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Kamal Malhotra explained that economic liberalization is not always the solution during a speech at the Fletcher School.

## Malhotra presents unorthodox view of economic liberalization at Fletcher lecture

BY MARYSA LIN  
Contributing Writer

Kamal Malhotra, the United Nations Development Programme's senior advisor on inclusive globalization, provided an unorthodox perspective about the effects of trade liberalization on developing nations during a lecture at the Fletcher School yesterday.

His speech, entitled "National Trade and Development

Strategies: Lessons from Successful Experiences in Asia," took a human development perspective in analyzing current and past trade deals.

Malhotra asserted that while economic growth is "necessary for human development," it is not sufficient by itself. Instead, he emphasized that this development is really about "enlarging people's choices and opportunities — particularly poor people."

He also said that trade liberal-

ization is often overemphasized in current discourse, and the orthodox assertion that it promotes economic growth in poor countries is unfounded.

"Liberalizing trade does not ensure poverty reduction or human development, nor does it guarantee immediate economic growth," he said.

He hammered home this point

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## FBI report shows increase in violent crimes on campus

BY SARAH BUTRYMOWICZ  
Daily Editorial Board

Tufts experienced a dramatic spike in violent crimes last year, according to recently released statistics from the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program.

While three such crimes were reported on the Medford/Somerville campus in 2005, the 2006 number jumped 333 percent to 13 crimes.

According to Director of Environmental and Public Safety John King, however, since Tufts deals with such small numbers of violent crime, the increase is not as much of a "prolific problem" as it would be if the university had more instances of crime to begin with.

In the FBI's statistics, violent crimes include murder, non-negligent manslaughter, forcible rape, robbery and aggravated assault.

Robberies at Tufts increased from one to three, and aggravated assaults from one to seven. Forcible rapes climbed from one to three, and no murder or non-negligent manslaughter cases were reported either year.

Property crimes also were on the rise, going from 120 in 2005 to 149 in 2006. Within this category, the number of burglaries jumped from 22 to 28, and the number of larcenies from 95 to 121.

Other schools in the Boston area also experienced changes in the various categories, with many of them showing increases.

It is difficult, however, to accurately compare the numbers across campuses, according to Stephen Fischer, Jr., the chief of multimedia productions at the Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division of the FBI.

While some organizations use the FBI's numbers to create rankings, he said that these groupings are often not helpful.

"These rough rankings provide no insight into the numerous variables that mold crime in a particular town, city, county, state or region," he said in an e-mail.

At colleges and universities, these variables include the number of students, the male-female ratio and the accessibility of the campus to outsiders.

Another important factor, according to King, is that these statistics only represent reported crimes. As a result, an increase could actually indicate the success of crime prevention programs, which aim to encourage the reporting of incidents.

The Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), for example, saw five forcible rapes in 2006, up from zero in 2005.

This, however, marks the third year of MIT's use of a federal grant designed to prevent sexual assaults on college campuses. According to Maryanne Kirkbride, the clinical director for campus life at MIT, this carries with it a change in student mentality.

"The main goal is to create a campus climate [where] people feel comfortable reporting if something bad happens to them," she said. "One of the markers of success is to have your reporting numbers go up."

Though the statistics make it look as though the overall number of sexual assaults is increasing, this is not the case, Kirkbride said.

Similarly, Harvard University reported a 57 percent increase in violent crimes between 2005 and

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## Active Citizenship program in Haskell gets off to rocky start

BY BRIAN TANG  
Contributing writer

The Tisch Residential Active Citizenship Program in Haskell and Tilton Halls has gotten off to a slow start this year, as promotional setbacks forced sponsors to reevaluate its mission. As a result, many students involved in the program are confused about its goals.

The program, which is in its inaugural year, was introduced last spring by the Tisch College of Citizenship and Public Service and the Office of Residential Life and Learning (ORLL).

It had aimed to involve students in community-related projects and employ student Tisch Residential Leaders (TRLs) to engage freshmen living in the halls.

While its Tisch College sponsors had hoped to get enough interest to fill Haskell with students dedicated to the program, the program did not get approved soon enough to get the active citizenship option on the housing survey distributed to all incoming freshmen.

As a result, most students living in Haskell are there because they indicated interest in freshman housing, not the specific program, and some freshmen there are still unaware of its aims.

"All I know is I asked for freshman-only dorms," freshman Aaron Fu said.

"I think a lot of people hear about the program [and] think it's kind of vague," freshman Hilary Asare said.

The initial plan also included the placement of TRLs in Tilton on an experimental basis, and in its current incarnation, there are four TRLs in Haskell and two in Tilton.

But these leaders now work to promote the general concept of community involvement rather than to coordinate projects that all students involved in the program would participate in.

As such, they will serve as "mentors" to the incoming students, according to Tisch College Senior Student Programs Manager Mindy Nierenberg.

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## CAREER FAIR SEES RISE IN NUMBER OF VISITING ORGANIZATIONS

A Career Fair will welcome over 115 companies to the Gantcher Center today, marking a 77 percent increase in visiting organizations since last year, according to Director of Career Services Jean Papalia.

Technology, teaching, social services and non-profit companies will all be represented, as will several other categories of employers.

"[There is] something for everybody," Papalia said. "This is the largest number [of employers] that I can remember having."

She attributed the spike in attendance to the work of Steve Maser, Career Services' new assistant director of employer outreach.

"He's done a lot of work for the Career Fair and for campus recruiting programs," Papalia said. "He did a lot of outreach to companies."

While the event has traditionally taken place in the evening, this year it will run from 2 to 6 p.m.

"We moved the time ... to make it more manageable for employers and also to give students more time

to get to it," Papalia said.

She said that this change has received an enthusiastic response from employers. "It was obvious that this timeframe was better for them," she said.

Another change in the Career Fair this year is the exclusion of graduate schools from the event.

"For the past seven years we've combined it with graduate schools, but graduate schools didn't get a big turnout from students, so we decided to focus on [employers]," Papalia said, noting that there are several separate programs for graduate schools to visit with students.

Although Career Services usually deals more with students who are nearing graduation, Papalia said that today's event can accommodate everybody.

"All class years are invited because students can talk to employers about internship opportunities as well as full-time positions," she said.

—by Giovanni Russonello

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Math majors' numbers are down nationwide but not amongst Jumbos.



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# Active Citizenship program has had some success, according to students

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Senior Matthew Alander, a Tisch Scholar who serves as a liaison between the Tisch College and the TRLs, agreed.

"Instead of a program that students would sign up and have requirements for, [it] has become a program that is meant to give all students information that would not be readily available to them in typical dorms," he said.

While creating programs is not their main objective, new undertakings can result from the leaders' work.

"It's not one of our main priorities to do that, but we're finding that the opportunity is there," Alander said.

Nierenberg said they accomplish this by "[creating] interest in participating in civic-engagement events."

One future event to this end will be a bus tour of Medford and Somerville.

The TRLs had initially expected that students in Haskell would all be familiar with the program before moving in.

"The main idea was that students would have been applicants to our program and would have some background knowledge," sophomore TRL Shana Hurley said. "The way

the housing went, that's not the case."

So now one of their main roles is getting students to realize that the program has substance.

"We were prepared to be a more supportive role and have now been switched into an active role," Hurley said.

And they have had some success. "I think it's a wonderful idea," Haskell freshman Shir Genish said of the program. "I talk to [TRLs] all the time ... I definitely don't regret being here."

Freshman Ethan Kraus also felt the program had some benefits, but suggested that there did not need to be so many TRLs.

"They aren't useless. I just think that maybe they concentrated the TRLs too much," he said. "They probably would do better with one per building."

TRLs have also noticed some success. "The goal is basically for us to be available for freshmen if they did not know where to start," Hurley said. "It's been working, but not as effectively as we would like."

They are also optimistic about its future. "I think we can start to get the ball rolling," sophomore TRL Andrew Helms said. *Bennett Kuhn contributed reporting to this article.*



DAILY FILE PHOTO

Haskell Hall houses the Tisch Residential Active Citizenship Program.

# Statistics are not surprising, says King

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2006, going from 7 to 11.

But according to University Police Department Public Information Officer Steven Catalano, crime is actually going down on campus and the number of violent crimes has remained "fairly constant."

Even if numbers at some colleges have not remained constant, King said that this would not be out of the ordinary, as fluctuations in crime patterns are to be expected.

"It goes back and forth," he said. "You don't get a gradual [rise], you

don't get a gradual decline." King described the shifts in patterns as being more like "peaks and valleys."

In response to the recent "peak," however, local campus officers aim to do all they can to lower current numbers.

Besides police presence, blue light phones and a well-lit campus, crime prevention also entails educating and reaching out to the community.

"It's a combination of what we do and what the community does," Catalano said.

King recommends that students walk in groups, call for police

escorts if necessary, lock their doors and keep track of their belongings.

Moving forward, he said that his office will continue to try to increase awareness on campus and to be ready to respond when necessary.

"From a visibility standpoint our officers are on alert — always have been," he said.

And while he is concerned about the increase in campus crime, the UCR statistics are not surprising to him. "I don't need to wait for the FBI to publish their annual crime report to know what happened," he said.

# Malhotra: some governmental interventions are important

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by referencing China and India, both of which have relatively high tariffs and an impressive average GDP per capita growth.

As such, he said that "it is very important to be cautious about jumping to simplistic conclusions."

Malhotra also used Vietnam as an example of a developing nation that did not follow conventional wisdom while adopting economic policies.

There, the GDP growth rate reached and stayed at more than six percent, even in the face of high trade barriers. This trend helped to sharply reduce poverty, expand trade and attract foreign investment.

Consequently, he said that while liberalization can expand markets, facilitate competition and disseminate knowledge, it is not guaranteed to do so.

Also, he said that it is often the result rather than the cause of growth.

"Countries tend to dismantle trade barriers as they get richer," he said, calling liberalization "an outcome of growth and development, not a prerequisite."

He said that the policy implications of this assertion are quite profound, especially if developing nations realize that the traditional advice is not backed by empirical evidence.

Malhotra also highlighted the importance of context-specific institutional innovation.

"Institutional innovations, many of them unorthodox and requiring considerable domestic policy space and flexibility, have been crucial for successful development strategies and outcomes," he said.

While some policies may work in one region, they may be bound to fail in another. In Asia, for example, he said that a "strategic approach to

managing globalization" has been crucial.

Several Asian countries, he said, found success by pursuing neither anti-globalization policies nor passive integration into the global economy.

"There was a very purposeful set of policies," he said.

Ultimately, Malhotra described the key ingredients of a successful policy package as public investment and strategic national trade, industrial and macroeconomic policies combined with selective, gradual liberalization.

"Selective protection, policy flexibility [and] cascading tariffs" allow countries to move up the ladder of economic productivity, he said.

He cited these as the reasons the South Korea changed from being a major exporter of wigs to one of steel, despite not having an initial competitive advantage.

Additionally, Malhotra said that "embedded autonomy is crucial," meaning that the government must be involved in, and responsive to, the private sector while remaining autonomous. A strong state and good leadership are indispensable to this end, he said.

He also emphasized that both selective and general governmental interventions are needed to improve market outcomes. It is not a question of whether governments should intervene, but how, when and where, he said.

The lecture was sponsored by Tufts' Global Development and Environment Institute. Tim Wise, the group's deputy director, said that Malhotra's remarks were refreshing.

"It's an important alternative viewpoint to the orthodox view that trade liberalization will lead to economic growth and will alleviate poverty," he said. "[Malhotra] shows that the evidence from history just doesn't back that claim up."



REBEKAH SOKOL/TUFTS DAILY

A panel of speakers gathered at the Fletcher School yesterday to talk about the ways in which global climate changes affect the local community during an event called "The Rising Tide: Boston and Beyond." The event's numerous sponsors included the Peace and Justice Studies Department and the Urban and Environmental Policy and Planning Department. Civil and Environmental Engineering Research Professor Paul Kirshen is pictured here.

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Thursday

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Sunday

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Friday

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Monday

Sunny  
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Saturday

Few Showers  
64/42

Tuesday

Sunny  
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## QUOTE OF THE DAY

*"I'm sort of offended that people can go through college without even taking calculus. Math is so basic to everything."*

Nick Atallah  
senior  
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# Features

THE TUFTS DAILY

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## Tufts finds the right formula for math students

BY JULIA MILLER  
Contributing Writer

If you randomly choose a student from the Tufts undergraduate population, what is the probability that he or she will be a math major? If this type of question baffles you, it might be because the answer is smaller than you'd think: only 67 students — about 1.3 percent of Tufts undergraduate students — are math majors.

But according to Professor of Mathematics Boris Hasselblatt, who has been keeping record of math enrollment since he began teaching at Tufts in 1989, Tufts has actually defied a general decline in math degrees awarded nationwide. And thanks to new admissions programs, the numbers may now be on the rise.

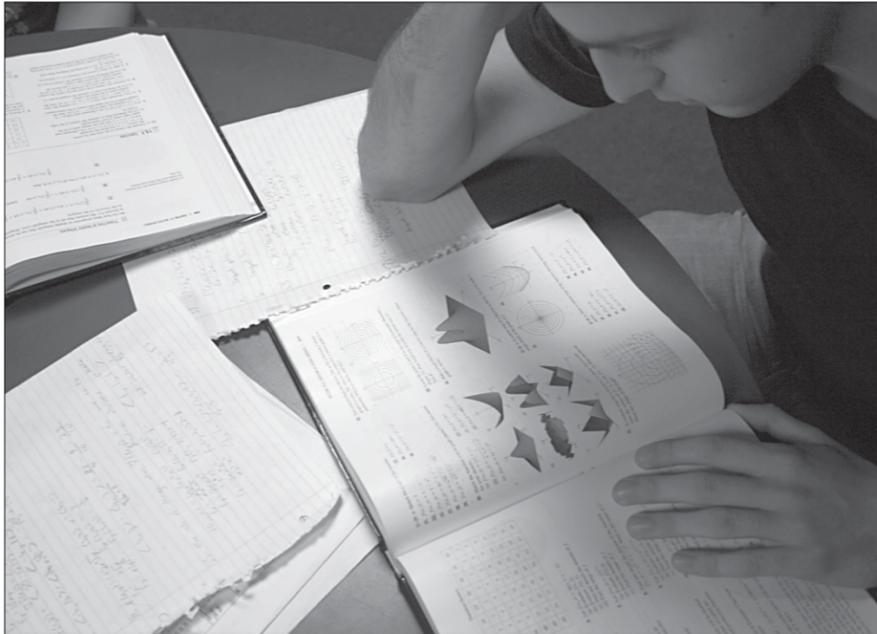
According to the Conference Board of the Mathematical Sciences (CBMS), the number of U.S. bachelor's degrees granted in math decreased by 19 percent between 1990 and 2000, while total college enrollment actually increased 9 percent.

At Tufts, though, enrollment in mathematics stayed fairly constant during the '90s, with about 20 to 25 math majors per class, Hasselblatt said. Though those numbers fell slightly in the past few years, from 24 math degrees in the class of 2003 to 13 in the class of 2006, according to Tufts Factbook, the trend reversed last spring when 44 sophomores declared their majors in math.

"My expectation is that this doubling in [the number of] majors is not likely a blip," Hasselblatt said.

Hasselblatt gives credit for Tufts' sudden increase in math enthusiasts to the dean of undergraduate admissions, Lee Coffin.

"The class that entered two years ago, the juniors, they seemed very different from other classes," Hasselblatt said. "Tufts has always had very good students, but this class had much more intellectual energy and excitement. My expectation is that something has changed in who's interested in applying to Tufts and who



DAVID COHEN/TUFTS DAILY

Though the number of math majors nationwide has dipped in the past two decades, Tufts' math enrollment has stayed fairly constant. And according to math professors, a jump in declared majors last year may lead to a rise in the department's importance.

decides to come here."

And while the interim head of the mathematics department, Professor Todd Quinto, said the department didn't do anything differently last year that would cause such a dramatic increase in the number of math majors, the admissions office might not be the only reason for the spike in interest.

Hasselblatt suggested that one possible reason for Tufts' apparent bucking of the national trend lies in the math faculty's unusually high involvement in research. "Every tenured faculty [at Tufts] is active in research; that's an exceptional claim when you look at other universities," Hasselblatt said.

Quinto agreed. "Because the university's supporting research, and because we [the faculty] do it, that makes [math] a lot more exciting," he said.

Additionally, the undergraduate

research opportunities offered at Tufts allow students to apply the mathematical concepts they learn in the classroom to the real world. Senior math major Tania Bakhos is currently working with Quinto on "modifying algorithms for SPECT, a method of imaging that makes it possible for doctors to see metabolic processes in the body," Bakhos said.

"I think it's cool to see math being used outside a classroom," Bakhos said.

Besides the Summer Scholars Program, which provides funds to select students to research with a professor over the summer, Tufts' mathematics department also receives grants from the International Science Foundation for undergraduate research.

Some students are so interested in research that they are willing to do it

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## Tufts Mountain Club is climbing high

BY LUCÍA FLORES  
Contributing Writer

Forget the President's Marathon Challenge: Try climbing 48 mountains in three days. That's what students in the Tufts Mountain Club (TMC) did the weekend of Sept. 28 during an event known as Peak Weekend.

During the annual event, which began in March 2006, at least one TMC member climbs each of New Hampshire's 48 4,000-foot peaks, with some students climbing multiple peaks. The event kicked off TMC's busy schedule of outdoor opportunities for students and welcomed new members to the club.

According to sophomore Katie Bond, an event coordinator for Peak Weekend, the event was a way to help freshmen become a part of TMC.

"The number of freshmen groups was really cool, because [Peak Weekend] is a really good gateway to get involved," she said. "It was a really good time to hang out with the rest of the club and get to know each other."

TMC, a large force on campus, holds a variety of events each year. Besides just the famous pumpkins-around-campus prank, senior and TMC President Jimmy Hughes said that the club has a number of interesting events planned for the coming months.

The Presidential Ridge Relay Race (PRRR), an annual intercollegiate race across New Hampshire's Presidential Mountains, is one such event. PRRR is scheduled for Oct. 12-13, spans 21



COURTESY TUFTS MOUNTAIN CLUB

The Tufts Loj, located in New Hampshire, is a nexus for Jumbos interested in the outdoors.

miles and brings in students from colleges in Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts.

In the spring, TMC plans to hold its annual Mountain Day, where members use the Academic Quad as a stage to showcase all that the club does. This year, Hughes says TMC is preparing an "Iron Chef"-style competition using the food and equipment typical of camping trips. A fall version of the same event may also be in the works.

Many TMC events center around the "Loj," a lodge in New Hampshire first acquired by Tufts in 1942 for a

cost of about \$15,000. Since then, the Loj has gone through several incarnations as the building has been rebuilt several times.

Sophomore Gabe Frumkin said that TMC "promotes a good bond" between students. The nature of the Loj may facilitate this bond: It exists as a place where, for \$20 a weekend (or \$15 for TMC members), Tufts students can stay while they explore northern New Hampshire.

In honor of the current Loj's 10th

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DEVIN TOOHEY | BANGERS AND MASH



This column is brought to you by ...

A few months ago, when I was very concerned about the exchange rate and having enough money to not only eat, but also to travel and take advantage of living in one of the most historically rich cities in the world, I came up with "The Total Experiment."

My theory was, seeing that the cereal Total has pretty much everything you need, eating that for every meal with perhaps a glass of Emergen-C would keep me nutritionally balanced and not put a strain on my wallet. Now, before you can shout at me for being crazy or brilliant, I must confess that this experiment never saw the light of day.

I was about to give it a shot, but within seconds of entering Tesco's cereal aisle, I realized this was an entirely new ballgame. I was not greeted by the familiar faces of Toucan Sam, Count Chocula or that weird CGI Frosted Mini Wheat. Instead, a force of foreign names, logos and box designs confronted me. Even Tony the Tiger had gone Benedict Arnold and was now pushing "Frosties." What kind of world had I entered?

That moment was my startling introduction into a rarely discussed but significant piece in the culture shock puzzle: name brands.

They're something that you just take for granted on our side of the pond. You know which brands are worth the extra cash, which ones are a real bargain and which ones to avoid no matter what kind of sale is going on.

Sure, navigating a supermarket without Mr. Clean or Mrs. Butterworth to guide you may not seem like a daunting task, but once you throw in the fact that many things in Britain have slightly strange names (oh, so sultanas are raisins!) and you're already fighting to resist converting the prices to dollars, you'd be surprised at how much you wish you could see the Kool-Aid guy staring at you.

And the confusion doesn't stop there! Step outside any Tesco or Sainsbury's or Marks and Spencer (see what I mean?) and new mysteries appear on every corner! Back at Tufts, I took the Dunkin' Donuts-Starbucks relationship for granted. Dunkin' Donuts had better plain coffee and was far cheaper, but if I wanted something special or to chill out for a while, I went to Starbucks.

Now, while they still have Starbucks here, there's no Dunks. Instead, there are these strange entities called Caffè Nero and Costa Coffee. I spent one of my first days in London going into all of them to figure out which was the blue-collar one and which one to go to for a good black coffee. The unfortunate answer was: None of them.

And to make things even more strange, the chain stores here have an even higher frequency than at home. You think the Starbucks trend in the States is bad? A London street is similar to the background in a Tom and Jerry cartoon: the same thing over and over again: Boots, Pret à Manger, Tesco, Sainsbury's, Caffè Nero, Starbucks. Repeat.

And yes, you read that right. Rival grocery stores and coffee shops are right next to each other. Sometimes capitalism confuses me.

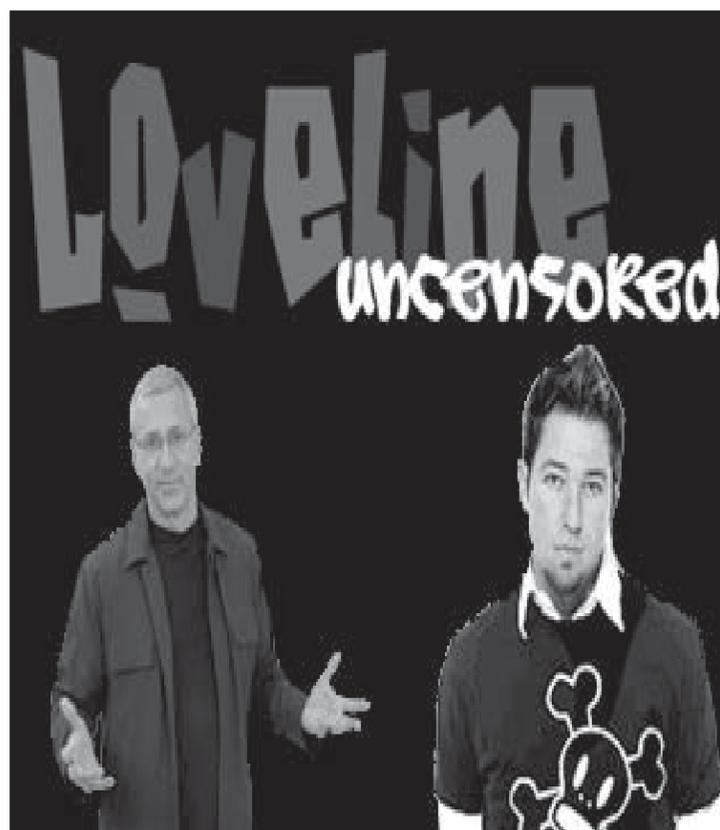
As time goes on, I'm getting used to the change. I've learned to start my mornings off with Weetabix, get my household goods for cheap at Argos and to live without French's mustard.

But nothing will fill me with more patriotic pride than when I come home over Christmas break and can triumphantly run through the aisles of my local supermarket, greeted by my friends: the Trix Rabbit and the Keebler Elves.

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# Accessibility is key to student involvement in TMC

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anniversary, the Mountain Club is hosting a community event for citizens of Woodstock, the town in New Hampshire where the Loj is located.

The event will provide TMC with an opportunity to give back to the community surrounding the Loj, according to Hughes. He has always been impressed that, with its initial purchase of the building, "the university entrusted us with the responsibility to run a place like [the Loj]," he said.

Throughout its long history, TMC has long been one of Tufts' more popular clubs; it currently boasts roughly 250 members, Hughes said. And as a result, alumni participation is high.

"We still have alumni come up to the Loj and borrow gear. We're working on getting a great database, and an active alumni membership, especially among recent grads, helps," Hughes said.

Conversely, the club also takes in high numbers of freshmen, many of whom learn about the trip through the wilderness pre-orientation program. Freshman Hanson Gong appreciates the services offered, which include canoeing, hiking and rock climbing trips in the fall and spring and ski trips in the winter.

"We're pretty tight; we all know each other. It's definitely a really great club to be in, because we've done so many different things," he said.

For students who want to participate, but don't have time to travel very often, the club currently holds regular excursions to MetroRock, an indoor climbing center in Everett.

"People are always doing climbing locally, and we're working on getting regular [outdoor] trips going," Hughes said.

More than anything, though, TMC members appreciate the ease with

which they can continue their regular outdoor activities through the club. Among the services TMC provides is gear rental; the club's Web site lists a number of items, all of which may be borrowed at a low cost.

"We try to be really accessible," Bond said.

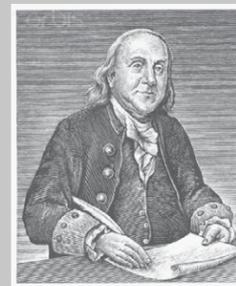
According to Frumkin, it is this accessibility that keeps TMC members coming back for more.

"I love the outdoors, and I think it's a pretty defining feature of who I am," Frumkin said. "If TMC weren't here, I'd still find the time, but [the club] really affords people the time to find other people who are into the outdoors."

Bond said that, overall, TMC is about expanding students' experiences.

"[TMC] gives you the opportunity to do things you wouldn't otherwise," she said "I definitely think Mountain Club has given me a better college experience."

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# Math researchers have had success

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for free. This past summer, for example, Hasselblatt hosted two undergraduate researchers even though one was unable to be funded.

Over the past few years, the undergraduate researchers have been very successful, according to Quinto. One published an article in "Contemporary Mathematics" and another advanced to the University of Michigan for graduate studies in math.

In addition, all three undergraduate researchers Quinto has worked with in the last three years have been women, which is quite unusual in the math world.

"Contrary to stereotypes, [math at Tufts] is not male-dominated," Hasselblatt said. "It's usually 50-50 [males and females], and it's not uncommon for there to be a female majority."

Nearly half of the full-time math professors at Tufts are women, perhaps encouraging female students to feel more confident in their mathematical abilities and inspired to continue in the field.

Junior math major Sarah Kalin pointed out that the passion exhibited by professors makes an impact.

"The professors are really pretty enthusiastic," she said. "And because the classes are small, you feel more free to ask questions."

The national decline in math majors is part of a larger trend in the United States of students focusing less on math and science fields. The issue was one of the focuses in the recently released "Microtrends: The Small Forces Behind Tomorrow's Big Changes," by Mark Penn. The book argued that the lack of science education in America is a national security threat, since other nations, particularly India and China, are producing far greater numbers of mathematicians, scientists and engineers, which could potentially impact these nations' relationships with the United States in the long run.

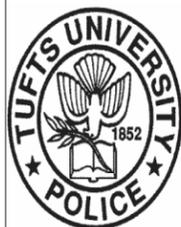
But for Tufts students, the reasons to major in math are more practical. Sophomore Andrew McIntosh, who is planning to declare his math major this year, said math is a lucrative area of study.

"I like the wide career options that a math major leads to," he said. "It will help my logical reasoning skills for whatever field I decide to go into."

Despite the flexibility that a math major provides, junior math major Emily Reid thinks that the numbers stay low because of misconceptions about the subject.

"I think that there aren't many students majoring in math because students aren't given a clear understanding of what math is until they actually choose to major," Reid said. "In high school, for example, you are taught math in pieces that seem very separate: geometry, algebra, trig[onometry]. Students are mostly taught to memorize and calculate and aren't allowed any kind of creativity or out-of-the-box thinking."

Senior Nick Atallah agrees: "We don't focus on encouraging math. I'm sort of offended that people can go through college without even taking calculus. Math is so basic to everything."



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## 'Dreams' blurs line between real, absurd

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"Republic of Dreams" is a dream-like play. Joseph (played by Matthew Glassman), a painter, drapes a manne-

### Republic of Dreams



Conceived and Directed by **Stacy Klein**

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quin in a blue shroud. An old man eats soup and stares at the audience. An old woman lights a candle and chants softly, reading from a battered prayer book. The candle casts shadows that illuminate portions of the audience, placing the members within the play, as if they too are part of the dream.

Joseph, the representation of the artist and writer Bruno Schulz, speaks gleefully and nervously, his eyes widened in crazed conviction. He sets the stage for the bizarre world the audience is poised to enter, stating, "Time is too narrow to hold the sequence of events." He hints that the play will forgo the notion of past and present and forces the audience to examine the idea of reality.



"Republic of Dreams" paints a picture of the absurd.

ROBERT TOBEY

"Republic of Dreams" is performed by the Double Edge Theater group, which celebrates its 25th anniversary this year. Stacy Klein (LA '88), the troupe's founder and the writer and director of "Republic of Dreams," began the Double Edge Theater in 1982 at Tufts with graduate students and teachers.

The troupe was a response to "some

sort of archaic lifelessness in theater," Stacy said.

"There must be a place in our society for those who want to ask a question, and a means of expression for those who seek what is beyond words."

Her philosophy created a theater company where plot and character are

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## 'Life' is wildly overdone in new CW melodrama

BY MIGUELINA NUNEZ  
Contributing Writer

Premiering a score of shows this season, the CW boasts a new and different fall line up; after watching one of their new shows,

### Life is Wild



Starring **D.W. Moffett, Stephanie Niznik, Leah Pipes, Andrew St. John**

Airs **Sundays at 7 p.m. on the CW**

"Life is Wild," it is irritatingly clear, however, that this drama is nothing of the sort.

Katie Clarke, the protagonist and narrator of the series, played by Leah Pipes, is forced to leave her life in the bustle of New York City behind to spend a year in South Africa. Although her veterinarian father, Danny (D.W. Moffett) claims the catalyst for the abrupt move is the compelling need for vets in South Africa, it becomes obvious through awkward bickering, that Danny is desperately trying to bring his blended family consisting of a second wife, step-children, and his own kids together.

After the untimely death of her mother, Katie quickly assumed a maternal role for her 11-year-old brother, Chase (K'Sun Ray), and simultaneously suppressed any feelings of grief she surely felt. Despite

the family's move to the Blue Antelope, a "retired" lodge littered with pictures of her late mother, Katie's mature and monotone façade never waivers.

On the other hand, Jesse (Andrew St. John), Katie's foil and step-brother, is much less composed. As the hour progresses (slowly), Jesse's troubled character unravels: he had been expelled from school in New York for drinking, stealing, and lying, and starts the self-deprecating cycle anew in South Africa. Jesse is, in fact, so badass that in the opening scenes of the show, he casually strolls past an angry lioness on Blue Antelope property with not so much as a flinch.

By the closing credits, "Wild" introduces Jo (Stephanie Niznik), Danny's wrinkle and expression-free second wife; Art (David Butler), Danny's drunk father-in-law and owner of the Blue Antelope; an angry elephant; an injured lioness and her cute cub; some giraffes; and hopelessly bad writing.

No matter how odd the premise of the show, a father's last attempt to bring his dysfunctional family together by moving them onto an unkempt game reserve, "Life is Wild" has a been there, done that element to it.

Reminiscent of the last dreadful episodes of "The OC," the writers pack way too much drama into one hour. Additionally, executive producers Michael Rauch and Charlie Pattison seem to ignore the only

component that could have set the series apart from the rest of the CW lineup. Rather than take advantage of rich South African culture, "Life is Wild" focuses too much on each character's often unimportant problems, even those of seven-year-old Mia (Mary Matilyn Mouser) at bedtime. In fact, the only examples of foreign culture and local customs showcased in the entire show are a handful of Zulu words and aggravating, misplaced shots of hippos and other animals.

Channeling the acting talent of the Olsen Twins in their straight-to-video releases, the cast of "Life is Wild" is anything but credible. First of all, the issues that plague the children are far more serious than those imposed upon the adults. The roles of Katie, Jesse and their younger siblings are too emotionally wrought while the actors themselves are too inexperienced to play them credibly.

Perhaps the lowest moment in "Life is Wild" was the heartfelt instant in which teenage Jesse and veterinarian Danny quit their complaining to perform life-saving surgery on the most credible character of all, an injured lioness. While stepson helps stepdad remove a poacher's bullet from the animal's shoulder, the hopeful melody of Hanson's new single, "Believe," appropriately plays in the background.

In short, the CW network's newest drama, "Life is Wild," is an annoyingly melodramatic way to spend a Sunday night.

## 'The Shade of Poison Trees' showcases Dashboard's blossoming sound

BY ERIK DOUGHTY  
Contributing Writer

Dashboard Confessional explores the art of simplicity with its latest release, "The Shade of Poison Trees," the group's newest

### The Shade of Poison Trees

Dashboard Confessional



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album since "Dusk and Summer" (2006). Despite their different sounds and styles over the years, Chris Carrabba and the rest of DC still embody the emo genre with their insightful, emotionally driven lyrics and vocals. The band progressed into an electric-driven rock

ensemble for its previous two albums, but "The Shade of Poison Trees" revisits its acoustic roots.

The album is predominantly acoustic rhythm guitar combined with Carrabba's vocals. A few tracks feature drums and acoustic bass, but the album certainly moves away from the intense, prophetic tone of "Dusk and Summer." The rhythm guitar is crisp, rich and tight on every track. The instrumental changes do not take away from the music, but the album as a whole lacks a sense of urgent passion that made their early albums so memorable and meaningful.

The new album opens with "Where There's Gold," a soft, sweet tune about an unappreciated mistress that sets the mood for the entire album.



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Only Dashboard Confessional could find a way to make an apple look emo.

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### Yacht steals the show

I'm not a big fan of music festivals. They are usually too expensive, long and far away to enjoy the music.

When I heard that Talib Kweli was coming to a festival at the park around the corner from my apartment (in China, mind you), however, I had to check it out. Also headlining were L.A. based Ozomatli and British techno/trance group Faithless. I hadn't heard of either, but they apparently have a pretty large international following.

I arrived just in time to catch some of the opening acts. Some sang in English, but I found Dragon Tongue, my first exposure to Chinese rap, particularly amusing. They might be the only such group, since they clearly already picked the cleverest rap name I've ever heard of. I realized it's very easy to flow in Chinese, since most words are only one or two syllables, and it's easy to rhyme because every "word" can have up to four different meanings. The only English insertion was an occasional "everybody party," which isn't too different from most American hip hop.

Talib excelled, as expected, but the real surprise was the guy who followed — Yacht, a one-man act from Portland, Ore. He combines the shameless, raw energy of Andrew WK with the quirky beats of MIA and geeky dance moves that scream Napoleon Dynamite to form a kind of bubblegum techno anthem. I wouldn't say he's musically talented, but he manages to both freak people out and leave those who stay to watch begging for more. He's so intent on breaking down the wall between the performer and the audience that he held a question and answer session midway through his set.

Then he introduced the next song by proclaiming that it was a true story, even though the only lyrics are "I couldn't say no, but I learned how." How does he do it? Another song, "I Believe in You," asks some tough questions: "When was the last time you drew a picture/ When was the last time that you touched a leaf?"

I ended up buying his album as a joke, thinking I had just become his biggest fan by default. Later, I checked out his MySpace page, though, and he's in the middle of a two-month world tour. I think Yacht put on the best performance of the night — no joke. Sorry, Talib.

According to TimeOut Magazine, Ozomatli is the "best live band in the world." The MC introduced the band as a blend of jazz, funk and rock. Needless to say, I was confused when all I heard was an hour and a half of typical, boring Latin jazz. I guess they captured the essence of "funk" when they turned the bass guitar up a couple notches and broke out into "rock" when they added some distortion to the guitar on one song.

I think Faithless was pretty good, but it's hard to tell. By then, I was broke, sober and obsessed with writing mean things about Ozomatli to get my revenge on all that hype. Visually, the "band members" might as well be a couple of DJs. They stood on stage, expressionless, while a flurry of blue lights flashed so brightly I couldn't tell what was going on. I think the drummer probably went out back for a smoke at some point.

I learned two things today: Chinese people don't really like music festivals either and (no offense to the mimes) hype is completely worthless. Except when it comes from me, that is. Check out Yacht, he will blow your mind.

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# Tufts alumna's theater troupe forces audiences to use their imaginations

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secondary to vision and movement.

"Republic of Dreams" is no exception to that philosophy. Street performers dancing with umbrellas, lovers on park benches, and a parade of clarinets and trombones give way to a chase sequence between Joseph and his friend and nemesis Rudolph (Richard Newman).

As they fight over a stamp collection, the actors play with shadows and echoes, blurring the bounds of reality, as the characters, themselves, are amplified beyond normal limits.

The play is, at its core, a play of movement. Tango weaves with music, which blends into monologue. Nothing is concrete; the scenery glides. The actors appear briefly and each plays multiple characters, revealing man's transience.

As the audience comes close to becoming lost in the absurdity of presentation, Joseph reminds us "Not to

fear. Most thoughts are interconnected. Most threads lead to the same reel ... You are in another world, and it is not as dark as you think."

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Unfortunately, just as Joseph makes this proclamation, he becomes trapped behind the veil of his own dream. He runs in place, calling for help, literally unable to move. He gains control, temporarily, with his paintbrush and canvas, but the characters he creates overtake his efforts.

The archduke, the opera singer, the

man who holds a weasel in his hat: These caricatures of real people take over the stage and prove that we too are lost in Joseph's dream.

The archduke struts onto the stage in a white ballet leotard. He shakes out his long, curly brown hair, climbs on top of a large cabinet and proceeds to swing from an acrobat bar over the audience. At one point, he holds out his arms in front of a white curtain draped across the stage, depicting an undeniably present Christ figure. At that moment, a devil emerges from the cabinet, wearing a Hitler-esque moustache and red armband.

An old man dressing for bed and the shadows of women undressing, images serenely ordinary, quickly replace the terror of the previous scene.

The transition between the scenes highlights the contrast between the monotony of what we understand and the fear we feel at the incomprehensible. Joseph, himself, seems to sug-

gest this interpretation, saying, "What doesn't make sense to us is not reality." An abrupt end leaves the audience stunned and confused, as if truly waking from a dream.

The theater, thankfully, does its part to ground the play in reality. The lobby hosts the books and paintings of Bruno Schulz, a Jewish artist living in Poland between World War I and World War II who was shot and killed by a Nazi soldier in 1942.

Schulz's surrealist writings, such as the novel "Sanatorium Under the Sign of the Hourglass," form the basis of many of the play's monologues. Characters, such as the archduke, are taken from Schulz's sketches and paintings.

Although, like Schulz, who believed that the only refuge against danger was the "fortress of the fantastic" ("Republic of Dreams" 1939), the theater leaves most interpretation to the viewer's imagination.

## Carrabba's sappy lyrics, whininess 'poisons' listeners

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For better or for worse, there is only one song on the entire album that goes over three minutes. This is a complete 180 from the past two albums, which featured songs lasting as long as six minutes. Some may think the album is a bit rushed, but there is a definite art to being sincere and succinct; the music is short and sweet.

"Thick as Thieves," arguably the catchiest track on the album, is the first single and makes use of dual acoustic guitars, bass and drums. Fast, fun and poetic, the chorus, "Keep your mouth shut/ Keep your guard up/ I swear I'll make it right," makes up the most momentous twelve seconds of the album.

*The band progressed into an electric driven rock ensemble for its previous two albums, but "The Shade of Poison Trees" revisits its acoustic roots.*

While there are few weak tracks on the record, there are several dull pieces that sound like regurgitations from previous albums. "Clean Breaks" is a slow song with some string accompaniment, but it drags a bit and lacks an engaging melody to captivate the listener. The strings elevate the sound, but the song does not offer any significance in terms of musicality or even lyrical creativity. At points, it sounds like Carrabba is just saying the same thing repeatedly. This unfortunate problem reveals itself on several different tracks.

Nevertheless, "These Bones" is a catchy two-minute buzz of a song and one of the album's faster tracks. The vocal melody bounces with a rhythm that compliments the driving music. The chorus, "These bones/ Are like maps and keys/ Where they took their hits/ And they felt those teeth/ There's a story hidden/ Underneath/ If you dig in deep/ Will you find relief?" shows some of the skill in Carrabba's word choice.

The album shines in that one can listen to it in its entirety without skipping any tracks. It is peaceful and melodious music that's perfect to play in the background while doing homework or riding in a car on a cold night.

Unfortunately, what it has in reliability, it lacks in replay value. The songs on "Shade" aren't as catchy, making the album only entertaining for a while and detracting from the value of a live show. This decline makes sense; Dashboard Confessional was much younger when it first emerged as a serious rock act, and its youthful, passionate voice is what made kids want to learn every word and replay every song.

The new album demonstrates a clear distinction from the Dashboard Confessional of the past, especially in terms of lyrics. It may not be the same band, but it can still make good music.

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## EDITORIAL

## Coming out is a good start

Today is Tufts' Coming Out Day. The day is an important one, not only for Tufts' LGBTQ community, but also for straight students and faculty.

There will likely be a nice-sized crowd on the Lower Campus Center Patio today at noon. Gay and transgender students and faculty will gather in the comfort of one another's presence.

However, Coming Out Day should not just be about the LGBTQ community. Tufts University is one of "The Advocate" magazine's top 20 gay-friendly schools.

Coming Out Day is a great way to increase communication about sexuality on campus. Even those students and faculty who do not participate in today's activities will see and hear them and thus be exposed to issues about sexuality they may not consider on a daily basis.

One of today's op-eds, submitted by junior Sofia Nelson, mentions that straight people come out all the time when they talk about their girlfriends,

boyfriends, husbands or wives. This concept might be difficult for straight people to grasp: If a guy mentions he is taking his girlfriend to a movie, he is probably not thinking that he is also affirming that he is straight. For the straight guy, coming out is not an issue.

The key lesson straight students and faculty should take away from Coming Out Day, even if they do not attend the activities during open block, is that what comes naturally to them may be a huge hurdle for their gay peers to overcome.

Nelson's op-ed also notes that Coming Out Day is mostly about identity on a personal level, about letting gay students feel comfortable enough to openly express their sexuality.

Many students and faculty, however, will not participate in the day's activities. Although Tufts is considered a tolerant school and was ranked one of the top 20 gay-friendly schools by "The Advocate" magazine's guide for LGBT college students, there is still room for greater awareness of sexual differences.

However, to really increase awareness of the gay community on campus, events must take place to encourage exploration of the campus identity with regards to sexual differences.

The Queer-Straight Alliance and LGBT Center are the principal channels through which such exploration on campus occurs, and the Daily supports these groups' efforts in sponsoring Coming Out Day.

We would also like to take the opportunity to emphasize the fact that the invitation to attend Coming Out Day and all other Queer-Straight Alliance/LGBT Center events is open to all Jumbos, not just members of those particular organizations.

The fact that an event like Coming Out Day exists at all is a step in the right direction for acceptance of the queer community, but the potential of such a celebration to increase mutual tolerance and understanding on this campus will only truly be realized if the entire community participates.

## DON WRIGHT

## IS THIS YOU?



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## Ruling worth a third look

DAILY TARGUM

Established in 1945 by the United Nations Charter, the International Court of Justice has authority over disputes between countries with differing legal opinions and the right to offer advice over questions about the law.

But the case *Medellin v. Texas* has introduced a big question as to the effectiveness of the policies of the ICJ and the willingness of its members to cooperate with it.

A Texas court sentenced Jose Ernesto Medellin, an illegal immigrant from Mexico who is partially responsible for the rape and mur-

der of two teenage girls in Texas in 1993, to death in the '90s. But, the Mexican government, which does not condone the death penalty, filed a suit against the United States with the ICJ contesting the sentence. Arguing that Medellin, and other Mexican citizens, were denied their right to diplomats during their trials, Mexico won the right to make the United States review its rulings.

President George W. Bush, deciding to stand by the ICJ declaration, is stirring up conflict in Texas and across the nation.

Though it is evident that going against any international decision would create tension between national powers, there is nothing to say that

denying to comply with this particular ruling will have a major impact.

Seemingly, we can argue that Bush, being a lame duck president, can act on a whim without needing to justify his actions. But why is he finally taking a stance on such — in the grand scheme of things — a petty case?

If you are in America and commit a crime, it is right of the nation to prosecute you. This is a very clear-cut case of jurisdiction. The United States, Mexico, the ICJ?

The International Court of Justice is a great institution for providing a second opinion, but what is the point of a nation having individual policies if it can simply be overruled with a half-baked argument?

# Op-Ed

## Let's celebrate National Coming Out Day with pride

BY SOFIA NELSON

Happy Coming Out Day, Tufts! Tomorrow is National Coming Out Day, but today, the Tufts LGBTQ and allied community will be celebrating Coming Out Day on the Lower Campus Center patio starting at noon.

Come out — as gay, gender queer, an ally, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, straight, queer or just a person who objects to discrimination. Today is about LGBTQ visibility, free expression of identity and creating a safe and open Tufts.

I've heard many a time that Tufts is a liberal and LGBT-friendly campus, and therefore, LGBT-related activism is no longer needed. I personally would not argue that Tufts is actively LGBT-unfriendly or conservative. Nor would I argue that awareness, safety and honesty belong solely to liberals or conservatives.

Merely because Tufts is considered liberal and LGBT-friendly does not mean that activism is not needed. Just last year, on Coming Out Day, we as a community saw that homophobia is still actively present on our campus. As usual, we painted the cannon in rainbow colors, but someone wrote the word "smut" on top of our symbol of pride.

And while many Tufts students are aware and quite accepting of lesbian, gay and bisexual folk, other members of our community are still left in the margins. Transgender, gender queer and other non-normative identified people face unique challenges on our campus and in the surrounding areas on a day-to-day basis. We are not a fully educated campus when it comes to the wide variety of people's gender expression, sexual orientation and sexual expression.

Whatever your beliefs on gender identity, gender expression or sexuality, I hope we can all acknowledge a person's right to exist in a mentally and physically healthy environment. I also hope that those who consider themselves members of the LGBTQ and allied community will work to educate themselves regarding all members of their community.

While I consider myself an activist, National Coming Out Day is not about activism; it is about honesty. It is a day in which the LGBTQ and allied people make themselves visible and encourage understanding, awareness and a sense of community.

By celebrating our pride today, hopefully those who are currently living "in the closet" will be inspired to step out if that is what is right for them. It is also



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about encouraging a broader understanding of the queer community here at Tufts. By being visible, we hope to inspire those who still harbor bias to interrogate their feelings.

Coming out does not need to be a political act, and for many, it is not. People come out every day: Any time a person uses the words "boyfriend," "girlfriend," "wife" or "husband" or references their sexual and/or romantic desires in a gendered fashion, that person is "outing" themselves. They may be coming out as straight, but they are still coming out. It is the LGBTQ community that is asked to keep quiet.

For many of us, coming out is not as easy as saying, "I went to a movie with my girlfriend last night." On a daily basis, LGBTQ folk are faced with the many decisions: Is it safe to come out now? How should I do it? How will they react? Coming out is not a one-time thing; it is a continuous process in our heteronormative society that assumes

everyone is straight or gender-normative unless they say otherwise.

By coming out today, we are not being activists, but merely doing what straight and gender-normative people get to do everyday without thinking twice about it. We are also recognizing that we are privileged to be attending a largely queer-friendly institution, a place that protects sexual orientation and gender identity in its non-discrimination policy. We are privileged to be able to come out and have a coming out day.

Today we come out because we recognize that many people (even some at Tufts) do not have access to that privilege, meaning that many may lose families, friends, jobs or even lives by coming out. Today, we exercise our privilege to raise awareness about all of those who are silenced, discriminated against, hurt and/or killed because of their sexual orientation or gender identity.

This is not about sex — it is about mental and physical health. Sexuality

and gender are things that extend far beyond the bedroom. Who someone loves, who someone dates, what pronouns someone uses and the community to which a person belongs help compose a person's identity. Being allowed to be honest about that identity is what Coming Out Day is all about.

Today, I come out as queer. My gender is queer, my sexual orientation is queer and my politics are queer. I am über-queer, if you will.

What does that mean? It means I am different, non-normative, strange and deviant — but proud. I am a butch, gender-confused person who is madly in love with a high-femme hottie.

Today, I ask you to join me and come out to the Lower Campus Center patio at noon. Let's celebrate!

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## Looking beyond the college suicide statistics

BY MARILYN DOWNS AND JULIE ROSS

We want to thank the Daily for printing an article about college students and suicide ("Suicide rate jumps for college students nationwide," Oct. 3). Because of the importance of this issue, we would also like to clarify and expand on a few points.

The article refers to recent data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), which reports an increase in the suicide rate among Americans ages 10 to 24 during 2003 and 2004. However, the CDC data does not actually point to an increased suicide rate among college students, as was suggested by the Daily headline.

The CDC findings indicate that the most significant increases are among females ages 10 to

19, and among males ages 15 to 19, and do not include information about college students in particular. Other studies have found that the suicide rate in college students is about half that of non-student peers, when matched for age, gender and race.

That being said, suicide is a serious and persistent problem on college campuses across the country. As the Daily noted, approximately 1,100 college students take their own lives each year. Risk factors for suicide are complex and multi-determined, including not only mental or emotional problems, but also alcohol and drug abuse, acute psychosocial stressors, difficulty accessing mental health resources, and availability of lethal means.

A key point of clarification

is regarding the correlation between stress and suicide. While stressful life events may play a role in the onset or exacerbation of mental health problems, they are rarely isolated causal factors in suicide.

College students often do encounter significant pressures and developmental challenges associated with adjustment to college life, but feeling suicidal is not a typical response to these challenges. In fact, the largest common factor among student suicide victims is the presence of some sort of psychiatric illness at the time of their death — most commonly depression or other mood disorders.

Alcohol and drug abuse are also highly correlated with suicidal behavior, particularly when co-existing with other psychological problems. Any student

who is experiencing suicidal thoughts or feelings should seek help from a mental health professional.

We would also like to underscore the important point made by Professor Heather Urry: that Tufts students can take action to help a friend if they are concerned about his/her safety or wellbeing. These steps include honestly expressing your concerns, offering support, and encouraging your friend to consider professional help.

Convey the message that depression and other mental health concerns are real, common and treatable. Remind them that getting help is a sign of strength, not weakness. Finally, be respectful about their privacy, but don't get sworn to secrecy.

If you have any reason to think your friend is at risk of suicide

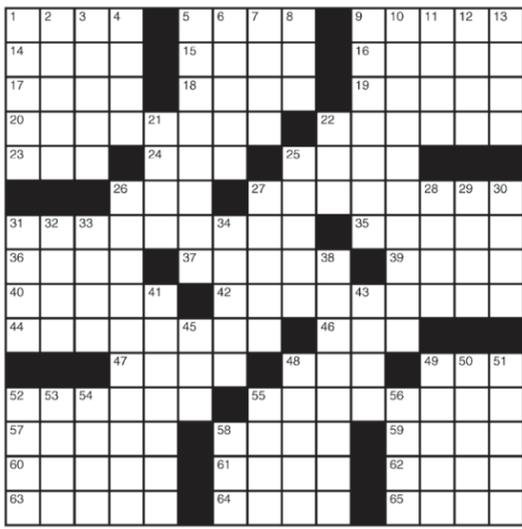
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 27 Partner in crime, perhaps  
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 36 Place of great activity  
 37 More modern  
 39 Icelandic literary work  
 40 First-stringers  
 42 Enduring  
 44 Put up for sale  
 46 Prize money  
 47 Silver screen star  
 48 Existed  
 49 NRC forerunner  
 52 All the rage  
 55 Of the Far East  
 57 Painter's tripod  
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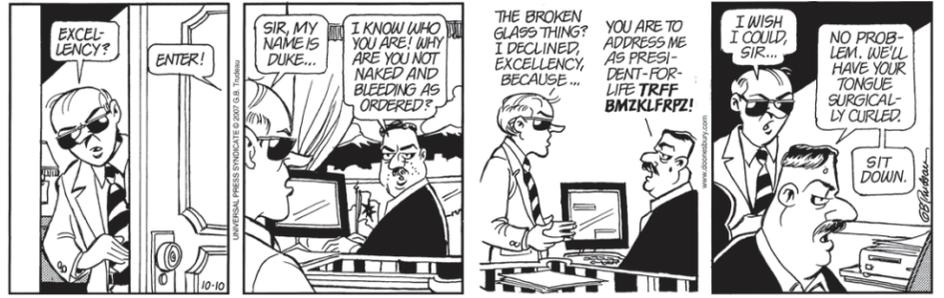
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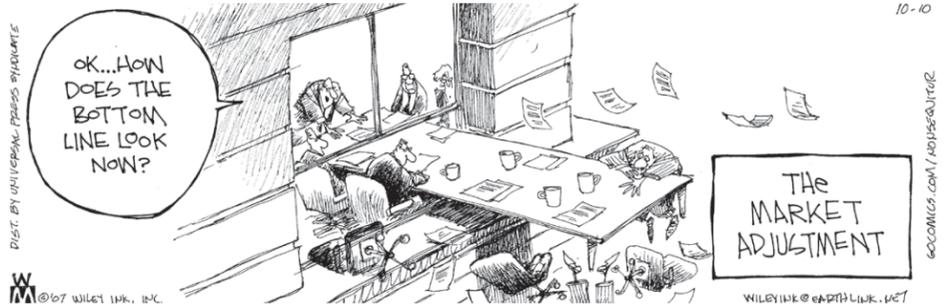
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## Jumbos get another chance to even league mark this weekend at Amherst

### VOLLEYBALL

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— although their tight five-game win over Tufts last season added to the intensity.

The Lord Jeffs jumped up 8-1 in the first game. The Jumbos were able to cut the lead to one point three times in the match, but could not complete the comeback. Amherst senior Jaclyn DeMais finished with nine kills, but wreaked havoc on the outside with huge slams all match long.

The second game started auspiciously for Tufts with freshman Caitlin Updike serving to a 7-1 lead during a run in which she had both of her aces on the match. Updike also became the primary receiver of sets throughout the game. Contrary to the first game, the Jumbos came out on fire but finished meekly. Their 17-11 advantage evaporated into a 20-19 hole, and they could not close the gap as they dropped the

game 30-24.

Tufts jumped out ahead again in the third game 10-6, but that one followed the pattern of the previous games. Amherst tied the game up at 11 and never looked back en route to a 30-21 win and a sweep of the match.

The Jumbos head to Brandeis on Tuesday before another weekend of conference matches against Trinity and Wesleyan in the Amherst Invitational.

“We’re stoked to get another chance to pick up our NESCAC record,” Wysham said. “We’re a better team than our record shows.”

“I believe this weekend gave our team a wake-up call and will give us a sense of urgency for the rest of our season,” Cafarchia said. “We will improve every time we step on the court, and we will make strides this week and this weekend.”

## Team looks to keep momentum rolling

### GOLF

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Penobscot.

“Putting was a key part of our victory,” Heffernan said. “It is something that troubled us in the past, but the greens were rolling true and we were able to capitalize and hit all the important putts. We kept it together for two full days. This was one of the only times this year that everyone was on top of their game at the same time.”

“Everyone was really focused, and we were all able to contribute to our lowest collective round of the year,” Moll said. “It was great to see all our games come together. It was also nice to finally have a lead on opening day, which allowed us to be confident heading into Day 2.”

The Jumbos were ecstatic to notch their first victory of the season. Tufts hopes this is a step in the right direction for future tournaments this year and in the spring.

“It really feels great,” Moll said. “We’ve been in the hunt so many times, and have fallen just short. Everything finally clicked, and we got the win. It feels awesome to get that monkey off our back.”

Tufts will look to keep the momentum from this weekend going into Wednesday’s tournament at Nichols College.

“So much of golf is a mental game; you have to be optimistic going into each tournament to play well,” Heffernan said. “With this win under our belt, our confidence will be high going into Nichols. Hopefully, this will translate to executing on the course.”

## Young Capitals off and skating in '07

### INSIDE THE NHL

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Some argue that with a better supporting cast, Ovechkin would be equal to Crosby if not better. He scored 92 points in his sophomore season last year.

All the emphasis on the Caps’ goal-scoring Alexanders shortchanges their young blue line corps. The signing of free agent power-play quarterback Tom Poti drew all the attention, but it is in depth and flexibility that the Caps’ defense shines.

Shaone Morrisonn is a tough, versatile defenseman who eats 21 minutes per game, throws hits, blocks shots and spent plenty of time sitting in the box with 102 penalty minutes last season. Brian Pothier and Steve Eminger are two-way players with great speed, positioning and passing to accompany their defensive skills.

Poti is a defensive liability, however, and was signed mainly for his powerful left-handed shot and ability to manufacture points off the power play. The Caps’ young talent will more than compensate for his defensive shortcomings, as he will likely be paired with a responsible partner.

Behind the tough defensive corps sits the only South African in the NHL, Olie Kolzig. He has been the number one in the Verizon Center for the last 10 seasons and led the Caps to their last playoff success in 1997-98.

Kolzig’s goals-against average climbed to a slightly-below-average 3.00 last season, and his physical condition is even more troubling. Knee injuries limited the 34-year-old to just 54 games last season, and his backup Brent Johnson has a résumé that consists of a cou-

ple poor playoff performances and little else. Johnson has been solid as a backup, but both goalies represent the biggest uncertainty for this talented team.

Owner Ted Leonsis declared the rebuilding phase of the Caps to be over at the start of camp. He then put his money where his mouth was, signing top free agent Michael Nylander away from the **New York Rangers**. Poti and strong center Viktor Kozlov were then snatched from the **New York Islanders**.

Nylander has expressed his desire to win, and he tendered offers from both the Rangers and Islanders, both playoff teams last season. The fact that he chose to sign with the Capitals means Nylander expects this team to win. He and Kozlov add veteran experience and scoring ability to the already dangerous Capitals front line.

Poti is an offensively minded defenseman whose main strength is his hard left-handed shot. The Caps expect him to improve their power-play unit, which had only a 17.6 percent power-play conversion rate, 24th in the league.

The Capitals’ young talent should continue to improve this season. They are off to a fast start at 3-0, most recently defeating a tough Islanders team. Key goals for the Caps are Johnson and Kolzig performing up to expectations and staying healthy, improvement from the power-play unit and general improvement from the youngsters, which has not been a problem for the Caps in the past.

If those goals are met, the depth and talent of this Capitals team should take them deep into the playoffs. 2007-08 may be the year that the punch bowl finally comes to Washington.

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	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE
<b>Cross Country</b>				Plansky Invitational at Williams	12 p.m.		
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<b>Football</b>				vs. Trinity 1:30 p.m.			
<b>Women's Soccer</b>				vs. Trinity 11 a.m.			
<b>Men's Soccer</b>				vs. Trinity 1:30 p.m.			vs. USM 7 p.m.
<b>Men's Tennis</b>				Wallach Invitational at Bates	Wallach Invitational at Bates		
<b>Women's Tennis</b>							
<b>Volleyball</b>		at Amherst Invitational	at Amherst Invitational				vs. Conn. College 7 p.m.
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## Former N.E. standouts meet today as coaches at Bello Field

### FIELD HOCKEY

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 McDavitt said.

"We had a great season last year," Castonguay said. "I came into a program that was definitely excited for a change and excited to get to the talent level they deserved to be at. It was an awesome position to come into; we had great leadership, and we completely changed the standard and the type of play."

The Corsairs have struggled this season, stumbling out of the gate with four straight losses. The team is now 5-8 approaching the most crucial stretch of its season; after the Jumbos, the Corsairs will finish the season with four straight Little East games.

"We're a talented team and our record shows nothing of that talent," Castonguay said. "We got off to a slow start, but I think we're getting the momentum, and playing a team like Tufts is going to keep the bar high for us."

Castonguay, eager to raise the standard at Dartmouth, has scheduled aggressively in her second season. In addition to Tufts, the Corsairs faced NESCAC team Trinity last Thursday, and though they fell 2-0 to the Bantams, Castonguay likes the challenge of NESCAC

competition.

"We had a few non-[Little East] games last year against weaker teams, and Trinity was a great chance for us to play up," Castonguay said. "We played a great defensive game against them, and the girls felt really good. Playing teams like that reinforces the style of field hockey that we've started playing."

Today's game matches two programs with similar narratives. Castonguay's path at UMass Dartmouth sounds a lot like McDavitt's three-year tenure at Tufts — a young coach with recent playing experience takes over a struggling New England program with national-stage dreams.

The pair actually has a history that goes back to their college careers. Both graduated in 1999, McDavitt from Boston University and Castonguay from University of Connecticut, and they were both involved in USA Field Hockey Futures, a development program for the sport.

"I know we're both coaches that want the same things," Castonguay said. "We have similar backgrounds and we have somewhat similar styles of field hockey. For us to play one another, it's going to be a great chance to see where we are at a

## With fall season over, Jumbos rise to No. 15 national ranking

### WOMEN'S TENNIS

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control at third doubles to beat freshmen Ally Havas and Lisa Mijovic 8-3.

"I thought everyone played very well in both singles and doubles," Miranda Young wrote in an e-mail the Daily. "NYU was not an easy team; Tufts just played smarter and won the big points."

"NYU is a team not to be underestimated," senior Megan Gentzler added. "It was great to celebrate our Homecoming with a huge win like that."

Tufts may have felt that NYU was a competitive opponent, but the Violets only managed to win one set in all of their six singles matches. The Jumbos showed a powerful top of the lineup with sweeps at all of the top five spots.

McCooley won 12 of her 13 games against Tufts at first singles with a 6-0, 6-1 win. McCooley raised her fall record over .500 to 4-3 with the victory and, after moving up to the top singles spot for the Jumbos in just her second year, she boasts a 19-11 career record.

Senior Grace Cascarilla Berry took control at second singles, prevailing in a first-set tiebreak and then dominating the second set to take down Meggie Smith, 7-6 (5), 6-1.

Browne won at third singles in straight sets 6-4, 6-2 over Holly Smith. The freshman posted the most impressive record of all the first years at 4-2 for the fall.

Miller had an easy time at fourth singles, beating Manning 6-1, 6-1, and was followed by Homma, who had another convincing win against NYU junior Mandy Freeman at fifth singles, 6-3, 6-3.

The closest match of the day came when Jumbos senior Andrea Cenko faced Havas in the sixth singles spot. Cenko finally took the match in the third set super-tiebreaker, 6-3,

3-6, 10-6, with the victory putting her at 2-1 for the fall season in dual match singles play.

"Andrea's match stood out to me, as she clinched it in a super-tiebreaker for the third set," Gentzler said. "She played really smart tennis, being patient yet still aggressive, finishing a lot of points at net."

The match was an exciting one for Tufts, as they swept the Violets at an opportune time.

"Because it was our last match of the season, and Homecoming, we had a lot to play for," freshman Edwina Stewart said. "After last week's loss to Williams, we were ready to prove that we are one of the best teams in the NESCAC, and I think we did just that. This win gives us a lot of momentum for the New England Regionals and hopefully for the spring season."

The team has a lot to be excited for in anticipation of the spring season. Ranked No. 15 nationally by CollegeTennisOnline.com, Tufts shows promise both from the team's senior leaders and from its notable underclassmen. The Young sisters have played well in their doubles matches for the fall, going 3-2. Browne's breakout performance at ITA Regionals was a welcome sight for the team, especially after she followed up those two wins with a 2-1 singles record in the three dual matches.

Sophomores have stepped up for Tufts, as on top of McCooley at No. 1 singles, Miller has gone a combined 4-1 in singles and doubles in the three dual meets this season.

Despite the success for the Jumbos this fall, they will be putting in a great deal of additional work to get ready for the main part of their schedule during the spring.

"We will be working out and practicing in preparation for a great spring," Stewart said. "With hard work, we'll have one."

**VOLLEYBALL**

# Jumbos struggle against NESCAC competition

Losses to Amherst, Middlebury drop Jumbos to 8-11 over Homecoming Weekend

BY JEREMY GREENHOUSE  
Daily Staff Writer

Homecoming Weekend offered the volleyball team a chance to leapfrog a few NESCAC opponents.

Hosting Amherst and Middlebury, the Jumbos were looking at a pair of potential wins that would have pushed them out of .500 territory and up the NESCAC ladder. Instead, the team finished with two more losses, dropping its record to 8-11.

"Both of those teams did their jobs," coach Marritt Cafarchia said. "They came in and played steady volleyball. They did not make mistakes — they made us make mistakes."

Tufts hosted Middlebury Sunday afternoon at Cousens Gym. In the first game, the women came out lethargically, quickly falling behind in the first points of the match and continuing to trail as the Panthers built a 24-14 lead. The game ended in a 30-24 defeat, but the Jumbos rallied back in the second.

"After the first game, we decided to take control of the match," Cafarchia said. "As a team, we were doing the little things together: We were serving tougher; we were blocking better."

The momentum swung when coach Cafarchia called an early timeout trailing 11-6. Behind junior Natalie Goldstein's serving, the Jumbos tied the score at 11 and, on a five-point run behind the serve of junior Stacy Filocco, were able to take the lead 21-15. The lead stuck, and the Jumbos won 30-21.

"We put in Stacy, who really turned up her game and was playing awesome," senior captain Katie Wysham said. "She came out with energy and played great defense."

The third game looked promising for Tufts when Cafarchia called a timeout leading 13-11 and received a positive response from the team. A service ace by Wysham brought the lead to 17-11. However, while trailing 22-17, Middlebury sparked a turnaround off a timeout thanks to dominant

serving by freshman Lauren Barrett. Tufts recaptured the lead 25-24 following one of Filocco's 15 kills, but the Panthers capitalized on missed opportunities by the Jumbos, pulling out the game 30-27.

"We can't carry our energy," Wysham said. "We're either really high or really low, and we got in our own heads playing individually and not as a team."

The fourth and final game put the match out of reach as the Jumbos fell behind quickly and lost 30-19. Middlebury improved to 10-6 and rose to fifth in the conference.

Wysham contributed with 10 kills and eight total blocks while Goldstein and Filocco added 26 and 25 digs, respectively.

Saturday at noon, Cousens Gym was packed preceding the football game as the Jumbos took on Amherst. The match was crucial — the Lord Jeffs were 14-1 and undefeated in the conference at 2-0

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## The (other) Boston Marathon

Major League Baseball's regular season lasts for a grueling 162 games. Anyone who's played the game can tell you — it's a marathon, not a sprint.

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This year's Red Sox team is the guy in the front of the pack. He's got the talent to run away from the field right from the start, but he stays back, keeping it close, just jogging along. He's saving himself for that final sprint.

That's the philosophy that's guided the Red Sox all year long. That's what was going through their heads in May, when they sidelined the 7-0 Josh Beckett for 16 days with the most minor of finger injuries. It's why they gave Curt Schilling a month and a half to recover from a sore shoulder. And it's why Manny Ramirez sat out almost a month with a strained oblique.

Gun to his head, any of those three men could have suited up and played hurt throughout the regular season, just to help his team win. But the Red Sox, banking on their comfortable AL East lead all year long, saved their big guns for October.

Those three men have three things in common. First, they're all healthy now — and then some.

Second, they were the three heroes of the team's first-round sweep of the Angels this week. Beckett turned in one of the finest pitching performances in postseason history in Game 1, Ramirez hit his first walk-off homer ever at Fenway in Game 2, and Schilling closed the deal with a seven-inning gem in Game 3.

And third, they're all World Series MVPs. If you're building a team to win in October, it's hard to find a better nucleus than those three guys. Just look at the numbers.

In just six postseason starts, Beckett has more career shutouts (three) than he's amassed his 169 career regular-season games (two). He carried the Marlins in the 2003 World Series — at age 23. His career postseason ERA is 1.74.

Schilling is this generation's Mr. October. He's 9-2 with a 1.93 ERA in the playoffs. He's been to the World Series with three different teams, won it with two of them, and absolutely dominated with one — the '01 Diamondbacks, with whom he made three starts and allowed four runs. Not bad.

Ramirez has 22 career home runs in the postseason, which puts him tied for the record with Bernie Williams. Here's a bold prediction: that first-place tie is even less secure than Joe Torre's job. (Sorry. I couldn't resist.) Manny was a downright filthy .375/.615/1.125 in the Red Sox' first round sweep. He's hot, to say the least.

Can anyone in Cleveland look at those résumés without trembling? Didn't think so.

Of course, the Red Sox are much more than those three guys. David Ortiz made Manny look like a slouch last week, going .714/.846/1.571 in the three games. Mike Lowell and J.D. Drew drove in three runs each. And everyone in the bullpen not named Eric Gagne was lights-out.

At the Sox' postgame press conference on Sunday, Schilling said: "This is not a solo thing. You've got to have a team to make it work."

And seconds later, the 40-year-old veteran stood up to leave the press room, revealing on his T-shirt, in bright white lettering, the Sox' postseason motto.

The Season Begins Now. This is the sprint to the finish line. No one remembers the first 25 miles.

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**INSIDE THE NHL**

# Washington's other 2008 campaign kicks off

McPhee has built a winner, Caps are stacked to climb out of Southeast Division pit

BY KORIN HASEGAWA-JOHN  
Contributing Writer

After spending the past three seasons in the cellar of the Southeast Division, the **Washington Capitals** are finally poised to make a run at the postseason.

Since making the playoffs in the 2002-2003 season, the Caps' performance can be best described as dismal. But despite their recent record, the team's future looks bright, due to smart moves by the front office, a capable coaching staff and plenty of young talent from the farm system.

General Manager George McPhee's regime has done an excellent job scouting and drafting young talent. The franchise has committed to building from the ground up, starting

with the draft, and has been willing to sacrifice current team performance for the sake of player development.

Washington's lack of success in recent years has given McPhee top selections in the recent NHL Entry Draft, with the Capitals coming away with a host of excellent picks. Recent drafts have netted potential Rookie of the Year Nicklas Backstrom, a point-per-game center from the Swedish Elite League; sniper Eric Fehr, who scored 22 goals in 40 games in the American Hockey league last season; future No. 1 netminder Semem Varlamov; and two-way defenseman Karl Alzner. Fehr and Backstrom are expected to contribute this season, with the latter centering the second line.

Earlier drafts have been just as fruitful for

the Caps. Alexander Semin was chosen in the first round of the 2002 entry draft. His rookie year came in 2003-2004, where he scored 10 goals and 12 assists in 52 games after being called up from AHL Portland, but Semin had a breakout campaign last season.

The 23-year-old left wing scored 73 points in 77 games and stepped up his aggressiveness, netting 90 minutes in the box. Semin ranked second on the Caps in goals, assists and points, trailing only phenom Alexander Ovechkin.

Ovechkin has been the biggest story for the young Capitals team. Behind Sidney Crosby, the **Pittsburgh Penguins'** young star, he is the most talented young player in the NHL.

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## Top Ten | Moments in the wild, wild world of Sports

What could finally break the seemingly invincible New York Yankee reliever Joba Chamberlain? How about a few million gnats descending on the 22-year-old as he tries to hold the Yankees' 1-0 lead in the eighth inning of their Game 2 loss? Yep, that would do it. In honor of Joba and his newly eliminated Yankees, here are the top 10 collisions of the sports world and the animal kingdom.

**10. Joba the Bug Magnet.** Joba could not handle the bugs in his eyes, mouth and all over his skin, and proceeded to give up two walks, hit a batter and throw two wild pitches to allow the Indians to tie the game, which they would then win in the 11th inning. Cleveland went on to take one of two at Yankee Stadium to win the NLDS.

**9 Pooping Pigeons.** In one of the most bizarre stories so far in the 2007 NFL season, the Cincinnati Bengals' fans are suffering from air raids of pigeon droppings during home games at Paul Brown Stadium. Having heard the complaints, the team instructed employees to point laser pointers at the pigeons, which have been nesting in the rafters, hoping to annoy them enough to make them leave the stadium. After the Monday night loss to the New England Patriots last week, the team asked permission of city officials to use air-powered rifles to kill the birds, but now PETA is on the case of the team. Maybe the bird feces are a good excuse for their 1-3 start?

**8. Gator vs. Gilmore.** This is why you don't play golf in Florida. Remember that scene in "Happy Gilmore" (1996) when an alligator appeared out of nowhere and ate Happy's ball? Realizing it was the same gator that stole his mentor Chubb's hand, Happy grabbed the gator, wrestled with him and ultimately triumphed with a stunning headbutt to retrieve his ball. Unfortunately, Happy did not have the same success against Bob Barker.

**7. Tour de Armadillo.** Dan Schmatz and

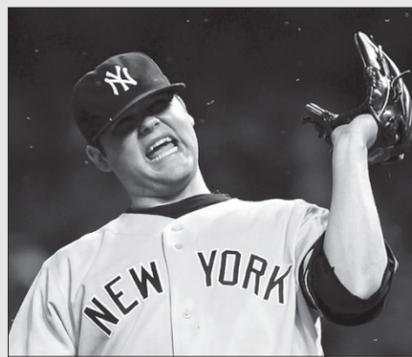
teammate Jonathan Garcia may have practiced their endurance, but apparently not their steering, as the professional bikers rode into an armadillo during the Tour of Missouri cycling race. Schmatz was hospitalized after falling off his bike during the collision with the wayward animal. Maybe this is why the Tour de France isn't held in the Midwest.

**6. Killer Bees.** A 2005 spring training game featuring the Arizona Diamondbacks against the Colorado Rockies was called due to swarming killer bees terrorizing the players on the field. In Joba-esque fashion, the bees were particularly attracted to Rockies pitcher Darren Oliver, who blamed the insects' fascination with him on the coconut oil in his hair gel. You have to wonder why he felt the need to use the gel if he was going to be wearing a hat all day. We're not going to say he was asking for it, but to the extent that anyone plans their hairstyle on the possibility of a run-in with a swarm of killer bees, he was asking for it.

**5. Smokey VI.** After a 1991 game against UCLA, the Tennessee Volunteers had an unlikely addition to their injury list. The team's Bluetick Coonhound mascot, Smokey, was the first dog to make the injury report after he suffered from heat exhaustion during the game. The Vols' opponents must have been relieved not to have to account for him in the game plan.

**4. The Billy Goat.** Billy Sianis, a Cubs fan who owned what is now called the "Billy Goat Tavern," had two seats to Game 4 of the Cubs' 1945 World Series against Detroit. The second seat, of course, was for his pet goat, Murphy. After Sianis and his pet were ejected due to complaints of the goat's foul odor, he allegedly placed a curse on the team: that they would never win another pennant because of the treatment his goat received. Since then, the score is Goat 62, Cubs 0. The 37 years between the 1908 World Series and the goat incident? Well...

**3. The Black Cat.** Later in the Cubs' unfortunately unfortunate 20th-century history,



Bug off!

a black cat found its way into Shea Stadium and circled Cubs third baseman Ron Santo while he was in the on-deck circle. The Cubs would then collapse in their 1969 season and allow the Mets to take the division, and then the World Series. "Miracle Mets" indeed.

**2. Randy Johnson vs. Pigeon.** While the Big Unit was pitching for the Arizona Diamondbacks, he threw one of the most memorable fastballs of his career — in a 2001 spring training game. Did it result in a crucial strikeout or an inning-ending double-play? No, it resulted in an explosion. A dove on an ill-fated flight path *poof*-ed into a cloud of feathers. The baffled umpire called it a "no-pitch."

**1. "Larry" Bird.** In Game 2 of the 1991 Eastern Conference semifinals, the Detroit Pistons were leading with five minutes left in the third quarter. All of a sudden, a pigeon flew out onto the floor of the Boston Garden. Celtics fans began chanting, "Larry, Larry," for superstar Larry Bird as the pigeon was chased around by the officials. At the end of the shenanigans, the Celtics' own Bird ended up leading his team to a series-tying victory. Celtics forward Kevin McHale summed up the bizarre events by saying, "City pigeons must be smarter or something."

—by Tim Judson and Ethan Landy

**WOMEN'S TENNIS**

## Jumbos shut out NYU in final fall dual match

9-0 victory is a promising prelude to New England Championships

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The women's tennis team finished its fall season with a convincing win on Homecoming Saturday against New York University, as the Jumbos took down the Violets 9-0.

After losing to the top-ranked Williams Ephs last week, the Jumbos swept NYU Saturday, giving them a powerful momentum boost going into the New England Championships in two weeks. Tufts finished the fall team season with a 2-1 record in three dual matches, beating MIT and NYU but losing their only NESCAC match to the Ephs.

The NYU match was dominated by Tufts from the start with wins in all three doubles matches. Freshmen Julia Browne and Miranda Young won a close match at first doubles against NYU seniors Meggie and Holly Smith, 8-6. Young's win put her doubles record for the fall at 5-2. Miranda's sister and fellow freshman Hayley Young teamed with sophomore Meghan McCooney to defeat the pair of senior captain Jaclyn Manning and junior Stephanie Tu at second doubles, 8-2. Tufts then completed the doubles sweep, as sophomores Erica Miller and Mari Homma took



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Sophomore Erica Miller rips a forehand during her singles win as part of the 9-0 decimation of NYU on Saturday. The Jumbos improved to 2-1 in the fall season duals and now look ahead to New England Championships at Amherst.

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**GOLF**

## Tufts gets first win of fall season at Husson

Tufts seals three-stroke win over Bowdoin

BY DANNY JOSEPH  
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While its athletic colleagues enjoyed the homestand of all home-stands this weekend, the golf team made the most of being absent from Medford on Homecoming, capturing its first title of the season at the Husson Invitational in Orono, Maine.

The event, featuring 12 other teams from Maine and Massachusetts, was held at the Penobscot Valley Country Club and was hosted by Husson College.

A week after failing to qualify for April's NESCAC Championship round, the Jumbos shot a collective 296 on Sunday to propel them to a seven-stroke lead. They followed that with a solid 309 on Day 2 for a two-day total of 605 that sealed a three-stroke victory over second-place Bowdoin.

Bowdoin sophomore Ryan Blossom captured the individual crown, with a three-under-par total of 141, besting junior teammate Jeff Cutler, who finished second in the tournament, by four strokes.

Freshman sensation Luke Heffernan was the low man for the Jumbos, shooting a two-under 70 on Sunday and a 79 on Monday for a total of 149. Heffernan's mark of five-over was good for fifth place overall in the tournament.

"I was really locked in on Sunday," Heffernan said. "It seemed like I was hitting everything I looked at."

Heffernan was not the only mem-

ber of the squad who played some of his best golf on Sunday. Three of the five Jumbos recorded drastically lower scores for the event on the first day.

Senior Mike O'Neil was right behind Heffernan, shooting a seven-over 151 for the weekend. Senior Dave Hunt registered a one-under 71 on Sunday, but struggled with an 82 on Monday for a total of 153. Freshman Danny Moll made a solid contribution, carding rounds of 76 on Sunday and 80 on Monday for a 156 overall. Junior Phil Haslett rounded out the Jumbo squad by recording an 80 on Sunday and 78 on Monday for a two-day total of 158.

The Jumbos were able to master a tricky Penobscot course despite less than ideal weather.

"The course played fair," Heffernan said. "It was pretty cold and windy on Sunday, but we just played through and put together a great round."

"It was a little windy on Sunday, and we dealt with some rain on Monday," Moll added. "But for the most part, the course itself didn't give us too much trouble."

The Jumbos vastly improved their putting and overall consistency, two facets of their game which had plagued them in previous tournaments. In particular, errors in the short game have been problematic all season for the Jumbos, but the team was pleased with its effort at

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**FIELD HOCKEY**

## Now in top 20, Tufts to play UMass Dartmouth with eye on NCAA tourney

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With a change to the 2007 schedule, coach Tina McDavitt has given her team another stepping stone towards achieving a key goal of the 2007 season: going to the NCAA Tournament.

UMass Dartmouth comes to Bello Field for the first time ever this afternoon in a game with implications deeper than its midweek, non-conference billing suggests.

Last year, Tufts missed an at-large bid to the NCAA Tournament despite a résumé that included a shutout win over top-10-ranked Williams, which did make the field, a 6-3 mark in the country's most competitive field hockey league, and 11 overall wins.

Except the Jumbos didn't have 11 wins. When the Div. III committee sat down to dole out the nine at-large bids to the tournament, the Tufts team they saw had a record of 10-5 — a solid clip, but not enough to beat out 12-3 Williams, even with the head-to-head advantage.

The missing win was one of the Jumbos' most resounding of the year, a 1-0 decision over Bentley on Sept. 25. The Falcons were ranked third in the nation in Div. II, a division that allows athletic scholarships and more aggressive recruiting and playing practices. The victory was the third in a five-game winning streak that earned the Jumbos some early-season momentum.

But it never factored into their official NCAA record. Because the game was not played against a Div. III opponent, for the NCAA selection committee, it was like it had never happened at all.

"Even though we beat a very good D2 team, it didn't show in our record,"

McDavitt said. "That was one of our best games, but when it came down to it, [our record] showed at we were 10-5. It really hurt us."

With a trip to the national tournament as one of their key goals, the Jumbos need every win they do get to count. They are on their way; the team cracked the national rankings for the first time in at least a decade yesterday, reaping the benefits of a three-year turnaround under McDavitt and coming in at No. 20 after playing No. 1 Bowdoin to a 2-1 finish on Saturday.

Their national ranking in hand, the Jumbos are now looking for the payout at the end of the season in the form of an NCAA berth, and the scheduling change that brings the Corsairs to Medford today is a key step toward that goal.

"All of our games are important; it's easy to look at non-conference games as less important, but they all go into our record," McDavitt said. "Winning the NESCAC is hard, and so we need our overall record to be really strong. That's how we're going to get into the [NCAA] tournament, and that's our ultimate goal this season."

UMass Dartmouth has not traditionally been a regional power, but earned some name recognition last year. First-year coach Nicole Castonguay took over a floundering program, and the Corsairs went 17-4, earned their first NCAA regional ranking in recent memory, and went to the Little East Conference Tournament.

"When I was looking at [the New England West rankings] last year, and UMass Dartmouth was ranked ahead of us at one point, and I thought 'Who is this team? We should play them,'" McDavitt said.

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## Cadigan's 11th goal of the season lifts women's soccer team to eighth consecutive win



LAURA SCHULTZ/TUFTS DAILY

The women's soccer team picked up a 1-0 road win at Wesleyan yesterday, giving the Jumbos their eighth straight win and improving their season record to 9-1. Tufts now needs just two more wins to tie the program mark set in 2005 for most consecutive victories.

The win also kept the Jumbos' NESCAC mark unblemished at 6-0 and moved the team into a first-place tie with Williams atop the conference standings. Since the inception of the NESCAC Tournament in 2001, Tufts has topped six conference wins in a season, and with games at hand against Trinity, Williams and Conn. College, the Jumbos have ample

opportunity to set a new program mark this season.

The team's lone goal came in the 73rd minute, when sophomore midfielder Cara Cadigan found the back of the net for her team-leading 11th goal of the season. With four regular season games remaining, Cadigan is within striking distance of Lisa Raffin's 26-year-old Tufts record for goals in a season with 15. She has scored a goal in nine of the Jumbos' 10 games this season, including eight in a row.

See tomorrow's Daily for further coverage.

—by Sapna Bansil