10th US archivist to talk at convocation
John Reed, Susan Hockfield also slated to headline MIT150 event

By Rebecca Han

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Baker, Burton Conn, McCormick, Senior House, and Simmons will all be used for programs and conferences organized by MIT, including the Women’s Technology Program, Research Science Institute, and Interphase.

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BERLIN — Apparently unnerved by an anonymous Internet campaign urging Chinese citizens to emulate the protests that have rocked the Middle East, Chinese authorities this week have begun a forceful and carefully focused clampdown on activities by foreigners that the government deems threatening to political stability.

Public security officials have summoned dozens of foreign journalists and students welcomed to Beijing in recent months and have been warned that they faced the loss of their visas, revocation of their credentials and expulsion if they did not abide by new limits on their ability to interview and photograph Chinese citizens, the Foreign Correspondents’ Club of China said in a statement.

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NFL, union extend deadline for a day in labor talks

WASHINGTON — The NFL and the players’ union agreed Thursday to extend by one day the deadline for expiration of their collective bargaining agreement. The agreement gave them time to see if they can further extend the deadline to continue negotiating in hopes of averting the first work stoppage in the league since players struck in 1987.

The extension was approved Sunday night on the major issues that divided them, most importantly the division of $9 billion in annual revenue. If no other extension is reached, the latest contract will expire at 11:59 p.m. Friday.

The reprise also gave teams one more day to negotiate with their players or players who have been cut by other teams, but not to reach agreements. Further extensions can begin without a new collective bargaining agreement, and no player trades are allowed.

— Judy Battista, The New York Times

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Gandhi, his chief minister, had ordered his forces to be on alert and be ready to storm a possible “no-fly zone” over the country, the government said. He also said that the U.S. has tried to avoid. With forces loyal to Gadhafi staging a desperate counterattack to seize rebel-controlled cities, Obama acknowledged that Libya could descend into a bloody stalemate.

In such a situation, there are few realistic — let alone attractive — military options for the U.S., which is already entangled in two other wars. Even limited options, like a no-fly zone to prevent Libyan planes from shooting at their own people, are drawing opposition from some European allies and would be unlikely to win the approval of the U.N. Security Council.

Obama’s top national security ad- visers have disagreed in public, with Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton sounding more receptive to a no-fly zone than Gates. Testify- ing before the House Foreign Affairs Committee on Tuesday, Clinton said there are “arguments that would favor it, questions that would be raised about, but it is under active consideration.”

In his testimony before the House Appropriations Committee, Gates said, “Let’s just call it a spade, a spade,” before going on to describe how a no-fly zone would involve de- stroying Libya’s air defense systems so that U.S. planes could fly without fear of being shot down.

Some of the policy differences, analysts said, reflect institutional bias. Pentagon leaders often drama- tize the costs of military action to test the commitment of civilian leaders.

Gold rush stemming from high prices fuels Colombia’s conflict

By Simon Romero

CAUCASIA, Colombia — Officers pored over intelligence reports describing the movements of two separate insurgent groups. Then the helicopters lifted off at dawn, carrying an elite squad armed with assault rifles to the newest front in this country’s long war: gold mines.

Since the beginning of the decade, warlords have made huge inroads in Colombia’s gold industry. Some smugglers have been able to mask the fact that they faced the loss of their visas, revocation of their credentials and expulsion if they did not abide by new limits on their ability to interview and photograph Chinese citizens, the Foreign Correspondents’ Club of China said in a statement.

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Egypt’s generals stumble in new leadership role

By Neil MacFarquhar

CAIRO — Egypt’s ruling military council announced a long-standing demand of the protest movement by formally backing a former army chief, General Ahmed Shafiq, on Thursday.

The generals were evidently trying to head off another huge weekly demonstration Friday on Tahrir Square, the focal point of the massive protest movement that toppled President Hosni Mubarak on Feb. 11, the day before. Protesters have only one minister, one endorsed by the protesters a day before. A celebration is expected.

But the military council that decided to stand behind the former prime minister, named President Barack Obama signed a repeal of the law — the Affordable Care Act — must fall with it.

By Katie Zecina

ABIDJAN, Ivory Coast — At least six women were shot dead here on Thursday as they protested against the continued rule of Laurent Gbagbo, the West African nation’s president.

The women were taking part in one of a number of all-women marches that have sprouted up here over the past week in response to Gbagbo’s refusal to step down after his election last year. Previously, these marches have been dispersed by troops firing in the air.

But on Thursday, Gbagbo’s forces responded to the demonstration in the tense Abobo neighborhood by shooting into the marching crowd, witnesses said. The Ohanian Center — the women’s center — had insisted that Davis, a former special forces soldier who worked as a contractor for the CIA in Pakistan, is a diplomat, and as such is immune from the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 1961, which grants blanket immunity from prosecution to diplomats.

Jane Perlez, The New York Times

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"We will not go into effect until the "don’t ask, don’t tell" repeal is effective, which will be 60 days after the president, chairman of the joint chiefs of staff, and the secretary of defense certify that the military is ready to implement the law," Faust said in a statement.

The university is in discussions with the military about re-implementing ROTC programs, officials said.

"There are a variety of options for return to Harvard and other campuses," Faust said. "We welcome the return of ROTC on more college campuses."
by Richard A. Schiff

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A mix of black comedy and realism
If You Are The One II is a sequel without a happy ending
By Derek Chang  
Associate Editor

If You are The One II is Xiaogang Feng’s sequel movie to If You Are The One, which was released in 2008 and became imme-
diately popular in China. The movie is a formidable sequel in an industry where most follow-up movies tend to fall short of expectations. It is filled with emotionally subtle passages, well-acted and funny, and it is a reminder that human relationships and the way we feel about them can be a part of life. During an unnatural and forced scene

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Chorallaries leave students with bad taste in happy mouths
Nth Annual Concert in Bad Taste entertains and offends

Photos by Ann Lyons
1. Current and former members of the Chorallaries perform "The Engineers Drinking Song" during their Bad Taste concert on Saturday.
2. Varsha J. Raghavan '14 and Gustavo N. Goretkin '13 perform a skit about friendly interactions between local college students.
3. Thomas M. Ciesielski '11 commences Bad Taste with the Chorallaries' infamous list of this year's dedications.
4. Burton Third Bombers cheered when they were honored in a brief skit during the Chorallaries' Nth Annual Concert in Bad Taste.
5. Mounds of toilet paper litter the floor of the popular lecture hall 26-100 at the conclusion of Bad Taste.

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The MIT Concert Band needs you!
The MIT Concert Band is looking for additional players, especially in the trumpet, low brass, french horn, and percussion sections. We have several more concerts this year (including tour to Washington, DC) and invite all undergrads and anyone in the MIT community to join.

Contact bavicchi-lives@mit.edu for more information or visit the website at band.mit.edu.
600–700 can occupy two summer dorms
MacGregor and East Campus picked for location, kitchen facilities

Summer housing. Page 1

Between MacGregor and East Campus, there will be space for 600–700 students. Last summer, approximately 450 students lived in summer housing, a decrease from previous years that Director of Housing Dennis Collins believes was related to the change to consolidating students into fewer buildings. Collins believes the number of students utilizing summer housing should rise this year, partially due to the increased availability of kitchens.

Last summer, more students lived in East Campus than Next House — the other open dorm — which Humphreys believes was at least partially attributable to the greater number of kitchens. Since both MacGregor and East Campus have more widely available cooking facilities, Humphreys says students will likely distribute more evenly between the two. If MacGregor and East Campus are not fully occupied, it is possible that single floors will be closed for cleaning and repairs.

Under the new consolidation system, decreased utility and staffing expenses reduce overall costs to maintain summer housing. Last summer, approximately $400,000 was saved in utilities and staffing costs, Collins said.

Closing dorms also allows for renovation on a scale that would not be possible while occupied. Last summer, nearly $5 million in repairs was conducted in the dorms that were closed for the summer — Bexley, Burton Conner, MacGregor, and Random.

Additionally, the separation of undergraduate housing and conference housing allows more advanced planning of summer conferences. Because entire dorms are dedicated for conferences and other programs with outside attendees, the space can be allocated years in advance. Previously, when undergraduates and conference participants were sharing dorm facilities, allocation of conference space depended on undergraduate usage.

Summer housing officially begins Aug. 13.

Dining, Page 1

plan to be implemented in the fall. It will additionally ask for students to rate the process that led to the dining plan.

A petition against the dining plan has also been circulating around McCormick since October. As of March 3, the petition has garnered more than 150 signatures — 60 percent of McCormick residents — collecting most of them since DAP. Roughly half of the signatures indicated they are considering moving out of McCormick because of the dining changes.

“We feel the administration has largely ignored our needs and concerns regarding this dining plan,” McCormick Senator Almas Abdulla ’14 said in an e-mail to Chancellor W. Eric L. Grimson PhD ’80 and Dean for Student Life Chris Colombo.

—Eliah Jordan Turner

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When it stops being a game… it’s time for straight talk.
The Academy Awards: a night of fashion, entertainment, extravagance, and above all, excellence. While this year’s show — held last Sunday night at 8:30 p.m. — was bursting to the seams with three of these four, it fell disappointingly short on the entertainment front. Anne Hathaway and James Franco, a Best Actor nominee himself, added little spontaneity and even fewer laughs as younger, more “hip” hosts — albeit not without a lack of effort on Hathaway’s part. Her enthusiasm was well placed, but Franco’s spacey demeanor and an overall lack of good jokes far outweighed any true entertainment value. (I mean, did he really have to walk out in a dress?)

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The three-hour-long marathon did include a few highlights unrelated to attire, including a semi-intentionally hilarious Best Supporting Actor presentation by 94-year-old Kirk Douglas (to Best Supporting Actress, Melissa Leo) and a side-splittingly funny F-bomb for the first time in Oscar acceptance-speech history. Of course, at its heart, the Academy Awards is a celebration of film, and the entertainment front. Anne Hathaway and James Franco, a Best Actor nominee himself, added little spontaneity and even fewer laughs as younger, more “hip” hosts — albeit not without a lack of effort on Hathaway’s part. Her enthusiasm was well placed, but Franco’s spacey demeanor and an overall lack of good jokes far outweighed any true entertainment value. (I mean, did he really have to walk out in a dress?)

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Unnatural Selection by Meisel / Tonn / Wang

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Somewhere on the Search for Meaning... by Letitia Li

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You were writing in Assembly Language!

It’s too bad that now you’ll never get the final piece of your heart back.

Run, your heart is more than pieces of green crystal! You can live just as well without those physical fragments...

Let me prove it to you. I’ll give you part of my heart.

Dilbert by Scott Adams

Sudoku
Solution, page 6

Techdoku
Solution, page 7

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.

Instructions: Fill in the grid so that each column and row contains exactly one of each of the numbers 1–6. Follow the mathematical operations for each box.
Help Desk by Michael Benitez

Top 3 Things I Did in My Free Time Before I Came to MIT

1. Play videogames
2. Read
3. Draw

Friday, March 4, 2011

Nanobots

I think the IETF hit the right balance with the 128 bits thing. We can fit MAC addresses in a /64 subnet, and the nanobots will only be able to devour half the planet.

Herpetology

Herpetology is a self-help remedy. Reptiles are actually more closely related to birds and mammals than to amphibians.

It should really be drawn up with lizards folded into ornithology.

Nanobots

ONC H N T O R O P H S D E N C E

AS YOU CAN SEE, NANNOBOTS ARE ACTUALLY MORE CLOSERLY RELATED TO BIRD AND MAMMALS THAN TO AMPHIBIANS.

WHAT DO YOU MEAN, "RUN OUT OF ADDRESSES"?

1. I think the IETF got the argument wrong with their "left eye" thing. The IP address is a key to the Internet, and the nanobots will

Crossword Puzzle

Solution, page 6

ACROSS
1 Online business
6 Banned big bang
11 Cal. pages
14 Nita of old films
15 Puccini opera
16 Artist’s rep.
17 Left... (in Hollywood?)
20 Lauder of cosmetics
21 Track official
22 Neighbor of Leb.
23 Had a feeling
20 Lauder of cosmetics
21 Track official
22 Neighbor of Leb.
24 Had a feeling
25 Spanish wine drink
26 Redact
27 Putin’s vacation home
28 Job for Perry Mason
29 Van Gogh’s brother
31 Mubarak’s predecessor
33 G.I. entertainers
34 Graffiti practitioner
35 Actress Falco
36 Bill attachment
37 Carve in relief
38 Spanish river
39 Left... (during a heist)
40 Pianist Peter
41 In flight
42 Toothed wheel
43 '74 kidnap group
46 Games mall
47 Box
48 Medical selection process
49 Unnerving
50 Carve in relief

DOWm
1 “Dune” composer Brian
2 Greek letter
3 One’s other self
4 Wedding vows
5 Elevates
6 2004 Olympics site
7 End of a sock
8 Psychic power
9 H.S. suby.
10 Diplomat’s forte
11 Kenyan terrorists
12 Shrek’s mate?
13 Sound system
18 NFL prop
19 Spasm
22 Sheraton parent co.
23 Iranian ruler, once
24 Spanish wine drink
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Volleyball beats Elms College

MIT, ranked 13th, still undefeated in conference

By Paul Dill

William B. Evans '14 registered a match-high 11 kills and five aces in MIT's 25-12, 25-16, 25-17 victory over Elms College in a North East Collegiate Volleyball Association (NECCA) New England Division men's volleyball match on Tuesday night. With the win, the seven-underseeded Engineers improved to 19-5 on the year and 12-0 in conference play.

MIT raced out to a 16-4 lead in the first set. Following the second timeout called by Elms, both teams traded points until a service error and back-to-back kills from the Blazers made the score 21-11. The Engineers posted four of the final five points to close out the set.

After opening the second frame with a pair of hitting errors, MIT called a timeout. Following the break, the Cardinal and Gray rattled off five unanswered points, which prompted a timeout by Elms. A block by Elms ended the Engineers' run and helped keep the visitors within striking distance for most of the set. Trailing 17-11, the Blazers put together a 4-1 spurt which narrowed their gap to three for the fourth time. MIT countered with a 7-3 run to wrap up the game. On set point, Kenneth M. Siebert '14 made a diving one-handed dig, which was tipped over by David R. Thomas '12 with his back to the net.

The Engineers return to action on Friday, March 4, when they host the MIT Invitational.