



## Andrew Cuomo questions colleges' recommendations on financial aid

BY KAT SCHMIDT  
Daily Editorial Board

When borrowing money for college, who should you trust to recommend a good lender — your university, or the United States government?

U.S. Senator Ted Kennedy (D-Mass.) and New York Attorney General Andrew Cuomo are delving into this question with a recent probe into the relationship between colleges and private lenders.

Universities typically recommend private companies for various types of student loans (including federal Stafford loans) to help students finance their education. But colleges that stick to a list of only a few lenders have earned the ire of leaders like Cuomo and Kennedy.

While such lists are common practice, Cuomo in particular has voiced concerns about conflicts of interest, and demanded information on these lists from eight loan companies and two dozen colleges nationwide, including eight in Massachusetts, the New York Times reported last Saturday.

"My office is seeking to ensure that students are being steered toward lenders offering the most competitive rates, not those who



Cuomo gets tough on lending practices.

offer the best perks to financial aid administrators," Cuomo said in a statement.

Kennedy's bill, the Student

Loan Sunshine Act, would require colleges to disclose

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## Senate passes a resolution to make transcripts private

BY BENNETT KUHN  
Daily Editorial Board

The current setup of the Tufts Student Information System (SIS) service leaves the privacy of students open to abuse, according to a resolution passed on Sunday by the Tufts Community Union (TCU) Senate.

Currently, any professor that was ever an advisor to a student can access the student's transcripts, as can some on-campus employers and administrative assistants.

In reaction, the Senate decided to urge the administration to restrict SIS access solely to students, their advisors and the administrators themselves.

"I think the point of the resolution that we passed is to show the administration that this is an issue that students care about, this is an issue that Senate cares about, and we're not going to stand for our transcripts to be available to people besides our advisors," TCU Historian Neil DiBiase said.

The Senate also called for an update of every semester of SIS's advisor database to prevent former advisors from

accessing students' records. The resolution suggests that if professors view the grades of their current students, then "that information can potentially bias a given professor."

According to DiBiase, wider access is available now because staff and professors complained when their access was revoked several years ago, feeling that some legitimate decisions necessitated the ability to look at the records.

Those that support the resolution, however, feel that anyone seeking a student's transcript should first consult the student, at which point the student may provide the inquirer with a physical copy of the requested records.

According to Senator Amanda Richardson, who drafted the resolution, this commitment to privacy is something that rang true with her colleagues when she first mentioned the proposal.

"I mentioned it at a Senate meeting ... just to see what people's feelings were about it, and the majority of people in Senate were in favor of a resolution stating how

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## Tufts researchers win Gordon prize

BY JEFF GREENBERG  
Contributing Writer

The three founders of the Gordon Institute of the Tufts School of Engineering have been awarded the United States National Academy of Engineering's (NAE) \$500,000 Bernard Gordon Prize.

Professor Arthur Winston, current program director of the Gordon Institute [TGI], and influential former lecturers Harold Goldberg and Jerome Levy will split half of the award.

"We were all extremely enthusiastic when we created and developed the institute," Winston said. "Winning the award further attests to our belief in what we are doing."

The other half of the prize will go to the School of Engineering. "It is perhaps the most prestigious and visible award for engineering education in the country and it is a real honor for the School of Engineering to have Tufts' Gordon Institute recognized in this way," Dean of Engineering Linda Abriola said.

"Our plans are that the awarded money will be used to strengthen the curriculum and infrastructure of [the Gordon Institute]," she said.

While now an integral part of Tufts, the Gordon Institute was not always part of the university. With funding and other help from Bernard M. Gordon (H '92), it was founded in 1984 in Wakefield, Mass. to assimilate technically-trained people into the business world as leaders. It became affiliated with Tufts in 1992. Winston, Goldberg, and Levy each helped found the institute.

Abriola said that the award will improve the already stellar reputation of the institute.

"We expect that the publicity surrounding this award will help to increase the visibility of TGI and its programs," she said.

The Bernard M. Gordon Prize was inaugu-

rated in 2001 by the NAE "to recognize new modalities and experiments in education that develop effective engineering leaders," according to the NAE's Web site. The winner of the prize is selected by a panel of members of the NAE.

To apply, the founders of the Gordon Institute needed to submit the goals of the institute, references from those involved, and evidence of development. Their credentials also had to be validated by University President Lawrence Bacow.

"One of the factors that set in my own mind the Winston, Goldberg and Levy nomination apart from others was the tremendous student feedback we received about the quality and the value of their program," University of California, San Diego Professor Frieder Seible, chair of the 2007 Selection Committee, said.

Although the prize and the institute share the same name, Winston said the connection did not cause the institute to receive the award.

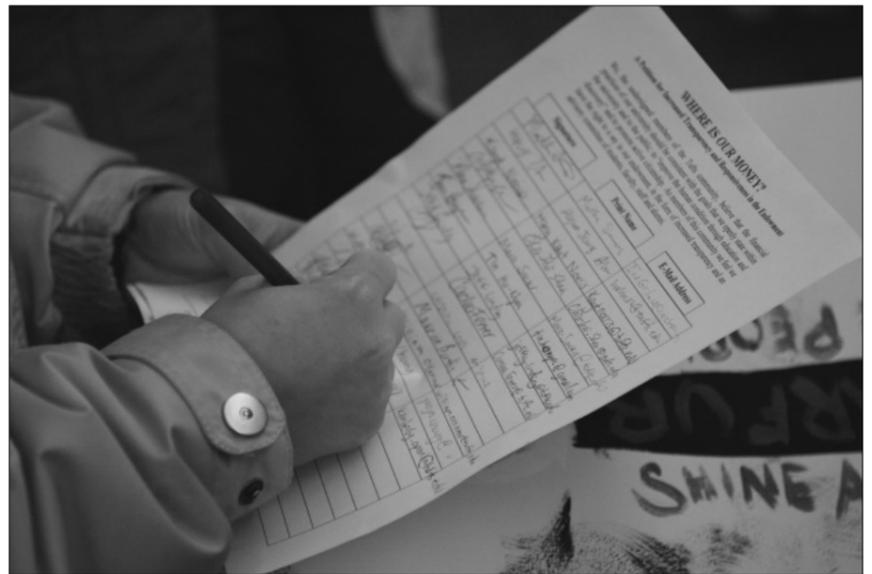
"[The Gordon Institute] would have received the award regardless of the name," he said.

Seible agreed. "Members with a potential conflict excuse themselves from the voting. This has been the case for example with Bernie Gordon himself where he did not participate in any of the votes this year," he said.

Bernard Gordon is notable on the Tufts campus for more than the prize and the institute. Appointed to the Tufts Board of Trustees in 1996, he currently serves on the Committee for University Advancement, the Audit Committee, and the Board of Overseers for the School of Engineering.

In all, he has donated over \$35 million to Tufts — most recently for Sophia Gordon Hall, named after his wife.

## Vigil calls for endowment transparency



Student signs petition calling for greater endowment transparency.

BY LIZ RUSSELL  
Contributing Writer

Although harsh winds prevented the actual lighting of candles, Tufts students still gathered in front of the Tisch library steps to participate in a vigil last night.

Carrying colorful posters that read "Stop Genocides," participants hoped to not only remember victims of the genocide in the Sudan, but also to advocate for more transparency about Tufts' investments.

The event was sponsored by the Tufts Coalition for Endowment Transparency, Pangea, and the Tufts

Coalition Opposed to the War in Iraq (TCOWI).

Of particular interest to the members of the first of these groups is whether or not Tufts has any investments in the Sudan.

"We don't know whether or not any of our holdings are in invested in Sudan or businesses that [support] the government of Sudan," freshman member Shana Hurley said.

This afternoon, freshman Gabe Frumkin, one of the creators of TCOWI, will speak before the Tufts

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## WORLD IN BRIEF

## FORMER SERBIAN GENERAL NOT HIDING IN RUSSIA

Russia's Foreign Ministry denied Thursday a statement made by the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia saying that the fugitive former Serbian General Vlastimir Djordjevic is hiding in Russia.

"The ICTY's information on this individual's possible whereabouts in Russia was thoroughly checked. This man does not live at the address given by the Tribunal," the ministry's spokesman, Mikhail Kamynin, said.

He also said Russia is taking further steps to search for Djordjevic.

Djordjevic, 58, is one of the six people wanted by the Hague-based Tribunal. He is accused of war crimes in Kosovo committed in 1999, when he headed the Serbian Interior Ministry's Public Security Service, and also served as a deputy minister.

He remained in his post after the fall of the Milosevic regime Oct. 5, 2000, and disappeared immediately after the discovery of mass graves where Serbian police had buried slain Kosovo Albanian civilians. Djordjevic is thought to have played a key role in hiding the bodies. On Jan. 17, 2006, he pleaded guilty of crimes against humanity (torture and rape).

## RUSSIAN ANALYSTS SUSPECT U.S. OF INTENTIONS TO REVIVE COLD WAR

Russian analysts argue that Washington's consistent efforts to redeploy its missile defense system closer to Russia's borders may be an indication the U.S. administration seeks to revive the Cold War against Moscow and its allies.

Washington has recently moved its largest sea-based missile defense radar in the Pacific from Hawaii to the Aleutian Islands, not far from Russia's Kamchatka Peninsula. It has also announced plans to install a radar system in the Czech Republic and a missile interceptor site in Poland, which it says it needs to protect itself against a potential threat from Iran.

Gleb Pavlovsky, a Russian political scientist, said that U.S. plans to build missile defense sites in Central Europe may spur an arms race.

Vasily Likhachev, deputy head of the International Affairs Committee in Russia's upper house of parliament, said the deployment of U.S. missile shields close to Russian borders is intended as a political weapon against Moscow.

## ENVOYS OPTIMISTIC ON NORTH KOREAN NUCLEAR TALKS

The U.S. envoy to international talks on the North Korean nuclear crisis said Thursday that he was optimistic negotiators were nearing a breakthrough.

U.S. chief negotiator Christopher Hill said the talks had produced plans for an initial sequence of steps that could lead to North Korea dismantling its nuclear weapons program.

Still, analysts said North Korea might be offering steps toward a nuclear freeze with no intention of abandoning its nuclear weapons, and the Bush administration might be touting tentative progress in hopes of claiming a foreign policy victory.

North Korea's chief envoy, Kim Kye-gwan, said he was "neither optimistic nor pessimistic" and wanted only to "determine whether the United States is trying to abandon its hostile policy against us and come to peaceful coexistence or not."

A South Korean delegate, Chun Yung Woo, said China would circulate a draft agreement by Friday outlining the proposed steps toward providing North Korea with assistance in exchange for steps toward nuclear disarmament.

Hill described the renewal of the talks, which recessed in December and which involve Russia and Japan as well as the U.S., China and North and South Korea, as "a pretty good first day. It did meet expectations."

—Compiled from McClatchy Newspapers

## Government is not a neutral party, O'Donnell says

## LENDERS

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interest rates on the student loans they recommend, report gifts and financial benefits received from lenders, and would finance a government study of aggressive loan marketing, according to his press office.

"At a time when families are pinching pennies more than ever to afford college, we need to ensure that students are getting the best rate on their student loans," Kennedy said in a statement. "We need to examine these practices closely and put a stop to any action that prevents students from getting the best loan deal possible."

But some higher education professionals say the probe is at best useless and at worse meddlesome.

Director of Financial Aid Patricia Reilly told the Daily on Feb. 5 that, as of then, Tufts had not received a request in connection with the proposed bill for information about Tufts' lending practices.

She also said that she does not see the need for the proposed reforms. "I'm slightly insulted they think we make these recommendations because [lenders] sent a basket of cookies," she told the Daily.

Reilly said that Tufts requests information about companies' loans, then, based on that information, selects the top five lenders for each of its three private loan programs.

"Families are always free to borrow from whatever lender they choose, but we feel we offer a valuable service by giving them guidance about their college financing options," she said in an e-mail to the Daily. "This type of preferred lender list is standard practice in most financial aid offices. I would hate for there to be regulations enacted that prevented us from offering this service to our families."

She said that these lists can help pre-

vent parents from using abusive lenders. "There are an awful lot of lenders out there that are not giving good deals to our parents," she said.

Still, not everybody is convinced about the benefits of the lists.

Harris Siegel (A '59), the director of college counseling at Stuart Country Day School, an independent school in Princeton, New Jersey, is skeptical about lending lists.

*Though uncertain if government intervention should have a role in the business of private institutions, Siegel is also concerned about companies' sharing information about potential clients even if a school recommends multiple loan competitors.*

"Colleges have a vested interest in promoting that particular lender, and though I have no definitive way in saying that the rates are different, it's kind of a shady thing," he said. "I'd much rather see an open competition of lenders in the area."

Recommending multiple lenders, as Tufts does, makes sense, he said. "But to do just one, that's a problem."

Though uncertain if government intervention should have a role in the business of private institutions, Siegel is also concerned about companies' sharing information about potential clients even if a school recommends multiple loan competitors.

"Let's say Mary Jane applies to Tufts, gets a [financial aid] package, and Tufts

says, you can go to all three lenders. Do they share information about that individual? Is there competition for rates between the three lenders?" she said.

Heather O'Donnell, director of financial aid at Sarah Lawrence College, thinks that despite sentiments of mistrust, in most cases financial aid offices do have students' best interests at heart.

"I'm in this field for 28 years and with an exception of a handful (and I do mean less than 5 people), I have yet to meet anyone in financial aid who isn't first and foremost about their students," she said in an e-mail to the Daily. "I welcome the Cuomo investigation (perhaps not the tactic involved) because I truly believe there will be no ethical findings against the practice of preferred lender lists."

According to O'Donnell, the government may not come in as entirely neutral party, either. "The government already has their hand ... in this issue because they offer a parallel program called the William Ford Direct Loan program," she wrote.

Colleges could choose to opt out of referring students and parents to private lenders and use only comparable government loans, O'Donnell explained. About 30 percent of colleges decided to do so, while 70 percent declined and let competition between private lenders continue.

Sarah Lawrence and Tufts both opted out of the government program. "The reasoning was simple. The U.S. government does not have the capital ready at any time whereas a lender has many capital reserves upon which to draw. We were also very uncomfortable with the 'Big Brother/Sister owns the entire process,'" O'Donnell wrote.

But is more government intervention the answer? "I don't know how the government can regulate these programs any further," she wrote. "Goodness knows they'll try, though."

## Group gets signatures, requests endowment transparency

## VIGIL

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Board of Trustees, asking for support for two measures.

"We want ... to increase endowment transparency and to create an advisory committee on shareholder responsibility," he said.

The proposed committee, which would consist of faculty, staff, alumni and students, would work with the board to decide "how we could use the rights afforded to us as owners of stocks to try and create and encourage positive social,

environmental, and economic change within a corporation's policy," Frumkin said.

He said that he does not plan on requesting what he considers radical changes from the board.

"We are not going to the board tomorrow demanding divestment from Sudan," he said. "What we are pursuing is a way of exercising our rights as shareholders without threatening the viability of our money managers or the profitability of our endowment." He said he thinks the board will sym-

pathize with their goals. "I think that the members of the board of trustees all love Tufts and they appreciate and value what it stands for," he said.

Beyond helping to guide policy, he said the members of the committee will also have the opportunity to learn a great deal.

"In addition, by allowing Tufts students to be members of the advisory committee, they can gain a great educational opportunity," Frumkin said.

Before and after the vigil, members of the group col-

lected signatures for a petition that calls for greater transparency and the creation of the committee. "The vigil was a successful petition drive," sophomore and group member Liz Gross said.

Hurley said that the group has over 300 signatures on the petition, which has been circulating for a few days.

About 30 people attended the vigil, Hurley said. "Considering that it was freezing cold and windy I would say that that was pretty good," she said.

## Robinson says resolution is strictly preventative

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the student body felt about privacy and access to SIS across the university," she said.

The resolution, having passed with a large majority in its favor, will now be sent to the Registrar's Office and the Dean's Office.

The resolution also cites

the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), a federal law that restricts access to academic records to a need-to-know basis.

This is not to say, however, that Senate believes Tufts is violating FERPA, Richardson said.

"The only reason I mentioned [FERPA] was because

it's something that needs to be considered — obviously you can't regulate privacy unless you know the federal regulations," she said.

"I have confidence that Tufts is completely abiding by federal regulations," she said, "and I'm certain that the Registrar's Office is concerned about this as well because they were there

when the issue was brought up [several years ago]."

TCU President Mitch Robinson also said that he is confident that the administration is already concerned about privacy, and that the bill is not meant to imply any lack of commitment from administrators.

"We're taking preventative measures," he said.

## MARKETS

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Tuesday



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25/15

Sunday



Partly Cloudy  
32/20

Wednesday



Partly Cloudy  
24/14

Monday



Sunny  
35/16

Thursday



Partly Cloudy  
25/15

## QUOTE OF THE DAY

*"Wikipedia had him down as mentally retarded, but he was in fact a brilliant scholar ..."*

Gary Leupp  
Associate Professor of History  
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# Features

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## So long, truthiness: Middlebury bans Wikipedia in the classroom

BY MATT SKIBINKSI  
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It is 1804, and Secretary of Treasury Alexander Hamilton is lying on the ground near a riverbank, wounded and helpless. Towering above Hamilton with a pistol in his hand is Vice President Aaron Burr, his index finger resting on the gun's metallic trigger. From somewhere to the side, a man named Benjamin Franklin says the only two words of encouragement Burr needs to hear: "Finish him."

That's the story Wikipedia.org told when Assistant Professor of History Benjamin Carp looked up the famous duel between Alexander Hamilton and Aaron Burr last week.

"It helps to know that Franklin was dead by that time, so it would have been an impossible situation," Carp said.

The entry, which has since been changed, is just one of many inaccuracies that recently spurred the history department at Middlebury College to institute a ban on the citation of Wikipedia entries in academic papers, according to the Chronicle of Higher Education. Though professors at Middlebury say the ban is necessary to hold students accountable for the accuracy of their information, reactions in the Tufts history department are mixed.

According to Carp, while he personally doesn't allow students to use

Wikipedia, he doesn't support banning it completely.

"A blanket ban doesn't really make sense, because students are going to look at it anyway," Carp said. "In accordance with plagiarism rules, you have to say where you're citing info from in the first place, and I can tell you that Wikipedia is not going to look good in a college-level paper."

Another colleague of Carp's in the history department, Professor Howard Malchow, agreed.

"You see [Wikipedia] increasingly cited as a source in footnotes and bibliography," Malchow said. "My advice to students is that I don't want to see it cited as a source, because I don't want them to rely on it like they would rely

on a peer-reviewed journal or a book."

According to Carp, Wikipedia is okay for some assignments, but not for others. He cites a recent assignment he gave students in his Civil War class about the letters of Abraham Lincoln as an example.

"The point of that assignment is for students to first look at the letters themselves and come up with their own reactions, and for that part of the assignment they can look on the Internet if they see people or events they haven't heard of," Carp said.

"But for the second part of the assignment, they have to use secondary sources to find out what scholars

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### CAMPUS COOKING

## Though the weather may be cold, there is always a place for chili

BY TINA YE  
Daily Staff Writer

Given the freezing cold temperatures this classic New England weather has recently been inflicting upon the poor student body, you might find it hard to imagine dry hotness of the vast Mexican desert. Read on, however, and look forward to a warm delight likely to transport you south of the border.

I am speaking of course, of a hot bowl of chili. But before delving into the sweet subtleties of this delicious cuisine, let's take a glance at chili's short but illustrious heritage.

Mexican urban legend holds that chili, or more precisely, *chili con carne*, was invented by Mexican cantina owners back in the 1800s. The theory states that these intrepid owners wanted something cheap and overtly "Mexican" in flavor to serve tourists as a complimentary snack with their drinks. These owners collected previous days' leftovers in a pot, tossed in some peppers, broth, and spices, and *voilà!* Chili was born.

As it were, chili turned out to be such a big hit that many establishments quickly switched to serving only chili. Each of these "chili parlours" claimed to have its own "secret recipe," which was jealously guarded from generation to generation.

Throughout its history, chili has always been a favorite food of the ordinary people, steeped in nostalgia and myth. It evokes romantic notions of the solo cowboy at his evening campfire, warming his meal on chilly (sorry about that) desert nights. Pseudo-fiction aside, it was also once a popular quotidian fixture of the lively Mexican street, sold by brightly

dressed "chili queens" to the tune of Mariachi street musicians.

Though stringent modern sanitary codes have effectively erased this street-food culture, one can still revisit these good old days at San Antonio's Memorial Day festival. After all, chili is the official dish of Texas.

The classic, original Texan chili was a straightforward affair composed of fresh chili pepper pods and meat, usually beef or veal. No other vegetables were included. Today, a variety of chilies exist. The chili with which we are most familiar involves meat and beans stewed in a chunky tomato soup base. Its zesty flavor comes from mainly cumin, chili powder, onion and garlic. Fresh chilies are no longer the sole flavoring agent. There's also chili verde, which uses green chilies and is somewhat thinner than Texan chili. It is often used as a condiment with burritos, enchiladas, and the like. Finally, we shan't forget vegetarian chili. The great tradition of chili is delicious as it is flexible.

And now, it's recipe time. I have included here two recipes, which are both courtesy of allrecipes.com, save for minor modification. The first is a killer meat chili that will earn you many admirers and eternal glory. And yes, do not fear the weird ingredients. Do get a decent-quality dark beer if you can do so without breaking any state laws or whatnot. If you do not have a coffee maker, instant coffee works just fine. (Also, please note that any alcohol content will evaporate entirely during cooking, so this chili will not get you drunk. But it will leave you really, really satisfied.) Without further ado, I give you a ridiculously big pot of ...

### Man Chili (but equally suitable for really hungry gals)

Ingredients:

2 tablespoons vegetable oil	1 cup strong brewed coffee	cocoa powder
2 onions, chopped	2 (6 ounce) cans tomato paste	1 teaspoon dried oregano
5 cloves garlic, minced	1 (14 ounce) can beef broth	1 teaspoon ground cayenne pepper
2 pounds ground beef	1/4 cup packed brown sugar	1 teaspoon ground coriander
1 (14.5 ounce) can peeled and diced tomatoes with juice	3 1/2 tablespoons chili powder	1 teaspoon salt
1 (12 fluid ounce) can or bottle	1 tablespoon cumin seeds	3 (15 ounce) cans kidney beans
	1 tablespoon unsweetened	

### Directions:

- 1) Heat oil in a large saucepan over medium heat. Cook onions, garlic, ground beef and cubed sirloin in oil for 10 minutes, or until the meat is well browned and the onions are tender.
- 2) Mix in the diced tomatoes with juice, dark beer, coffee, tomato paste and beef broth. Season with brown sugar, chili powder, cumin, cocoa powder, oregano, cayenne pepper, coriander and salt. Stir in the cans of beans.
- 3) Simmer uncovered for 1 to 1.5 hours until the chili has reduced to a desirable viscosity. Serve over rice or with cornbread. Yuummm.



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### Victory Veggie Chili

Ingredients:

1 tablespoon vegetable oil	1 (28 ounce) can whole peeled tomatoes with liquid, chopped
1 cup chopped onions	1 (19 ounce) can kidney beans with liquid
3/4 cup chopped carrots	1 (11 ounce) can whole kernel corn, un-drained
3 cloves garlic, minced	1 tablespoon ground cumin
1 cup chopped green bell pepper	1 1/2 teaspoons dried oregano
1 cup chopped red bell pepper	1 1/2 teaspoons dried basil
3/4 cup chopped celery	
1 tablespoon chili powder	
1 1/2 cups chopped fresh mushrooms	

### Directions:

- 1) Heat oil in a large saucepan over medium heat. Sauté onions, carrots, and garlic until tender. Stir in green pepper, red pepper, celery, and chili powder. Cook until all vegetables are tender, about six minutes.
- 2) Stir in mushrooms, and cook four minutes.
- 3) Stir in tomatoes, kidney beans, and corn. Season with cumin, oregano, and basil. Bring to a boil, and reduce heat to medium. Cover, and simmer for 20 minutes, stirring occasionally. If you want a thicker chili, leave the cover off and let it reduce (boil off the water).



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# Students shouldn't ignore Wikipedia, but must take it 'with a grain of salt'

## WIKIPEDIA

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have written about the events they're reading about," he continued. "For that, the use of Wikipedia is not appropriate, because you need to be sure you have an accurate source."

Malchow felt similarly. "It's a popular knowledge compilation that, as a scholar, would be dangerous to rely on," Malchow said. "However, as a first step — as you're beginning some research or for basic knowledge that you're not going to assume is necessarily accurate — it can be incredibly convenient. I use it myself sometimes as a starting point."

"I don't deny that it's a useful tool," he said. "I just don't think it's a scholarly tool."

For Associate Professor Gary Leupp, however, Wikipedia has value as more

than just a background source. He said stopping students from using it would be counter-productive.

"I think [a ban on Wikipedia] is irrational," Leupp said. "It's important to inculcate a critical sense in students about any kind of source."

According to Leupp, no source is truly credible. To him, choosing which information to believe is what learning is all about.

"Students have a tendency to read a book by one fallible human being, and then to say, 'Well in the book they said ...' They — as if it were a committee," Leupp said. "Students often revere sources in a way, but they are written by individuals."

"Students should disagree with and doubt parts of anything they read," he continued. "It's all part of the critical reasoning faculties you want to devel-

op in a history class."

According to Leupp, while Wikipedia is not an ideal source to cite, it should not be ruled out as an option.

"It may be that a person doesn't have another reference for a piece of information that is necessary and important," he said. "In that case, is it better to not footnote at all, or to cite Wikipedia?"

Though Malchow said he sees the value of Wikipedia as a first resource, he said the problems with its accuracy often undermine the credibility of facts listed there.

"There is no guarantee that the information there is accurate," Malchow said. "For example, there's been a lot of controversy lately about people putting stuff into Wikipedia that is ideologically driven."

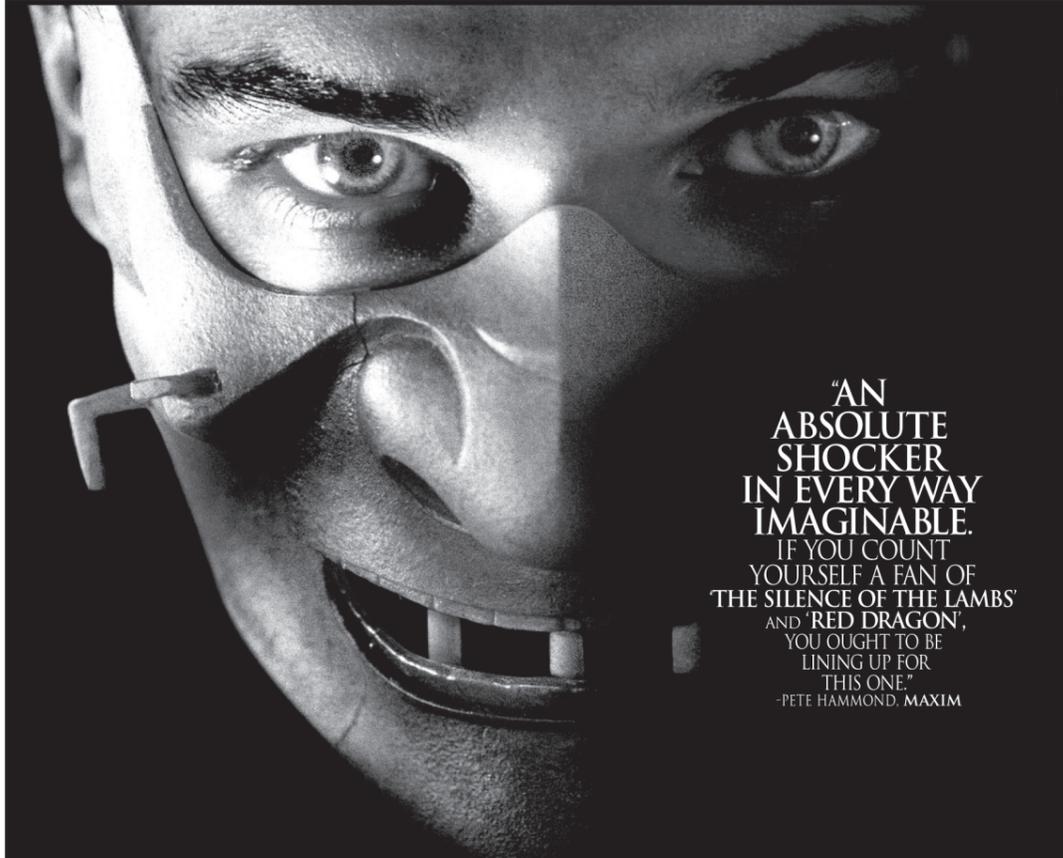
Leupp acknowledged that Wikipedia

contains many inaccuracies, but said it's all part of the learning process.

"Just today, I was talking to my class about a Japanese shogun who ruled the country in the 17th century," Leupp said. "Wikipedia had him down as mentally retarded, but he was in fact a brilliant scholar who may have had a mental disorder."

Leupp said he pointed the error out to his students, but that it doesn't mean they shouldn't reference the entry.

"I [mentioned the error] thinking maybe they would reference Wikipedia for this guy, and I didn't want to discourage them from doing that," he said. "There's a lot of valid information to be procured from Wikipedia, and in my opinion it's helpful so long as you know that anybody can contribute, and take what you read there with a grain of salt."



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**THEATER PREVIEW**

## Jack Bauer's not the only one who can accomplish a lot in 24 hours

Bare Bodkin Theater Festival starts with one line and 24 hours and ends with three 22-minute student-written plays

BY NAOMI BRYANT  
Daily Editorial Board

Once again, Bare Bodkin, the Tufts student theater group that performs student-written works, is warming up for 24

**24 Hour Theater Festival**

Starts Friday, Feb. 9 at 8 p.m.  
Free Performance on Saturday,  
Feb. 10  
8 p.m. in Lane 100

hours of intensely creative theater. This Friday at 8 p.m., teams of students will be challenged to write, rehearse and perform a sitcom-length, 22-minute show in just 24 hours.

The format of the 24 Hour Theater Festival is the same as in previous years. Students who have signed up for the Festival are divided into three groups, which are chosen in an attempt evenly distribute the participants in terms of theater experience and age.

All the requirements for the students' shows are decided beforehand by the Bare Bodkin board members.

Although generally few in number, these requirements can range from a mandatory musical number to specific props or costumes that must be used in each play.

The role of the board doesn't end there. Immediately before the festival, each board member writes a phrase of



Side effects of the 24 Hour Theater Festival include excessive cheeriness and pregnancy. DAILY FILE PHOTO

their choice on a piece of paper, which is then thrown into a hat.

One of the competing students then draws a line at random. All plays must start with this phrase.

Outside of these restrictions, students are given free reign. From 8 p.m. on Friday, when the teams are decided and the beginning line is chosen, until 8 p.m. on Saturday, when the shows are per-

formed, the students work together to create their play.

The board judges the plays after they're performed, using criteria ranging from awkward moments to use of props to the musical number. These criteria aren't revealed to contestants until the award ceremony, where every participant is presented with a prize.

Despite the same format, the same

requirements and the same beginning line, the plays in the 24 Hour Theater Festival are always vastly different from one another.

"It's awesome because the shows turn out different every time," Bare Bodkin technical director and junior Johanna Thelin said. "You never know what's going to happen."

The teams' finished products are especially impressive considering the brutally short amount of time in which they are created.

With only a day to create their show, the creative process for students involved can be more than a little stressful.

"The hardest part was sitting down to actually write the script after coming up with our idea. Beginning was difficult, and then we started running out of things to say towards the middle," sophomore Molly Yarn, a past participant and current secretary for Bare Bodkin, said.

Despite sleep deprivation and occasional creative frustration, the process is ultimately rewarding.

"My favorite part was hanging out with people and talking about insane things," Yarn said. "People come up with the greatest, funniest things at 3 a.m."

Since students are assigned to teams by the board, some can end up working with complete strangers. Though it sounds awkward, meeting new people and listening to their ideas is part of the

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**GALLERY REVIEW**

## Catching a blurry glimpse of Poland



Klups gets up close and personal in 'Selfforms,' a digital print on photographic paper. COURTESY ART INSTITUTE OF BOSTON

BY CHLOE ZIMMERMAN  
Contributing Writer

An artist's creativity begets more than simply inspiration for new work. Artists always

**Made In Poland**

At the Main Gallery,  
through March 4  
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seem to find crafty ways to survive and even flourish under repression. In Poland's early Communist regime, art was confined to Soviet ideals, and artists who diverged from regulations faced censorship. Within this atmosphere, some resilient artists turned to a medium both economically viable and privately sustainable: that of pinhole photography.

Pinhole photography involves no lens; instead, a tiny hole in the camera admits light. The art form remains popular in Poland today despite the restoration of freedom of artistic expression in the country in 1989.

Made in Poland (*Zrobione w Polsce*), the main exhibit at the Art Institute of Boston through March 4, features works by seven of Poland's most prominent contemporary pinhole photographers. Guest curators Jesseca Ferguson and Walter Crump are Boston-based pinhole photographers themselves. This exhibit concludes a cultural exchange that began with an exhibition of the curators' own work in Poland.

Since the curators are themselves active pinhole photographers, the exhibit presents a unique, though somewhat limited, perspective on the work. The introduction is replete with philosophical commentaries on the art form, but Ferguson and Crump seem to have forgotten that most people aren't as familiar with the processes involved in creating a pinhole photograph.

The curators' message really only addresses two general traits of pinhole photography, "extremely long exposure times and limitless potential for self expression in the hand made camera," before launching again into more abstract musings. It fails to discuss the mechanisms and steps taken

to construct an image, leaving the viewer unaware of what it really means to take a pinhole photograph.

The only insight into technique lies in the pinhole cameras donated by each artist. The various cameras and other tools lying side by side in a glass case do reveal one thing clearly: pinhole photography is a deeply personal form of expression. Marek Noniewicz uses cameras fashioned from old packages that he has received in the mail.

Jaroslaw Klups' camera consists of a tiny box and wire that he wears like futuristic glasses in front of his face. Andrzej Bogacz's camera is made out of a small metal tin with a visible pinprick in the top.

However, while these cameras do represent the diversity and personal flair that thrive in the medium, they offer about as much insight into the process and final product as one could gather from looking at a painter's brushes.

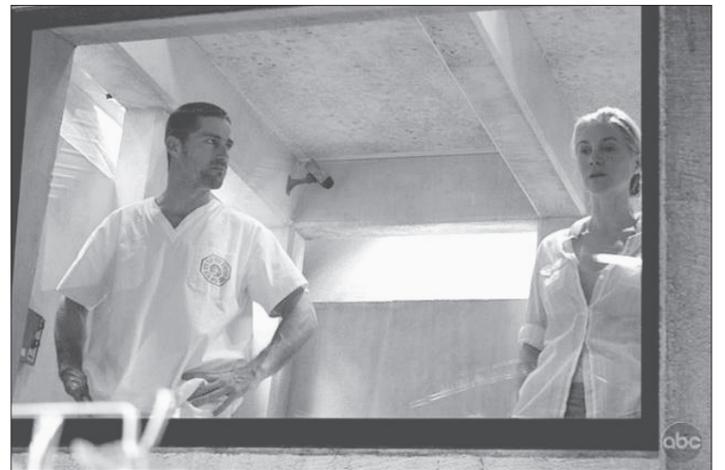
The same can be said for the exhibit's representation of the "extraordinary Polish photographic sensibility" it aims to reveal. This phrase and a reference to "narrative or performative aspects" are the only suggestions of what Polish art entails. Ferguson and Crump leave the viewer with the question of whether "a distinctly Polish sensibility" exists, but without explaining what that might involve.

What the viewer ends up with is an assortment of different photographic styles and techniques that seem to construct an overall impression of pinhole photography rather than anything specifically Polish.

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**TV REVIEW**

## New episode entertains, but still leaves its viewers somewhat 'Lost'



Even the characters on 'Lost' look confused about where this plot is going. COURTESY ABC

BY RACHEL CHARATAN  
Daily Staff Writer

Going into Wednesday night's "Lost," the first of 16 new episodes of the ABC hit

**Lost**



Starring **Evangeline Lilly, Matthew Fox and Josh Holloway**

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after a hiatus of 13 weeks, it's certain that many viewers expected and hoped for some long-sought-after answers.

Would Ben survive his surgery? Would the Others make good on their promise to give Jack his freedom? Would they kill Sawyer in the process? How would Kate and Sawyer escape their new island of horrors to return to their home island of horrors?

While the episode tried to resolve these and many other

issues, of course, many things were left unanswered. This is what fans expect after two and a half seasons of the illusive Dharma Initiative, the Others and the flashbacks that reveal that characters are more connected than they thought.

Ultimately, any episode of "Lost" is a success because fans are desperate for even the tiniest morsel of information about the bizarre and wonderful island that is the foundation of the plot. With so much suspense and excitement, it's easy to forget that the storyline is moving at a snail's pace.

The newest episode of "Lost" focuses on our three protagonists, Kate (Evangeline Lilly), Jack (Matthew Fox) and Sawyer (Josh Holloway), and their problems with the Others.

It picks up with Kate and Sawyer being used as bait, while Jack has agreed to perform surgery on Ben (Michael

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## Few questions answered on new episode of 'Lost'

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Emerson), the head of the Others.

In this week's episode, Jack's choice to hold Ben hostage medically has caused complications as Juliet (Elizabeth Mitchell) reveals that Kate and Sawyer cannot simply run from one island to another.

However, due to Ben's mysterious awakening during the operation, most of the Others willingly allow Kate and Sawyer to flee the island.

By this point, they have encountered Alex (Tania Raymonde), Rousseau's daughter, who has helped them evade gunfire in the jungle in exchange for help rescuing her boyfriend, Karl (Blake Bashoff).

The flashbacks reveal Juliet's past as a doctor in a biomedical research facility in Miami in which she helps her sister have a child through untested drug therapy. Meanwhile, her ex-husband and boss, Edmund (Zeljko Ivanek), seeks to use her medical discoveries to gain fame.

Intriguingly enough, Juliet and Edmund's last name is Burke. Edmund Burke was an 18th century philosopher and political theorist with conservative stances; this keeps with the show's theme of naming characters after renowned philosophers.

Juliet's husband appears to be conniving and power-hungry. When a gentleman approaches to offer her a spot at a new scientific research clinic in Portland, Juliet refuses, knowing Edmund would

disapprove.

Fortunately, she does not have to worry about this for long.

The seventh episode is great because it contains all of the classic, enthralling aspects of the show.

A dangerous hail of gunfire, a character's death, a romance, tears and the wonderful, dramatic music will keep viewers on the edge of their seats for a solid hour.

*Ultimately, any episode of Lost is a success because fans are desperate for even the tiniest morsel of information about the bizarre and wonderful island.*

It's even better when characters from the past, like Alex, reappear on the show after such a long hiatus.

While it would have been excellent to catch up with some of the numerous other main characters, scenes from next week's episode indicate that the creators will bring it all back to the beach and the hatch.

Who knows? Perhaps Desmond's powers will finally be revealed, or maybe viewers will catch another rare glimpse of father and son, Michael and Walt, reunited. "Lost" remains a sure-fire hit, despite the complexity of its plot.

## 24 Hour Theater provides a social and theatrical opportunity for busy thespians

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fun. "Last year, I didn't know anyone in my group, and I was completely friends with everyone afterwards. It was a great social experience," Yarn said.

The 24 Hour Theater Festival has special appeal to Tufts students with overly busy schedules who wouldn't otherwise be able to participate in theater.

"It's great because lots of people can be in it even if they have other commitments,"

Thelin said. "They can't be in shows, but they can do this."

The 24 Hour Theater Festival is one of Bare Bodkin's most popular events, with last semester's performance turnout being especially large.

Bare Bodkin board members are hoping for a repeat experience.

"It's unique and not something you usually get to see," Bare Bodkin artistic director and junior Elizabeth Harelik said. "It's a fun and different theater experience."

Students are welcome to

sign up for the Festival on the Aidekman call board. The Festival will start on Friday, with teams performing their plays this Saturday, Feb. 10 at 8 p.m. in Lane 100. No tickets are required and the show is free.

Tufts student group Traveling Treasure Trunk will be hosting the event and providing improv-style entertainment during intermissions.

Though a reoccurring event on campus, Bare Bodkin's 24 Hour Theater Festival is sure to be innovative, surprising and enjoyable.

## 'Made in Poland' focuses more on pinhole photography than Polish culture

**POLAND**  
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Certain themes are pervasive, but it is up to the viewer to decide whether they stem from Polish culture or pinhole photography. Many of the artists display portraits, all of which seem soft and intimate, imbued with a sense of personality. However, this could simply be attributed to the way in which pinhole cameras capture light and movement or the warped sense of depth perception created by the tiny aperture of a pinprick.

Georgia Krawiec's "Polish Mother I & II" (2003) reveal dark, grainy, tense figures in a way that honestly makes the viewer feel as though he or she is witnessing the scene through a hole in the wall. Danuta Gibka's "Dana and Artur" series (1999) is composed of airy and somewhat ethereal double por-

traits, but even in their blurry state they manage to capture intense emotions shared by a couple, from isolation to love and physical union.

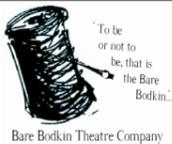
In a series entitled "Nine Memories of Grandmother" (2002), Andrzej Bogacz demonstrates a different expression of intimacy. Through simple photographs of everyday objects, Bogacz manages to create a very clear and narrative picture of who his grandmother was. Edyta Wypierowska also instills her works with a narrative feel, though her style is much more surreal and constructed. In her "Untitled 8" series, she creates whimsical yet dark pieces heavily reliant on emotionally-evocative symbolism.

Tomasz Dobiszewski definitely belongs with Wypierowska in the more surreal genre. His works involve optical illusions such as rooms with no apparent

ceiling or patterns created from overlaid nude bodies. Marek Noniewicz plays with the nude body in a surrealist sense as well in his "Self Portrait inside Camera Obscura" series (1999), in which he superimposes figures onto images of buildings.

"Made in Poland" is internationally minded in the sense that it exposes American viewers to art they might not otherwise see and encourages a dialogue with the Polish photographers themselves. In terms of the collection itself, it does not really suggest a cohesive Polish theme, but rather the versatility and expressive ability of pinhole photography as a whole.

"Made in Poland" may in fact contain a wealth of information on Polish photography and culture, but the surface remains barely penetrated by the exhibit's hazy lens.



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## EDITORIAL

*Academic privacy is a concern*

Still haven't told your parents about that D in biology last semester? Turns out your past advisor and a number of others with access to your transcript could have done it for you. The recent flap over exactly who has access to sensitive information demonstrates the university needs to create stricter guidelines about personal information privacy.

The federal government comprehensively addressed this issue well before the age of Internet privacy. The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 outlined specific guidelines for colleges and universities for use in handling student records. Certain directory information, similar to that found in the Tufts White Pages, can be released without student permission. But more sensitive data, like grades, cannot be distributed to anyone without student consent.

The laws are clear and have been for over a quarter century. But under the current system, it is possible that student academic records could be accessed by more people than are specifically allowed.

This week's New York Magazine claims

that personal security is merely an illusion in modern times with its cover story on the death of privacy. To the magazine, it is an age where "Your employer owns your e-mails, [and] the NSA owns your phone calls ... your life is being lived in public whether you choose to acknowledge it or not." Taking a stand on increased SIS privacy is the first way to push back against this trend.

Fortunately, the TCU Senate has taken the first step toward restoring confidence in student privacy rights. But this is not enough. Coming into compliance with a necessary federal law is the minimum; going further to fix a broken culture of privacy is the only adequate way to address privacy comprehensively.

But this problem speaks to larger issue about student privacy on campus — especially with grades. This SIS oversight is just another aspect of a generally lax attitude that faculty and students have toward grades.

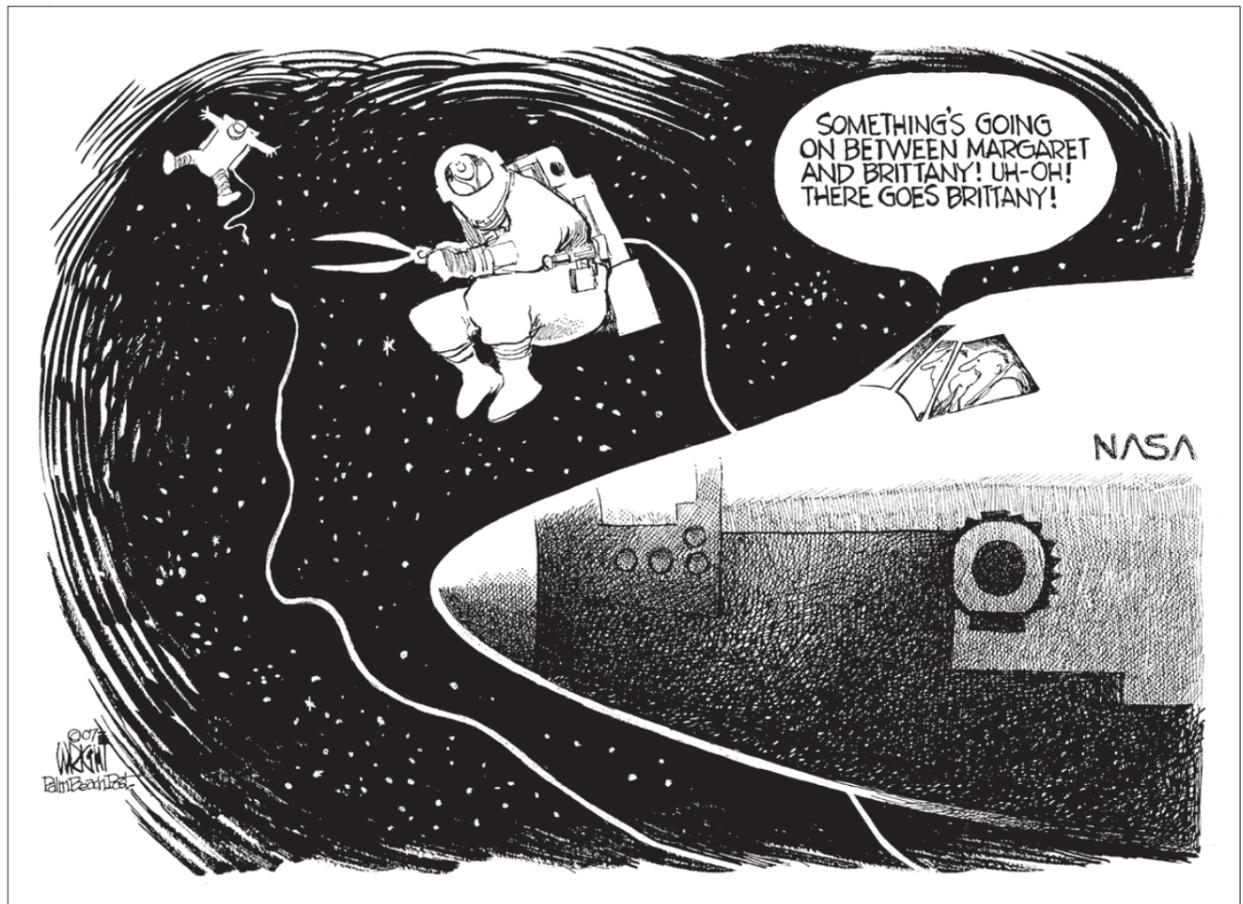
Most students routinely encounter a professor who is all too eager to have students pick up graded assignments from an empty

office, box or table after class. Obviously, to find one's assignment, it's necessary to rummage through everyone else's graded work. This is the last way to respect student's work and their privacy. While it's certainly more expedient for a professor to let students scavenge through corrected essays and exams, it is not the right thing to do.

A student should be rest assured that only he or she and the professor have seen graded work. Luckily, this problem is more a result of convenience (or perhaps, for some professors, not knowing all the students' names) than a desire to break the spirit of the law. Taking those extra few minutes after class to personally distribute papers, however, can actually help the professor put a name with a face and ensure student privacy.

No one wants a campus where grades and personal information about our backgrounds are taboo subjects, yet there ought to be limits to what is shared and what is kept private. The ultimate goal should be to create a culture that respects privacy when needed but values openness when it is constructive — and legal.

## DON WRIGHT



## OFF THE HILL | COLORADO STATE U.

*Demand ethical behavior in Iraq*

ROCKY MOUNTAIN COLLEGIAN

How are we ever supposed to win hearts and minds in Iraq when we keep messing up so royally?

The latest news on the ethics front in Iraq is about three Army reserve officers and a U.S. contractor who have been indicted as part of a bid-rigging scam that allegedly steered millions of dollars to another contractor.

All Americans should be outraged and demand that stricter controls be put in place to prevent American

businessman from bilking the Iraqis or the American taxpayer.

We can understand the discontent that Iraqis feel toward us. We illegally invaded their country, destroyed their sense of security, and subsequently plunged their country into a civil war.

And now they see the pillaging of their land continue as rich contractors become even more rich as their country continues to burn, and bombs continue to explode.

This case is worse, in that it's not just American businessman who are under scrutiny, it's also members of the military, the group responsible for

winning over the Iraqis.

Americans should be more vigilant in demanding better ethical behavior from their representatives, whether they are members of the military or members of the business community.

This war isn't going to be won by waves of smart bombs and troops being thrown at the problem. We've been trying that — for almost four years — and it doesn't seem to be working.

We need to win over the Iraqis — and tolerating behavior that is even perceived to be unethical is not the way to do so.

## CORRECTIONS

In yesterday's viewpoint "Tufts is a university, not a parent," writer Bosede A. Opetubo was incorrectly identified as a freshman. She is a sophomore.

In yesterday's feature "Please forgive me, Professor, for I have sinned," the study "How religious are America's college and university professors?" was incorrectly identified as being conducted by the Harvard Divinity School. It was conducted by the Harvard Department of Sociology.

The Jan. 18 news article entitled "Jaywalking across the street lands Tufts professor in jail," stated the following: "According to [Professor Felipe] Fernandez-Armesto, an 'overzealous' [Atlanta police officer] Leonpacher then accosted the professor and demanded that he present identification, but Fernandez-Armesto, who had left his green card in his hotel room, refused." After reviewing the previous statement as well as the reporting of the incident from the Associated Press and the Atlanta Journal-Constitution, the Daily concludes that while Fernandez-Armesto did not produce identification after being requested to do so, whether he "refused" to do so remains an allegation by the Atlanta police. In addition, Fernandez-Armesto is currently in the process of acquiring a Tufts University-sponsored green card and did not have one at the time of the incident.

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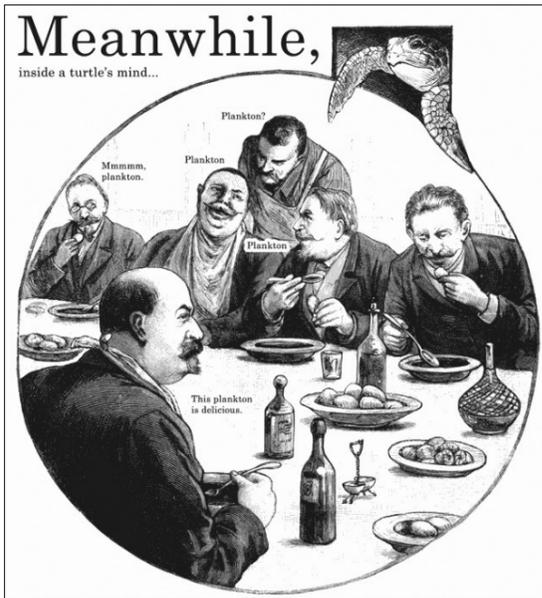


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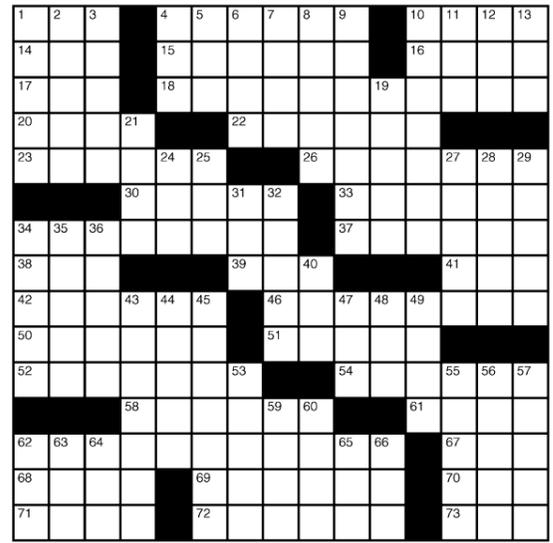
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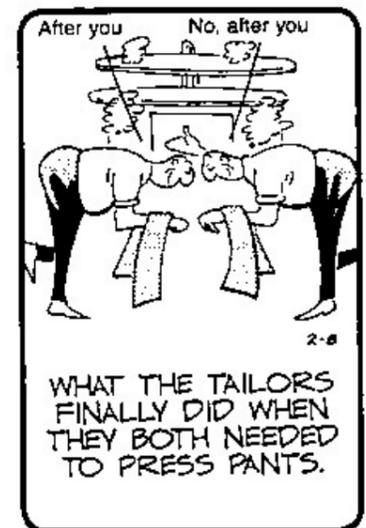
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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by Henri Arnold and Mike Argirton



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Ans: "IT" IT

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: VALVE OZONE FACIAL GLANCE  
 Answer: What the shepherd got when he took his herd to market — A "FLEECING"

LATE NIGHT AT THE DAILY

Bruce: "Are you asking me to get up and walk over there?"  
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which take place in the middle of winter. I want to say, "Fellas, how about supporting the guys on the court/ice/ring instead of jeering a team that won't be playing until the snow melts?" Instead, I just keep

quiet and realize it just comes with being so deeply connected to the Red Sox.

Clearly, as the Nation demonstrates, there is much more to sports than just the game itself. Sports encompass so much besides the game being played, and that is what

this column will look at — the other elements of sports besides the game itself. The atmosphere, the media, the fans and all the other non-athletes involved are just as important as the athletes playing the game, even if they don't chant "Yankees Suck!"

### MEN'S SQUASH

## Jumbos come up short against Brown Bears

BY TIM JUDSON  
Contributing Writer

The men's squash team traveled to Providence, R.I. Wednesday hoping to remain above .500. Although the No. 14 Jumbos fell 7-2 to the No. 11 Brown Bears, they managed to put up a good fight against a strong Div. I program.

Junior co-captain Jake Gross started out strong at the No. 1 seed, taking the first game in convincing fashion, 9-1. From there, the two top seeds swapped games before Brown senior Daniel Petrie squeaked out the last two games to take a narrow 1-9, 10-8, 9-10, 10-8, 9-7 victory.

Tufts benefited from two nail-biter victories from freshmen at the No. 6 and 7 seeds. Freshman Scott Leighton moved up a spot on the ladder to compete as the No. 6 seed and made the most of it by erasing a two-match losing streak with a comeback five-game win. Leighton was down two games to one before he went on a convincing run to win the last two games and clinch the match 9-4, 6-9, 1-9, 9-2, 9-3. Leighton's victory brings his personal record to 10 wins and seven losses on the season.

Freshman Max Dalury, competing at No. 7 for Tufts, battled in five games to defeat Bear sophomore Jacob Winkler. Dalury started off with good patience and excellent counters, taking the first two games, but Winkler came back to win the next two to tie the match. Having lost the momentum, Dalury recovered and took the match 9-2, 9-7, 7-9, 0-9, 9-5.

Other than the two solid freshman performances, the Jumbos came out flat against their Ivy League foes. Five of the Bears' seven wins were in straight sets, as the Jumbos failed to find their

rhythm. The X-factor in the match might have been the absence of the Jumbos' usual No. 2 seed, sophomore Chris Delaney.

"It was a big factor that Chris was out," Gross said. "We thought we could probably get a win at the two spot."

The loss drops the team to .500 on the season, but there are still high hopes for the squad's remaining matches. The Jumbos will play a handful of similarly-ranked teams and hope to pull out at least one victory against these tough opponents.

This season, the Tufts squad has come close to knocking off talented teams such as Hamilton, Bates, and Bowdoin, all ranked in the top 20. Despite the narrow 5-4 loss on Feb. 4 to No. 17 Bowdoin, there is still plenty of time for Tufts to pull off some big wins and make its presence known in the postseason.

This weekend the Jumbos will travel to Cornell for the school's annual Round Robin tournament. Tufts will face three worthy opponents, starting off tomorrow's doubleheader with a dual match against the No. 26 Hobart Statesmen.

Later that afternoon, the Jumbos will battle an athletic and tough Navy team. The No. 9-ranked Midshipmen have steadily climbed the ladder and dominated many schools this season, racking up 10 perfect 9-0 sweeps. The Jumbos will be looking to snap the five-game winning streak that Navy carries into the weekend.

After a mediocre weekend at the NESCAC Tournament in Hartford Feb. 2-4, coach Doug Eng is looking for various improvements on Saturday and Sunday. He is primarily concerned with three things: better court awareness,

higher quality drives and reduced errors.

"They are becoming much better warriors on the court," Eng said of his players. "[However], we tend to play too textbook and need to go for something different."

Eng wants his players to attack their opponents and apply more pressure. At the same time, he is looking for the team to continue its trend of committing few errors, giving control to the opponent as little as possible.

Leadership on and off the court will be important for Tufts as the season winds down, and Eng will look to his co-captains, Gross and senior Dan Karlin, to set an example for the team.

"[The captains] have done a great job all year," Eng said. "Jake's superior skill on the court has been a good model for other players."

But Eng is also looking for wins from the eighth and ninth seeds. Sophomore Josh Levinson, who has been playing at No. 9 in recent matches, has had some close results lately, including a five-game marathon against Bates on Saturday.

On the bottom half of the ladder, the Jumbos have been a bit shaky, but Eng looks for them to play well and net some key wins tomorrow. He also expects to see Delaney regain his form, as he has not put forth his best squash in the last three matches.

As a team, the Jumbos will certainly be looking for a victory over the weekend to get back on the winning track after losing three of their last four matches.

"We are looking forward to the weekend," Gross said. "We are hoping to take at least two out of three."

## Goaltending and bolstered offense send Cardinals soaring to first place

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the program has grown in just a few years."

Still, the Cardinals have been slow to gain their critics' respect, failing to earn its first appearance in the USCHO poll until Feb. 5, more than two weeks after tying Middlebury and breaking a 30-game losing streak to the Panthers.

"The naysayers just add fuel to the fire for us, and everyday, practice or game, we say to ourselves, 'This is our time and no one else's,'" Layne said.

But if Wesleyan truly wants to let the NESCAC and the rest of Div. III hockey know it has arrived, it will have to be patient.

"We have really tried to focus on playing one game at a time this season and accomplishing one goal at a time," Hendrickson said. "Since we believe there is no limit to our success this season, it is difficult to say what will make this a successful season. I know I'd love to end my hockey career hoisting [the national championship] trophy in Superior, Wisconsin."

## Jumbos prepare for the Howe Cup to be held at Yale February 16-18

### WOMEN'S SQUASH

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up. While the third- through fifth-seeded players managed a point here and there against the Bears, the bottom three players were met with a tougher fate, failing to muster a single point in their matches.

"Everyone lost, but when you play against really good players, it helps your own game," Avrutin said. "Hopefully we will take that with us to Cornell this weekend."

Tomorrow the Jumbos travel to Cornell to play in the Cornell Round Robin against William Smith and the hosting Big Red. The Jumbos will then return to Medford to take on NESCAC rival Bates at Belmont Hill High School on Tuesday. These three matches will serve as the final matches before the Howe Cup Tournament. The women hope to prepare as much as

possible over the next few matches so as to be ready for the largest tournament of their season.

"I am sure everyone thought there were some areas they could improve in," Avrutin said. "We will focus on individual styles and try and make the necessary changes for this weekend."

"As a team we need to relax more," Barba added. "In practice we will focus on quality of drills rather than quantity. [Coach] Doug [Eng] has done this, as he has taken the time to plan what each of us individually need to work on and is getting on the court with us during practice to make sure we are focusing on the target areas."

With teams from all over the country coming together to compete in different divisions against some of the best players in the country, the Howe Cup, held at Yale this year, is the pinnacle of the season.

## INSIDE THE NHL

## Teams jockey as trade deadline approaches

BY BRIAN BAILEY  
Senior Staff Writer

For NHL general managers, this is the time of year in which they must be honest with themselves.

It's time to realize that the playoffs might not be in the cards for their teams. It's time for them to make all the players with the big contracts someone else's problem. It's time to start thinking about the trade deadline.

With the deadline just 18 days away, the bottom-dwellers and bubble teams will try to clean house. Possible playoff contenders will do the opposite. Just as **Carolina** added valuable pieces last year for their run to the Cup, many teams will seek to add depth for the postseason.

The most obvious seller at this point is **Philadelphia**. There's always next year, for a team with an abysmal 33 points on the season. The big prize in the Flyers' stable is center Peter Forsberg. At one point widely regarded as the best player in the league, Forsberg has struggled with injuries during the past few seasons. Dealing for him at this time could backfire, but it could also payoff if he stays healthy. Forsberg would be a good fit in **New York**, but he is more likely to land in **Montreal** or **Vancouver**.

**Los Angeles** got an early jump on its housecleaning, trading center Craig Conroy to **Calgary** and winger Sean Avery to the **Rangers** in order to loosen the burden on its payroll and make new room for young players.

**St. Louis** may be a beneficiary of the shuffling of players, with the possibility of veteran winger Keith Tkachuk moving there to bolster the depth of a team with Stanley Cup aspirations.

In **Boston**, there have been rumors of defenseman Brad Stuart being traded. Stuart, who will be an unrestricted free agent next year, would be difficult for Boston to keep with the new cap restraints, but the Bruins have some young defensemen that would benefit from more time on the



Philadelphia Flyers' Peter Forsberg looks to the referees for a penalty call against the Tampa Bay Lightning on Jan. 30.

ice. If Boston doesn't make a serious push toward a playoff spot soon, there could be others moved as well to free up cap space for next year.

As at any trade deadline, some teams will have trouble unloading their big contracts. The **Chicago Blackhawks**, for example, may have trouble moving defenseman Adrian Aucoin because of the \$5 million-plus they owe him next season. If **Florida** decided it wants to trade disappointing winger Todd Bertuzzi, it may be in the same boat as the Blackhawks.

The trade deadline action in the league has changed significantly since the institution of the salary cap two years ago. The days of a lower-seeded playoff team adding a lot of personnel for the final push are over. Teams can no longer afford to grab

two valuable veterans for the playoffs. Rather, general managers must be crafty when they add to their team. One player can make a huge difference in a team's composition. It's up to the execs to make sure that player won't cost them their team's future.

In other NHL news, there is a new iron man of the league. **Colorado Avalanche** defenseman Karlis Skrastins passed Tim Horton to earn the record for most consecutive games played by a defenseman. With the completion of last night's game against the **Atlanta Thrashers**, Skrastins has competed in 487-straight games, playing through many injuries to continue the streak. It's not a record that will be celebrated much, but it's a tribute to the man's character and perseverance.

## MATT KAUFMAN | A HAPPY RECAP



## More than meets the eye

Let me introduce myself. My name is Matt, I'm from Ardsley, N.Y. (just north of New York City in Westchester County). I'm a Mets fan, and I will be a Mets fan until the day I'm cryogenically frozen.

Being a Mets fan is part of my identity. I am strengthened by their successes and weakened by their failures. Needless to say, this past season was one of great strength, followed by depression and disbelief, and then a gradual return to stability thanks to the support and phone calls of many friends. Am I obsessive? Perhaps, but a passion for the Mets that burns with the white-hot intensity of 1,000 suns is a major part of my personality.

Coming to Boston and not being able to watch the Mets was a major adjustment (MLB Gameday just doesn't cut it), seeing as how I planned my meals, homework and social life around the Mets schedule. However, the largest adjustment, larger than eating in the dining halls or having a roommate or not having ESPN, was being surrounded by Red Sox fans.

Mets fans and Red Sox fans have an interesting relationship. Since the teams only play each other once every few years, there is the possibility of indifference towards one another. However, it is possible that the two sets of enthusiasts could form an amicable relationship because of a common enemy: the Yankees. I can't speak for all Mets fans, but my experiences with the Red Sox Nation have led me to sometimes dislike the Sox about as much as I loathe the Tomahawk Chop.

I assure you, I'm not a Yankees fan. I hate how they always make the playoffs, how they throw money at their problems and how the season is a catastrophic disappointment if they don't win the World Series. I feel like Jason Giambi and Johnny Damon both sold part of their souls by cutting their hair or shaving their beards before putting on pinstripes. I'm sure many Sox fans echo my sentiments.

But Yankees fans are, for the most part, pleasant to talk to. I can have intelligent conversations with them about baseball and watch Subway Series games with them in a competitive yet non-hostile environment. I'm not saying Red Sox fans are stupid or violent, but sometimes their opinions are a little ... one-sided.

For example, I lived with a Red Sox fan, named Rob, during a summer program at Georgetown University in 2003. Before then, I'd never really had any contact with a member of the Nation. I initially thought we'd get along because we could both hate the Yankees — this summer will be great! If not for the fact that Rob was possibly the most arrogant and annoying Sox fan I've ever met, that would've been true. I can pinpoint that summer as the time I began to harbor angry feelings towards the Red Sox.

For five weeks, I lived with "The Red Sox are going to win the World Series. They're unstoppable!" Well, the Sox were stopped by Aaron Boone, crushing the Nation's hopes once again (just like in 1986 with Bill Buckner — had to throw that reference in there) and Rob got his comeuppance in the form of a knuckle sandwich (someone else couldn't stand him either). I was quite pleased.

Might that experience have colored my opinion of the Sox and their fans? Maybe I should give them another chance. My angry feelings subsided into ones of neutrality ... then I came to Tufts.

At this point, I realized how deep the Yankee/Red Sox rivalry actually goes. Don't get me wrong, it's one of the greatest rivalries in all of sports, but sometimes the Nation takes it a little too far. Forget the "Johnny Damon is a traitor for crimes against the Nation" shirts; I'm talking about the "Yankees Suck" chants. These chants break out at Celtics games, Bruins games, and even wrestling matches (yes, I like wrestling, and yes, I know it's scripted), all of

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## Editors' Challenge

## NEW JERSEY NETS AT BOSTON CELTICS

Do you remember where you were on Jan. 5, 2007?

The Boston Celtics do. They were in Memphis on that historic Friday night, beating up on the Grizzlies with a 128-119 shootout win, behind 26 points from Wally Szczerbiak.

Over a month has passed since, and the world has changed dramatically. David Beckham now has a bigger contract than the GDP of Grenada, Peyton Manning's jewelry box is no longer empty and the city of Boston has been held ransom by dozens of crazed cartoon characters.

But one thing has yet to change — the Celtics' win total. The men in green improved to 12-20 with that fateful win in Memphis, and a month later, they're 12-36, no longer contenders for anything, save for the lottery pick that may land them Kevin Durant in this year's draft.

But if Celtics history has taught us anything, it's that all things — good and bad — must come to an end at 16. Just as the Celtics may never win a 17th championship in our lifetimes, they're not going to lose a 17th-straight game, either.

Tonight the Celtics host the New Jersey Nets, who have lost four of their last five, with the only win coming by two points over the horrendous Atlanta Hawks. The Celtics won their last match-up with the Nets — in East Rutherford no less — thanks to a 29-point, 14-rebound performance from Al Jefferson. Given the defensive ineptitude of Jefferson's opposing power forward, Nets veteran Jason Collins, there's no reason that last month's double-double shouldn't happen again. This pick's for you, Al.

The pick: The streak ends now. Finally. The Celtics win a game.

—by Evans Clinchy

## DUKE AT MARYLAND

While Duke-UNC undeniably remains the marquee rivalry of ACC men's basketball, recent years have seen the rise of another nemesis to the No. 16 Blue Devils: the University of Maryland Terrapins. While the Tar Heels were on the downswing starting with the 2001-02 season through the 2003-04 season, the Terps filled the void, providing for an exciting and legitimate substitute for the traditional Battle of Tobacco Road.

Since the 1999-00 season, Maryland (17-7, 3-6 ACC) has gone 7-10 against Duke (18-6, 5-5 ACC), including three wins at Cameron Indoor Stadium, an arena infamously hostile to visiting teams. Notable games between the two teams include the 2001 NCAA Tournament national semi-final, where the Terrapins blew a 22-point lead, losing 95-84 to a Blue Devil team that eventually won the National Title that season. In 2004, the Terps took down top-seeded Duke in an OT thriller in the ACC Championship game, ending Duke's streak of five-straight ACC titles.

Sunday's game will add another chapter to the saga, as Duke travels to College Park. Both teams are riding cold streaks now, with the Terps having lost five of their last eight games, while the Blue Devils have dropped three straight. Duke's team is talented, but young, led by junior guard DeMarcus Nelson (14.3 pts, 5.4 rebs) and sophomore forward Josh McRoberts (12.9 pts., 7.9 rebs) while the Maryland squad boasts an experienced, though inconsistent lineup. The Terrapin senior triumvirate of guard D.J. Strawberry, guard Mike Jones and forward Ekene Ibekwe have combined for 38.3 points and 14.9 boards per game for Maryland.

The stakes are high for both teams in this game. A loss for Maryland — a bubble team vying for an at-large bid to the NCAA Tournament — would almost certainly seal its fate as an NIT team, while a loss for the Blue Devils may eliminate them from the Top 25 for the first time since the 1996-97 preseason poll, ending their streak at 201-consecutive ranked weeks. With both teams desperate for a win, this game should live up to all the annual expectations.

The pick: Maryland in a squeaker.

—by Thomas Eager

## INSIDE THE NESCAC

## Wesleyan University leads changing of the guard in men's hockey

Traditional heavyweight Middlebury makes way for upstart Cardinals, new NESCAC hockey power emerges

BY SAPNA BANSIL  
Daily Editorial Board

The Wesleyan men's hockey team was just as familiar with Middlebury's dominance in Div. III as anyone.

When the two teams faced off in last season's NESCAC quarterfinal, the Panthers overwhelmed the Cardinals 7-0 en route to Middlebury's sixth conference title in seven years, and its third-straight national championship.

Heading into this year, not many would have bet against the Panthers finishing at the top of Div. III hockey. United States College Hockey Online (USCHO) ranked Middlebury No. 1 in its preseason poll and predicted the team would repeat as NESCAC champions. The Cardinals, meanwhile, were projected to finish fifth in the conference.

But a look at the NESCAC standings suggests that this season's outcomes have defied all expectations. For the first time in program history, Wesleyan, with a league mark of 9-3-3, is in sole possession of first place in the NESCAC and has the opportunity to clinch a top-four finish with a win tonight at Colby.

An important key to the Cardinals' success this season has been their ability to maintain one of the conference's most impenetrable defenses. Since the 2003-04 season, the year in which Chris Potter took over as coach, the Cardinals have ranked no lower than fifth in the conference in goals

allowed. This year has been no different, as Wesleyan has yielded just 47 goals thus far, good for second in the NESCAC.

"We are probably the most defensive-minded team in the NESCAC, using a wings-deep, four-defense system, so we have never placed emphasis on our offense," senior co-captain Will Bennett said. "Strong defense keeps us in every game."

The emergence of sophomore Mike Palladino — the team's backup at the start of the season — as the NESCAC's best goaltender, has aided the defensive effort. On the year, he has posted an astounding 1.82 goals allowed average, a .929 save percentage, and a .767 winning percentage, putting him atop all three categories in the conference.

"Last year, I wasn't very consistent with my play and at times wasn't able to maintain the proper focus during games that is needed to be successful," Palladino said.

"Now I follow a good pregame routine and have recognized the importance of maintaining focus, which has definitely contributed to better consistency in my personal play. My coaches have also helped me work on improving a lot of individual skills of my game that needed to be fine-tuned in order for me to become a better overall goaltender."

Wesleyan can also attribute its success to its marked improvement on the offensive

end. Having lit the lamp 64 times this season, the Cardinals have already improved on their NESCAC-worst mark of 55 goals from last season. The squad has also been markedly more efficient with the man-advantage, scoring on 20.3 percent of its power plays, up 7.5 percent from the 2005-06 campaign.

"Our team offense has improved this year dramatically," Bennett said. "I would attribute this improvement to the addition of a great freshman class and specifically [freshman forward] Dave Layne. He is a goal scorer and has really helped our power play. It has been fun playing with him this year."

With 24 points on the season, Layne, who spent the last few seasons in the Eastern Junior League, is running away with the NESCAC freshmen scoring title. He leads the Cardinals with 12 goals, nine of which have come on the power play.

Layne knew he could contribute an offensive threat to a team with a strong defensive tradition.

"I felt that it was a great fit for me because I knew I would have an opportunity to be another piece of the puzzle and to bring something to the team that maybe was lacking in previous years," Layne said. "It was a huge opportunity."

Bennett has also been a major offensive factor in this year's squad. Second to Layne with 10 goals, Bennett has tallied a NESCAC-best 32 points. Despite playing in just 84



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Wesleyan senior co-captain Will Bennett has 32 points on the season to lead the NESCAC. Wesleyan has surprised everyone and climbed to first place in the NESCAC for the first time in program history.

career games, he is just four points shy of the century mark for his career.

"I don't really think about [getting my 100th point]," Bennett said. "I'd much prefer a championship banner in our rink or a home playoff game. Those would be Wesleyan hockey firsts."

Indeed for a program that has never won a game in the NESCAC Tournament, the team's accomplishments

this year have been the most rewarding.

"The older guys, in particular the seniors, are very proud of the team's success this season," senior co-captain Ryan Hendrickson said. "When we first came to Wesleyan, our program was generally considered the laughingstock of the NESCAC. It is really great to look back and see how the

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### Battle of the undefeateds: Tufts and Bowdoin square off tonight

The women's basketball team may be 7-0 in the NESCAC, but the real test comes tonight.

With two games remaining, coach Carla Berube's squad will undoubtedly encounter the toughest challenge of the 2006-07 campaign — a 7 p.m. match-up in Brunswick, Maine with the No. 2 team in the country, the Bowdoin Polar Bears.

No doubt the Jumbos remember the last time they squared off with Bowdoin during last year's NESCAC Tournament on Feb. 18. Needless to say, it did not end well for Tufts, as the then-No. 6 Polar Bears rallied from a halftime deficit to defeat Tufts 52-41 and eliminate the Jumbos from the tournament quarterfinals. Still, that ending was a marked improvement from the 73-56 loss Berube's team suffered earlier in the 2005-06 season.

But this year, a rejuvenated and confident Jumbo crew is determined to prevent history from repeating itself. At 7-0 in conference play, Tufts has already outdone last year's 6-3 mark, and it still has two games left on the schedule. A loss to Bowdoin tonight, however, would secure yet another regular-season title for the Polar Bears, relegating Tufts to the No. 2 seed.

Leading the league in nearly every offensive category, Bowdoin will force the Jumbos to rely on their defense — the team's bread and butter during the Berube era — especially when it comes to guarding senior Eileen Flaherty, the league's leading scorer.

And as if facing Bowdoin in the penultimate game of the regular season is



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Senior guard Taryn Miller-Stevens had five points and six rebounds in the women's basketball team's win over Williams.

not enough, the Jumbos will have to play Colby the following afternoon. Though the Mules are not impressive as far as NESCAC standings are concerned, Tufts cannot be complacent against a presumably weaker opponent, something that has plagued them this season.

— by Rachel Dolin

## WOMEN'S SQUASH

## Bears too much for Jumbos

Team suffers rough loss at No. 9 Brown on Wednesday

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Although the score might not reflect it, the women's squash team put up an admirable fight on Wednesday night at host Brown University in Providence, R.I.

The Jumbos dropped all nine matches to the No. 9 Bears, but came out of the match with an idea of what they need to work on to be competitive in the season's culminating event, the Howe Cup Tournament on Feb. 16-18.

"The match was decent," sophomore Victoria Barba said. "I feel the team went into it with a couple of doubts, but we played hard and that is all you can ask of anyone."

After missing last weekend's NESCAC Tournament, senior co-captain Julia Avrutin was back in action at the No. 1 spot for Tufts. Unfortunately for Avrutin and the Jumbos, Brown senior Erin Andrews dominated Avrutin in three games, 9-1, 9-1, 9-3. While no Jumbo player managed to pick up a game against her Brown opponent, the squad recognized the level of play it needs to attain over the next couple of weeks.

"Today was a tough match," Avrutin said. "We knew that going into it. Even though we lost, everyone played really hard and tried their best, which is the most you can ask for."

In the No. 2 slot, Barba put up the strongest fight of the day. Although she fell in consecutive games, she scored the most points out of any Jumbo on

the day, with 16 in her three games. Barba took the lead against her Brown opponent, freshman Laura Pyne, in the third match, but eventually lost by a score of 9-3, 9-5, 10-8.

"I am going to continue to work on tough game strategy and a more relaxed entrance to the court," Barba said. "This past weekend I realized why I had started playing squash and tried to use that passion to calm my nerves and play the game that does not show up when I am nervous."

For a Jumbo squad that has had to overcome injuries and absences, Wednesday still provided a bright spot, as the Jumbos fielded nine players, thus not having to forfeit the ninth game by default.

Freshman Stefanie Marx at No. 3 also provided the Jumbos with some positive play. Marx started off her match with an early lead in the first game before Brown senior Zarah Rahman got the best of her and ran away with the match, 9-6, 9-3, 9-0.

"Brown was a good warm-up for this weekend," Avrutin said. "We are going to play some really good teams, and we needed the competition to get us ready for this weekend."

Senior co-captain Liz Thys, sophomore Jessica Herrmann and junior Micela Leis all played in their usual No. 3, No. 4, and No. 5 spots, respectively, for the Jumbos, while sophomore Simone Grant, senior Morgan Glasebrook and junior Stephanie Gold rounded out the bottom of the line-

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