Eli and Edythe Broad continue to contribute to their namesake genomics center

Donations collected will go towards funding PSC Expedition Grants for two student projects

The Undergraduate Giving Campaign raises over $8000

Broad Institute receives $100 million donation

New ASA resource eligibility proposal

Proposes tiered resource eligibility

By Kath Xu

The resources for which MIT stu- dents can group may be subject to new restrictions introduced for the 2014-15 academic year. A new policy budgeting rules, which support undergraduate public service projects.

By Alexandre Delmore

This year, 97 freshmen, sopho- more, and juniors donated a total of $4337.41. Of all the donations were matched by alumni Joe Levitch ’59, bringing to total to $8674.82. This is an increase from last year’s total, $7932.

During UGC week, four can- didates competed for Expedition Grants, showcasing their plans for large-scale community service proj- ects. Candidates and representatives from the UGC were set up in Lobby 10 starting on Oct. 28 to raise aware- ness and collect donations.

All of the donors who were donations and collected donations. The grants from the Public Service Center, which support undergraduate pub- lic service projects abroad.

By David Abel

To build on a decade of bio- medical research at the Broad In- stitute in Cambridge, the real es- tate magnate and philanthropist Eli Broad will announce Thursday that he and his wife, Edythe, are providing another $100 mil- lion to the genomics center that bears their name.

The unrestricted gift raises their total contributions to the institute to $760 million since they provided the initial money to start the center in 2003 — making the Broad the second-largest donator ever to a universi- ty, hospital, or research institute for biomedical research, institute officials said.

“We’re more than pleased with the progress they’ve made in the first 10 years, and we thought they needed more un- restricted money,” Broad said in a phone interview. “We thought this would induce others to contribute.”

He said the donations “may be the most important thing we do in our lifetime” and didn’t rule out providing more money to the institute in coming years. “I can’t tell you what we’ll do in five years,” he said.

The additional contribution comes two weeks after Mexican billionaire and philanthropist Carlos Slim Helu announced a $34 million gift to the institute to help correct a bias in genomic studies of human disease, which often analyze DNA from people of European descent. Slim’s money will be used to advance biomedical research that ben- efits people in Latin America.

The Broad Institute brings together biologists, physicians, chemists, computer scientists, and others from the Massachu- setts Institute of Technology, Harvard University, and Har- vard-affiliated teaching hospitals to seek new ways to understand and treat human diseases. Over the past decade, institute officials said they have discovered genes and molecular underpinnings of diseases ranging from diabetes to cancer, and have begun revealing key vulnerabilities in cells that could be targeted by drugs.

In a phone interview, Eric Lander, founding director of the Broad Institute, called the addi- tional contribution “stunning.”

“I want to emphasize how rare this is for someone to give such an unrestricted gift,” he said.

The institute got started with $200 million in contributions from the Broads, who made their fortune in the home-building and retirement savings busi- nesses. They gave an additional $400 million for the institute’s endowment, which is now val- ued at about $560 million, Lанд- er said.

The latest contribution will be applied in $20 million incre- ments to research projects over the next five years, which will expand key areas of associa- tion research and expand the institute’s annual oper- ating budget of about $270 mil- lion, Lander said.

“I have no doubt that there will be remarkable projects that will be competing for the oppor- tunity to launch based on this gift,” he said.

Lander and his colleagues are mulling what to do with the addi- tional money, but he expects the gift will be used to try design- ing drugs and other treatments to capitalize on the findings over the past decade.

“We’re very excited to translate the discoveries of the root causes of disease into clinical therapies,” he said.

MIT president Rafael Reif and Harvard president Lawrence S. Bacow are expected to announce at some point in the next two weeks the names of the key researchers who will receive the Broad grant.

“It’s the single largest grant that MIT has ever received,” Reif said in an interview. “It’s a recognition of MIT’s national leadership on a key problem.”

The Broad Institute is working with the U.S. National Institutes of Health in planning the gift’s distribution.

Broad Institute associate director Jennifer Doudna said the gift will go toward systematically analyzing the DNA of patients with rare diseases.

The Broad Institute is already exploring links between “omics” technologies, which examine every aspect of a cell’s genome, and the discovery of new drugs. “This will enable us to see how the different parts of the cell work together,” Doudna said.

The latest gift is on top of the $34 million gift announced two weeks ago by Mexican billionaire Carlos Slim, who is donating a total of $1 billion to seven charities over the next 20 years.

“This is a unique opportunity to launch based on this gift,” Doudna said.

MIT is expected to use the $1 billion that Slim donated to the Broad Institute to help launch a new institute focused on cancer research.

“The additional gift from the Broad Institute allows us to make a major strategic investment in cancer,” Doudna said.

Lander said that Slim’s gift will allow the new institute to begin operating by the end of the year.

The Broad Institute is planning to build a new, 465,000-square-foot facility at 100 Vassar St. to perform the work. Construction is expected to begin next year.

Lander said the institute plans to hire up to 100 new members. Funding for the new institute is expected to come from the Broad’s endowment, which is now valued at $560 million, and private donations.

By Catherine Ho

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CIA collecting data on international money transfers

WASHINGTON — The CIA is secretly collecting bulk records of international money transfers — including transactions into and out of the United States — under the same law that the National Security Agency uses for its huge database of telephone records, according to current and former government officials.

The CIA financial records program, which the officials said is authorized by provisions in the Patriot Act and overseen by the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court, effectively means that the extent of government data collection programs is not fully known. The officials said that the national debate over privacy and security may be incomplete.

Some details of the CIA program were not clear. But it was confirmed by several current and former officials, who spoke on the condition of anonymity because the matter remains classified.

The data does not include purely domestic transfers or bank-to-bank transactions, several officials said. Another, while not acknowledging the program, suggested that the surveillance court had imposed rules withholding the identity of any Americans from the data the CIA acquires, requiring a tie to a terrorist organization before a search may be run, and mandating that the data be discarded after a certain number of years. The court has imposed several similar rules on the NSA call logs program.

—Charlie Savage and Mark Mazzetti, The New York Times

Last shipment of nuclear fuel from Russian bombs departs

By Andrew E. Kramer

ST. PETERSBURG, Russia — The final shipment of civilian nuclear reactor fuel made from Soviet atomic bombs left port for the United States on Thursday, ending a post-Cold War program that has been a long-running boon for the American nuclear power industry.

Over its 20-year course, the program, known as Megatons to Megawatts, supplied the energy for about 30 percent of the electricity generated in the United States, far surpassing the electricity derived from solar, wind and biofuels as well as other alternative sources. Though not well known, the program, which began in 1993, has shaped the American uranium market for two decades.

In that time, the Russians dismantled about 20,000 nuclear warheads, processed their high-enriched uranium into low-enriched fuel, and sent it to the United States. Russian nuclear waste is now expected to drop from about 50 percent of the American market to 20 percent. Prices could rise for utilities.

In a cold rain on a pier at the St. Petersburg port on Thursday, dignitaries from the United States and Russia signed placards attached to the final pallets. Each pallet holds four cylinders of low-enriched uranium. It took about two nuclear bombs to make each of the fuel blocks, which look like orange juice water heaters.

“Congratulations on the last shipment! Stay safe!” Rose Gottemoeller, the acting undersecretary of state for arms control and international security, wrote on one ponder.

“Happy Trails to Baltimore,” Gregory Dreyer, a director of inspections of the Russian program at the Department of Energy, wrote on another caption, indicating where the shipment will end up in the United States.

The entire shipment contained uranium from about 80 warheads.

“Our focus globally is to minimize high-enriched uranium wherever it is found,” Gottemoeller said in an interview as she watched the canisters of processed bomb cores being hoisted onto a freighter.

Obama tells lawmakers to give Iran sanctions more time

By Mark Landler

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama, defending his diplomatic efforts in the face of congressional criticism, said Thursday that lawmakers should hold off on the bill to give diplomacy a chance. But there was little evidence that the bill was ready to be on the table.

The man, whose name has not been released by authorities, had been holding an infant inside Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin in Wauwatosa when Milwaukee police officers approached him and told him he was under arrest for an outstanding weapons charge. His name is not being released by Milwaukee County Sheriff Clarke.

The man put the child down and appeared to be willing to cooperate with police, sheriff’s office detectives said. But he suddenly fled down a hallway with a drugged handgun, Clarke said.

“He turned around several times with the weapons in his hands,” Clarke said.

The officers fired several shots, striking the gunman, authorities said. The man was taken to a nearby hospital. His injuries are not life-threatening, officials said.

—Timothy Williams, The New York Times

Return to average temperatures for the weekend

By Sharena Berlin

Extended forecast:

Today: Sunny and warm, with a high of 59°F (15°C). SW winds near 10 mph.

Tonight: Partly cloudy with a low of 39°F (4°C). SW winds near 10 mph.

Tomorrow: Morning clouds, then afternoon sunshine. High near 58°F (14°C). Low around 50°F (10°C). Calm winds.

Sunday: Partly cloudy with a high around 57°F (14°C). Low around 50°F (10°C).

Monday: Rainy and breezy. High near 61°F (16°C). Low around 40°F (4°C).

Situation for noon Eastern time, Friday, November 15, 2013

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World & Nation
In Venezuela, campaign takes form on fire sale

By William Neuman

CARACAS, Venezuela — The transportation minister appeared on live television from an auto-parts store, trumpeting prices that had been slashed in half, at least. A top regional official, broadcasting from another shop, boasted that prices of toys and other goods had been cut to the bone. From an appliance store, the commerce minister called on shoppers to buy washers and dryers at rare, low-low prices.

This week, the entire Cabinet of President Nicolás Maduro of Venezuela has been waging a battle against soaring inflation like a socialist version of Crazy Eddie, the one-time electronics chain store famous in New York for its goofy 1980s ads that trumpeted its “insane” prices. It is all part of a fever-pitch campaign to quell frustration with the economy by forcing retailers to slash prices, giving a much-needed shot of adrenaline to Maduro’s government just weeks before municipal elections that opponents want to cast as a referendum on his young and stumble-prone administration.

Further strengthening his hand, the National Assembly on Thursday took a significant step toward granting Maduro decree powers that will allow him to create laws on his own without legislative approval. The president has said he needs the powers to address the country’s grave economic difficulties, which he blames on an “economic war” being waged by the political opposition. He has said he will use the powers to take steps like setting price controls and a cap on profits. Such special powers have a long history in a country accustomed to a powerful leader with a strong hand. Maduro’s predecessor, Hugo Chávez, was granted decree powers during several periods of his 14 years in office. Maduro had sought the decree power since last month, but his supporters in the legislature were one vote short of the 99 needed to reach the three-fifths margin required to pass the measure. But this week his United Socialist Party engineered the ouster of an opposition legislator accused of corruption, clearing the way for a replacement supportive of Maduro.

Hezbollah leader says his forces will remain in Syria

By Alan Cowell

LONDON — The head of Hezbollah, the Lebanese Shiite militant group whose armed followers are fighting in Syria on the side of President Bashar Assad, pledged Thursday that his forces would remain there as long as necessary.

The leader, Hassan Nasrallah, spoke at a Shiite Muslim ceremony in his stronghold in southern Beirut, the capital, and Aleppo in the north. "Our fighters, our mujahedeen, are present on Syrian soil," Nasrallah declared, adding that they were in Syria also to support Lebanese and Palestinian causes, "to confront all the dangers of the international, regional and takfiri attack on this country and on this region." Tahaffit refers to the extremist Sunni Muslim fighters aligned with al-Qaeda who have joined the attempt to overthrow Assad.

Nasrallah’s remarks seemed to be directed specifically at the fighting within Syria and was not seen as a general call to arms, analysts said.

Slowdown in Japan raises the pressure on Abe

TOKYO — Prime Minister Shinzō Abe of Japan is now under more pressure to deliver on his much-promoted effort to improve the country’s long-term growth prospects, after a government estimate on Thursday showed that the economy had slowed in the quarter that ended in September.

Recent delays on measures that would liberalize Japan’s labor market or level the playing field for Internet-based startups have raised questions about how committed Abe remains to his proposals, especially when they encroach on powerful vested interests.

According to the preliminary figures released Thursday by the government’s Cabinet Office, exports and consumer spending had played signs of weakening after strong overall growth in the first half of the year. Japan’s gross domestic product slowed to an annualized rate of 1.9 percent in the quarter, down from 3.8 percent in the previous quarter. Growth had benefited from a bold monetary and fiscal push by Abe’s government to stimulate the economy.

The government estimate exceeded the average rate of 1.6 percent predicted by economists polled by Nikkei. The economists also forecast that growth would pick up somewhat in the fourth quarter. Still, the slowdown takes some of the shine off what had been a bright spot for an otherwise lackluster year for the global economy. On a quarterly basis, the Japanese economy grew 0.5 percent from the previous three months.

Government in Egypt eases restrictions

CAIRO — Egypt’s interim government lifted a state of emergency as well as a nighttime curfew late Thursday, signaling its growing confidence in its ability to impose security after the unrest that followed the military ouster of President Mohammed Morsi in July.

The months-long curfew shuttered small businesses early, squelched Egypt’s ailing economy and deepened a sense of gloom from the political crisis. It fell at 7 p.m. on Friday, the beginning of the weekend, silencing large parts of the noisy capital.

The state of emergency was imposed Aug. 14, when Egypt’s security services stormed two squares in Cairo where Morsi’s supporters were holding sit-ins, killing hundreds of protesters. The government was legally required to end the state of emergency after three months. Since Morsi’s ouster July 3, the authorities have escalated the Islamist movement, the Muslim Brotherhood, imprisoning thousands of members and virtually all of its senior leadership. The movement’s protests, largely as a result of government pressure, have become far smaller in many parts of the country than they were in August.

—Rah Scoop, The New York Times

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Mens et Manus … but what else? A greater need for ethics education

By Gregory Kravit

I was waiting in line to pay for my food a few days ago when I overhead a conversation between two people who appeared to be a professor and a researcher. They seemed to be catching up on something. Among other things, the researcher asked about a company in which the professor has some financial stake. Receiving a positive response, the researcher then asked if the professor ever receives any research money from said company. The researcher received a strong rebuke: The professor answered that he could not in good conscience advise a graduate student’s research while he had a financial interest in his or her work.

My initial reaction left me simultaneously quite surprised to hear this and extremely proud to attend a university where the faculty have a strong ethical framework (and I believe that professor’s reaction is representative of the faculty). It makes me even prouder (and the reason for my surprise) considering recent articles in the New Yorker among others that convey that the framework of some of our peer institutions can appear to be a little murky. Personally, it caused me to reflect on what I observed and how I would handle a similar situation.

To be honest, I didn’t know where or how to start to answer such a question.

The motto of MIT, as I’ve repeatedly recited countless times from posters is “Mens et Manus” — mind and hand. I’ve often heard that an MIT education, no matter your course number, teaches you two things: how to think (mens) and how to solve problems (manus). Most importantly and more increasingly, the world expects of MIT graduates (and others defining the future of MIT incorporate this) how to solve the world’s complex problems. As such, the Institute has been at the forefront of solving such complex problems with initiatives directed at buzzwords such as energy, manufacturing, health sciences, and MOOCs. I feel very satisfied that MIT has prepared me to do those two things and do them very well. However, the glaring question I can’t answer is, “Do I have the proper contextual understanding to approach solving complex problems?”

The Institute cannot lose sight of its responsibility to provide a framework and context for the knowledge it provides to the world.

After two plus years, MIT has enabled me to analyze Navy-Stokes in the boundary layer, to create my own airline, and to write a policy memo on the Afghan surge, but I’ve only received one lecture on engineering ethics. That lecture was right after a quiz and the two people sitting next to me were moaning. I can’t tell you the first thing I learned from that lecture, but it explains that I love and want to build for the rest of my life are not innocent bystanders to anthropogenic climate change. I don’t know how to view the reality that the ability to be able to work on the most exciting and cutting-edge research work might likely contribute to a product that would enable a policymaker to singe the hair off a target’s back on his rooftop halfway across the globe.

When I ask my friends similar questions, they don’t know how to approach these problems either. The Institute has not yet brought my friends and I are lacking in strong moral and ethical characters. I am thankful to my parents and many others who have provided me with a strong framework in how to treat and respect other human beings. I would like to say that all MIT students have that same sense of grounding and respect, but being kind to others isn’t correlated with being able to understand the ethical consequences of your decisions or education. For example, I don’t know how to feel about learning something as beneficial as cancer pathways when I take 7.041 senior spring with the consideration that the knowledge was discovered with the use of numerous “models.” These “models” include lab mice whose laughter you can hear at very high frequencies when they are tickled.

The need for MIT-trained engineers, scientists, doctors, writers, teachers, policymakers and even professors, but the lack of mandatory ethics education and how to understand the context behind complex problems is stark. I’m not sure if this could be fixed with an additional ethics GIB or included as a component of the communication (C) requirement, but I feel there needs to be something more than a single powerpoint on the professional engineer’s code of ethics.

As MIT strives to reach beyond the residential campus and teach “the net people” the Institute cannot lose sight of its responsibility to provide a framework and context for the knowledge it provides to the world. Initiatives like edX provide the Institute with enormous power to lead and define this century and the 21st century as it did the 20th. But with this power comes the responsibility to provide a solid ethical framework for all members of the MIT community, which will not be accepted.

I hope the members choosing to publish their disagreement with the professor I mentioned will not be accepted.

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by Jorge Cham

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**Restaurant Review**

**Finding Taiwan in Allston**

**Jojo Taipei, 103 Brighton Ave, Allston**

**By Rex Lam**

I was really happy when I first heard that the Boston West Side Cable had changed its name to Jojo Taipei. If that would be much easier to get to Allston, the liveheat hub of Asian restaurants in the area. Unlike Chinatown, where the majority of places serve Cantonese or Taiwanese cuisine, Allston is a true melting pot of all different cultures.

Jojo Taipei, Tasty Taiwanese restaurant

One of the most notable restaurants there is Jojo Taipei, which you may have heard of since it is a popular choice for on-campus catering. I went there on a Friday night, and the place was packed. I ended up waiting for about 40 minutes before being seated, but I was very impressed with how the staff handled the large crowd. I noticed that it was standard practice for parties waiting in line to place their orders so that they would get their dishes immediately when the table was ready. By the time I decided what dishes to order, the wait was already over. It also helped that the restaurant had a warm and homey décor, and was small enough that I could see everyone as I stood by the counter. I ordered fried steam buns, minced pork rice, and more because it was very spicy. In stark contrast to the tofu, the noodles and the wontons were good but not extraordinary. On the other hand, I loved the minced pork rice, which has enough flavor to eat by itself, but is also light enough to eat with other dishes.

**Jojo Taipei, 103 Brighton Ave, Allston**

**By Annia Pan and Grace Young**

**Theater Review**

**Dramashop presents One Acts**

**MIT troupe continues 56-year old tradition**

By Annia Pan

**STAFF WRITER**

Last weekend MIT Dramashop continued a 56-year tradition, presenting one-act plays performed and directed by students. The night included four short plays, ranging from a slightly morbid tale of death and beauty to a comedy/drama between a hobo and an affluent screenwriter play. We walked away entertained, amused, and thoroughly impressed by both theatrically inclined peers.

**The Master Poisoner**, directed by Klaudia Leja ’14, opens with a scene. A neurotic apothecary (Tushar A. A. Ali G) and his assistant (Justin T. White ’15) bemoan a dangerous concoction in an attempt to master death. The poor victims of their schemes (Sara E. Volz ’17) is a disfigured woman, whom the poison transforms into a half-demon, half-goddess. Volz plays the demanding role expertly, with a strong sense of menace. She appears almost at once, her character exemplifies the fast moving relationship between a hobo and an affluent screenplay writer. We walked away entertained, amused, and thoroughly impressed by both theatrically inclined peers.

A jail worker (Anna L. Waldo ’14) becomes a prisoner in Hello Out There, directed by Hrant Gharibyan ’14. He appears in a prison cell, uttering “Hello out there” as he once did. Rich with subtleties, the intensely emotional play makes the next act a welcome comedic relief. Dramashop’s spring plays will certainly be something to look forward to.

**Hello Out There**

Directed by Bruni Tambasco ’15

Directed by Bruno D. Tambasco ’15, portrays an encounter between a screenplay writer (Rishabh Bhardwaj ’12) and his psychopathic stalker (Zoe R. Sheinkopf ’17) at a Riverside Drive. The sound of rushing river water pervades the scene, setting a calming tone to their otherwise uncomfortable confrontation. Clad in a tweed suit, the writer is waiting apprehensively for his mistress when he meets the stalker. She accuses him of stealing her idea for one of his screenplays. Repulsed by her appearance and apparent insanity, the writer backs away, but her passionate speech slowly degrades his standoffish attitude, and the two develop an unlikely connection. Fran helps him think through his problems with his wife and mistress, but ultimately takes the situation into her own hands, literally, strangling the unfortunate mistress. Sheinkopf played the challenging role to perfection, mesmerizing the audience with her threatening and murderous, yet somehow endearing character.

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MOVIE REVIEW

Turning 30 days to live into seven years

By Edwina Portocarrero

An unrecognizable Matthew McConaughey stars as Texas cowboy and rodeo hustler Ron Woodroof, whose carterie life is forever changed when he is told he is HIV-positive and has 30 days to live.

Ron is a charmer, a ladies man, a gambler, a druggie, an alcoholic, and a declared blerb, a druggie, an alcoholic, and a declared declared declared declared.

As any good lowlife who has scraped by for his livelihood knows, he is reluctant to listen to any authoritarian figure, especially when told he has 30 days to live.

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Somewhere on the Search for Meaning by Letitia Li

You look sad. Is something wrong?

My research...

Everything I go near breaks!

...Never mind.

Look, it may bring you comfort to exaggerate like that, but-

UPPERCUT by Steven Sullivan

Spread Starters by Clive Probert
Want to hear a new perspective regarding the Palestinian-Israeli struggle?

How about hearing the story of an Israeli Defense Force (IDF) Soldier, Eran Efrati, whose experience as a soldier led him to working for the Palestinian cause, and an Israeli young woman, Maya Wind, who served military detention for refusing to serve as an IDF soldier, and is now also supporting the Palestinian cause.

Do not miss the chance to hear them out and ask them questions about their experience.

“It really stood out, that out invasion into their lives, its consequences are so destructive in terms that we don't even think about. “

"I don't even know what the person that we were looking for did. I don't know, maybe he just threw stones, maybe not. I have no idea."

"Even when you're a soldier and are somewhat aware of you're doing, you think to yourself: I wake them up at night; it's unpleasant. I ransack their house; it's not enjoyable. You don't think about the effect of how you're tearing families apart."
The Tech Friday, November 15, 2013

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ASA proposes new criteria for resource allocation

Groups that limit membership on certain factors may be barred from certain privileges

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Although BUSA does not restrict membership by major, Pillai says that BUSA’s purpose is primarily to serve the undergraduate population. However, because the group is department-sponsored, ASA funding is not an issue.

Following a discussion of the proposed policy change at the Fall ASA General Body Meeting last month, the ASA sent out a survey to all student groups’ officer lists for any additional comments. The survey included both open-ended questions and questions in which participants were asked to agree or disagree with a statement, with the neutral option removed.

Keeler declined to disclose the results of the survey, stating, “I’m uncomfortable giving exact breakdowns [of the survey results] because we had so few responses to the survey we aren’t sure the numbers are representative or meaningful.”

The ASA’s proposed policy goes into more university-specific detail than MIT’s non-discrimination policy, which states that the Institute does not discriminate against individuals based on race, sex, sexual orientation, religion, disability, age, genetic information, or veteran status. The ASA’s proposed policy would add undergraduate/graduate status, class year, course, and GPA to their student group non-discrimination policy.

In addition to the openness policy, the proposed policy changes also include a modified “5/50” rule for group membership and voting. Currently, part of the rule requires groups to maintain an active membership of at least 5 MIT students, which will remain unchanged.

Keeler estimates that a finalized policy would ideally be completed within the next few weeks. The draft of the proposals, along with rationales, can be found online at http://web.mit.edu/asa/rules/pdf/openness-proposal.pdf and http://web.mit.edu/asa/rules/pdf/5-50-proposal.pdf.
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Four earn All-Conference bids
Carlson, Battipaglia, Gregory, and Krishnamachar named to this year’s NEWMAC All-Conference team.

By Charlotte Brackett

Ambika M. Krishnamachar ’15 was voted as the New England Women’s and Men’s Athletic Conference (NEWMAC) Athlete of the Year, as was announced by the league office on Tuesday afternoon. This is the fourth time in the last five seasons that the award has gone to an MIT student-athlete and the second consecutive year, after Emily Kuo ’13 earned the honor last year.

Krishnamachar earned an automatic spot on the NEWMAC All-Conference team, where she was joined by three of her teammates. Krishnamachar and Rachel A. Dias Carlson ’14 were named to the First Team, while Michelle Battipaglia ’15 and Victoria Gregory ’17 were tabbed to the Second Team. In addition to this, head coach Martin Desmarais was named Coach of the Year for the first time in his career. He is just the second MIT coach to earn this honor, the last of which was Melissa Hart in 2001.

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Carlson has been named All-Conference for the second time in her three years at MIT, after Emily Kuo ’13 earned the honor last year.

This is the second time that Dias Carlson has been named All-Conference after appearing on the Second Team as a sophomore. Having played and started 19 games this season, she is second on the team with her three goals and six assists for 12 points. The senior was most recently named to the Capital One Academic All-District women’s soccer team as announced by the College Sports Information Directors of America for the third consecutive year.

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