Fifth week flags issued
12.9 percent of freshmen receive warning

By Kath Xu
Associate News Editor

This semester, 144 freshmen, or 12.9 per-
cent of the Class of 2017, were issued fifth
week flags. The proportion of recipients is
down from almost a fifth of the Class of 2016
last year. Fifth week flags exist as part of an
early warning system to encourage students
to maintain their study habits.
According to Julie B. Norman, the Senior
Associate Dean for Undergraduate Educa-
tion and Director of the Office of Undergrad-
uate Advising and Academic Programming
(UAAP), a fifth week flag is issued to any
student who is at risk of not passing a class,
which means an overall grade of D or F five
weeks into the semester.
The flag consists of an email from the
professor describing possible areas of im-
provement, followed by an email from the
Associate Dean for Advising and Academic

Number of freshmen with fifth week flags

Number of freshmen with:

- 1 Flag
- 2 Flags
- 3 Flags

From 2011, the number of freshmen receiving fifth week flags decreased by 33 percent.

*Data from 2012 is missing the number of freshmen with 3 flags.

Pelosi visits C-Mod, PSFC layoffs delayed

U.S. Representative Nancy Pelosi visited
MIT’s Plasma Science and Fusion Center (PSFC)
Thursday, where she learned about MIT’s fusion
experiments performed on its tokamak Alcator
C-Mod, according to MIT News. The experiment
faces an uncertain future and may fail to receive
federal funding in FY 2014.
Pelosi discussed MIT’s fusion research and
learned about the hot magnetically confined
fusion plasmas that MIT researches with C-
Mod. Proponents of fusion research suggest
the technology could someday provide a clean
source of energy. MIT News Office. According to the American Insti-
tute of Physics, fifty members of Congress signed
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tute of Physics, fifty members of Congress signed
a letter this April in support of the Fusion Energy
Sciences Program. The requested $458.3 million
would go to the same budget that has historically
been the source of funding for C-Mod, but cuts
to this budget may affect C-Mod.
—William Nava

Pelosi discussed MIT’s fusion research and
acted as MIT’s oldest and largest newspaper.

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NEWS BRIEFS
Grad student housing group "still deliberating"
The Graduate Student Housing Working Group was formed to “focus on
how we might best house our grad-
uate students” according to the May/
June faculty newsletter. In August, the
group’s chairman Professor Philip L.
Clay wrote in an email to The Tech that
the group planned to “issue a report in
October.” However, Dean for Graduate
Education Christine Ortiz, a member
of the group, wrote that the group is
“still deliberating” and offered no up-
dates in an Oct. 28 email to The Tech.
Community forums to discuss future of East Campus
development
According to an email to the MIT
community from Acting Provost Mar-	in A. Schmidt and Executive Vice
President and Treasurer Israel Ruiz,
MIT has recently gained the right to
develop “over a million square feet of
new development, which will be a
combination of housing, retail, com-
mercial, and open space.”
The email announced that the ur-
ban design team commissioned to
perform a “design study [and to] en-
vision the future of our east campus”
will hold several MIT community forums to "elicit [community] input
and share the study progress.”
Cambridge citizen files complaint
Charles D. Teague of Cambridge
filed an Open Meeting Law Complaint
against the City of Cambridge, disput-
ating a vote on the Net Zero Emissions
Amendment (NZEA), according to
a proposed response drafted by As-
sistant Attorney General Amy Nable.
Had it taken effect, the NZEA would
have prevented MIT developing Ken-
dall Square in any way that was not
carbon neutral.
According to the document, Teague believes that, in April, the
Mayor Henrietta Davis violated the
rules by changing her vote in favor the
proposed amendment to a “present
vote” after she learned that the amend-
ment would likely cause MIT to be
unable to honor a commitment letter
that MIT wrote to the council “de-
scribing obligations that MIT would
perform for the public benefit if the
MT-proposed making amendment
were adopted.”

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Brazil acknowledges spying on US diplomats

RIO DE JANEIRO — Brazil’s government acknowledged Monday that its top intelligence agency had spied on diplomatic targets from countries including the United States, Iran and Russia, putting Brazilian authorities in the uncomfortable position of defending their own surveillance practices after reports implicating them.

Brazil’s Institutional Security Cabinet, which oversees the nation’s intelligence activities, contended in a statement Monday that its operations involved “surveillance about a decade ago of diplomats and diplomatic properties in Brazil, in absolute compliance with legislation governing such practices.”

The statement came in response to a report in the newspaper Folha de São Paulo describing how the Brazilian Intelligence Agency, commonly known as Abin, had followed some diplomats from Basinacd, the French intelligence agency, by foot and by car, photographing their movements, while also monitoring a commercial property leased by the U.S. Embassy in Brasilia, the capital.

By almost any standard, the modest operation seems to have been in sharp contrast to the sweeping international eavesdropping operations carried out by the National Security Agency. Brazil’s president, Dilma Rousseff, recently postponed a state visit to Washington following revelations that the NSA had spied on her and the Brazilian oil giant Petrobras.

For the NFL, a question of pranks or abuse

Jonathan Martin and Richie Incognito spent most of the season side by side, a pair of 300-pound men made rich from football, crouched inches apart on the offensive line of the Miami Dolphins. For years, they took the field and the locker room bench in order of their position — Martin, the left tackle, next to Incognito, the left guard. They were as connected as teammates can be, the Dolphins were as unlikely a match for them.

Martin and Incognito are gone from the team, at least temporarily, opposing them unshielded in a twisted controversy over hazing and workplace abuse.

Martin, a Classics major who attended Stanford and the same Harvard law school, left the Dolphins last week after falling victim to the latest in a two-season string of hazing incidents. Incognito, a 30-year-old veteran with a reputation for dirty play and a history of rough behavior, was suspended indefinitely by the Dolphins late Sunday while the team and the league investigated the matter.

Their unfolding saga is forcing the National Football League to reconsider a rule that was put in place to protect locker room culture and start defining the gray areas between good-natured pranks and harrasing. For years, young players in the NFL have been subject to some form of intimidation — whether it be Buddy Ryan telling the Philadelphia Eagles’ quarterbacks to crouch in the end zone after a successful play or a roughhousing incident.

It was their teammates’ equipment — the field. They are sometimes forced to sing or other- wise entertain teammates on demand, left helpless taped to goals after being ordered to “fing” and “peg” or asked to regularly bring sandwiches or fast food to teammates.

ESPN and the Associated Press, among other outlets, citing unnamed sources, have reported that Incognito sent threatening and racist voice-mail and text messages to Martin. Incognito later apologized.

Most incidents come with the tacit, unsupervised approval of coaches and players. With the pranks being hard to label, a worthy bit of team building and character strengthening.

But the hazing generally stays within the macho atmosphere of the locker room. The latest hazing problem began early this season, when a pair of behemoth millionaire teammates turned archenemies.

The Dolphins star defensive tackle was reportedly upset with his teammate on some foreigners.

As US weighs changes, officials want data sweeps to go on

By David E. Sanger

WASHINGTON — The Obama administration has told allies and lawmakers it is considering revis- ing a set of National Security Agency surveillance practices overseas, including records of all telephone calls apart from agreeing to more over- sight and public disclosure of some Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court decisions. The White House has for some time been looking to do the job. A night of deadly fighting ensued, with Molotov cocktails and gas bombs coming from both sides. By morning, at least 11 people were dead, including eight support- ers of the president and three non- Muslims, according to news reports.

Prosecutors have not changed any- thing over the Muslims’ deaths, and the changes against Morsi are related to the killing of three of those Muslims.

Morsi calls trials ‘illegitimate,’ and case in Egypt is delayed

By David D. Kirkpatrick and Mary El Shokh

CAIRO — As Egypt’s new mili- tary-led government consolidates its power, Mohammed Morsi, the de- posed president, went on trial Mon- day, facing charges of icing the murder of protesters, but he rejected the court’s authority and proclaimed himself to be the country’s legitimate ruler.

The trial got off to a slow start, and the case was soon adjourned until Jan. 8. The trial’s brief opening was Morsi’s first public appearance since his removal from office on July 3 and, in a dizzying turn for Egypt, the sec- ond criminal trial of a former head of state in less than three years. Former President Hosni Mubarak, ousted in February 2011 and now under house arrest in a military in a military hospital, is facing a retrial at the same time, the audi- tory of a police academy.

According to the website of Al Ah- man, Egypt’s flagship state newspa- per, the trial got underway as Morsi and 11 other Islamists, defendants appeared in a caged and dock court officials called out their names. But news reports said the hearing was first delayed and then suspended after Morsi refused to dress in prison clothing and thaws his co-defen- dants drowned out the proceedings.

Journalists who were allowed into the courtroom said that Morsi declared, “This trial is illegitimate,” and said he was still Egypt’s legal president.

Morsi’s trial announced last week by Mus- lim Brotherhood called for major- ity protests against the trial, and the Interior Ministry said it had deployed thousands of riot police officers to secure the streets. Shortly before 11 a.m., as the trial began, the streets remained quiet, but the number of demonstrators began to grow from only a few dozen to perhaps 100 in two locations outside the court.

Pro-Morsi demonstrators gath- ered in larger numbers at the Sup- reme Constitutional Court in the Maadi district of southern Cairo, wit- nesses said.

For the new government installed by Gen. Abdel-Fattah el-Sissi, the trial will be a ritual demonstration of its repeated assurances that there will be no turning back from the overthrow of Morsi or from the can- cellation of the Islamists-drafted con- stitution approved in December in a national referendum. The court pro- ceedings add formal legal legitimacy to Morsi’s incarceration, analysts say, so that no longer by military fiat alone.

He is charged with inciting the murders of protesters outside the presidential palace in December. As aggressive protesters began engrav- ing the palace, the police refused to protect it. So on Dec. 5, leaders of the Muslim Brotherhood called for the president’s Islamist supporters to do the job. A night of deadly fight- ing ensued, with Molotov cocktails and gas bombs coming from both sides. By morning, at least 11 people were dead, including eight support- ers of the president and three non- Muslims, according to news reports.

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assassins critical at home. The sharp- est public criticisms of the NSA from within the administration has come from one of the chief clients for its intelligence reports: Secretary of State John Kerry. “The president and I have long said that we have to be aware that there are things that have happened in many ways on an automatic pilot, because the technology is there and the ability is there,” Kerry said last week. “Some of these decisions have to be reviewed.”

A senior administration official said Kerry’s “automatic pilot” ref- erence “went beyond our talking points,” but added that the president agreed and “has already made some decisions,” which have not been announced.

Alexander’s deputy, John C. Ing- lis, told Congress last week that there was no satisfying alternative to a gen- eral oversight of calling the NSA. As US weighs changes, officials want data sweeps to go on

WEATHER

Warm week is a pause in approach of winter

By Ray Hua Wu

We have entered November, and thus have started to see local temperatures on the rise, until in fact see- ing mid to upper 60°F in the afternoon of Nov. 7. There is only one month left in the hurricane season and the Atlantic Basin so far is remarkably inactive. There has so far not been a single hurricane Sanders or even Category 1 status. The last year in which no hurricanes have sur- passed Category 1 was 1988.
SAC Capital agrees to plead guilty to insider trading

By Peter Lattman
The New York Times

SAC Capital Advisors has agreed to plead guilty to insider trading violations and pay a record $1.2 billion in penalty, becoming the first large Wall Street firm in a generation to confess to criminal conduct. The move caps a decade-long investigation that turned a once mighty hedge fund into a symbol of financial wrongdoing.

The guilty plea and fine paid by SAC, which is owned by the billionaire investor Steven A. Cohen, are part of a broader plea deal that federal prosecutors in Manhattan announced Monday. It will also require SAC to terminate its business of managing money for outside investors, though the firm will probably continue to manage Cohen’s fortune.

SAC’s case could inspire other aggressive actions against Wall Street, as the Justice Department’s uneven crackdown on financial fraud has gained momentum in recent months. Coming just days before JP Morgan Chase is expected to finalize a $13 billion settlement with the government over the bank’s questionable mortgage practices, the SAC case could stem concerns that financial firms are too big to change.

In a letter to the court, Preet Bharara, the U.S. attorney in Manhattan, called the penalty “stiff but fair” and “commensurate with the breadth and duration of the charged criminal conduct.” The letter explained that SAC agreed to plead guilty to each of the five counts in the indictment. Cohen, whose enormous compensation and conspicuous consumption have made him an emblem of financial wrongdoing, is said to have been charged criminally. Still, the plea deal is a devastating blow to Cohen, as the firm that bears his initials will acknowledge that it was a corrupt organization.

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The guilty plea and fine paid by Cohen, who owns 100 percent of the fund, will pay those penalties. In a letter to the court, Preet Bharara, the U.S. attorney in Manhattan, called the penalty “stiff but fair” and “commensurate with the breadth and duration of the charged criminal conduct.” The letter explained that SAC agreed to plead guilty to each of the five counts in the indictment.

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Butt out
Raising the minimum smoking age in NYC — yet another unjustified intervention
By Aaron Hammond

In a characteristically paternal fashion, late last month, the New York City Council raised the minimum age to purchase cigarettes and other tobacco products. To purchase even an e cigarette, consumers must now be 23 years of age. The justification provided by the City Council rests on the claim that by making the purchase of tobaccoCommonwealth

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Stanger to Fiction by Deena Wang

STRANGERS TO FICTION

Women are so mysterious. I wonder what they think about?

Can I pick this wedgie without being noticed?

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Sudoku

Solution, page 10

Technodoku

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Saturday Stumper by Anna Stiga

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Somewhere on the Search for Meaning by Letitia Li

- Of Alternate Realities
  - Why don't we just burn it down?
  - Because you'll lose control of the fire?
  - And because my quest is to investigate the destruction of three towns, not destroy ten more!!
  - Because that ominous-looking fortress come from? We should sneak in and investigate.
  - BECAUSE THAT'S A CRIME?!!

So you want us to walk into that strange place likely filled with death traps and monsters?

And let me state for the record, if I am on the jury of an arsonist whose defense is:

...I will at least find reasonable doubt of their mental fitness to stand trial.

Q.E.D. by Erika Trent

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GIR
GRR?
pset
pest?
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hassle?
UROP
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IHOP?
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badass?
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Alien invasion movie

Ender’s Game, although not true to the book, is worth watching

By Kaleigh Moore

My mother bought me a copy of Orson Scott Card’s Ender’s Game when I was in the third grade — I have been waiting for this movie ever since. The story is set on Earth, many years in the future. The planet is recovering from a devastating attack from the Formics, an alien race that appeared to try to invade Earth. In order to protect humanity, the world government trains brilliant children at the Battle School, hoping they will become new leaders of the International Fleet and save the world from another attack. The Fleet is looking for their next legendary commander, and they think that this is to be Ender Wiggin.

Asa Butterfield stars as Ender Wiggin, who only cares about how to make a profit from his godly experiences. On top of that, he has to deal with his superiors, who only care about how to make profit from his godly experiences. It’s a fun and thought-provoking story that will surely incite your mind. Despite the over-the-top vulgar dialogues and at times overly mundane conversations, the play asks all the right questions — how powerful is your faith? Where is the fine line between spiritual hypocrisy and true dedication? When do you help others and when do you help yourself? How do you know when certain situations are out of your control?

Some of these questions get answered, some are left to be solved by your imagination, and some just turn out to be a big bite to swallow. For a story of such in-depth questions of non-trivial importance, the play never manages to clearly explain the relationship between Charles’ decisions and the consequences in the lives of the people that he loves. Even though the beginning of the show sets clear and entertainingly humorous revelation of the divine mystery, the end gets lost in all the attempts to resolve the side plots and bring the story to a concluding point.

However, when the story manages to bring about good moments, these moments turn out to be exceptionally successful and witty. John Ebbs, portrayed by Brendan Griffin, adds the winning combination of redundancy and sentimental humor to the story, with his brilliant depiction of a must-love supporting character, and Ron Kirkpatrick, played by Joe Paolillo, brings in the satirical element of the play by portraying the overly dramatic news reporter. The mobile on-stage rooms, visually compelling TV screens, and newspapers desks make up the excellent stage setup, which brings the hectic and slightly fake atmosphere of the newsroom to life. And overall, the exaggerated representations of the mundane conversations, and characters’ genial and emotional responses compensate for the play’s lackluster outcome by making the plot more amusing than it ever would be in a real-life setting.

The play most likely will not leave you with the feeling of a cathartic epiphany, but don’t be fooled — under the satire and exaggerated humor, there are a lot of questions to be pondered and answered. You might not find the answers within the scope of the play’s plot, but that doesn’t mean it will leave you without food for thought.
EXHIBIT REVIEW

Last Seen by Sophie Calle

Exhibit explores absence and memory following the museum’s art theft

By Stephanie Hezie

Red, the color of passion and emotional charge. That is what you see upon entrance into Sophie Calle’s Last Seen exhibit. Perhaps you may walk in expecting to see sumptuous pieces of art, rich in detail, with figures draped in the finest garments indulging in foods or acts that stimulate to the highest senses. Instead you see — nothing.

Calle’s body of work explores absence and memory. What can we remember when there is nothing there? Is art still the same if the strokes of the paintbrush or the positioning of the photograph are not physically tangible?

To give some background, this exhibit is the brainchild of the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum’s art heist of 1990. Thought by many to be one of the greatest art heists in the history of the United States, it resulted in the theft of thirteen original pieces of work estimat

ed at half a billion dollars. The works included five drawings by Rembrandt, Flinck, Manet, and Vermeer. While FBI agents have stated that they are sure who the thieves are, to this day the works have yet to be rediscov-

ered. There is a $5 million dollar reward for information that will lead to their tracking.

Following the heist, Calle came to the museum to ask staff to describe the artworks from memory. Each response was written and paired with a photogra- ph of the different empty space where the stolen work was once placed. Both com- ponents were framed to form a new piece of art, and Calle re-peated this process for each of the missing pieces.

The Lost Seen collection was first shown at the Carnegie In- ternational and toured other museums around the world, but it hasn’t been shown at the Gardner museum or anywhere else in Boston until now. When the Gardner museum invited Calle in early 2013 to revisit her project, she not only agreed, but also added a new collec tion, What Do You See? to the exhibit. This latter collection adds a fresh layer to the already thought-provoking imagin- ations of the former collection. In What Do You See?, Calle once again recruits people to ask for their thoughts, yet this time the people are looking at the framed empty space rather than the empty space itself. They were not told about the missing pieces of art that once hung on the empty space and that had led to the framed piece. The test was whether these people would pick up on the fact that something was miss- ing or if they would focus on the blank framed canvas. No two responses were the same, but in order to find out what they said, you’ll have to see the pieces for yourself.

Dear reader, when you go to see these collections, would you care to answer what you see?

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Dean Obeidallah
Comedy with social commentary

By Kali Xu
CAMPUSShARE EDITOR

Immigrants work hard. Last year at this very time, we had Hurricane Sandy going on. In my neighborhood in New York, every American restaurant closed. What was open? Chinese restaurants. How do I know that? I look out my window, and the Chinese delivery guy I know is on his bike, delivering food because somebody ordered delivery during a hurricane. Ok, I ordered delivery. Because I knew he’d be there, and there he was!

Dean Obeidallah, a New Jersey-born comedian of Palestinian-Italian descent, uses comedy shows, interviews, and online writings to deliver political and social commentary. He has appeared on Comedy Central’s “Axis of Evil” tour, ABC’s “The View,” and various other TV shows. He has written for CNN, The Huffington Post, and The Daily Beast. Along with Jewish comedian Scott Blakeman, he started the “Standup for Peace” tour. The two describe themselves as “the ten-comedian solution to peace in the Middle East.” He also co-directed the recently released comedy documentary “The Muslims Are Coming!” which features a group of Muslim-American comedians touring the country performing standup and interventions to combat religious bigotry, including interviews with comedy and TV icons including Jon Stewart, David Cross, Rachel Maddow, and Russell Simmons.

While Dean is now a successful comedian and political commentator, he hasn’t always been in the business of comedy — he worked as a lawyer planning to enter politics. After unsuccessfully practicing law for several years, he was encouraged by his colleagues to compete in the funniest lawyer competition held by the New Jersey Bar Association. He tested out comedy by performing at night and eventually quit his job to do legal-related work for NBC, which he describes as akin to going to comedy grad school.

The worst advice he’s ever been given is: “Stay a lawyer. Keep doing the career you hate and that you regret waking up every day to do.” However, he does grant his law degree some credit in his new career as a political commentator, saying, “A law degree is great for anyone if you have the money to waste on it. It’s good to know your rights.”

When Dean first began as a part-time performer, his comedy material was not politically inclined. His focus shifted after 9/11 to help dispel the new wave of fear and hate directed at Arabs and Muslims. Regarding these negative views, Dean comments, “There are bad people; I get it. Overwhelming they’re all good, but the treeny exceptions are what define us, and that’s the challenge. For every minority group in America, I think the challenge is to fight against that, that you’re being defined by the worst people.”

Dean has performed all over the U.S., Canada, and the Middle East, and his jokes reflect his international experiences.

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“The Lebanese are very resilient people. This is how I got directions walking around. I’m not kidding. I asked this guy, ‘Where is this place?’ He goes, ‘Ok, it’s easy, come here my friend. Go down three blocks, you see a big building with bullet holes; you make a left. You keep walking, and you see a big hole due to a car bomb. Not the first one, the second one. You make a right. You keep walking. If you hear explosions, you’ve gone too far. You come back, you see guys near the barbed wire, don’t look them in the eye. Keep walking, keep walking, and there’s Pizza Hut.”

“I like Dubai very much … the construction five years ago was insane. I was on a street corner, and this guy goes, ‘UH, sir, you have to move.’ I’m like, ‘Why?’ and he says, ‘We’re building an office building here. It’s going to be beautiful. It’s oceanfront!’ I’m like, ‘There’s no ocean,’ and he says, ‘Come back next week.’”

As for the future, one of Dean’s goals is to get more involved in the media and to inspire more Muslims to do the same. He believes involvement in the media and the arts is crucial to ensure that news reports about terrorists and conflict in the Middle East aren’t people’s only exposure to Muslims. Dean says, “It’s important for the voice of Muslims to be heard. The more it becomes commonplace, the more it will become normal to people, not something to be hated and feared.”

While many of his performances at colleges, such as his show last Saturday at MIT, are hosted by Muslim student associations, his audience base is very broad. His documentary tour through the deep South and West attracted many audiences with zero knowledge of Muslims, with the aim of meeting as many people as possible and eliminating misconceptions about Muslims. After all, why do people fear other people and things they don’t know? Ignorance. Laughter, on the other hand, is a universal experience that brings people together.
Decision in Swartz documents suit

The District of Columbia District Court judge has issued an order in the suit for release of the Secret Service’s file on Aaron Swartz, deceased Internet activist. Kevin Poulsen, a news editor at Wired.com, had filed suit against the Department of Homeland Security in April for the release of this file, which is thousands of pages long. MIT and JSTOR had moved for intervention as third parties, seeking the redaction of the names of their employees in the documents.

United States District Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly’s Joint Stipulation for Redaction and Release of Documents specifies that in addition to redactions made by the Department of Homeland Security before their release, MIT and JSTOR will be allowed to propose additional redactions. They will then be released to Poulsen, the plaintiff as further redactions are declined or accepted or rejected based on the Freedom of Information Act.

Solution to Crossword

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Solution to Sudoku

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8 4 6 3 2 1 5 9 7
2 7 1 5 9 8 6 3 4
3 9 5 4 7 6 8 1 2

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Fewer freshmen than last year receive fifth week flags

3.091 changes partially responsible for reduction

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Programming, Donna L. Friedman, listing specific resources for the student. These include Student Support Services (SSS) and Seminar XI, a structured study group provided by the Office of Minority Education (OME). In addition, she asks each student to provide a self-assessment. Tentatives, she says, it is an issue of time management.

Part of this year’s decrease in fifth week flags can be attributed to 3.091, which issued only one flag, 17 receiving two flags, and 3 receiving three flags. No HASS classes issued fifth week flags. If a student receives more than one flag, Dennis Freeman, the Dean for Undergraduate Education, sends an additional email to the student particularly encouraging them to go to the OME and participate in Seminar XI.

Part of this year’s decrease in fifth week flags can be attributed to 3.091, which issued only two flags this year, compared to 29 flags last year. This semester, 3.091 is experimenting with incorporating more online instruction into the class, and replacing midterm and final exams with weekly online assessments. “I think those students that needed to get the message got it by week two,” explained 3.091 Professor Michael J. Cima on the large decrease of flags this year.

This assessment method gives people several opportunities for feedback each week. Our old assessment approach was primarily based on the first midterm. That is just too long to wait. I think the current students changed what they needed to change much earlier.”

70% gave out the most fifth week flags, handing out flags to 14.6 percent of the freshmen in that class (as 36 out of the 247 freshmen). 70% and 7.0%, the two new introductory biology classes, issued flags to 7.5 percent and 9 percent of their freshmen, respectively.

Six GIR classes — 8.012, 18.03, 5.112, 18.01, 18.01A, and 8.02 — gave out no flags.

Friedman said that students who are flagged in the fall semester generally are not flagged again in their spring semester, suggesting the freshmen in the spring are usually “a new crop.” “I think a lot of freshmen feel like failures because they got a flag, but really, it’s what you do with that information,” emphasized Friedman. “What I always say to students is that it’s the first bump in the road, and how you deal with it is predictive of what you’ll do here on in.”

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MIT hosts three games over the weekend

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With the 2013 season slowly coming to a close, the MIT water polo team returned home for the first time since mid-October to host a weekend of games. On the first day of the three-game weekend, the Engineers defeated Fordham University in a low-scoring game by a score of 9-7. They then fell to St. Francis College later that day, 12-5. Tech is now 10-12 on the season.

Against the Rams, Tech was led by Zachary S. Churukian ’17 and Ory Tasman ’16, who both scored two goals apiece. On top of his two goals, Churukian also had four steals, one assist, and one ejection drawn. Goalkeeper Nolan J. Kruse ’17 did one ejection drawn. Goalkeeper Nolan J. Kruse ’17 did.

In the game against St. Francis that night, Tech played from behind during the first quarter, before Churukian got MIT on the board with a minute remaining on the clock. With the score at 4-1 a minute into the second quarter, Kruse had a great block when a Terrier took a point blank shot at the net. Following a clean pass from Churukian to Cheney that found the back of the net and another by Tasman, the Engineers went into the third quarter trailing 7-3. Tech had a strong third quarter, scoring a goal of its own and holding the Terriers to just two goals. Ian E. Zaun ’17, who was replacing Kruse in net, had a number of impressive blocks throughout the quarter. In the final period, with a score of 9-4, Tasman took four back-to-back shots, but each time the goalie managed to punch the ball out of the way. MIT took a number of strong shots throughout the remaining minutes, with a shot from Tasman finding the back of the net with just over two minutes remaining. The second to remain tied at five minutes.

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The story of the second half was much different. Although WPI did come close to scoring on certain occasions, MIT dominated from the first whistle of the second half until the end of the match. MIT’s Matthew A. Monheit ’14 scored a beautiful header ten minutes into the second half to pull MIT up 1-0. The first half didn’t see any more goals and MIT took the lead into halftime.

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