their first ever college matches.

Bridgewater State College and Rhode Island College shared the title with a score of 55, beating out Norwich University (54) and Worcester Polytechnic Institute (53).5.

Men’s Cross Country Secures Highest Finish Ever at NCAA Regional

Saturday’s NCAA Division III New England Regional Cross Country Championship yielded mixed results for the MIT men’s cross country team.

After a season filled with some of the team’s best performances in team history and a constant presence in the national rankings, the Engineers missed becoming the first squad in Institute history to qualify for the national meet. Despite the less-than-ideal finish, MIT easily set a school record for the best result in the New England Regional with a seventh place finish out of 47 teams.

The women were not at their best entering Saturday’s meet as injuries and fatigue hampered the Engineers’ ability to build on the early-season success. MIT’s scoring delta of 1:13 was the worst of the season.

Elizabeth M. Finn ’09, who has come on strong in the last half of the campaign, became the fourth runner in program history to qualify individually for the NCAA Championships. Finn split 22:22 over the 6,000-meter course to become the 28th overall out of 344 finishers. Her team-leading performance topped her 22nd-place finish in 2005 and served as the highest finish by an MIT runner at the meet since 1998.

Unfortunately for the men’s cross country team, the final results were not as strong. Maria A. Moska ’10, who placed 10th for MIT’s Clear No.1 11th overall, missed qualifying for NCAAs for the second consecutive year after falling back to 30th place. Moska finished with a time of 22:45, although the second-year runner was among the top six first-day jousts.

Hass, meanwhile, made her mark as crew in the B circuit, earning with strong skipper Brooke L. Reed ’09 to finish with two crucial top-five placements during Sunday’s late rounds. While the lower group didn’t fare as well on Saturday, Reed and Karlen E. Boulman ’09 ambushed the field on the team in the third race. Boston College won the title with a score of 80.

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—James Kramer, DAPER Staff

Sailors Finish 11th At Atlantic Coast Championships

The MIT sailors recovered from a 14th-place slot on Saturday to finish 11th overall at the Co-ed Atlantic Coast Championships last weekend. Tech’s remarkable effort on Sunday enabled the Engineers to close another fall season on a high note at Eckerd College.

While sunny skies beaming down on the 18 entries, the Cardinal and Gray took to the perfect second day conditions, with winds starting light and building to a steady east-to-southeast breeze of 8-12 knots.

A-ship skipper John M. “Jack” Field ’08 and crew Julie C. Araujo ’08 fiercely dug MIT out of a hole by finishing second, ninth, and seventh in rounds 10, 11, and 12, respectively. Overall, five rounds were raced on Sunday, with MIT’s top duo finishing 10th and 11th in the other two.

The A-ship’s second best ranking was a fifth-place mark in the third round when Field teamed up with Elizabeth A. Bliss ‘10 on Saturday. But the Engineers couldn’t crack the top 10 in the other seven first-day jousts.

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UPCOMING HOME EVENTS

Friday, Nov. 16, 2007

Pistol vs. Army
5 p.m., duPont Athletic Center
Women’s Basketball vs. Framingham, MIT Tip Off Tournament Championship Game
6 p.m., Rockwell Cage
Men’s Ice Hockey vs. University of New England
7 p.m., Johnson Ice Arena
Squash vs. Northwestern
7 p.m., Zosiger Center

Saturday, Nov. 17, 2007

Pistol vs. Army
9 a.m., duPont Athletic Center
Men’s Heavyweight Crew, Foot of the Charles
9 a.m., Charles River
Men’s Lightweight Crew, Foot of the Charles
9 a.m., Charles River
Women’s Oarsmen Crew, Foot of the Charles
9 a.m., Charles River
Women’s Lightweight Crew, Foot of the Charles
9 a.m., Charles River
Squash vs. Bowdoin College
11 a.m., Zosiger Center
Squash vs. Connecticut College
11 a.m., Zosiger Center
Women’s Basketball, MIT Tip Off Tournament Consolation Game
1 p.m., Rockwell Cage
Women’s Basketball, MIT Tip Off Tournament Championship Game
3 p.m., Rockwell Cage

Men’s Cross Country Team Falls Just Short of National Berth at NCAA Regional

MIT men’s cross country fell decisively short in its bid to capture its first NCAA Division III New England Regional Championship, finishing sixth out of 47 teams in a fast-paced 1000-meter course. The Engineers managed an impressive team delta of 32 seconds between No. 1-5 but missed qualifying for nationals as a team by 13 total points.

MIT, which extended its streak of top seven finishes at the NCAA Regional to nine years, started out well with seven runners in the top 25 midway through the race. A combination of challenges, including hamstring cramps endured by speedster Jeremiah R. “Yerm” Cohen ’09 and an unfortunate series of knock-downs against Jacob J. Razevicz ’09, finished MIT from its strong position early in the race.

Joseph D. Roy-Mayhew ’08, who worked his way toward the top group by the four-mile mark, enjoyed the best race of the day for the Engineers, running a 5K in less than 17 minutes with a time of 15:35. Razevicz closed just back in 15:25.

Trevor B. Rundell ’09 finished 34th overall after all crossing the line in 25:34, while Hemagiri Arumugam ’07 (57th) turned in a time of 25:48, which rounded out the MIT scoring.

—James Kramer, DAPER Staff

Crew Novices Tackle Belly of the Carnegie

Crews from all four MIT squads traveled to Princeton, N.J. to race in the Belly of the Carnegie, a freshman-only regatta, for the first time on Saturday.

The men’s lightweight novices placed 14th out of 25 teams, while the Engineers’ heaviest weight novices placed 11th out of 22 teams.

Unlike the men’s competitions that hold weight class-specific races, the women’s race pits openweights and lightweight novices against each other in the same event. Women’s openweight finished 11th of 24 teams, while lightweight novices finished 17th of 24, edging the only other lightweight women’s field from Stanford University, by 2.2 seconds.

“I think we accomplished what we came down here to do,” said Aaron Benson, novice coach for women’s openweight crew. “We lost to some fast crews, but we were in the top half of a field filled with Sprinters schools that have strong rowing traditions. Now we just want to have fun finishing the fall season on our home course next weekend at the Foot of the Charles.”

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