**Caught Breaking Into Admission Record Rm., Student Faces Charges**

By Robert McQueen

Early on Sunday, Nov. 2, MIT Police arrested Shaanamlynn M. Duffy '09 for allegedly breaking into the Freshman Admission Records Office (3-001), according to a police report.

Duffy told the police that she was looking for her records and for her report.

She allegedly forced open a burglar bar in the office (3-001) and then used a second bar to enter the room.

According to the report, the “burglarous instrument” was a Dunneb Donut gift card that Duffy said she used to gain access to the office.

Duffy did not say she was hacking.

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Though his mother initially doubted this was true, Tovander convinced her when he sat down at the computer the next day and started to code. He never stopped.

Later, as a Course VI major at MIT, he still hadn’t lost his can-do attitude. He would wake up one day and say I want to do this and buy the book and practice six hours a day, said his friend, Christopher B. Palmer ‘09. “He learned python like that!”

His dedication extended to areas outside of academia. “He practiced running, tennis, and games the same way,” said Palmer.

“The rock” of D-Entry

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The week-long charity fundraiser “Unclearest Manifestation on Campus” ends today. All proceeds from the contest, sponsored by Alpha Phi Omega, will go to the winner’s chosen charity.
Investor Fears Spark Another Rout for Markets

By Vikas Bajaj and Jack Healy

As a new boost of fear gripped the financial markets on Thursday, stocks fell sharply, culminating in a stomach-churning rally that wiped out gains of the last decade.

The credit markets seized up as confidence in the nation’s financial system ebbed and people rushed to put money in Treasurys, the safest of investments. Some markets are now back to where they were before Congress approved the $700 billion financial rescue in October. The Dow Jones industrial average fell nearly 445 points, or 5.6 percent. The broad market sank to its lowest level since 1997 — before the dot-com boom, the Nasdaq market bust and the ensuing bull market that drove stocks to record heights. Through Thursday’s rout, $8.3 trillion in stock-market wealth has been erased in the last 13 months.

Investors are growing increasingly worried that big banks like Citigroup, Fannie Mae and the Bank of America, which have all received billions of dollars from the government to bolster their finances, are still too weak. The price of Citigroup’s shares plunged 26.4 percent on Thursday, and other financial shares fell to fresh bear-market lows. The broad Standard & Poor’s 500-stock index fell 6.7 percent, leaving that benchmark index down 52 percent from its peak as October 2007. The Dow Jones industrial average closed at 7,552.9, barely above the lows in late October 2002, during the depths of the last bear market. The Nasdaq composite index fell 3 percent, to 1,316.12.

“This is a response to real fear,” said Marc D. Stern, chief investment officer at Bessemer Trust, an investment firm in New York. “We have to look inside and say, is the fear warranted?”

The sell-off gathered force over the last several days and brought an abrupt end to what had been a modest improvement in financial markets. After Federal Reserve began making short-term loans directly to businesses last month, a semblance of normalcy had returned credit markets, and the stock market, although volatile, had held above its old lows.

But investor confidence, which has been incredibly shaky since the bankruptcy of Lehman Brothers, was dealt a severe blow when the Treasury Department announced last week that it would not buy troubled mortgage assets using the $700 billion that Congress approved in Oc-
tober. Economic reports showing rising unemployment, falling consumer prices and disastrous retail sales compounded the damage. The Dow dropped more than all of the Detroit automakers might have banked after the government’s decision.

“The profit drag on corporate America is widening and deepening,” said Steve Mezey, chief economist atog atogstos. “It is extending and deepening the recession,” said Stuart Schweitzer, global chief economist at Macquarie Bank. “We’ve gotten into a full-blown, self-feeding downturn.”

More bad economic news arrived on Thursday morning, when the La-
bor Department reported that new claims for unemployment benefits rose to a seasonally adjusted 542,000 last week, the highest level since July 1992. Unemployment is also climb-
ing at a rapid clip in Europe and the once-st扶殖民ized in Asia and Latin America are starting to suffer.

Detroit’s Plea for Financial Aid Fails in Congress

By David M. Herszenhom

Democratic congressional leaders on Thursday said that the executives of America’s founding automak-
ers had failed miserably in persuad-
ing Congress or the public that $25 billion in loans for the automakers that have already been approved by Congress and signed by President Bush by early next week might go bankrupt added to the gloom. The congressional leaders said the Bon-Livin plan could not win pas-
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ecutives had hurt rather than helped their cause. Lawmakers who just days ago were calling loudly for $25 billion bailout from the Treasury’s $700 billion bailout instead said that they were unconvinced that taxpayer money could save the industry from disaster.

“I’m not sure about accountability and viability,” Pelosi said. “Until we can see a plan where the auto industry is held accountable and a plan for viability, we cannot show us the plan, we cannot show them the money.” Pelosi and Reid called their news conference a preemption of a bipartisan plan offered by senators from the states with big stakes in the auto in-

By John M. Broder

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By David Streifeld

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Federal Judge Frees Five Guantanamo Detainees

By William Glaberson

November 21, 2008

The habeas corpus case was an important test of the administration’s detention policies, which critics charge have long argued swept up innocent men and low-level foot soldiers along with hardened fighters and terrorism suspects.

The judge also ruled that a sixth Algerian defendant was being lawfully detained because he was a facilitator for Hezbollah and not a target himself. The habeas court ordered the travel for others to the United States, and planned to become a firefight.

The Justice Department disclosed its closure in a report on the 2005 accident that killed 18 people and one service officer in the United States and left many injured and frightened. The report said that the Justice Department in its decision to close the case was acting in response to the incident.

But the Justice Department in its report, which has not been released, said that the C.I.A.’s actions after the incident amounted to obstruction of justice.

“Is there any way a Free Market in Business Can Work?...”

Source, Are Sagging DVD Sales a Threat to Wal-Mart?

The Financial Times

By Louise Story

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Pandit Vows to Avoid a Repeat of Past Economic Collapses

By Clifford J. Levy

December 1, 2008

Prime Minister Vladimir V. Putin, mindful that Russians have already been traumatized by two financial crises in the last two decades, tried to reassure the country that the current downturn would not be as severe as the last.

Putin’s approach has been to emphasize the need for fiscal discipline and to portray the current downturn as a temporary setback.

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Distrust Hampers Safe Hacking

In the article "Difava, Pierce Discuss Hackers' Rights," December 12, 53), Difava's attitude seemed incompatible with the policy that encourages safety, fairness, and cooperation at MIT. Difava stated that he believes safety should be at the forefront of policy decisions. However, in attempting to distinguish between "real" and "wannabe" hackers, he is doing the opposite: the notion that the smart ones don't get caught creates a heightened, not reduced, risk for the rest of the campus.

Additionally, Difava is implying that justic e, and hence safety, is contingent on one's credibility or membership in a particular community. The hacker community is not a lauded source, while those who are engaging are treated as criminals. For this reason, it is important to consider an agreement on how to allow the tradition of hacking to continue. Difava, Pierce, and others must have a cooperative and respectful attitude. Drawing false distinctions between different types of hackers or making vague statements that dealing with a prank riot would be preferable over increases between students and the MIT police force; such statements make it more difficult for students to, as Difava stated, trust the police to be believers of the community in the context of the hacking.

Sarah Ackley '08

The Other Competition in China

While the United States and China vie for podium spots at the Bird's Nest in Beijing, the world's second largest economy unofficially outpaces its only true rival in a different forum: the competition for students' trust. If we had pulled a hack, we'd pull on the dome would end in police interference. "We played it safe," said a friend, "for students' trust. If we had pulled a hack, we'd pull on the dome would end in police interference. If we had pulled a hack, we'd pull on the dome would end in police interference. But given the secrecy of the hacking community and the loss of former Dean of Administration and Trust in us to tell us what will happen, where it will happen, and why we did it."

We decided to take Difava at his word and see what would happen. We placed an anonymous call one night to MIT police from phone around 9:30 p.m. and the responding officer, "We read in a recent article of The Tech that John Difava is asking hackers to tell MIT police the time and location of a hack before happening," said the officer. "But given the secrecy of the hacking community and the loss of former Dean of Administration and Trust in us to tell us what will happen, where it will happen, and why we did it."

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Along with millions of people around the world, I celebrated Barack Obama’s victory on election night. If Obama really has the answers to all of America’s problems, I thought in my Obama frenzy, “surely some of them would come in handy at MIT.” I then came across Obama’s “comprehensive technology and innovation plan.”

“OPEN UP GOVERNMENT TO ITS CITIZENS...” The Bush administration has been one of the most secretive, closed administrations in American history. An Obama presidency will use cutting edge technologies to reverse this dynamic, creating a new level of transparency, accountability, and participation for America’s citizens. Obama will integrate citizens into the actual business of government.

“Open up government decision-making and involve the public in the work of agencies, not simply by solicit- ing opinions, but by tapping into the vast and distributed expertise of the American citizenry to help government make more informed decisions.”

The MIT government administration claims to be big on soliciting opinions from students, but it always feels like students’ opinions enter one ear and exit the other.

… conduct the significant business of the agency in public, so that any citizen can watch a live feed on the Internet as the agency debates and de- liberates the issues that affect American society... ensure that these proceedings are archived for all Americans to review, discuss and respond... employ all the technological tools available to allow citizens not just to observe, but also to participate and be heard in these meetings.”

Unfortunately, MIT administrators seem extremely averse to the idea of recording meetings or making them observable. It appears as though they just don’t do business that way.

“Restoring the basic principle that government decisions should be based on the best available, scientifically valid evidence and not on the ideological predispositions of agencies of- ficials.”

Dining decisions based on students’ food preferences would be better than doubt their ability to compete with Japanese auto makers. Undoubtedly, until Detroit can hire workers in a competitive labor market, it is certainly true that they will not be able to beat out foreign car companies.

UAW union members get benefits of which are unheard of in the manufacturing industry, even in the United States. Their medical benefits involve no co-pays or deductibles. In fact, the UAW recently even lobbyed for the rights of workers to smoke at the assembly line; such absurd ideas are unheard of at Toyota or Honda plants. While Detroit should be held ac- countable for not dealing with the UAW earlier, doling out money to the Big Three now will not make UAW problems disappear for the US auto industry.

Thirty-five years ago, the first oil shock allowed Japanese car manufacturers to effec- tively enter the US market. Since then, Detroit has had difficulty coming up with a long term solution to compete against Japanese automak- ers. Their current plans for federal aid would grossly waste taxpayer dollars in a time of eco- nomic turmoil. While their cash-strapped situa- tions and predictions of total failure certainly were accelerated by the current economic cri- sis, a look at their plans puts the matter in perspective.

Detroit has a failed business model — the cost of which it hopes to pin on the American people.

All of the Big Three auto makers reported losses totaling hundreds of billions of dollars, with GM the worst off. However, no evidence suggests that we should expect much better from these companies. GM lost nearly $2 bil- lion dollars in 2006 and a whopping $39 bil- lion in 2007. These losses are a result of past mistakes. In 1993, well-known economist Mi- chael Jensen reported a list of companies that had made the worst investments in the 1980s and General Motors. According to the report, the two companies burned through $110 bil- lion in capital with no real strategy. Not only does this present an abuse of the money that GM and Ford had, it represents an abuse of lim- ited American capital.

General Motors, in particular, has abused its capital to an even greater extent than docu- mented by Mr. Jensen. Between 1996 and 2007, GM invested $310 billion into the company. With $128 billion of depreciation, this means that GM managed to squander $132 billion dol- lars with no real response to the Japanese auto industry. Their market capitalization was $46 billion at the end of 1998, but has dropped to practically negligible levels after eating up all of that cash. This sort of money could have, for the sake of perspective, been used to buy up all the shares of Honda, Toyota, Nissan, and Volk- swagen instead of making unwise investments.

Indeed, the current proposal to inject $25 billion immediately into Detroit’s auto industry would do nothing other than keep these compa- nies on life support. As about 5 percent of the cash-strapped suppliers who rely separately, saving Detroit’s car manufacturers on GM could turn to foreign companies for $200,000, and many of the suppliers who rely on GM could turn to foreign companies for business. And if a car company goes out of business, if we’re a step behind the rest of the United States. Their medi- cal benefits involve no co-pays or deductibles. In fact, the UAW recently even lobbyed for the rights of workers to smoke at the assembly line; such absurd ideas are unheard of at Toyota or Honda plants. While Detroit should be held ac- countable for not dealing with the UAW earlier, doling out money to the Big Three now will not make UAW problems disappear for the US auto industry.

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CONCERT REVIEW

The Past and Future of Music:
Boston Musica Viva Performs Contemporary American Composers

By Sudope Agarwala

Boston Musica Viva

Capriccio regolato, Composed by John Huggler

Credo in US, Composed by John Cage

Four Landscapes, Composed by Ezra Sims

Rilke Songs, Composed by Peter Child

Ludus II, Composed by Donald Harris

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Ani DiFranco

Supported by Erin McKown

Symphony Hall

Nov. 16, 2008

The Little Folk-singer isn’t so little any more.

The documentary album Righteous Babe Records, and now a mother to a two-year-old daughter, Ani DiFranco has built a career that’s unparalleled by that of any other female artist. Her poignant lyrics are both biting and honest, and a result of her prior study of poetry at The New School. Erin McKown supported DiFranco last Sunday at Symphony Hall, playing a short set of simple yet clever songs with just one guitar and her voice. She opened with a fast-paced tune in which she questioned “what kind of love am I?”

The acoustics of Symphony Hall instantly brought McKeown’s performance to an intimate level. She herself commented on the sound of the room, exclating that “everyone here has a different take on it.” McKown continued through a set of both slow and fast songs, attracting one success after another. “I can’t breathe,” followed every verse, uniting the audience. Her delivery of the song “The Atom,” a track which she technology on “The Atom,” a track which she claims she is most proud of on the new record.

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With a hard-working band to revitalize new and old arrangements, a child to bring perspective to her worldview, and an ambitious touring schedule, DiFranco is still a tour-de-force in the world of music. Her ability to accomplish such success through her independent label proves that she will always, at least, be The Little Folk-singer — and not the Big Corporate Folk-puppet.
Steal My Comic

by Michael Ciuffo

The Daily Blunderbuss

by Ben Peters

Puzzle:

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

Solution on page 10.

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1 Practice boxing
5 Quick and skillful
9 Holy hymn
14 Key pie ingredient
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16 Roman courtyards
17 Perched upon
18 Wilson of the NHL Hall of Fame
19 Permanent prisoner
20 Start of a quip
22 Harden
23 Actress Skye
24 End result
26 Part 2 of quip
31 Medieval tale
32 Word on diet foods
33 Harbor boat
34 “Upside Down” singer
35 Part 3 of quip
36 URL starter
37 Rational
38 LAX info
39 Makes a wager
40 Etching fluids
41 Part 4 of quip
45 Increase the tempo
46 Guitar ridge
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52 French soldier of WW I
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DOWN
1 Close with a bang
2 Bread with a pocket
3 God of love
4 Does a second watercolor
5 British witter Du Maurier
6 Parrot
7 Custard treat
8 Boy king
9 Painter’s mixing board
10 Sew up
11 Canine comment
12 __ Thursday
13 Besmirch
21 Sound quality
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29 Dangerous
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Duffy Was Looking for Her Admission Record

Dunkin’ Donuts Card Used to Bypass Lock

Duffy Was Looking for Her Admission Record

Tovander Kept a Great Outlook On Life, Was Always Easygoing

Arrest, from Page 1

Officer Katrina L. Thompson responded to the burglary alarm at 6 a.m. to find Duffy alone in the locked office with the lights turned off, according to the police report. The report and criminal docket are available online at http://tech.mit.edu/V128/N57/arrest/

Duffy told Thompson, “I was trying to get my old records and look for my laptop that I left here;” the report states in the Admissions Records Office, and that she was not authorized to be in the office.

When Sergeant Gerald P. Doyle and Officer Anthony R. Rosanio arrived at the scene, Thompson handcuffed and arrested Duffy at Doyle’s desk. Duffy was driven to the station at 9:45 that morning.

In an e-mail to the Tech, Undergraduate Association President Noah Jessop wrote, “From the evidence outstanding … it seems pretty clear—just not to be a hacking case. I don’t know anyone who would classify an Admissions records office to be a hacking location.”

Jessop suggested that criminal charges might not have been necessary. “MIT has infrastructure to handle these sorts of things internally through the Committee on Discipline,” he wrote.

Made up of faculty, undergraduate, graduate, and Deans’ offices representatives, the Committee on Discipline acts to “adjudicate cases of alleged misconduct by a student brought to its attention.” The Committee and MIT Police declined to comment on the Duffy case, citing privacy concerns.

Harvard May Delay Expansion Plans

Housing, from Page 1

budget reviews, looking to scale back spending in anticipation of a prolonged downturn. The Massachusetts Institute of Technology announced this week that it would delay renovation of an undergraduate dormitory as part of an effort to trim its budget by 10 percent to 15 percent in each of the next two or three years.

Harvard University, facing a projected 30 percent decline in the value of its endowment, said last week that it would revamp its expansion plans in Allston. Earlier this fall, Boston University instituted a hiring freeze and a moratorium on all construction projects that are not already under way.

Kelly Brilliant, director of the Fenway Alliance, said the delay in the Northeastern dorm project “was understandable, was unfortunate.”

“It’s too bad,” she said. “They have been making a good effort to house more of their students, which the neighborhood certainly supports.”

Tovander, from Page 1

Tovander knew how to inject the sometimes oppressive and stressful MIT grind with a fair dose of humor: “He didn’t take anything too seriously,” said Rand-Nash. “He didn’t [the pressures of work] get to him. I think he helped other people so it wouldn’t get to them either.”

Thomas J. P. Snider ’09 is one of those friends who appreciated Tovander’s easygoing spirit. Snider met Tovander first while working with him on the final project for 6.170 (Lab in Software Engineering).

Tovander ended up buying Snider’s motorcycle. “He blew me away by saying that he was looking for a motorcycle. A short week later he was the owner of my bike. I didn’t really describe the sort of bond that riders have, but I can say we became fast friends because of it.”

Snider wrote that later, though he did not see each other on a regular basis, Tovander still had an impact on his life. “He probably didn’t know it, but he really helped me out a lot in my time at MIT, mainly by allaying my fears about various classes [in Course VII]. He had a great outlook on things, he never seemed fazed by the tough challenging cases and that outlook kept me worr...”

To Read to MIT

Tovander grew up in Plano, TX, and later in Claremore, OK, a small town of 17,000 where going to MIT was unheard of. In deciding to come, he rejected full rides to state schools and defied the advice of his teachers. “Teacher tried to convince him not to go—they really tried,” said his mother. Like him, he did so in order to live, he stuck to his guns and headed to Cambridge anyway.

Even when financial troubles cropped up during his junior year, Tovander came up with a creative way to pay for his education. He decided to leave MIT and join the Navy, so he went home and began training. In this too, Tovander showed intense dedication. He began running and doing pushups and sit-ups everyday. Tovander steadily built up his physical abilities and began running longer races. It was during a half-marathon race on Route 66 that Tovander passed away.

Despite Tovander’s ingenuity and motivation that carried him so far in life, it wasn’t always clear that he would end up enrolling at MIT.

When Tovander was in junior high, his mother said, she discovered that he had been repeatedly sent to detention for not doing his homework. When she confronted him about it, he asked why he had to complete assignments for material he already knew when he would rather be writing software.

After the confrontation, he decided to bear down and start doing homework. He tutored his friends too, and even laced up awards that — in humble spirit — he frequently did not tell his family about.

There was one accolade he could not hide: that he was named valedictorian of his high school.

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Recently expanded to 15,000 square feet of floor space (5,000-square-foot addition opened just over a year ago), the museum features invitingly devised rotating exhibits on new MIT research, as well as permanent exhibits.

One day last month, some visitors examined prototype parts for stackable urban cars, which looked more like shopping carts than vehicles, while others walked slowly backward at the “Eight Einstein” exhibit. As they moved, “hybrid illusions” of facets of Einstein morphed into Fred, Madonna and John Lennon before their eyes. Created by Adele Oliva, a cognitive science professor, and her colleagues, the images are helping researchers learn more about visual cognition and how the brain functions.

Hanging from the ceiling in one corner were MIT-designed submersible vehicles — made to move on their own in deep-ocean areas too dangerous for divers — including Jason Junior, the one that snoped around the wreck of the Titanic. Upstairs, permanent exhibits demonstrated the institute’s most established work in robotics, voice recognition and DNA research. Prof. Harold Edgerton’s groundbreaking strobe photography is on display there; you’ll probably recognize his famous bullet-through-the-apple shot.

Fiddle with the “Remarkable Double Fiddler Hydraulic Happening Machine,” which uses a strobe light to deconstruct a water stream in individual droplets. Or examine the displays chronicling MIT’s work on radar in World War II and navigational systems for the Apollo space missions. There’s also a video of the annual mechanical engineering class’s robot competition.

The museum also owns hundreds of 3-D holograms, the largest and most extensive collection in the world, said Seth Riskin, curator of the displays of MIT’s work in chemistry. Among the large-scale holograms from international artists, some as tall as five feet, is to be displayed in the museum’s ground-floor windows and facing outward, visible to nighttime passersby. Two dozen smaller holograms — from a portrait of Keith Haring to images of brains and a coal molecule — are part of the permanent exhibit.

While the MIT Museum’s character is tranquil and contemplative, the newly rejuvenated Boston Museum of Science can seem like pandemonium, especially on weekend days. There are literally hundreds of interactive and informational displays and kiosks on dozens of topics: optics, reproduction, computors, live butterflies, remote sensing and much more. A true Tardis stereopticon recently became the latest permanent exhibit. The exhibits are arranged heller-skelter in three confusing wings over three levels. Plunge right in anyway — this stop, too, is obligatory — but focus and pace yourself.

You can learn how radiotherapy, wind turbines and biomachine digestion protect you. To please “Star Wars” fans, a full-scale model Naboo N-1 Starfighter, from “The Phantom Menace,” dangles from the ceiling beside real spaceships from a galaxy not so far, far away.

At Galileo’s Drop Stop, test for yourself whether different masses fall at the same rate. An exhibit called “Mathematics, Magic and Mystery” by Charles and Ray Eames, explains concepts like celestial mechanics, probability and the Zeta Function (don’t ask) with entertaining circa-1960s models and video clips. Teaching moments are everywhere: the men’s rooms have signs explaining how the infrared sink technology works.

For the biggest “wow” factor in the museum and the planetarium shows, at least visit the Theater of Electricity and its Van De Graaff generators and Tesla coils. “We need people who are particularly full of electricity,” joked Diana DeLucia, a program coordinator who made one volunteer’s hair crackle with one million volts and who created a strangely beautiful indoor lightning show.

“A lot of the presenters here have math and engineering degrees,” Ms. DeLucia said. The generators came to the museum from MIT, where their inventor, Dr. Robert J. Van de Graaff, taught physics — one example of the ways the area’s dozens of universities and research labs have infused Boston with innovation. Faculty members at Harvard and MIT alone have packed up 49 Nobel Prizes in the sciences. The microwave, the safety razor, the instant camera and the video game were all invented in the Boston area. All around town, there are places to trace some of this legacy.

One is the Ether Dome at Massachusetts General Hospital, the operating theater where in 1846 a Boston dentist administered the first fully effective anesthetic — ether — in a famous early demonstration. Across town, at the Warren Anatomical Museum on the Longwood Medical campus of the Harvard Medical School, you can gawk at medical history in glass cases, some of it creepy, like skeletons of conjointed twins and Civil War-era instruments used for amputations. The best-known artifact is the skull of Phineas Gage, who, in 1848, blew iron for the railroad, accidental- ly shot a three-and-a-half-foot-tang ing iron straight through his head. Amazingly, he survived.

Harvard’s Collection of Historical Scientific Instruments, in its Science Center, is a whirlwind tour of tools that have helped scientists calculate nature’s mysteries, from a geometrical compass designed by Galileo to an 18th-century microscope. A locally invented pioneering computer used to calculate test trajectories during World War II.

At the Harvard Museum of Natural History, galleries of old-school specimens, like skeletons of three whales and a rare dodo, recall the heady era of Darwin. Other displays are reminders that important discoveries are still being made. A recent item is a model of the world-famous Tiktaalik roseae skeleton, the evolutionary link between fish and land animals, discovered two years ago by the Harvard paleontologist Don Jaguar Jenkins and a team.

Before you leave, don’t miss the exquisite collection known as the flower glasses. These delicate models of flower species were made by a father and son glass blower in Haymarket and could study botany in the winter months.

For a glimpse of the science that goes on in the town’s start-ups, visit in Central Square between Harvard and MIT, home to Toscanini’s and many restaurants, cafes and shops, most along Massachusets Avenue.

“You walk down the street and hear people yapping about stuff that was invented in the area,” said Thomas Knesek, co-founder of Harmonic Music Systems, whose Toscanini’s shop in Cambridge is the upper floor behind Rock Band and Guitar Hero.

Mr. Egozy and his business partner, Mr. DeLuca, said that many of their employees are also musicians who play in bands at neighborhood clubs like the Middle East Tunes. The restaurant’s music is hip, he said, because it’s “musical.”

Mr. Egozy recommended a legendary MIT hangout, a Chinese restaurant called Mary Chung. “When you go in,” he said, “you can just tell it’s a science town.”

Miracle of Science is another geek-centric watering hole. The dining menu displays the Periodic Table of the Elements; be- cause of “Rb,” the radioactively hot burger, which is packed with jalapenos.

A more swanky option is Mid- sides, where buttons-down types are known to dance to nightly DJ music. It’s not far from the MIT fun house-like Stata Center, designed by Frank Gehry, where students huddle over pub food and computers at the R&D.

Cambridge even has science-themed theater. The Catalyst Collective was formed at MIT and presents the science plays at the Central Square Theater. Several performances of the play “The Fantasticks,” mast of December.

If you don’t leave town with out- technophile souvenirs, shop the MIT Press Bookstore and MIT Coop for the latest on the area’s(mu- seum of Science gift shop for child- pleasing robotics kits and stuffed animals. Harvard’s Natural History Museum sells jewelry and minerals and mementos galore.

The MIT Museum’s shop specializes in grown-up gifts and gadgets. One T-shirt has the symbol for the square root of negative one, below the words “I have an imaginary friend.” Perfect for that budding Einstein on your gift list.
Jenkins Will Take Position At USC

Jenkins, from Page 1

graduate program, but the lack of support for the Ph.D. program is what also contributed to Jenkins decision to seek out a different program.

Jenkins said, “People are now scrambling to see what will be the next phase. There will probably be no Ph.D. program in the future though.” The current graduate program may stop admitting students in the coming year.

Believing that the undergraduate program will remain strong, Jenkins is leaving MIT after this academic year to take part in interdisciplinary research at USC’s School of Cinema and School of Communication. “These two schools have the top Ph.D. programs in the world. It will be exciting to be in the hub of the entertainment industry,” said Jenkins.

In addition to his contributions to the CMS program, Jenkins has had a strong presence around campus. He has been housemaster of Senior House for 14 years and is known for his annual salute to Dr. Seuss during IAP.

He noted that even as Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger was proposing more cuts, “applications for fall 2009 are up almost 20 percent from last year, with a 36 percent increase in applications from community college transfer students.”

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Several of Cal State’s most popular campuses have for years cut off at least some applications in the fall, but the official deadline has been in the spring, and some colleges would have priority for freshmen at the most popular campuses, he said.

Therefore, Reed said, “we need to take action immediately.”

In an e-mail message on Tuesday to employees, Chancellor Reed explained that the 460,000-student system already served some 10,000 students for whom the state provided no money, and that it faced further cuts to a budget that was $215 million below its operational needs.

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The CMS program will remain strong, Jenkins said in his blog post.

“We can’t continue to admit more and more students without receiving adequate funding,” Chancellor Charles B. Reed said Monday.

It would be the first time in its history that the university system turned away students who met admissions standards, and the announcement was greeted with disappointment and anger.

“We have put the education system on a starvation diet, and each and every year it becomes weaker,” said Lt. Gov. John Garamendi, a trustee of the university, who joined Chancellor Reed at a teleconference with reporters Tuesday.

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This month, Mr. Schwarzenegger announced $4.5 billion in cuts to the state budget, to help close an $11.2 billion budget shortfall.

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Women's Cross Country Clinches Berth in NCAA Championships

As she has done all season, Jacqueline M. Wenz '10 (13:23.7) paced MIT, coming in 19th out of a field of 330 runners. By sharing 20 seconds off her 2007 time, Wenz is now the highest individual finisher at this meet for MIT since Debbie Won '90 placed fifth in 1998. Andrea E. Bradshaw '10 and the finish line directly behind Wenz with a time of 23:35. Marla J. Monks '10 was the third MIT runner to place in the top 30, completing the six-kilometer course in a time 23:48, good for 29th overall.

Jennifer A. Doyle '09 dramatically improved on her 81st place finish last year as she squeezed into 56th place. Katherine J. Eve '11 rounded out the scoring with a time of 24:02. Anna M. Holtz '11, in her first year of running for the Engineers, finished in 24:36 with a time of 23:48, good for 29th overall. Holtz has since broken the tape at 25 points (57-82). Amherst College received the 10th. Middlebury College took home the fifth ranked team in New England, despite entering the meet as the 11th. The men finished eighth, failing to qualify for the national championship, which was achieved by MIT's third of 330 runners. By shaving 20 seconds off her closest competitor, Eve has qualified for the national meet.

The NCAA Championship will be held next Saturday, November 22 at the L.S. Ayers Athletic Complex on the campus of Hanover College.

MIT’s women’s track team will have a strong showing at the NCAA meet, looking to qualify for the national championships.

MIT Men’s Ice Hockey

The MIT Men’s Ice Hockey team began the season with a 20-0-2 record, finishing fifth in the nation. The team qualified for the NCAA tournament, advancing to the championship game, where they were defeated by the University of Minnesota.

MIT Women’s Swimming

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MIT Wrestling

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MIT Ballroom Dance

The MIT Ballroom Dance team began the season with a 20-0-2 record, finishing fifth in the nation. The team qualified for the NCAA tournament, advancing to the championship game, where they were defeated by the University of Minnesota.

MIT Debate

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MIT Openweight Crew

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MIT Men’s Ice Hockey

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MIT Women’s Swimming

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MIT Wrestling

The MIT Wrestling team began the season with a 20-0-2 record, finishing fifth in the nation. The team qualified for the NCAA tournament, advancing to the championship game, where they were defeated by the University of Minnesota.

MIT Ballroom Dance

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MIT Debate

The MIT Debate team began the season with a 20-0-2 record, finishing fifth in the nation. The team qualified for the NCAA tournament, advancing to the championship game, where they were defeated by the University of Minnesota.