

Green Hall Residents Will Leave In Fall and Thetas Will Move In

By Michael McGraw-Herdeg
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Green Hall, the women's graduate dormitory, will become undergraduate housing and will exclusively house members of the Kappa Alpha Theta sorority in fall 2008, residents were told in January. Current Green Hall residents were asked in January to leave by June 30, and they will have the option to move to any other graduate dormitory.

The announcement came as a surprise to residents, who had not been consulted before the decision was made. The Graduate Student Council president and the Under-

graduate Association president both said they were dismayed to see a housing decision apparently made without consulting students. The lack of student input is reminiscent of MIT's early 2006 announcement that Ashdown Hall would become an undergraduate dormitory, W1, and of the early 2007 decision that W1 will not contain kitchens when it is renovated into an undergraduate dormitory.

Although MIT has, starting 2006, planned to increase the undergraduate class size by about 100 per year, this goal seems more difficult now because there will be fewer spaces

available to undergraduates. When W1 opens, it will add hundreds of undergraduate beds; but W1 is currently scheduled to undergo extensive renovations starting this fall and to reopen in fall 2010.

The Senior Segue program, which placed undergraduate seniors in graduate student housing, will end in the fall. As a result, 103 spaces in graduate dormitories that had been reserved for undergraduates will no longer be available. Additionally, Theta members will no longer reside in 22 spaces in Sid-

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Graduate students will no longer occupy Green Hall in fall 2008. The dormitory will become a house for the Kappa Alpha Theta sorority, which has occupied part of Sidney-Pacific since fall 2003. Green Hall residents will be allowed to move to any other graduate dormitory.

Nuclear Research Reactors Perilous, Says GAO Report

Threats to Reactor Safety Have Been Vastly Underestimated

By Matthew L. Wald
THE NEW YORK TIMES

WASHINGTON

The risks of a terrorist attack on a nuclear reactor on a college campus, and the potential consequences, have been underestimated by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, congressional auditors say in a report.

The report, by the Government Accountability Office, said the commission had overruled expert contractors who thought differently, and misrepresented what the contractors had said.

Security requirements at the reactors have changed little since the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, according to the auditors, even though many of the reactors still run on enriched uranium, which terrorists could convert into an atomic bomb. In contrast, the rules for civilian power plants have become much stricter, the report said.

An unclassified version of the audit found uncertainty "about whether NRC's assessment reflects the full range of security risks and potential consequences of an attack on a research reactor." The audit said that the rules "may need immediate strengthening" and that more parts of research reactors were probably vulnerable to damage than the commission assumed.

Research reactors typically are less than 1 percent as powerful as civilian power reactors, and they usually do not operate under pressure, so there is less energy available to spread radioactive material in case of attack or accident. They are used for scientific research, training and making medical isotopes.

But while power reactors are surrounded by fences, guard towers and open space, the research

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Reading Room Chairs Still Missing; Criminal Charges May Be Filed

By Arkajit Dey
STAFF REPORTER

Five of the 46 chairs stolen from the Student Center Reading Room have been returned, and two more have disappeared, during an "amnesty" period declared by the Campus Activities Complex. The CAC has bought replacements and plans to implement a security system to keep more chairs from disappearing.

CAC director Phillip J. Walsh said that he has received confidential tips that the expensive, durable Steelcase chairs are "within the campus community." The CAC has forwarded the tips to the Campus Police, who are now investigating the thefts.

Marlena T. Martinez, assistant director for fraternities, sororities, and independent living groups in the FSILG office, said in a Jan. 31

e-mail to IFC presidents that tipsters had located stolen chairs "one or more MIT fraternities." She said that her office "can ensure amnesty for those involved if the return of those chairs is coordinated ... by February 5th, 2008."

Martinez's message threatened that chair thieves might face legal or disciplinary action if caught: "After this date MIT will proceed with an investigation of all tips on the whereabouts of the chairs, and if the search results in the property being located, may lead to criminal and/or disciplinary charges."

In 1991, MIT expelled two seniors who stole \$70,000 of Institute-owned computer equipment and installed it in their Phi Gamma Delta house. In

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Court Rules That Tang Will Remain Confined To Apartment, May Visit Gym

By Yuri Hanada
STAFF REPORTER

Anna L. Tang, the former Wellesley College junior accused of stabbing Next House resident Wolfe B. Styke '10, is scheduled for a pre-trial discovery hearing on Monday, July 14 at 2 p.m., according to the Middlesex District Attorney's Office. Tang last appeared in court on Monday, Feb. 4, when the court adjusted the terms of her house arrest to allow her to use a gym, the Wellesley Townsman reported.

The July hearing, which will dis-

cuss evidence, will take place at the Middlesex Superior Courthouse. According to the Cambridge Police arrest report, MIT Police found Tang in Next House in possession of a buck knife with her backpack and jacket covered in blood after Styke's stabbing.

Tang last appeared in court on Monday, Feb. 4, when she requested the conditions of her release be expanded to let her attend church and use a gym located inside the Fram-

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OMARI STEPHENS—THE TECH

With 200 meters to go in the 5th heat of the 4x400-meter relay, John A. Granata '11 chases a SUNY Cortland runner while trying to fend off a runner from Bryant College. The MIT relay finished in 3:22.46, placing 23 of 51 relay teams. The MIT men's and women's track and field teams competed at the Boston University Valentine's Invitational this past Friday and Saturday.



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WORLD & NATION

A Deadly Drive to Distraction In Gadget-Laden Vehicles

By Bill Vlasic

THE NEW YORK TIMES

DETROIT

Drivers have never had so many distractions tempting them to take their eyes off the road and their hands off the wheel.

Talking on cell phones and typing text messages while driving has already led to bans in many states. But now auto companies, likening their latest models to living rooms on the road, are turning cars into cocoons of communication systems and high-tech entertainment.

Some drivers are even packing their car interiors with GPS navigation screens, portable DVD players and computer keyboards and printers.

State Sen. Carl L. Marcellino of New York learned this firsthand while riding in a cab in Miami — the driver was watching a boxing match on a television mounted on the dashboard.

“I can understand a monitor in the rear, but up front it is a different world,” said Marcellino, who sponsored a bill last year to ban all “display generating devices” in the driver’s view. New York already has a law against TV sets in the front seat. “The driver shouldn’t be doing anything other than driving,” Marcellino said.

India’s Cooling IPO Climate May Point to A Slowdown

By Heather Timmons

THE NEW YORK TIMES

NEW DELHI

Could the fast-growing Indian economy finally be slowing?

In its first day of trading Monday, shares of Reliance Power fell 17 percent below its offer price last month, when investors bought all available stock in the country’s largest public offering in less than a minute.

The Bombay Stock Exchange’s benchmark Sensex index also closed down 4.78 percent on Monday, the worst performer in major Asian markets.

Reliance Power’s disappointing market debut followed days of slower growth projections, higher-than-expected inflation figures and falling export data. Several initial public offerings have been withdrawn in India in the last few weeks as once-resilient investors rethink their commitment to India’s volatile stock markets.

In a sign that consumer spending may need a lift, the country’s largest bank, State Bank of India, cut its main lending rate a quarter of a point Monday, after similar moves by other big local banks.

“People are becoming more realistic” about India’s growth prospects, said Gurnath Mudlapur, managing director of Atherstone Institute of Research in Mumbai.

After Strike, Ad Agencies See Window to Alter TV Business

By Stuart Elliott

THE NEW YORK TIMES

Madison Avenue, assessing the aftermath of the writers’ strike, is optimistic that there can be long-term benefits from the disruptions suffered during the 2007-8 broadcast TV season.

“Unfortunately, there’s no opportunity for a do-over,” said Rino Scanzoni, chief investment officer at GroupM, the division of the WPP Group that oversees media agencies like MindShare.

But there is plenty of opportunity to start fresh in the post-strike era, particularly in the areas where agency executives would most like to see change. For one, they would welcome the adoption of a year-round television season rather than the September-to-May schedule now followed by the broadcasters (ABC, CBS, CW, Fox and NBC).

With all the new series introduced in fall, “there’s a lot of hype in September,” said Charlie Rutman, chief executive for the North American operations of MPG, a media agency owned by Havas. “And by November, half the shows aren’t on anymore.”

Clinton Backers Desperate For Wins in Ohio, Texas Primaries

By Patrick Healy

THE NEW YORK TIMES

Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton and her advisers increasingly believe that, after a series of losses, she has been boxed into a must-win position in the Ohio and Texas primaries on March 4, and she has begun reassuring anxious donors and superdelegates that the nomination is not slipping away from her, aides said Monday.

Clinton held a buck-up-the-troops conference call on Monday with donors, superdelegates and other supporters; several said afterward that she had sounded tired and a little down, but determined about Ohio and Texas.

They also said that they had not been especially soothed, and that they believed she might be on a losing streak that could jeopardize her competitiveness in those states.

“She has to win both Ohio and Texas comfortably, or she’s out,” said one superdelegate who has endorsed Clinton, and who spoke on condition of anonymity to share a candid assessment. “The campaign is starting to come to terms with that.” Campaign advisers, also speaking privately in order to speak plainly,

confirmed this view.

Several Clinton superdelegates, whose votes could help decide the nomination, said Monday that they were wavering in the face of Obama’s momentum after victories in Washington state, Nebraska, Louisiana and Maine last weekend.

Some said that they, like the hundreds of uncommitted superdelegates still at stake, might ultimately “go with the flow,” in the words of one, and support the candidate who appears to show the most strength in the primaries to come.

The Clinton team moved on Monday to shift the spotlight off the candidate’s short-term challenges and focus instead on “the long run,” in the words of her senior strategist, Mark Penn.

“She has consistently shown an electoral resiliency in difficult situations that have made her a winner,” Penn said. “Senator Obama has in fact never had a serious Republican challenger.”

Clinton advisers have said that superdelegates should support the candidate who they believe would be the best nominee and the best president, while Obama advisers have argued that superdelegates should reflect the

will of the voters and also take into account who they believe would be the best nominee. Superdelegates are Democratic party leaders and elected officials, and their votes could decide the nomination if neither candidate wins enough delegates to clinch a victory after the nominating contests end.

With primaries on Tuesday in Maryland, Virginia, and the District of Columbia, Clinton advisers were pessimistic about her chances, though some held out hope for a surprise performance in Virginia.

And as polls show Obama gaining strength in Wisconsin and his native state, Hawaii, which vote next Tuesday, advisers, donors and superdelegates said they were resigned to a possible Obama sweep of the rest of February’s contests.

Some donors also expressed concern about a widening money imbalance between Obama and Clinton: Obama fundraisers say he is taking in roughly \$1 million a day, while Clinton fundraisers say she is taking in about half of that, mostly online. Clinton’s aides say that they were virtually broke as of the Feb. 5 primaries, but that finances have stabilized.

Subprime Loans Crisis Prompts Global Financial Market Decline

By Vikas Bajaj
and Louise Story

THE NEW YORK TIMES

The credit crisis is no longer just a subprime mortgage problem.

As home prices fall and banks tighten lending standards, people with good, or prime, credit histories are falling behind on their house payments, auto loans and credit cards at a quickening pace, according to industry data and economists.

The rise in prime delinquencies, while less severe than the one in the subprime market, nonetheless poses a threat to the battered housing market and weakening economy, which some specialists say is in a recession or headed for one. Until recently, people with good credit, who tend to pay their bills on time and manage their finances well, were viewed as a bulwark against the economic strains posed by rising defaults among bor-

rowers with blemished, or subprime, credit.

“This collapse in housing value is sucking in all borrowers,” said Mark Zandi, chief economist at Moody’s Economy.com.

Like subprime mortgages, many prime loans made in recent years allowed borrowers to pay less initially and face higher adjustable payments a few years later. As long as home prices were rising, these borrowers could refinance their loans or sell their properties to pay off their mortgages. But now, with prices falling and lenders clamping down, homeowners with solid credit are starting to come under the same financial stress as those with subprime credit.

“Subprime was a symptom of the problem,” said James F. Keegan, a bond portfolio manager at American Century Investments, a mutual fund company. “The problem was we had

a debt or credit bubble.”

The bursting of that bubble has led to steep losses across the financial industry. American International Group said on Monday that auditors found it may have understated losses on complex financial instruments linked to mortgages and corporate loans. The running turmoil is also stirring fears that some hedge funds may run into trouble. At the end of September, nearly 4 percent of prime mortgages were past due or in foreclosure, according to the Mortgage Bankers Association. That was the highest rate since the group started tracking prime and subprime mortgages separately in 1998. The delinquency and foreclosure rate for all mortgages, 7.3 percent, is higher than at any time since the group started tracking that data in 1979, largely as a result of the surge in subprime lending during the last few years.

WEATHER

The Windy City

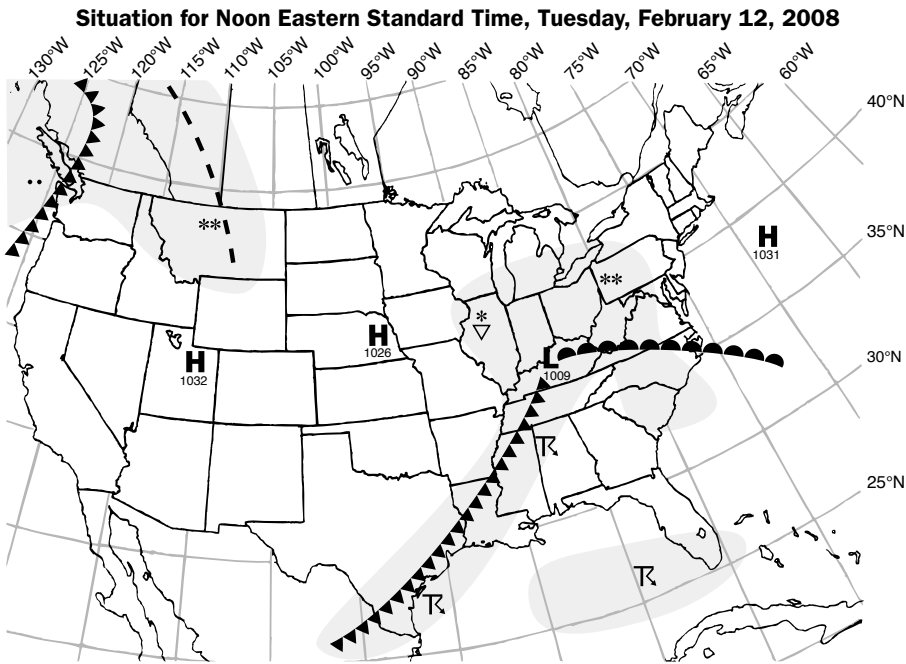
By Brian H. Tang
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Despite its nickname, Chicago is not the windiest major metropolitan area in the United States: That distinction actually belongs to Boston. Sunday surely lived up to the billing as the wind gusted ferociously around campus. A weather station on the top of the Green Building clocked a wind gust of 62 mph (100 kph) just after 4 p.m. Associated with this gust was a intense snow squall that also produced a short bout of lightning and thunder. This fickle weather was associated with an arctic front that blasted through the area dropping temperatures quicker than a piano falling from Baker House freezing any wet surface from earlier in the day.

After another cold start this morning, temperatures will begin to rebound as the flow turns southerly ahead of the next weather system. Precipitation may begin as a period of snow early Wednesday morning, but will change to rain and come down heavily at times during the day. Temperatures will again fall after the storm, but not to the biting cold degree as we’ve just experienced.

Extended Forecast

Today: Sunny after a cold start, then increasing clouds in the afternoon. High 31°F (-1°C).
Tonight: Light snow changing to rain by dawn. Low 27°F (-3°C).
Tomorrow: Rain, heavy at times. High 40°F (4°C).
Tomorrow night: Rain ending and tapering to flurries, then clearing. Low 27°F (-3°C).
Thursday: Sunny. High 37°F (3°C).



Weather Systems	Weather Fronts	Precipitation Symbols		Other Symbols
		Snow	Rain	
H High Pressure	- - - Trough	* (light)	∇ (moderate)	≡ Fog
L Low Pressure	—•—•— Warm Front	* (moderate)	• (heavy)	⚡ Thunderstorm
§ Hurricane	▲▲▲▲ Cold Front	** (light)	•• (moderate)	∞ Haze
	▲—•— Stationary Front	*** (heavy)	••• (heavy)	

Compiled by MIT Meteorology Staff and The Tech

Trial of Guantanamo Prisoners Appears Politically Motivated

By Steven Lee Myers
THE NEW YORK TIMES

WASHINGTON

Harsh interrogations and Guantanamo Bay, secret prisons and warrantless eavesdropping, the war against al-Qaida and the one in Iraq. On issue after issue, President Bush has showed little indication that he will shrink from the most controversial decisions of his tenure.

With the decision to charge six Guantanamo detainees with the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, and to seek the death penalty for the crimes, many of those issues will now be back in the spotlight. In an election year, that appears to be exactly where Bush wants the focus to be.

The White House said Monday that Bush had no role in the decision

to file charges now against the six detainees, leaving the strategy for prosecuting them to the military.

Still, the cases soon to be put before military tribunals — including that against Khalid Shaikh Mohamed, who has described himself as the mastermind of the attacks — represent a major part of “the unfinished business” that Bush and his aides talk about when they vow “to sprint to the finish,” as one aide did again on Monday.

Bush never sounds surer of himself than when the subject is Sept. 11, even when his critics argue that he has squandered the country’s moral authority, violated American and international law and led the United States into the foolhardy distraction of Iraq.

“Six-and-a-half years ago, our country faced the worst attack in our

history,” Bush said late last week, speaking to the Conservative Political Action Conference. “I understood immediately that we would have to act boldly to protect the American people. So we’ve gone on the offense against these extremists. We’re staying on the offense, and we will not relent until we bring them to justice.”

The 9/11 candidate, Rudolph W. Giuliani of New York, may have dropped his bid for the White House. But the 9/11 presidency is far from over.

On the question of warrantless wiretapping, widely expanded after the Sept. 11 attacks, Bush is pushing to make permanent legislation that last year made a once-secret program legal, despite a storm of protest that has reverberated since 2005, when the program was disclosed.

Defense Secretary Suggests Troop Levels in Iraq Should Not Decrease

By Thom Shanker
THE NEW YORK TIMES

BAGHDAD

Defense Secretary Robert M. Gates said for the first time on Monday that he supported a pause in American troop reductions in Iraq. It was the most authoritative indication to date that the United States will maintain a large force here through 2008 and into the next presidential term.

His assertion, which was something of a surprise, immediately became an issue for Democrats in the presidential campaign, who have made American withdrawal from Iraq a major priority. Both Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton and Sen.

Barack Obama criticized Gates and reiterated their intention to bring all the troops home at a rapid pace if one of them wins the White House in November.

Meeting with top commanders here, Gates said that following the departure this summer of the five extra combat brigades sent last year in a “surge” to pacify the Baghdad area, the American command should assess whether further troop reductions would hurt security.

In practical terms, his assertion makes it likely that American troop levels in Iraq will not drop much below 130,000 this year — and certainly not to the 100,000 level advocated by some military officials and analysts

worried about the protracted strain on the Army from long deployments in the nearly five-year-old Iraq war.

“I think that the notion of a brief period of consolidation and evaluation probably does make sense,” Gates told reporters in Baghdad.

While Gen. David H. Petraeus, the senior commander in Iraq, had hinted that he would recommend a freezing of troop levels, the endorsement by Gates suggested such a freeze was far more certain. President Bush has said he would place great emphasis on Petraeus’ recommendations.

Within the Bush administration, Gates had been seen as a potential counterpoint to Petraeus’ calls for caution about withdrawing troops.

Foreign-Born Population Near Record Levels

By Sam Roberts
THE NEW YORK TIMES

If present trends continue, within two decades the nation’s foreign-born population will surpass the historic 19th-century peak of nearly 15 percent of all residents, according to projections released Monday.

Further, because a vast wave of baby boomers will be swelling the ranks of the elderly, the so-called dependency ratio — the number of people below 18 and above 64 compared with the number of those in the prime working years — will rise to 72 per 100 by 2050 from about 59 per 100 in 2005, according to the projections, by the nonpartisan Pew Research Center. The ratio will be even higher if immigration subsides, the report found.

What such an outcome could portend, other analysts have said, is a nation riven politically between older, whiter, voting retirees who are increasingly supported by a younger, darker, working population that, as immigrants, may be disproportionately ineligible to vote.

“A higher number of elderly or children relative to the number of workers translates into higher costs per worker to pay for all government programs, including those targeted at the young and old such as schools and Social Security,” said the new analysis, based on fertility and death rates and immigration trends.

Aggressive Yahoo Takeover Possible

By Miguel Helft
THE NEW YORK TIMES

SAN FRANCISCO

The war of words between Yahoo and Microsoft has begun.

Hours after Yahoo officially rejected Microsoft’s takeover offer Monday, calling it too low, Microsoft described Yahoo’s response as “unfortunate” and said its own proposal was “full and fair.”

Microsoft’s statement suggests that, at least for now, the company is not willing to raise its price. Microsoft also indicated anew that it was ready for a fight, repeating earlier statements that it might consider “all necessary steps” to ensure the deal is completed.

Experts said Microsoft could ratchet up pressure on Yahoo’s board by taking its offer directly to shareholders and waging a proxy fight to oust Yahoo’s directors; it has until March 13 to nominate a new slate of directors.

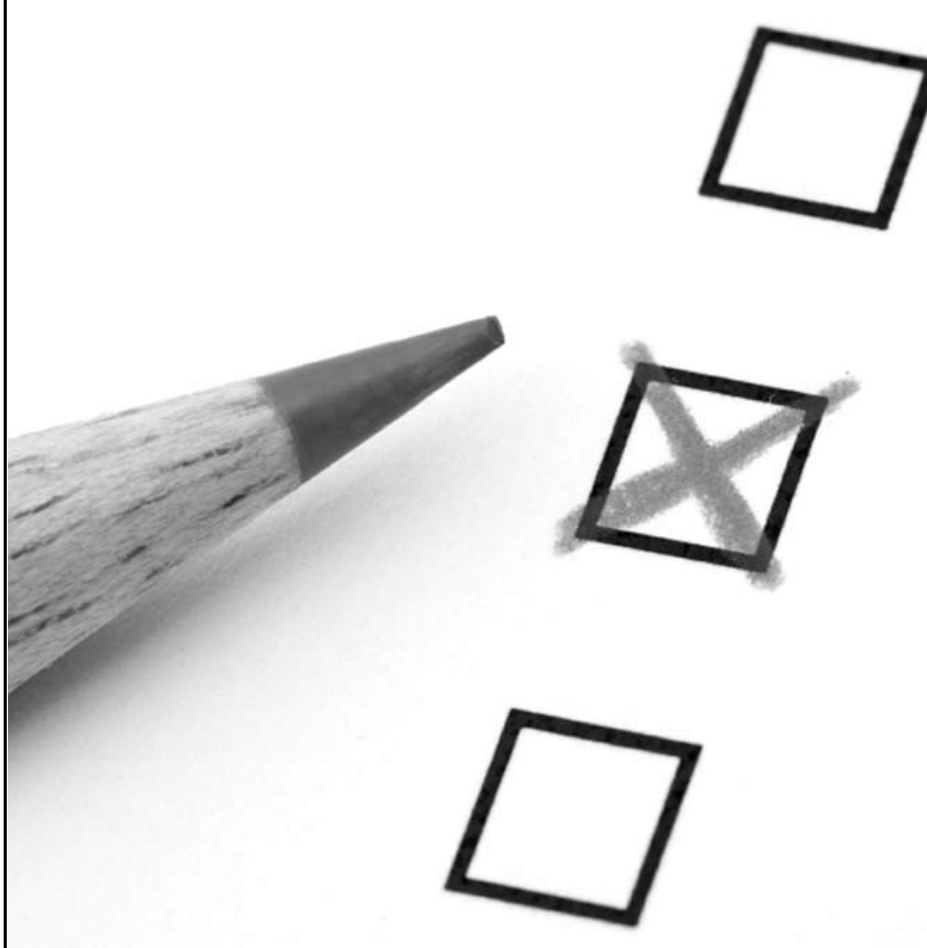
Earlier in the day, Yahoo said Microsoft’s bid “substantially undervalues Yahoo including our global brand, large worldwide audience, significant recent investments in advertising platforms and future growth prospects, free cash flow and earnings potential, as well as our substantial unconsolidated investments.”

Yahoo said its board would “continue evaluating all of its strategic options.”

Microsoft initially offered to buy Yahoo for \$44.6 billion, or \$31 a share, in a mix of cash and stock. After a decline in Microsoft’s shares, the value of the offer now stands at less than \$29 a share.

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Corrections

The Tech's Feb. 8 feature about the 2008 BattleCode contest incorrectly noted that the "Best Team Name" award was given by BAE Systems. It was actually awarded by the BattleCode directors.

Letters To The Editor

Glaring Errors in Year in Review Article

Your February 5, 2008 Year in Review issue contained glaring errors in the section about the death of Daniel Barclay '07, in sharp contrast to your newspaper's usually-high standard for reporting.

Your article incorrectly implies that Daniel's parents are blaming MIT for his death. This is not true. MIT had nothing to do with his death, which occurred when his small boat was accidentally swept out to sea.

After he was reported missing, due to privacy concerns, MIT blocked attempts to search his room and obtain his e-mail records — but he was already dead, so this obviously did not contribute to Daniel's death. It did, however, contribute immeasurably to the distress that his family and friends were going through while searching for him. MIT's administration could have helped the family and the MIT Police with their search, but instead chose to obstruct it.

Your article further erred by stating that his parents and friends broke into his room, and also incorrectly reported that his family needed to get court orders to view his records. Nobody ever asked for or received any court orders. The MIT IS&T department required the MIT Police to provide a subpoena to access Daniel's

Athena files, and Daniel's parents subpoenaed his cell phone records.

Your article did get one item correct — the Massachusetts Office of the Chief Medical Examiner is currently reviewing an appeal for Daniel's manner of death. We are still awaiting an answer from them, and hope that your blatant disregard for the facts in this article does not undermine this effort.

Finally, your reporter failed to perform even the most basic fact-checking. A simple check of the online MIT alumni database would have revealed that Daniel's mother graduated in 1978, not 1950 as reported in your article. This would have been quite a feat, since in 1950 she hadn't been born yet.

So that something good can come of this tragedy, and based on what we have heard from the parents of other college students, we strongly recommend to all MIT students the following: write a formal permission letter (and get your signature witnessed) so in the event of an emergency, your parents can search your room, your electronic records, access your medical records, and can make medical decisions for you if you are unable to do so yourself. Most states have Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care forms that you can download and print out.

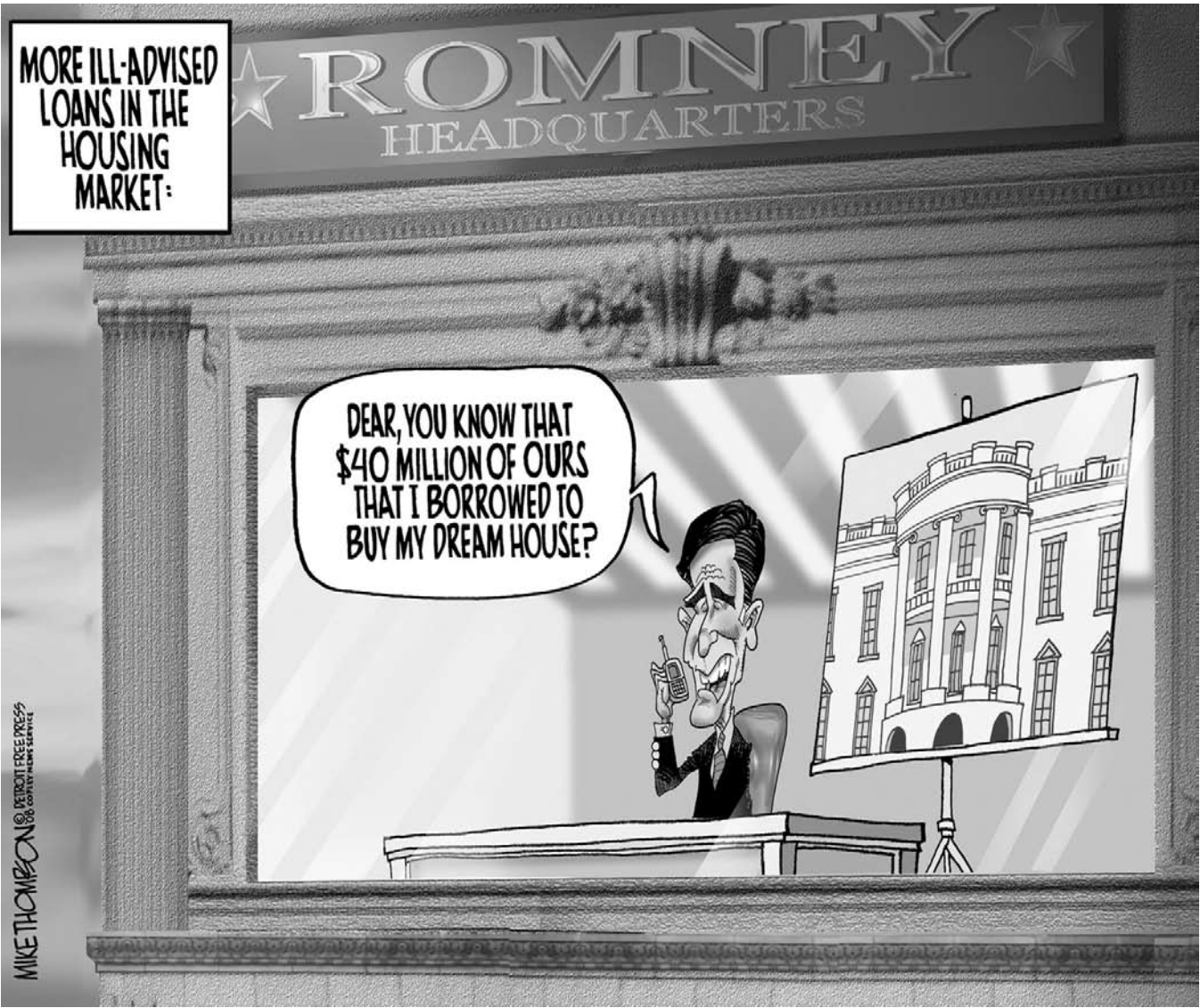
Susan L. Kayton '78 and Michael Barclay
Parents of Daniel J. Barclay '07

Editor's Note:

The Tech issued a correction to "The Institute in National, Local News," on Feb. 8. Kayton does not allege that Barclay's death could have been avoided had MIT allowed her access to Barclay's room and property. Additionally, because of an editing error, the article incorrectly identified Kayton as a member of the class of 1950.

But *The Tech* stands by its original reporting on the death of Daniel J. Barclay '07 and on Kayton's search for her son. Kayton did break into her son's room after his disappearance, and friends of Barclay did help her search the room for information regarding his disappearance, she told *The Tech*.

Though Kayton writes she did not need to get court orders to view Barclay's files and that "nobody ever asked for or received any court orders," this is misleading. According to reporting by *The Tech* and *The Wall Street Journal*, Kayton said she subpoenaed — without a judge's signature — Barclay's cell phone records. Kayton was told that she needed a subpoena to obtain Barclay's Athena files, and she sent a California subpoena (also not signed by a judge) to MIT, she told the Journal. The subpoena was rejected, and another subpoena was filed by the MIT Police through the Cambridge district attorney, according to the Journal.



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It's a Big, Big World

Foreign Direct Investment for Whom?

By **Diana Jue**
STAFF COLUMNIST

Near the end of my six weeks in Bangalore, I was seriously craving American food. Masala dosas, curries, rice, vegetables, and limited amounts of chicken created a healthy diet, but at times I desired a big, juicy burger. I hate to admit it, but to get that fix of junk food I hopped an auto rickshaw to the McDonald's on Brigade Road, a shopping mecca for trendy Bangaloreans and foreigners. Although I settled for a Filet-O-Fish, the familiarity of being inside a McDonald's was almost comforting, albeit strange. Here I was, an American half-way around the globe, savoring a sandwich that tastes exactly like one I could've picked up at the McDonald's down Massachusetts Avenue.

Although the urban poor lived in the cities I visited, by no means were these cities devastated. In 2005, they all ranked in a listing of the top 150 richest cities (see table). Much of this wealth comes from foreign direct investment — investment made outside of the investor's economy. Although the golden arches have become the icon for economic globalization, McDonald's isn't the only company that has gone global. Scattered among the clothing, electronics, and coffee shops on Bangalore's Brigade Road were a Levi's, Citibank, Puma, Adidas, Sony, Kentucky Fried Chicken, and Pizza Hut. Of the countries I visited, India had the least amount of foreign investment in retail and food. On my tourist map of urban Beijing, I counted 72 McDonald's icons. KFC joints are favored local landmarks.

Technology has created advantages for companies to buy IT and BPO (business process outsourcing, which includes tasks like payroll) services from other companies in developing nations. Skilled labor is cheap, and the time difference promotes a 24-hour production schedule. This is particularly true in Bangalore, which is known as the "Silicon Valley of India." In 1988, Texas Instruments, the first US multinational company to enter India, settled in Bangalore. 78 percent of the world's chip design occurs there, and the city exports nearly \$13 billion USD worth of IT-related products.

My class visited the office of Brickwork India, a marketing research firm that calls itself the "Gateway to the Best of India." It was located on Bannerghatta Road, where some 70,000 IT-related workers were employed. On the way to the office, we passed mega-complexes boasting famous names: Dell, IBM, Oracle, and Accenture. At Brickwork India, we settled in cozy office chairs and watched Bangalore's promotional video that highlighted the city's cosmopolitan aspects, its 125 engineering colleges, and government-supported technology parks received \$3.5 billion USD for infrastructure.

I watched the video in awe and disbelief. Bangalore's technological capacities were astounding, but the Bangalore that the CEOs were describing in the video didn't match Bangalore that I was experiencing. Cosmopolitan? The previous weekend, I went with my host father, Prabhakara, to pick out a live chicken from a coop that was sitting on our neighborhood sidewalk. Evening blackouts were common in our middle-class neighborhood. Prabhakara, who hated the dark, kept candles and matches in convenient locations.

Fortunately, I did have the opportunity to see the Bangalore that the video claimed during my stay. My host sister, Swetha, worked at Accenture. One evening, I rode with my family to pick her up from work. Although it was dark, the well-lit driving paths illuminated the differences between technology parks and the rest of Bangalore. The park was spacious, had wide and smooth driving lanes, manicured greenery, enormous new buildings, and large parking lots. The neighborhood I lived in had bumpy roads and small buildings crammed next to each other. On another class trip, I visited Whitefield, an IT neighborhood in east Bangalore that grew out of small villages at the city's fringe. The neighborhood's gated communities were often pitched as "lifestyle enclaves."

In Buenos Aires and Shanghai, developments stemming from foreign direct investment had similar effects of uneven wealth distribution. The old port area along the Río de la Plata was redeveloped by local and foreign investment to create Puerto Madero in the 1990s. It is

a clean, attractive, and quiet area that draws international clients while remaining physically separated from the rest of the city via a waterway. Shanghai's Pudong New Area is located on the banks of the Huangpu River. The finance and trade zone is home to the Oriental Pearl Tower and Jin Mao Tower, which are symbols of Shanghai's economic development. Shanghai's Xintiandi is an adaptive reuse development that created a classy entertainment district from old residential housing. It is a popular ex-patriot hangout that is far too expensive for most locals buy into.

I cannot say that I found foreign direct investment's physical forms to be completely repulsive. Sure, they felt a bit sterile. But as an American, I felt that the developments released an air of familiarity that, although not particularly pleasing, was normal to me. I can understand why these places attract investors.

What was most bothersome was the developments' overt, immensely concentrated

Rankings of Rich Cities By GDP in 2005

City	Rank	GDP in USD Billion
Buenos Aires, Argentina	13	\$245
Bangalore, India	88	\$45
Beijing, China	44	\$99
Shanghai, China	32	\$139

SOURCE: PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS (GDP FIGURES ARE ESTIMATED AND EXPRESSED IN USD, USING PURCHASING POWER PARITY EXCHANGE RATES.)

wealth that seemed out of place in cities where citizens obviously lacked funds. The developments also diminished the cities' public spaces, which lessened opportunities for inter-class interaction and further decreased visibility of the urban poor. There seems to be little initiative to close the income gap within the cities.

I'm still thinking: How will such disparities be addressed? How do foreign direct investment and these new developments alter how we understand cities, citizenship, and provision for citizens? What is a city, and how can today's global economy fulfill all of its needs?



New luxury condominiums being built at the fringes of the city serve as homes for Bangalore's IT workers.

DIANA JUE—THE TECH



This is one example of office space built for IT companies, both international and domestic.

DIANA JUE—THE TECH

Brouhaha Rhythm

A Spoonful of Sugar

By **Michael T. Lin**
STAFF COLUMNIST

It's about the time of year that the sound of a "cough, cough" may mean more than an incoming innuendo. In spite of the abundant medical resources here on campus, sometimes one simply cannot help getting sick. The extended, close-quarters communal experience of college, by my reckoning, constitutes a trial-by-fire for the human immune system. As with other adversities, the inevitable rampant pestilence requires longer to adjust for some than for others. I mention this because I'm sure that neither I nor anyone else who has managed to dodge the illness bullet this far into the winter wishes to get sick now, so in the interests of self-preservation, I offer some at-home measures for avoiding disease like the plague. Or, you know, diseases such as the plague.

Ordinarily, this would go without saying,

but maintaining a certain standard of cleanliness would be an excellent start to keeping healthy. Alas, one finds that hygiene starts to fall lower on the "to-do" list in desperate times of imminent due dates. To be entirely blunt about it, well, have you ever walked into a dorm room where the "Biohazard" sign on the door is not there for decoration? I understand the benefit of having socks and shoes that are self aware, but I have to wonder if it's really worth the functioning ecosystem in one's laundry hamper.

More worrisome than leaving clothes unwashed is the fact that keeping the natural accumulation of dirt and grime at bay becomes

more and more troublesome as stress builds. When a person only takes a shower when it's against their will and on their birthday, there's something amiss. Maybe it's the college sleep schedule. For most, teeth-brushing is a pre-bed-time ritual. Therefore, no bedtime equals no teeth-brushing, at least until the fur on your molars starts to interfere with your ability to speak. The obvious solution, of course, is to brush, bathe, and scrape whatever needs brushing, bathing, and scraping as soon as you realize it needs to be brushed, bathed, or scraped.

As most of you who own refrigerators know all too well, eating spoiled, rotten, or sentient

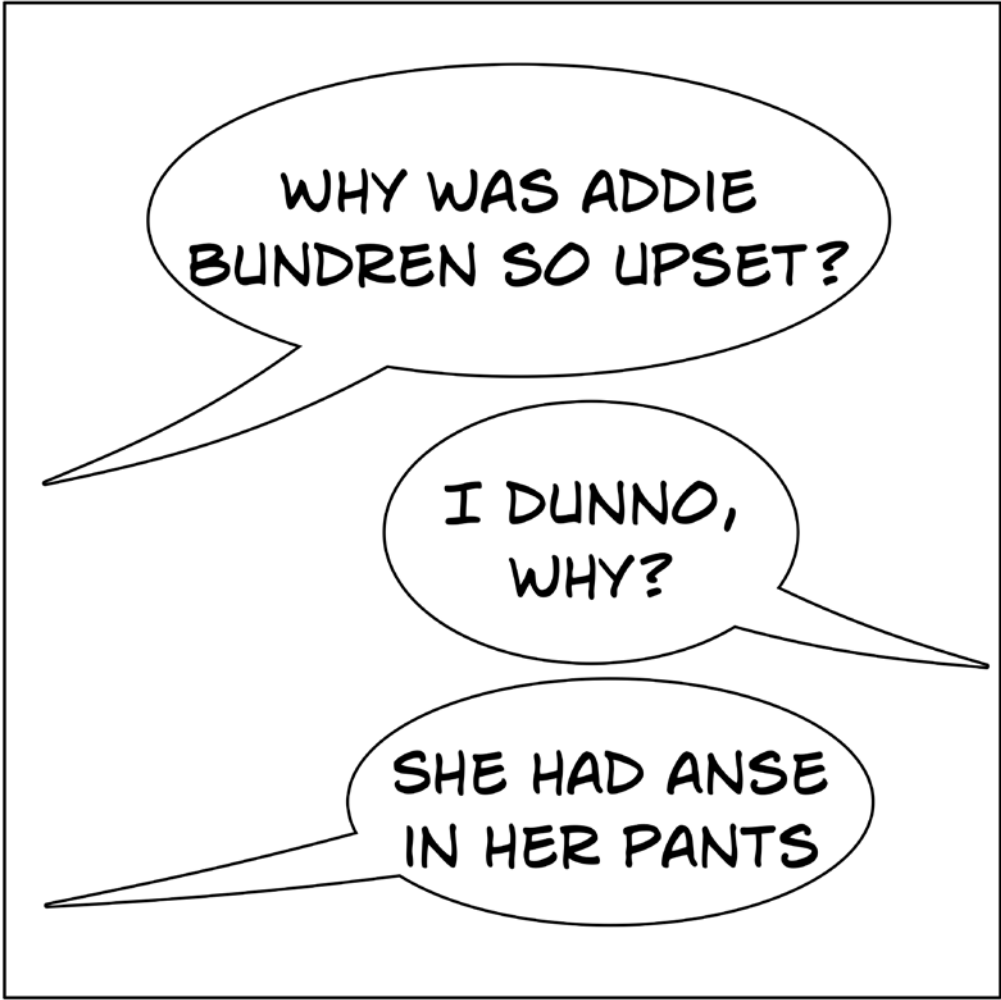
food poses more than a small threat to one's personal health. After a bad run-in with some milk after the cooling system went on vacation without notifying me, I have to do a sniff-check at least twice before having any cereal in the morning. The fact that fast food doesn't come with a label regarding shelf life doesn't really help me when I'm liable to keep leftovers chilled for well over a week — one scrawny freshman and two large pizzas tend to stay together for quite a while. On the bright side, I have a pepperoni-flavored, continually replenishing supply of penicillin in my icebox.

I hope my less-than-stunning words of wisdom and restatements of the obvious have provided some measure of assistance to the home-economics impaired. Now, if you'll excuse me, I need to go buy a box of tissues and a pair of tongs. My socks have escaped from their cage again.

"Alas, one finds that hygiene starts to fall lower on the 'to-do' list in desperate times of imminent due dates."

Steal My Comic

by Michael Ciuffo



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Crossword Puzzle

Solution, page 10

ACROSS

- 1 Family car
6 Sign of sadness
10 Catch a wave
14 Greek letter
15 Walk in water
16 Organic compound
17 Margarita garnishes
18 Raw minerals
19 Island off Tuscany
20 Common cents
23 Travel on tarmac
24 Mai __ cocktail
25 Sound of disapproval
26 Nuke
29 Ceremonial act
31 Station from Tenn.
33 Writer Bagnold
35 Lairs
37 Place for les

eleves

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44 Productive hen
45 Legal procedure
46 Aussie rockers
47 Spasm
49 Once, once
51 Opposite of WNW
52 Parabolic path
55 Dig in!
57 Mideast sultanate
59 Common sense
64 Bay of Pigs island
65 Follow the leader
66 Keep clear of
68 Elevator pioneer
69 Wolfish look
70 Flood barrier
71 Part of M.I.T.
72 Witty Bombeck
73 Rub out

DOWN

- 1 Scale note

- 2 Actor Jannings
3 Actress Moore
4 Talent broker
5 Daytona 500 org.
6 Bottle capacity, frequently
7 Merit
8 Skillful
9 Usher after the interval
10 Spotted
11 Dark
12 Judges' garb
13 Small bottle
21 Nitrous __ (laughing gas)
22 Frisco athlete
26 Fervor
27 "The King and I" role
28 Compassion
30 Follow as a result
32 Final Four letters

- 34 South Beach, for one
36 Freshwater green algae
38 First word of "The Raven"
39 Old Fords
40 Opal ending
42 Snooped
43 "Who's there?" reply
48 Sweet-talk
50 Mexican menu choice
52 Fancy necktie
53 Course taken
54 Like dice
56 Potato or yam
58 Less than once
60 Rambler maker
61 Consider
62 PBS series
63 Even scores
67 Actress Sandra

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Bonus Puzzle

Solution, page 12

ACROSS

- 1 Swipes
7 Communist propaganda
15 Imitate without comprehension
16 City southeast of Los Angeles
17 Captivate
18 Values
19 Quantity of gum
20 Cantankerous quality
22 Light on one's feet
25 Squid's defense
26 Swaying from side to side
29 Chest bone
32 Teheran resident
33 Small change
34 Deadly poison
35 Brightened
36 Barroom spigot
37 Birch tree

- 38 Nights before holidays
39 Golly!
40 Gullible
41 Visibly embarrassed
42 Tsushima Island location
44 Bath place
45 Police symbol
46 Winter cleanup device
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53 Gas or petroleum conduit
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57 Charm
58 "The Devil's Dictionary" writer
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60 Binges

DOWN

- 1 Spit out

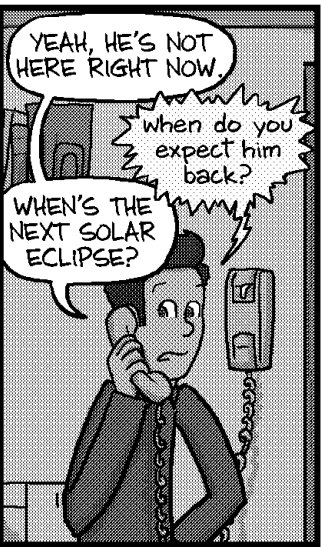
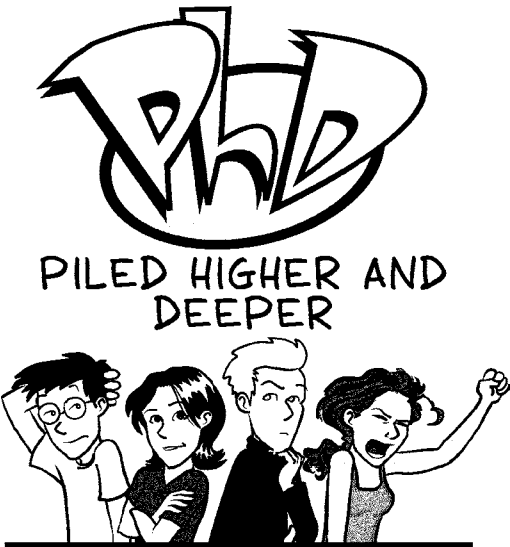
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4 Upper limb
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6 Promenade
7 Country singer Jackson
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11 Groom with excess vanity
12 Level to the ground
13 Poems of exaltation
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21 Fission site
23 Less

- 24 Radar signal
26 More despicable
27 Back-comb
28 Synchronized
29 Goodyear purchase
30 Noticeable
31 Tours topper
34 Trumpet blast
37 Body or knock lead-in
39 Mischievous creatures
42 Khan's first name
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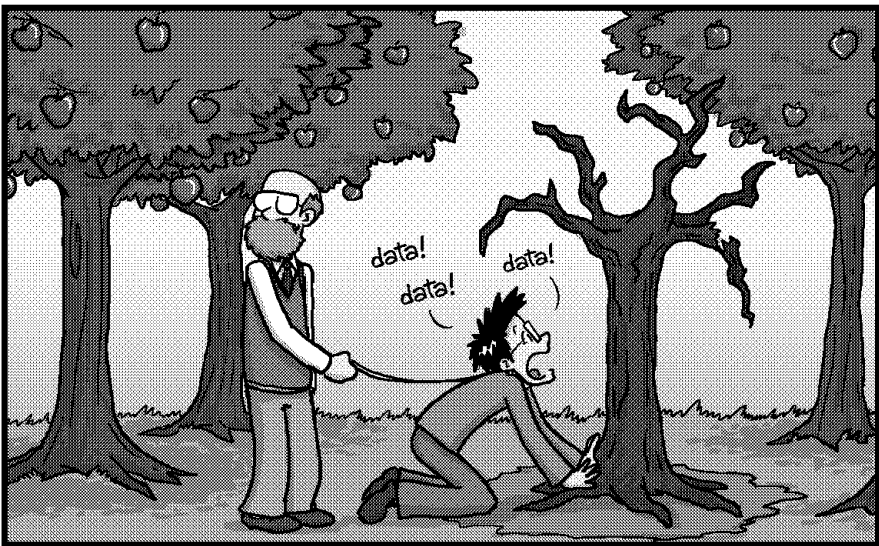
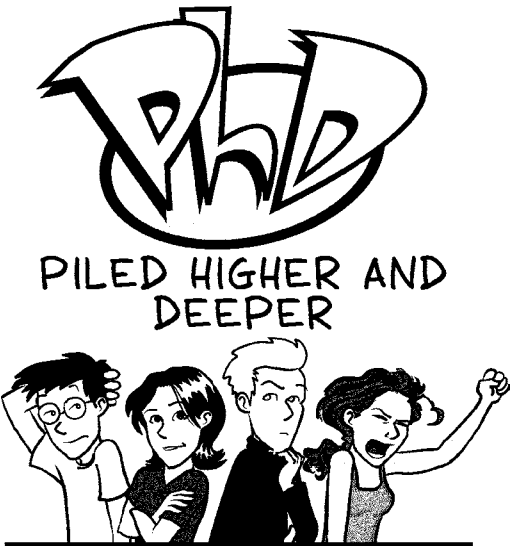
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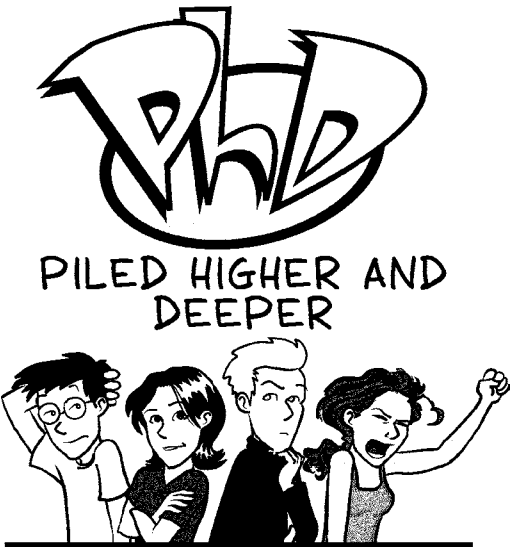
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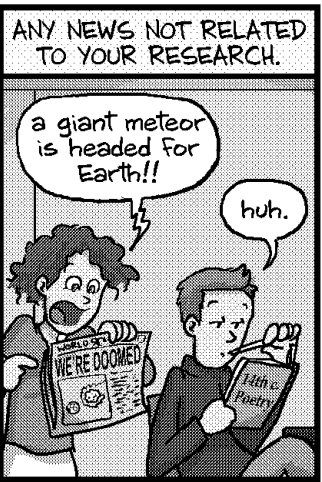
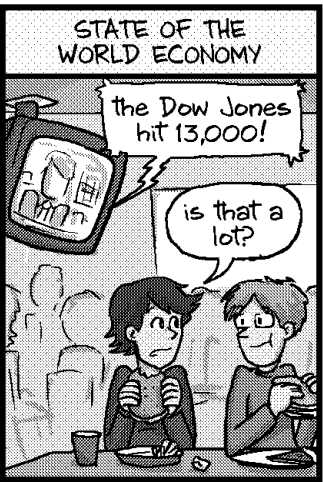


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Tang Released on Bail, Remains Under House Arrest in Apartment

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ingham apartment complex where she resides with her parents, the *Townsmen* reported.

She was granted an adjustment to include the approximately 100 steps to the gym, but Assistant District Attorney Suzanne Kontz told the *Townsmen* that the decision to allow Tang to attend church in Natick is up to the discretion of her probation officer. Since posting bail, Tang has been under constant house arrest;

she may only leave her apartment for medical, psychiatric, or court appointments.

The terms of Tang's release require her to wear a tracking device that ensures she stays in her house, and to carry a GPS monitoring device that tracks her location.

Tang, 20, is no longer a registered student at Wellesley College. She is currently prohibited by court order from entering the city of Cambridge.

Tang was arrested Oct. 23 after allegedly stabbing Styke, her ex-boy-

friend, several times in the neck and torso while he slept. She was released Jan. 9 from the MCI-Framingham correctional facility on \$10,000 bail, and she is currently scheduled to be tried Jan. 5, 2009 on charges of home invasion, armed assault with intent to murder, and assault and battery with a dangerous weapon causing serious bodily injury.

For more information, including the arrest records of Tang, visit <http://www-tech.mit.edu/V127/N49/stabbing/>.



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Aqil Sajjad of Harvard, Samad Khurram of Harvard, Ali S. Wyne '08 (also *Tech* opinion staffer), and Saad Zaheer '09 (left to right) joined in 4-270 for a moderated discussion regarding the current political crisis in Pakistan and who should be held accountable. Each member of the panel discussed their thoughts on the situation for 10-15 minutes.

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Students Had No Say in Green Hall Decision

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ney-Pacific, as they have since fall 2003. Instead, Green Hall will house 46 undergraduate women who are Theta members.

Karen A. Nilsson, senior associate dean for residential life, said that displaced Green Hall residents will have the option to move into any other graduate dormitory. Many may choose to move into Sidney-Pacific, which has an all-female wing currently occupied by Theta members.

Students were not consulted before decision

Graduate Student Council president Leeland B. Ekstrom G said that Green Hall residents first learned of the move in January, when they were told that they would need to leave their home by June 30 and move to Sidney-Pacific. He said that after residents asked for more opportunities, MIT reconsidered its plans and allowed residents to move into other graduate dormitories.

Green Hall students were not told before January that MIT planned to move them out. “We’re quite amazed at the process that was used to make this decision and troubled by it,” Ekstrom said. “It certainly continues the precedent of the past couple of years, to go back to NW35 last year and two years ago. It’s a very similar trend,” he said.

But Ekstrom said that he was pleased with the outcome, if not the process, of these decisions. Removing Senior Segue is “one step further to righting the system” which had undergraduates paying lower rents than graduate students for rooms in graduate dormitories, Ekstrom said.

UA President Martin F. Holmes ’08 said that he had heard “nothing from the administration, because the administrators haven’t told us anything” about the decision to move Theta into Green Hall. He said that the Housing Strategy Group last met in December and had not discussed

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New Green Hall Will Be Home For Thetas

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changes to Green Hall. The group, composed of undergraduates, graduate students, administrators, and deans, is meant to advise administrators on future housing issues.

Cost, community are concerns for residents

One problem for current Green Hall residents is whether they can afford to move: “the two most affordable buildings are now going to be removed from the graduate housing population,” Ekstrom said. For 2007–8, Green Hall doubles cost \$525/month and singles cost \$631/month. No other dormitory is as inexpensive, except for two-bedroom quad suites in Sidney-Pacific, which rent at \$618/month. Next year’s rents for NW35 have not yet been set. See the chart below for additional rents.

Collins said that Housing would not subsidize any rent increase. He said that other graduate dormitories provide amenities, such as gyms and common areas, which justify their higher costs.

Green Hall residents are generally unhappy with the move. “Some people are very upset,” said Patricia A. Engel G, a resident of Green Hall. “If we had a choice, everyone would want to stay where we are.” She said that because Green Hall was one of the cheapest places to live on campus, many residents are not happy about having to move to a more expensive dorm. Many Green Hall residents live in singles, which are more difficult to come by in other dorms, she said.

But, Engel said, “what we can’t put a number on is the unique atmosphere.” Engel said that the small size of the dorm created a close-knit community, where “everyone knew everyone.” She said the dorm’s social events — catered to the residents’ interests — would be hard to duplicate.

Other Green Hall residents are displeased with the short time frame they have to move out. Dennis Collins, director of housing, said that some students have requested to leave later than June 30, and that those students are working with Dean for Graduate Students Steven R. Lerman ’72 to find a solution.

Collins said that Housing would have an answer soon for students who wanted more time in Green Hall. He said that emptying the hall will allow Housing to make minor renovations, including basement and window work.

‘Green’ name will remain

A plaque in the building an-

nounces that it is named after Ida Flansburgh Green, a “staunch advocate of women in the professions” and a “generous benefactor of women graduate students.” (The Green Building is named after Ida F. Green’s husband, Cecil H. Green ’24.) Nilsson said that the dormitory will retain its name. She said that there were “no funding restrictions” on the building’s use as graduate or undergraduate housing.

The hall was converted from the MIT infirmary into housing in 1983, when it opened as the Graduate Women’s House. It was named after Green shortly thereafter. Collins said that to preserve Ida Green’s memory, the building will keep its plaque and will remain a women’s dormitory.

But the dorm may look a little different next year; Nilsson said that the building will also have Theta’s Greek letters on it. And Lauren E. Wojtkun, assistant director for FSILGs in MIT’s Residential Life Programs, said “I think Theta will probably make changes to the inside of Green Hall to make it more homey for them.”

MIT will continue to manage the dormitory as undergraduate housing, Collins said. As with other dormitories, Housing will collect rent each semester; it does not plan to sell the house to Theta, Collins said.

With Ashdown’s conversion, Green Hall would have been the only graduate dormitory left on Dorm Row, which will stretch from Ashdown to Next House. Collins said in the absence of the large graduate community Ashdown provided, it makes sense for Green Hall to become an undergraduate dorm. And, he said, many Theta sisters live in nearby Baker House.

Future housing plans unclear

Collins said that the transition of a dorm into a sorority house might provide a model for fraternities who want to leave Boston and move into a house on campus.

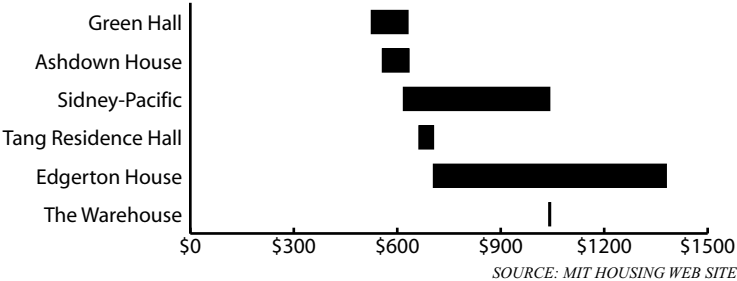
As new graduate dormitories are built in the northwest section of campus, only three graduate residences will remain away from the northwest: Tang Hall, Westgate, and Eastgate. Westgate and Eastgate provide housing for families. MIT administrators have not announced any plans for these dormitories.

“Is there a plan that exists that has not been communicated at this point?” Ekstrom asked, somewhat rhetorically.

“If I had to write down a hit list, Tang would probably be next,” he said.

Nick Bushak contributed to the reporting of this article.

Rent for Non-Family Graduate Dorms



This chart shows the lowest and highest rents charged in 2007–8 to graduate students living in the five single graduate dormitories. The family apartment buildings Westgate and Eastgate are not listed here. Rates for 2008–9 and for NW35, the new Ashdown House, have not yet been set. NW35 will offer a number of different kinds of rooms, including low-cost three-bedroom suites without kitchens.

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Police Examine Tips About Chair Thefts; CAC Buys New Chairs

Theft, from Page 1

2001, MIT considered disciplinary action against four Delta Tau Delta brothers who allegedly stole 27 road signs from Vermont.

An e-mail sent by Intervarsity Christian Fellowship Chaplain Kevin Ford on Feb. 7, 2008 and forwarded to the *next-forum* mailing list exhorted people whose chairs were in offices and dormitories to return the chairs. The e-mail also noted that, after the amnesty date, “all missing chairs will be pursued as felony thefts.”

Five chairs returned before the Feb. 5 deadline all appeared near the fifth floor freight elevator, said Walsh. Three wet chairs were found on Feb. 1, a rainy Friday, suggesting the chairs had travelled, said Walsh. Two more chairs appeared over the next weekend and the following Monday afternoon, Feb. 4, added Walsh. The chairs were in good shape, though Walsh said that “one had a bit of paint on it.”

The CAC had held off on ordering replacement chairs in the hopes that more would be returned, but it has recently ordered replacements, Walsh said. 43 chairs are still missing, so at a replacement cost of \$437.25, replacements will cost \$18,801.75.

The Campus Police are now investigating the case based on information the CAC received. Detective Willard J. Boulter III, who is leading the investigation, was out of the office yesterday and unavailable to comment on the case.

Walsh said that the CAC was working on getting a “scanning, tamper-proof security system” set up by the time the replacement chairs arrive. CAC Assistant Director Jennifer B. Smith previously estimated the cost of one possible security system at \$10,000.

“It’s unfortunate that the [thieves] didn’t respect something that was for the community to use,” Walsh said.

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-Prof. Leon Glicksman, Department of Architecture, Location 3-133

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-Prof. Jefferson Tester, Department of Chemical Engineering, Location: 4-159
- 2:30-4PM • **“The Economics of Climate Change”**
-Prof. Richard Eckaus, Department of Economics, Location 56-114
- 3-5 PM • **“Nuclear Technologies and Climate Change mitigation”**
-Prof. Richard Lester, Department of Nuclear Science and Engineering, location 24-115
- 4-5 PM • **“What the Chemical Enterprise has at Stake in the Climate Change Issue”**
-Prof. Jeffrey I. Steinfeld, Department of Chemistry; Education Program Director of the Laboratory for Energy and the Environment, Location 6-321
- 4-5:30 PM • **“International Politics and Climate Change”**
-Prof. Nazli Choucri, Department of Political Science, Location E53-482

Thursday Feb. 14th

- 11-12 PM • **“Managers and Climate Change: How private organizations and their leaders can respond to climate change?”**
-Prof. Rebecca Henderson, Sloan School of Management , Location: E51-361
- 1-2:30 PM • **“The Present and Future of Environmental Degradation”**
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Analysis of Research Reactors Took Place Without Expert Input

Reactors, from Page 1

reactors are often in buildings on densely populated campuses. Some have added concrete Jersey barriers to protect against truck bombs, and better doors. But the “first responders” who would arrive if intruders set off an alarm are most likely to be the unarmed campus police officers, the audit said.

Government nuclear experts brought in by the commission paint a grimmer picture, the report said.

The nuclear commission’s estimates of vulnerability are “not supported” by experts from Sandia National Laboratories, Idaho National Laboratory and the Department of Homeland Security, the auditors said. The Idaho experts said that a terrorist attack could have “significant consequences” and a “high socio-economic impact,” the auditors said.

The nature of the outside experts’ concern is not made clear in the unclassified version of the report, but truck bombs or other bombings have been issues in the past. An article in Science and Global Security

in 2003 pointed out that several research reactors had been destroyed by accidental runaway reactions, and that controls were in place to prevent those, though they could be disabled. The nuclear cores of research reactors are usually much more accessible than the cores of power reactors, the article pointed out, often sitting at the bottom of an open tank. Debris thrown into the tanks could clog cooling channels, it said.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission asserted that it was the Government Accountability Office, not the commission, that had misrepresented the position of the outside experts, and made “unsupported assumptions.”

Rep. Christopher Shays, R-Conn., who requested the audit, said of the commission: “They’re making assumptions and wishing the threats go away. It’s very disconcerting to me.”

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SPORTS

Volleyball Second in Fourth Annual MIT Invitational Tourney

By Shreyes Seshasai
SPORTS EDITOR

The men's volleyball team, ranked eleventh in the nation, lost to no. 12 Ramapo College 30-25, 26-30, 30-25, 34-32 in the championship match of the fourth annual MIT Men's Volleyball Invitational on Sunday. Ramapo, a public liberal arts college in New Jersey, won the title in its first appearance in the tournament, denying the Engineers their third MIT Invitational title.

Despite the loss in the finals, MIT still played well as the host, going undefeated in Pool A play. The Engineers began the weekend tournament on Saturday evening by easily defeating fellow North East Collegiate Volleyball Association New England Division member Mount Ida College 3-0. They followed that victory with a 3-0 win against the University of New Haven.

On Sunday, MIT concluded pool play with a match-up against the College of Mount Saint Vincent. Again the team didn't drop a game, sweeping the Dolphins 3-0 and earning a spot in the championship game later in the afternoon.

Ramapo College was equally as dominant in Pool B, dropping only one game in its three matches. Ramapo lost the second game in its match against Bard College, losing 32-30 before winning the next two to take the match. In its third game, Ramapo beat Emmanuel College convincingly, 30-17, 30-25, 30-19. This prevented Emmanuel from playing MIT in the championship, in what would have been a rematch of the Jan. 22 match in which Emmanuel barely edged the Engineers 20-18 in the fifth set to hand MIT its only New England Division loss of the season.

The championship game, which featured two of the top Division III teams in the country, lived up to its billing. The teams traded games early, with Ramapo taking the first game 30-25 and MIT answering 30-26 in the second. The Roadrunners raced out

to an early 8-2 lead in the third game and carried a comfortable lead for the duration of the set. A few impressive digs by Ramapo brought their lead to 13-6, but MIT fought back hard and closed the gap to within four. At 29-25, Ramapo finally secured the set and took a 2-1 lead into the fourth game.

Solid net play from both sides kept the fourth game close at the start, with the score tied at 7-7. Ramapo then went on another run, building a 15-9 lead to prompt a timeout by MIT coach Paul Dill. Ramapo then took the lead to 21-14, but the Engineers responded by playing their strongest volleyball of the weekend.

Down by seven, the resilient Engineers did not give up, as strong defense and hustle brought them back into the game. A kill by Praveen Pamidimukkala '08 brought the deficit down to four at 22-18, and a nice block by Malcolm K. Bean '11 pulled the Engineers within one, 25-24.

With the game tight, MIT brought in co-captain Stephen D. Ray '08 to serve. The serve deflected off the net and carried over, catching Ramapo off-guard and tying the game at 26-26.

Ramapo won the next point to take the lead, but a kill by Garrett L. Winther '11 once again levelled the score at 27. With Winther serving, Ramapo was called for a double hit and the Engineers took the lead 28-27, prompting resounding cheers from the crowd of fans, which included many parents who had travelled across the country to see their sons play over the weekend.

The excitement picked up as the teams traded pressure filled points back and forth, tying the game at 29, 30, 31, and 32 (under the win-by-two format, a team must be ahead by at least two points to win the game). After MIT saved the first three match points, Ramapo finally broke through 34-32 with an ace that landed just inside the back line to give them the victory and the tournament title.

The Engineers continue their season Thursday night against division rivals Rivier College in Nashua, NH.



AARON SAMPSON—THE TECH

Point guard Patrick S. Sissman '10 sends a bounce pass to forward Michael M. Zieve '11 during the Engineer's 58-52 loss to the U.S. Coast Guard Academy on Saturday in Rockwell Cage. MIT came into the game shorthanded, missing its leading scorer James M. Bartolotta '09 for the second straight game due to an illness. After trailing Coast Guard by 13 points in the second half, Daniel K. McCue '11 led a comeback that pulled the Engineers within four with under two minutes to go, but fell just short of breaking the team's three-game losing streak.

Egypt Defeats Cameroon to Win Its Sixth African Cup of Nations Title

By Valery K. Brobbey
CONTRIBUTING EDITOR

Egypt beat Cameroon 1-0 in the final of the 2008 African Cup of Nations soccer tournament on Sunday in Accra, Ghana. The win marks Egypt's record sixth African Cup title, successfully defending the trophy they won on home field in 2006.

After the first half of the match ended scoreless, Cameroon captain Rigobert Song failed to clear a seemingly harmless attack at the 77 minute mark. Egyptian substitute Mohamed Zidan won the ball after a struggle with Song and passed it to a wide-open Mohamed Aboutrika, who scored the game's only goal.

It is unfortunate that one mistake

by Song cost Cameroon the title, but Egypt still deserved the win. Egypt has been impressive throughout the tournament, beating Angola 2-1 in the quarterfinals and beating favorites Côte d'Ivoire 4-1 in the semifinals.

Egypt also beat Cameroon 4-2 earlier during the group stage of the tournament. Egypt went on to win group C, and Cameroon qualified for the next round by placing second in the group.

Host nation and tournament favorite Ghana started the tournament with two unconvincing victories over Guinea and Namibia, but bounced back with notable wins over Morocco in the final group A match and Nigeria in the quarterfinals. Ghana's run

ended in the semifinals, where they lost to Cameroon 1-0. Côte d'Ivoire also won all their group matches and beat Guinea in the quarterfinals, but fell to the eventual champions Egypt in the semifinals.

Ghana then beat Côte d'Ivoire 4-2 on Saturday in the 3rd place match.

Egypt's second defeat of Cameroon in this tournament and their sixth championship title cements their image as one of the best teams in Africa. Egypt won the first two African Cup of Nations tournaments in 1957 and 1959, and has won three tournaments since 1998. The next African Cup of Nations will be held in Angola in 2010, a few months before South Africa hosts the World Cup.

SCOREBOARD

Men's Basketball		
Saturday, Feb. 9, 2008		
Coast Guard Academy (13-6, 4-5 NEWMAC ¹)	58	
MIT (12-10, 3-6)	52	
Women's Basketball		
Saturday, Feb. 9, 2008		
MIT (9-11, 2-7)	46	
Clark University (8-12, 4-5)	56	
Men's Gymnastics		
Saturday, Feb. 9, 2008		
Springfield College (1-1)	316.20	
MIT (0-1)	306.70	
Women's Gymnastics		
Saturday, Feb. 9, 2008		
Southern Connecticut State Univ. (9-2)	187.575	
SUNY Brockport (7-5)	185.950	
MIT (4-8)	183.225	
Men's Ice Hockey		
Saturday, Feb. 9, 2008		
MIT (12-3-0, 8-2-0 NECHA ² Conf. A East)	2	
Endicott College (10-10-1, 6-4-0)	1	

¹New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference
²NorthEast Collegiate Hockey Association
³Eastern College Athletic Conference
⁴North East Collegiate Volleyball Association New England Division

Women's Ice Hockey		
Saturday, Feb. 9, 2008		
MIT (0-14-1, 0-13-1 ECAC ³ East)	0	
Holy Cross University (12-7-1, 10-4-0)	7	
Sunday, Feb. 10, 2008		
MIT (0-15-1, 0-14-1)	0	
Manhattanville College (15-6-0, 13-2-0)	6	
Squash		
Thursday, Feb. 7, 2008		
MIT (2-8)	0	
Wesleyan University (9-7)	9	
Saturday, Feb. 9, 2008		
Colby College (7-15)	0	
MIT (2-9)	9	
Men's Volleyball		
Thursday, Feb. 7, 2008		
MIT (7-4, 6-1 NECVA NE ⁴)	3	
Wentworth Institute of Technology (1-6, 1-3)	0	
Saturday, Feb. 9, 2008		
Mount Ida College (2-10)	0	
MIT (8-4)	3	
University New Haven (4-2)	0	
MIT (9-4)	3	
Sunday, Feb. 10, 2008		
College of Mount Saint Vincent (4-6)	0	
MIT (10-4)	3	
Ramapo College (13-1)	3	
MIT (10-5)	1	

The Tech's Athlete of the Week:
Sophia L. Harrison '08

For the second time in the past month, Sophia L. Harrison '08 was named the Eastern College Athletic Conference Division III Gymnast of the Week following her highlight-filled performance in a dual meet at the U.S. Air Force Academy on Saturday, Feb. 2. The co-captain tied her career-best mark of 9.550 on the vault before setting new career-bests on the beam (9.550) and in the all-around (38.100) en route to a first-place individual finish.

Harrison's 38.100 all-around score shattered her previous personal-best mark of 37.875 and was just two-tenths of a point away from matching the Institute record of 38.300, set by teammate Julia C. Zimmerman '09 last year. The score also marked the first time this season that any gymnast in the ECAC topped the coveted tally of 38.000. Harrison placed second overall at the meet on the floor exercise (9.600), vault and beam, while placing sixth on the uneven bars (9.400).

Harrison continued her phenomenal play this past Saturday in a tri-meet hosted by MIT, winning the all-around competition again with a score of 38.075. Her performance included team high finishes on the uneven bars (9.500) and the balance beam (9.500), placing third and fifth overall in those events, respectively. Despite helping MIT earn its highest team score of the season (183.225), the Engineers still fell to visiting Southern Connecticut State University (187.575) and the State University of New York at Brockport (185.950).

—Jeff Lemieux, DAPER Staff

UPCOMING HOME EVENTS

Tuesday, Feb. 5, 2008		
Squash vs. Brown University	6:30 p.m., Zesiger Center	
Squash vs. Northeastern University	8 p.m., Zesiger Center	
Wednesday, Feb. 6, 2008		
Women's Basketball vs. Babson College	6 p.m., Rockwell Cage	
Men's Basketball vs. Babson College	8 p.m., Rockwell Cage	