Former varsity sports, profiled
Money not the only problem

By Evan Moore

In April 2009, faced with over $400,000 in budget cuts, MIT’s Department of Athletics, Physical Education, and Recreation (DAPE) cut eight varsity teams — Women’s and Men’s Gymnastics, Women’s and Men’s Hockey, Golf, Alpine Skiing, Wrestling, and Paddle. The move saved DAPE nearly half a million dollars in expenditures annually, but caused outcry across campus and lost MIT its status as one of only two schools in the nation with 41 varsity sports — the other being Harvard. Within the course of a day, these teams went from established varsity programs to groups with indeterminate futures. And although the club sports movement was lifted to allow a move the seven cut teams without club analogues (a club women’s Hockey team existed at the time of the cuts) to continue, the transition was not going to be easy — from losing athletes to competing in a new league, the new club teams had a lot of work ahead of them besides raising money and resolving management issues.

From NCAA varsity to club league
As club sports, almost all teams had to compete in new leagues and divisions.

Nicholas C. Severson ’12, Golf Club president, believes club competition is “less intense” and that “by playing on a varsity team, people are more motivated to perform.”

He still views his opponents as worthy competition, and he hasn’t lost his sense of team spirit. “At any given worthy competition, and he hasn’t lost his sense of team spirit. “At any given

Ian A. Waitz named new Dean of Engineering

Ian A. Waitz, head of the Department of Aeronautics and Astronautics (Course XVI) was named the new Dean of Engineering on Tuesday. Waitz succeeds Subra Suresh ScD ’88 as Dean, who left MIT to direct the National Science Foundation last September, and current Interim Dean of Engineering Cynthia Barnhart PhD ’98. He will assume his duties as Dean this Monday, February 7.

In an e-mail sent to Course XVI students, faculty, and staff, Waitz said that his three years as head of the department have been “the most rewarding of my 20 years at MIT.” He said that although there were still some things he had wished to accomplish as Department Head, he was confident that Course XVI would continue to thrive after

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What’s down with Town Gown
Greening MIT 150, real estate discussed at meeting

By Ethan A. Solomon

Every year, some of MIT’s most important administrators stand before the people of Cambridge. The City, which is largely defined by its universities, asks that Harvard, MIT, Lesley University, and Cambridge College give annual public Town Gown reports about what each institution has been doing for the last 365 days and what the future has in store. Because in a city of slightly over 100,000 people, it’s no small wonder that some of the nation’s largest, richest, and most influential schools have a big impact on how this town works.

Theresa M. Stone SM ’76, MIT’s executive vice president and treasurer, began the presentation before the Cambridge Planning Board and a public audience at the Citywide Senior Center this past Tuesday. Topping her list of MIT’s most notable recent initiatives was the ongoing MIT 150 celebration. In speaking of Institute activities that have the most relevance to the rest of Cambridge, Stone emphasized the April 30 MIT 150 “Open House” — an opportunity for the general public to “explore [MIT’s] labs and offices.” The Open House coincides with the first day of the Cambridge Science Festival, and jointly, the events are intended to showcase Cambridge as an international leader in science, technology, engineering, and math.

Greening/MIT, the Institute’s latest sustainability program, also shared the spotlight. Stone noted to the Planning Board that MIT’s collaboration with NStar to reduce MIT’s electrical use by 15 percent beat its first-year goal by about 30 percent, or 13 million kilowatt-hours. She also highlighted MIT’s all-time low single-occupancy vehicle rate.

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IN SHORT

Senator Scott P. Brown (R-Mass) and President Hoekfield will tour MIT’s Institute for Soldier Nanotechnologies today and discuss Brown’s legislation.

New stops were added to the Tech Shuttle (Media Lab) and Cambridge West Saferide (Kendall Square and Sloan).

The plan aims to increase digital preservation and collection practices by establishing a new technical platform to host the libraries’ content and catalogs. In addition, the libraries plan to set up a new joint off-site storage facility.

Waitz said that both libraries are planning to invest in a new technical platform that will enable users to access news on current events and research developments.

Last April, Harvard and MIT began a pilot program to make their collections easily available to undergraduates from both schools. Reciprocal borrowing privileges were already available to faculty, researchers, and graduate students.

—Robert McQueen

MIT and Harvard announce joint library initiative
GOP proposes $32 billion cuts in discretionary spending

WASHINGTON — After clamoring loudly about their plans to curtail federal spending, House Republicans announced Thursday that they will seek $32 billion in cuts for the remainder of the fiscal year — a minuscule amount compared with a projected annual deficit of nearly $1.5 trillion.

The Republican proposal is effectively $5 billion less than the domestic and foreign aid programs in President Barack Obama’s budget request for 2011 — far short of the $100 billion in cuts that Rep. John A. Boehner promised before the November elections that catapulted Republicans into the House majority and made him the speaker.

Suddenly Merkel is saying “yes,” and that could mean a big leap forward in European integration. When they meet here Friday, the 27 heads of government will hear new ideas on how to save the euro, delivered by German Chancellor Angela Merkel, who is planning a big push to coordinate retirement ages across countries, scrap holding the national debt in Greece, and get others to mimic Germany’s economic rise. She is preparing to present a sweeping new plan to rescue the euro.

While the Germans are expected to press others to mimic Germany’s economic rise, she is preparing to present a sweeping new plan to rescue the euro. Merkel has hinted at curbing federal spending, House Republicans announced Thursday that they will seek $32 billion in cuts for the remainder of the fiscal year — a minuscule amount compared with a projected annual deficit of nearly $1.5 trillion.

But their willingness to impose steeper reductions also raises fears of violence as events here seemed to unfold at a more rapid pace than those in Egypt, which were expected to be relatively peaceful. protesters have been killed, and thousands have been injured, as security forces in Yemen battled against the roar of demands for change. In Cairo’s Tahrir Square, or Liberation Square, for the past two days, “And to show I am against chaos.”

As our area recovers from its latest bout of wintry weather, yet another coastal storm is set to impact the region this weekend. Another, coastal low pressure system currently located over the southeastern states will make its way northward, sweeping across the region tonight for precipitation for Saturday and Sunday night.

By Diana B. Henriques

Senior executives at JPMorgan Chase expressed serious doubts about the legitimacy of Bernard L. Madoff’s $50 billion investment business more than 18 months before his Ponzi scheme collapsed but continued to do business with him, according to internal bank documents made public in a lawsuit Thursday. Although the bank first learned of Madoff’s fraud in December 2008, it took until June 15, 2009, to alert regulators about the scheme.

The bank’s reluctance to take action makes it “very difficult to understand why Madoff was able to mislead the investment community for so long,” said Robert Fein, a lead attorney for a class of investors in a fraud lawsuit filed to recover assets for the victims of Madoff’s security fraud.

While the snowfall totals from this event will depend on the exact track of the storm, which is still somewhat uncertain, snow or rain will begin on Saturday afternoon before changing to all snow overnight. Once the snow falls, it will continue throughout Sunday and into Monday night.

Situation for Noon Eastern Time, Friday, February 4, 2011

£ 30 mph

Snow tapering off. Highs in the mid 30°F (C).
Virginia asks Supreme Court to rule on health care

By Kevin Sack

Washington Post

Virginia’s attorney general announced he plans to bring an appeal against the Affordable Care Act that would seek to rule on the constitutionality of the entire law.

The case, which would be filed in the Supreme Court of Virginia, is the first such challenge to the health care law in the federal circuit court system.

“Virginia’s attorney general, Kenneth T. Cuccinelli II, said in a statement that the case would “require the Supreme Court to rule on the validity of the entire law, including the heart of the law—the individual mandate,” which requires most Americans to obtain health insurance.

“We are confident that the Supreme Court will ultimately uphold the constitutionality of the entire law,” Cuccinelli said.

The case is expected to be one of several that will be filed in federal courts across the country in the coming weeks and months, as the Affordable Care Act begins to take effect.

“We are committed to ensuring that the law is upheld in its entirety, and we look forward to the Supreme Court’s review of this important case,” Cuccinelli said.

The Affordable Care Act, also known as Obamacare, was signed into law by President Barack Obama in 2010 and is intended to provide health coverage to millions of Americans who are currently uninsured.

The act includes a number of provisions, including a requirement that most Americans obtain health insurance, as well as provisions that would provide subsidies to help lower-income people buy insurance.

The Supreme Court is expected to hear arguments in the case in late 2015 or early 2016, with a decision expected by the end of 2016.

The case is the first of its kind to be filed in a federal court, and it is expected to set a precedent for future challenges to the Affordable Care Act.

“It is clear that the Supreme Court will have a significant role in determining the constitutionality of the Affordable Care Act,” Cuccinelli said.

“We are confident that the court will uphold the law in its entirety, and we are committed to ensuring that the law serves as a model for the future of health care in the United States.”
LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Corporation election rules unfair

If told you about an election process in which the candidates are placed on the ballot by a closed committee of insiders, the candidates are prohibited from responding to questions from the voters, and the voters themselves are not informed not only we ask any questions, would you guess that the election must be in Iran, communist China, or some other undemocratic venue dominated by a self-serving dictatorship? You'd be wrong. These are the published rules which have been imposed by the Corporaton Screening Committee on the election of a recent graduate to the MIT Corporation.

Titled “Electioneering Policy,” this policy instructs candidates that they must limit their communications to “the electronic poster page on the ballot that is made available to each individual who is selected to be a candidate on the ballot.” It warns that any other action is considered inappropriate and may subject a candidate to disqualification. Candidates are advised “if asked why they can’t talk about the election, inform voters that there is a policy which prohibits campaigning by both candidates and voters,” and they are encouraged to stick to their assigned mailing lists to e-ballot their opinions. Votes are also subject to the gag order by “a statement that advises all voters;” and they are encouraged to direct their questions to the administration which has been imposed by the Corporation.

This desperate policy offers in every way to protect the self-interested concept of a closed election. The policy ensures that the voters are denied the most basic opportunity to inform themselves about the candidates by limiting them to the officially sanctioned election.

The Dollar Pledge supports MIT students

When we read The Tech’s report on the developments in Orientation and Residen- tial Exploration (REX, formerly known as R/O), we decided that, as alumni, we had to support the students who are taking the Dollar Pledge for this very purpose. By donating a single dollar through the Dollar Pledge, we aim to provide MIT alumni and other donors with a positive means of supporting MIT’s mission and unique student body. Further, we wish to quantify the cost of decisions made by MIT in dollars. With the Dollar Pledge, we aim to support the students who are taking the Dollar Pledge for this very purpose. By donating a single dollar through the Dollar Pledge, we aim to provide MIT alumni and other donors with a positive means of supporting MIT’s mission and unique student body.

The Dollar Pledge is about much more than just REX. The slashing of REX is just one of many attacks on student affairs in the past few years. These controversies have ranged in scale from the ab戎 big-fighting to the recent attack on the single individual, Dean Simons of Student Support Services, to the debate on mandatory dining, which affected the entire student body and stretched out over the course of years. Students have rightly pushed back through official channels, and the administration has, in turn, taken steps to address these issues.

We, as alumni, must continue to stand with the students who are taking the Dollar Pledge for this very purpose.

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Cairo is burning

Let us hope that other Arab regimes might burn as brightly

By Keith Hasty

It is the eleventh straight day of protests in Egypt, and nearly every day has been marked by fierce and violent clashes between protestors and riot police. The president, Hosni Mubarak, an 82-year-old autocrat who has ruled Egypt for nearly 30 years, has begun to listen to the voices of the Egyptian protestors. He listened by telling the Egyptian protestors that he was stepping down. Given the mercurial nature of revolutions in the Arab world, we cannot yet declare victory. But it is heartening to see a country that has long been considered a pariah by the international community beginning to consider the idea that it might be possible for change to happen.

Unfortunately, the change that is happening in Egypt is unlikely to produce a meaningful change in the way that the United States has dealt with the Egyptian regime. The U.S. has a small set of objectives that it has been working towards for the past decade. These objectives include helping to stabilize the region, preventing the collapse of the U.S.-Egyptian alliance, and ensuring that the U.S. has leverage in any future negotiations with the Egyptian regime.

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We're seeking to build a world in which women, like men, can enjoy the benefits of democracy.

H.R. 3 is only the latest in a long history of trivialization of sexual violence.

Societal conceptions of rape must be changed.

By Kavya Joshi

Off the 22 countries in the Arab League, three possess genuine democratic governments. The remaining 19 are absolute monarchies, constitutional monarchies or “strong-man” republics. Each of the three na-
tions that do qualify as being democratic is struggles to improve the human rights situation, which had democracy forced upon it by the United Nations seven years ago, still has an uncertain future. Lebanon has a novel crisis in the form of its brand new government, and the ‘Jasmine Revolution’ is a story that is as much to the world as it is to the Middle East.

The theme of poor economic conditions, a lack of opportunity, and corruption is recurrent in the Arab League.

Without sacrificing the identity of the nation as a Muslim country. Because 97 percent of the population in Saudi Arabia is Muslim, there is little danger of the loss of those con-
tinental values that are respected by the peo-
ple. For example, Saudi women launched a hugely popular “My Guardian Knows What’s Best for Me” petition in 2008 defending the driving ban. In their eyes, the law, which states that every woman must have a male guardian (usually a father or husband) who has du-
ties to and rights over the woman. The law,

which seems unacceptably patronizing and does not acknowledge the supposed right of the woman to choose her future. The law, which is, the overt or threatened use of physical force is not used nearly as much as is culturally

desired. In one study of rape

which requests the victim to keep silent or else.

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cessible to those who do not understand Is-
lamic law. Fair enough; in their democracy,
such a law would stay. On the other hand, many of those women are vehemently op-
opposed to the driving ban. Consequently, the ban would be lifted.

“Republic” Libya — which has the 5th highest per capita GDP in the world — is comparable. The authori-
ties in Tripoli are taking a strong

pro vision that they face every day and their frustra-
tion reflects in their everyday behavior.

In addition, desperate attempts at protest against issues like women being for-

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Help Desk by Michael Benitez

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

Techdoku Instructions: Fill in the grid so that each column and row contains exactly one of the numbers 1 through 5. Follow the mathematical operations for each box.
Steal My Comic by Michael Ciuffo

You're all under arrest for being a hero's party!
Why is that a crime?
Our evil overlords are tired of you people barging in to push around blocks and steal keys in some noble quest.

You're all just going to surrender?!!! Town guards have awful ASL and you still have your weapons!

But all arrests are plot-driven!

Uh, actually, I can't be a man character. I have normal hair!

Neither can I! The only suffering in my childhood was listening to my sister sing!

And they're a good way to meet new party members like me!

Whatever you say, I'm not programmed to care.

You're coming to help us?
Of course, since we enjoy each other's company so very much! Don't you remember I also have someone to rescue?

You mean in between all your sarcasm you actually told us about yourself?

Topical Gaming Strip

by Jerry Holkins and Mike Krahulik

Penny Arcade

Have humorous commentary about a campus topic? Send 500 words and a pic to cl@tech.mit.edu.
Athletes, coaches, physical education credit, laundry, locker rooms, leagues — all lost by cut teams

Women’s and Men’s Gymnastics, Women’s and Men’s Hockey, Golf, Alpine Skiing, Wrestling, and Pistol players lament the budget cuts that cost their teams varsity status

Varsity sports, from Page 1

The University’s new athletic program has been in flux this season, with many athletes报案ing切削 of their favorite sports. “Our Cuts have been a huge shock to all of us,” said sophomore Stephanie C. Leger, 2011, a member of the women’s gymnastics team. “I feel like the administration could have budgeted better.”

Leger is not alone in her sentiment. Many athletes have expressed their disappointment at the cuts, including members of the women’s swimming team, the men’s gymnastics team, and the men’s and women’s track and field teams.

The cuts, which were announced earlier this season, affect a wide range of sports, including football, men’s and women’s basketball, men’s and women’s volleyball, men’s and women’s soccer, and men’s and women’s tennis. The cuts were made in an effort to balance the University’s budget.

While the cuts may have been necessary, many athletes and coaches feel that the university should have done more to consult with them before making the decision. “We feel like the administration could have done more to work with us,” said one athlete.

Despite the cuts, many athletes are still determined to keep going. “We’re going to keep fighting,” said another athlete.

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INTERVIEW

How much do you really know about your roommate? Leighton Meester talks about playing a college student in The Roommate

By Jenny Xie

How much does he or she know about you? Relationships between two people who know each other tend to become fragile and volatile when they begin living together. What happens when you have to live with a complete stranger in the strange new land that is college? Suddenly everything is a crapshoot. In theatres nationwide today, The Roommate explores the budding relationship between two strangers, including one who happens to cross dress.

The Roommate tells the story of Sara (Minka Kelly) and Rebecca (Leighton Meester), two young women randomly assigned to be roommates at a brewery are freely-available within a modest walk or bus ride from campus.

There’s an old tradition that workers at a brewery are freely-available within a modest walk or bus ride from campus. So obviously it’s a very far cry from what I do on the show. What kind of an impact did playing Rebecca have on you? LM: Watching it after you’ve made it you is really interesting because you do remember certain times and certain days that you filmed different scenes, but this movie is strange for me because I feel I have a bit of amnesia about it. I can’t say it wasn’t fun, it was but it was also intensely interesting for everyone. It was extremely difficult for me to understand her motivations, because of how she unravels. She’s very odd at times, but it’s definitely dark in the mind of someone who’s living like this, and it was interesting for me because I have what I believe is a firm grip on reality. I’m weird and crazy like anybody else but this person really doesn’t have control of her mind whatsoever, and the decisions she makes are not based on rational thinking. So it was interesting and somewhat unconformable at the same time.

What kind of an impact did playing Blair Waldorf have on you? LM: I’m such a wimp too, and I know that I’ve had my share of intense experiences, but I don’t think to me that’s an interesting point of view for the movie. And I think for the most part and I can totally relate and I think everyone can relate — maybe to a friend that’s a little too needy and nosy and in your business all the time.

Delusions, obsession, and a kitchen — live your worst nightmare, college edition, in The Roommate, in theatres today.

The Roommate

Directed by Christian E. Christiansen
Starring Minka Kelly, Leighton Meester, Cam Gigandet
Rated PG-13, now playing

LM: I’m such a wimp too, and trust me, I was all in the movie and I was scared. It’s definitely jarring and disturbing at points, but I think it’s also exciting and it is fun, and it’s a ride and it’s very sexy. I think it’s a story about two young women that are thrown into a situation together — they don’t know each other at all and I think a lot of people relate to that. You move out of the house. You go across the country. You go to college. You don’t know your roommate. They could be either a great roommate or they could be Rebecca. You never know who you’ll be paired with, so I think to me that’s an interesting point of view for the movie. And I have no idea what my roommate and I can totally relate and I think everyone can relate — maybe to a friend that’s a little too needy and nosy and in your business all the time.

No one is going to remember anything about you. They’re going to remember the incidents, suggestions for future beer articles, and I hope they're going to remember the suggestions for future beer articles. The beer is characteristically smooth, with some notes of dark roasted malt and a slightly slick (50fP) in a sandy sniffer.

I must fault Trader Joe’s for running the anticlimactic theater of opening the bottle. This is the third bottle of this beer I’ve opened, and each bottle has required the combination of Channel- erized pliers and a corkscrew to open. The bottle is sealed similar to champagne, using a cork with a large knob that should be able to be removed by hand. I’m not sure why, but the cork removal is rou-

The standout feature of this beer is its accessibility: it provides more of the flavor and alcohol of the Trappist beers imported from Belgium at about one-third the price per unit volume.

Fortunately, Trader Joe’s is a convenience store with a convenient location for most at MIT. Like all quality ales, this beer will warm in the autumn and winter spices. It is easy to finish the entire bottle yourself, although you’re warned to pace yourself, as the entire bottle has about 3.8 times more alcohol than your normal 5 percent ABV 12 oz. bottle.

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Ghana Justice visits Sloan

The Chief Justice of Ghana, Georgina T. Wood, gave a talk on Tuesday about the legal situation in Ghana and Africa. Wood was hosted by the MIT Sloan Africa Business Club, who invited her to be their spring speaker.

Held at the Sloan School’s Wong Auditorium, Wood’s speech focused on legal transparency, intellectual property policies, and arbitration systems in the business environment. She noted that judicial systems in Africa could be more effective at encouraging business activity.

While Ghana has been one of Africa’s success stories in fostering a supportive environment for business, there are still weaknesses that the government aims to fix, said Wood. One of the main problems with the Ghanaian judicial system is a lack of accessibility, particularly for citizens outside of Accra, Ghana’s capital.

While the hosted event officially ended at 7 p.m., Justice Wood’s prepared speech did not last the whole two hours. There were three pre-planned questions in response to Wood’s speech, which she answered afterwards.

—Derek Chang

Solution to Sudoku

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Tens of thousands of Massachusetts property owners are living in their homes without making mortgage payments while their houses are in legal jeopardy. A great many homeowners are working with lenders to avoid losing their homes, but some are in situations where they have no choice but to face the security of a court order and a sheriff’s lien.

The Massachusetts Attorney General’s Office has increased its efforts to aggressively enforce the Massachusetts Mortgage Lender Act. The Office has recently obtained an order in the Superior Court stopping a foreclosing mortgagee from selling a property. The Homeowners Lien Act, which places a lien on a property for unpaid taxes and assessments, is also being used to protect homeowners. In some instances, a court order has been obtained to compel a mortgagee to accept a payment in satisfaction of the debt. In other cases, a court order is necessary to prevent a sheriff or constable from entering the property to serve a notice of delinquency.

Most homeowners fail to pay their mortgages because they are out of work, have had their wages cut, or are saddled with ballooning interest rates on subprime loans. Housing advocates say some abandoned hope of ever catching up, staying put for months — sometimes years — while lenders slog through the increase in foreclosures that heads to foreclose.

“People slip through the cracks,” said Yvonne Moore, a tenant who has been in the foreclosures after a number of years,” said Melo- nie Griffiths, a community organizer with City Life/Vida Urbana, a Jamaica Plain group that works with tenants and homeowners in foreclosure. “Some people slip through."

Housing advocates say the extended process makes it difficult to forecasts the mortgage on a property and evict someone given homeowners an opportunity to make partial payments on the mortgage. The longer the process, the more likely it is that a homeowner will become delinquent and eventually lose their home.

Paul S. Willen, senior econo- mists and Bank of Boston, said that homeowners who are 60 days late on mortgage payments remain delinquent two years later. To help the housing market rebound, he said, foreclo- sure processes need to take place faster.

“[There is a compelling public need for an efficient foreclosure process,” Willen said.

Kevin F. Kiley, executive vice president of the Massachusetts Bankers Association, said that the time it takes to foreclose homes has lengthened as lenders grapple with new requirements meant to help troubled homeowners. The process needs to find a way to better differentiate between borrowers who can help themselves and those who won’t be able to afford their homes, he said.

“The process has been extraordinarily lengthy, and now it is getting longer,” Kiley said. “It continues to use to be a drag on the real estate market.”

At the same time, public opinion about the way foreclosures are conducted has become more sensitive as a result of media attention. Homeowners associations by major lenders that some banks are not following the rules of legal documents without re-

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But MIT’s impact on the City of Cambridge goes well beyond the borders of campus proper. Steven C. Marsh, Managing Director of Real Estate at the MIT Investment Management Company (MITIMCo), updated the City on MIT’s investment property across the city. Investment property is owned by MIT but often leased to clients so that the buildings can be used for retail or laboratory space. MITIMCo has secured a number of new leases and letters of intent, which indicate that lease negotiations are in progress:

- **640 Memorial Drive.** MIT executed a lease with Sanofi-Aventis, an international pharmaceutical company, to move their oncology headquarters to half of this building, located past the far western edge of campus. Sanofi-Aventis will make the move this fall.

- **281 Albany Street.** After renovations, MIT executed a lease with Aileron Therapeutics, which now occupies the building.

- **177 Massachusetts Ave.** As part of MIT’s mission to support an “innovation cluster” in this area, MIT has leased the Analog Devices building and adjacent lots to the Novartis Institutes for Biomedical Research, across the street from their existing campus. Novartis will invest $600 million into the construction of laboratory and office space at the location, in addition to ground-floor retail space. MIT Building N42 (IS&T Helpdesk) has also been leased as part of this deal.

- **300 Massachusetts Ave.** In conjunction with Forest City Boston, MIT will develop the property north of Random Hall — part of the block between Blanche and Landsdowne Streets — into an office and laboratory facility with ground-floor retail space. The Tech reported last December that the existing buildings there, including Thailand Cafe, All Asia, J.N. Phillips Auto Glass, and MIT Building NW62, would be demolished, and that new construction could begin as early as December 2011.

- **450 Massachusetts Ave.** Veggie Galaxy, a vegetarian and vegan restaurant, will move in to some of the currently vacant ground-floor space at the building occupied by the Central Square Theater. Next door, a letter of intent has been signed with Moksa, which will offer street-style Asian food.

- **1 Broadway St.** A ground-floor lease has been signed with Firebrand Saints, a restaurant and bar which will feature seasonal outdoor seating. Another letter of intent for the property has been signed with Venture Cafe, which aims to “provide a resource for the Boston entrepreneurial and innovation communities” and “enable fresh and useful conversations,” according to its website. Currently, the Venture Cafe is a weekly event held on the 4th floor of 1 Broadway. Venture Cafe is “most of the way through negotiating a lease,” according to its blog.

- **610 Main St.** Currently a surface parking lot, MIT has proposed the construction of a building which will house 418,000 square feet of laboratory and office space at this property near Technology Square. According to the Town Gown report, MIT plans to start construction when an anchor tenant is secured.

The MIT Swimming and Diving teams took to the pool again on Saturday. Despite strong efforts, neither the men’s nor women’s team were able to come away with a victory. The losses were the first of the season for both teams.

Despite setting four pool records, the men’s team fell 167-131. Ryan N. Terbush ’12, Michael J. Liao ’14, William C. “Colby” Dunn ’14 and Wyatt L. Ubellacker ’13 started off the meet by swimming relay and setting a pool record with a time of 1:33.37. Liao set the pool mark in the 100 yard breaststroke event in No. 10, winning in 58.34 and would later win the 200 yard breaststroke in 2:08.73.

The other two pool records came in the 100 yard butterfly, which Ubellacker took in a time of 49.72, also good for an NCAA B cut. Dunn, Ubellacker, Anthony Chen ’13 and Brendon T. Devaney ’13 set a new pool record in the final event, the 400 yard freestyle relay (3:07.15).

Dunn won the 100 yard free in 46.24 and Brendan F. Liu ’14 took the 200 yard freestyle event in a time of 1:51.66. Thomas R. Sepp ’11 won the 200 yard free in 1:51.57 and Ubellacker won the 50 yard freestyle event in a tidy 21.31.

MIT was hurt by having only one diver in competition. Chao He ’12 took fourth in both the 1 meter and 3 meter board, allowing the Amherst Lord Jeffs to pick up important points.

For the second year in a row, the Amherst handed the women’s team their first loss of the season in a score of 194-184.

Amherst took the first three women’s events before Christine K. Rogers ’11 took the 100 yard breaststroke to win it 1:08.73. However, Rogers was part of the “A” squad in the opening 200 yard medley relay. She, along with Callie L. Marshall ’12, Elina L. Hu ’13 and Kathryn M. Crasey ’11 finished in a time of 1:51.13, but were bested by the “A” group from Amherst.

Amherst took control of the meet with four straight event victories, though MIT took second place in three of them. Murphy narrowly lost out to the 100 yard breaststroke (1:08.89 to 1:08.06), Joanna R. Yeh ’14 was edged in the 200 yard fly (2:11.93) and Hu took second in the 50 yard free (25.45).

It looked as though the Engineers could make a run back into the competition in the 100 yard backstroke (1:05.24) and Rogers followed her with an NCAA B Cut in 200 yard backstroke (2:07.30), but Amherst won three more consecutive events.

Elizabeth L. Staveley ’11’s performance on the diving board was a place in both the 1-meter and 3-meter events.

Kaydlin M. Rosick ‘14 took the last event victory for MIT, winning the 200 yard IM in 2:13.28 before Amherst ran away with the 400 yard freestyle relay.

The Engineers will host the WPI Invitational at Wheaton College on Saturday afternoon, for the Wheaton Invitational.

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