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Former TCU Senator Shaun Glassman

## Senator resigns from body two-weeks early

### Former senator questions TCU Senate's efficiency

BY ALEXANDRA PRYOR  
Daily Staff Writer

Junior Shaun Glassman resigned from the Tufts Community Union (TCU) Senate this week, effective immediately after criticizing Senate procedure as inefficient and describing it as "torture."

Elections Board member Abby Lillianfeld said last night that ELBO has not yet met to decide when to hold an election to fill the now-open seat.

"I'd get through an entire meeting and feel like nothing had been accomplished. I didn't feel like I was changing the school," Glassman said.

Glassman's letter of resignation cited his decision to go abroad spring semester and said he would not serve the

remainder of his term this semester.

"I wanted to make meetings more efficient, but [the other Senate members] wouldn't really listen," he said. "I can't just sit around for hours at meetings discussing other meetings. If that works for them, that's fine. Some people really have a passion for it. I'll respect that, but it's not for me. I like to use my time efficiently," Glassman said.

TCU Associate Treasurer Harish Perkari said Glassman's resignation was "a very cut and dry issue because he will be abroad next semester."

Perkari also said it was typical for juniors going abroad in the spring not to serve on the Senate in the fall.

Glassman said his disillusion with the Senate is longstanding. "I've never been

on any kind of terms with anyone on the Senate. I left on my own accord, but I deserved to get kicked out," he said.

As for next fall, Glassman said it is highly unlikely that he will run for a Senate position again.

"If I had nothing to do, it would be fine to spend my time filtering through the crap to find the substance," Glassman said. "Sure, the Senate does some worthwhile things, but finding them is like finding a needle in a haystack."

This was Glassman's first year on the Senate. He was the president of his high school government and said he figured he was "cut out" for the position on the TCU Senate. "In high school, though, we would spend less time and get more

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## Construction at corner of Boston and College Aves.

### Project to clean pipes will improve water quality in both Medford and Somerville

BY KEITH BARRY  
Daily Editorial Board

The intersection of Boston Avenue and College Avenue in Medford has been a little busier this semester due to upgrades of water pipes beneath the roadway.

The construction is part of an ongoing effort, called the East and West Spot Pond Supply Main project, to provide clean water, according to Jonathan Yeo of the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA).

"The water in the pipelines used to go up to the Spot Pond in Stoneham, where it would be dumped into the pond and get used later to serve the North Shore," Yeo said.

In 1997, the exposed Spot Pond reservoir was taken offline and replaced by underground covered storage tanks, which are less susceptible to contamination.

MWRA no longer uses open-air reservoirs like ponds. "Now, the water never is exposed to the atmosphere throughout the system," Yeo said. "The water now

goes through these pipelines and serves quite a few communities from Somerville and Malden and Medford, all the way out to Marblehead."

The upgrades consist of cleaning and lining the 48-inch underground pipes that are more than a century old.

Yeo said the construction crews "turn off the pipeline, reroute the water and then access the pipeline through pits every couple thousand feet," after which they can "go inside and ... scrape out the inside of the old cast iron pipe."

After it's cleaned, workers line the inside of the pipe with cement to help the hydraulic flow of the water, Yeo said.

The cement "is a good surface that doesn't allow for the iron to corrode inside of the pipe. It's better for water quality, it's better for the hydraulic flow," he said. While doing this, workers also perform general maintenance work on the system.

Work has been ongoing intermittently for most of the semester, but the current project out-



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Work on city water systems caused traffic delays outside Brown & Brew yesterday afternoon.

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## Panel discusses differences in growing up with gay parents

BY KEITH BARRY  
Daily Editorial Board

An analysis of 25 years worth of studies on children of homosexual parents has shown virtually no differences vis-à-vis children of heterosexual parents, Dr. Ellen Perrin said at a well-attended panel yesterday.

Perrin, who is a professor of pediatrics for the Tufts-New England Medical Center, discussed nine studies on the children of gay parents, published between 1981 and 1994 in the library of Eliot-Pearson School of Child Development.

"Each individual study is very small and probably can't be relied on, but when you put them together they tell a monotonous, repeated story," Perrin said. "The findings are incredibly similar."

Among the studies' findings were that there were no differences between children of homosexual parents and children of heterosexual parents in academic achievement, self-esteem, relationships with peers or gender-typical behavior.

Children of gay parents exhibit gender-related behaviors that are "really indistinguishable" from their counterparts with heterosexual parents, Perrin said.

In fact, studies are now looking at benefits of growing up with homosexual parents, she said. "We're starting to look for strengths instead of looking to see if these kids do as well" as their counterparts with heterosexual parents, she said.

One recent study showed that "lesbian couples share household tasks more equally, and their children seem to be less aggressive and more tolerant towards diversity," Perrin said this was "not a big surprise," since children of gay parents often have to grow accustomed to diversity early in life.

Children of lesbian parents "reported more stresses, but they also reported greater well-being," she said. "Those kids were reported by teachers to be more nurturing and less aggressive."

Researchers should start focusing not on "what is the best kind of family for a child, but [on] the pros and cons of different kinds of families," she said.

Perrin authored a 2002 report published by the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) that changed the formal policy of the AAP to accept and support gay and lesbian parents and their



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Tufts-NEMC Professor of Pediatrics Ellen Perrin.

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## POLICE BRIEFS

### DELI DELINQUENCY

The front window of Jay's Deli on Boston Avenue was shattered Friday night following an incident involving a large group of Medford teenagers.

An officer with the Tufts University Police Department (TUPD) reported to the scene at 11:10 p.m., when he observed a teenage male punching the window with his fist, breaking the glass. The individual was taken into police custody for willful and malicious destruction of private property.

While the TUPD officer did not arrive in time to confirm an altercation, Tufts sophomore David Adler said the fight involved about six students, surrounded by a larger group of about 20 spectators. The fight, which Adler described as "hockey style," included attempts to tear off clothing and pin down participants and occurred in the street.

Jay's manager Arthur Serfes said his business would not be affected by the incident. "Once in awhile you get someone who's had a few too many drinks," he said. "Tufts police was there at the right time."

### PISSIN' THE NIGHT AWAY

Festivities at a birthday party at 288 Boston Ave. Saturday night turned sour when two Tufts students leaving the party were taken into protective custody after being caught urinating in a neighbor's yard.

The Medford Police Department had received a noise complaint and arrived at the party at 12:35 a.m., when residents of the house cleared the premises cooperatively and were informed that two students had been apprehended outside.

### AEPI ALTERCATION

The Tufts University Police Department (TUPD) responded to a fight in progress at the front door of the Alpha Epsilon Pi house at 45 Sawyer Ave. Saturday night.

Three residents of the fraternity house suffered minor injuries, but all refused medical attention. Although none of the students wished to press charges, TUPD identified and reported names to the Dean of Student's Office of three other students who were outside the fraternity at the time, who they suspected were involved in the altercation.

### SEX OFFENSE REPORTED

A female student reported a sexual assault that occurred Saturday night to TUPD on Sunday evening.

The alleged perpetrator is a non-Tufts student, who the victim had met on at least one previous occasion and positively identified. TUPD would not release any further information but said the case is under investigation.

— compiled by Katharine Clark

## Senate seat open immediately

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done for our efforts," he said.

As a senator, Glassman said he suggested that Senate Vice President Rafi Goldberg e-mail his lengthy reports to senators, instead of spending meeting time on them. "Why should I go to a meeting to hear people report back on other meetings they've had?" he said.

TCU President Dave Baumwoll said he "respectfully disagrees" with Glassman's criticisms. "We are on top of our game more than any year in the past," he said. "There's lots of business to discuss. Efficiency isn't about doing things the quickest, it's about taking the right amount of time."

Public Relations Chair of the Senate Alexei Wagner said Glassman's "resignation illustrates the immense time commitment that is required to be an active member of the TCU Senate."

Glassman served on the Senate public relations committee.

Freshman Senator Harsha Bronamraju said it was "disappointing to see a member of the Senate resign for any reason, because it may affect the cohesiveness of the group."

Wagner pointed to the potential for positive change, however. "His resignation can be looked at as a wonderful opportunity to bring a new person with fresh ideas to the body," Wagner said.

## New pipeline brings cleaner water with better flow

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side Curtis Hall will be completed soon. "These projects take long periods of time to complete, because they're essentially running underground in long sections and have to be done carefully," Yeo said.

Gary Rogers, a mason working at the site, said construction was wrapping up. "Construction will hopefully be done by tomorrow or Wednesday at the latest," he said yesterday afternoon. "We're just doing some touch-ups ... we're working overtime right now. We ran into some problems this time. The cement truck didn't come in until 3:30 [p.m.], which was really late."

Water for Medford and Somerville comes from a large, newly-built, covered storage reservoir next to the Massachusetts Turnpike in Weston.

"It's a 30-foot-deep water storage tank, it covers 17 acres, it holds about 115 million gallons of water," Yeo said. "Water comes in from the reservoirs in the central part of the state, is treated and then flows through a giant new tunnel underground and pops up into that tank. Water flows by gravity from that tank all the way out into the community."

Both Somerville and Medford buy their water from MWRA, which is a wholesaler, and distribute it through their own pipelines.

### OFF THE HILL | BOSTON COLLEGE

## Coulter unleashes attack on liberals at BC

BY CHRIS BONE  
The Heights

(U-WIRE) CHESTNUT HILL, Mass. — Conservative author and columnist Ann Coulter came to Boston College last Friday to promote her new book and to do what many feel she does best: Bash liberals. In a speech injected with her trademark sarcastic humor, Coulter used the recent presidential election to point out what she views as flaws within the Democratic Party.

"You're blessed to live under George W. Bush," Coulter said to a standing-room-only crowd of about 800, after radio personality Jay Severin and Max Buccini, president of the BC College Republicans '06, touted her credentials during the introduction.

After describing her delight with the left's post-election lamentations and threats to emigrate, Coulter offered a diagnosis of the problems facing the Democratic Party. "Stop campaigning with the out-of-touch Hollywood elite," she said. "And have a lot less anti-war rallies where everyone goes around calling each other comrades."

Coulter spent a large part of the time discussing gay marriage, describing its effect on the Democratic ticket as onerous due to the fact that referendums banning same-sex

marriage passed in all 11 states where they were on the ballot.

The right-wing pundit went on to specifically vituperate the Massachusetts Supreme Court, which legalized gay marriage last year in an activist decision. "The Massachusetts Constitution was written in 1780 by John Adams, the most Christian of the Founding Fathers," she said. "If [the Massachusetts Supreme Court] can find a clause for gay marriage in the Massachusetts Constitution, then they should be out looking for Osama bin Laden because they can find anything."

These activist courts, she said, are out of touch with American popular opinion. "Liberals seem to think that Americans are just a bunch of servile Euros who can be pushed around," she said. "We vote and we're being oppressed by activist judges."

Coulter championed the issue of same-sex marriage as evidence of a conservative shift among black voters. Coulter said that, because of the gay marriage issue, Democrats are losing their traditional black base "by attacking Christianity and sending out secular New Yorkers who seem to think Christianity is a weird cult."

Liberals are doing little to stem the problem, Coulter said, citing that John Kerry did not have any blacks at high-level positions in

his campaign staff. She also said that liberals routinely insult the intelligence of blacks who identify with the Republican Party, such as Clarence Thomas, and were willing to accuse predominately black voters of being too unintelligent to understand how to cast their votes in 2000.

"Democrats need blacks but don't want them. And Republicans don't need them but want them," she concluded.

Toward the end of her speech, Coulter moved on to the issue of national security. She defined the liberal approach to terrorism as, "We're stronger, so we should surrender."

An audible gasp could be heard in the audience earlier in the evening, when Coulter said, "Vote Democrat; the Sears Tower was an eyesore anyway."

The question-and-answer session that followed her speech gave students an opportunity to address Coulter's statements but frequently slipped into hostile exchanges. One student accused Coulter of lacking factual substance, while another alluded to the two men who threw custard pies at Coulter at the University of Arizona.

Coulter defended her body of work and cited her research into the positive legacy of Sen. Joseph McCarthy as an example of her using factual evidence.

## Parents offered their insights on gay parenthood

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adoption rights. According to Perrin, asking about the adult sexual orientation of children of gay parents is intrinsically homophobic.

"One of those questions that always gets asked is, 'What are these kids going to be?' I'm bothered by that question, it's a homophobic question, because it doesn't matter" if a child is gay, she said.

“ [Children of lesbian parents] were reported by teachers to be more nurturing and less aggressive. ”

Ellen Perrin

Tufts-NEMC Professor of Pediatrics

Perrin also addressed the arguments raised by opponents of homosexual parenting. She conceded that most of the relevant studies are small and not comprehensive for logistical reasons. Most of the subjects are the children of lesbian parents, since there are not enough homosexual male couples willing to participate.

"Small and unrepresentative samples are a problem," she said, adding that many of the early studies have a "political bent," since they were intended to prove that homosexual couples could parent

children.

As for the opposition, "they really don't have primary data. They do a lot of statistical manipulation," she said. "It's very hard to counter them, because until the past six years or so, we haven't had good enough data."

After Perrin's speech, some lesbian parents spoke of their personal experiences. Audrey Roth and her partner Robin Einzig used a sperm donor to have their daughter.

Roth and Einzig talked about the difficulties of choosing a donor based solely on written profiles. "You're deciding on the Internet who half of your daughter's genetic makeup is," Einzig said.

The couple agreed that they were lucky to live in Massachusetts, where homosexuality is more accepted than in other parts of the country. This has been a factor while traveling, according to Einzig. "I always think about what would happen if we drove across the country," she said.

Erin Phelps, who already had two children by her husband when she met her lesbian partner, said she found support from her community and her children's school system.

"My first thought was that the schools had to be a safe place for my kids," Phelps said. When she began speaking to school administrators and teachers about her family situation, she found they had already dealt with similar situations. "I discovered that I wasn't the first," she said.

### MARKETS

Yesterday's close

▲ **DOW JONES**  
+ 32.51 **10,489.42**

▲ **NASDAQ**  
+ 14.56 **2,085.19**

### WEATHER FORECAST

Today  
Tuesday, November 23

Mostly Sunny  
High 50  
Low 40

Mostly sunny in the morning...then becoming partly cloudy. Highs around 50. Southeast winds 5 to 10 mph.

### Tomorrow



Few Showers  
54/50

### Saturday



Partly cloudy  
43/36

### Thursday



Partly cloudy  
60/33

### Sunday



Partly cloudy  
49/38

### Friday



Sunny  
45/28

### Monday



Mostly cloudy  
54/31

### QUOTE OF THE DAY

“ Well, you're in for a shock. ”

**Benjamin Zander**  
Conductor, Boston  
Philharmonic

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BY THE NUMBERS

Turkey Day travels

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*Turkey and travel are in the air: Transportation officials are predicting that more Americans will travel this Thanksgiving than since the Thanksgiving of 2000 (before the Sept. 11 attacks). On the last day of classes before Thanksgiving break, the Daily looks at the transportation situation many students will face as they head home for the holiday.*

- ◆ 37.2 million Americans who will travel to destinations over 50 miles away this Thanksgiving, according to AAA
- ◆ 3.1% Increase in that number compared to last Thanksgiving, when 36.1 million traveled
- ◆ 2/3 Thanksgiving travelers whose final destination is the home of friends or relatives



- ◆ 4.6 million Americans who will do their traveling by plane
- ◆ 4% Increase in that number compared to last Thanksgiving
- ◆ 83% Increase in flights on CheapTickets.com booked for Nov. 23-29 out of Boston this year, compared to those booked for that same time period last year
- ◆ 72 Air carriers that are participating in the trial run of a federal passenger prescreening program called "Secure Flight," to be implemented today

- ◆ 82% Thanksgiving travelers who will make their treks via motor vehicle (30.6 million)
- ◆ \$2.01 Current average gas price in Mass.
- ◆ 2.7% Amount by which rental car rates have fallen since last Thanksgiving



- ◆ 5% Thanksgiving travelers who travel by train or bus
- ◆ 30% Increase in Amtrak travelers over Thanksgiving, as compared to the rest of November
- ◆ 30,000 Extra seats Amtrak is offering nationally over the holiday
- ◆ 60 Trains added to Amtrak's Northeast Corridor route (which serves Boston) over the holiday



- ◆ 42% Amount by which airline prices have risen since 1978, according to ATA's 2004 Economic Report
- ◆ 574% Amount by which the cost of higher education has risen since then

The information cited above comes from the Washington Post, DailyPress.com, BostonChannel.com, the Troy Record, the New York Times and the Bristol Press.

# For older students, budget decrease a REAL loss

Group provides social network, support for college students of non-traditional ages

BY BEN SWASEY  
Daily Staff Writer

28-year-old junior Anne Stevenson's son was about nine months old when she transferred to Tufts from UMass-Boston.

In her case, as an older student, her Tufts experience was different than the "normal" one — but there were a number of similar people she could interact with.

The RSO (REAL Student Organization) is an entirely student-run group for those enrolled in the Resumed Education for Adult Learners (REAL) program. The RSO gives these older students a network to meet and connect with people on campus and a community of friends.

"For people in an already vulnerable situation, it's important to have people you can associate with," said Stevenson, president of the RSO and a political science major.

Without the RSO, these students would not see much of each other, since they come from all courses of study throughout the University. The group helps to keep the students in touch by organizing events.

Bonnie Chou, a 26-year-old computer science major and mathematics minor, said that RSO plays a key role in the social networks of older students.

"RSO means a lot to every REAL student," Chou said. "It's a very diverse background of people, and it holds a place for us to be together and to encourage each other."

The REAL program has a history that began in 1970, when it was created for women who could not attend college or who started a family while in school. In 1976, the program was expanded to include male applicants as well.

REAL is open to students above the age of 25, and most of its current members have transferred to Tufts after two years at another school.

In addition, most of the group's members, who number about 60, are single mothers, work and have families.

Associate Dean of the Colleges Jean Herbert is the academic dean for the REAL program. She oversees their initial seminar, is involved in their admissions process and interviews most of the older students who apply. Since most applicants have taken courses at another institute, they are placed

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Jean Herbert

Associate Dean of Colleges

in the transfer applicant pool.

"The [REAL] program is simply a way for non-traditional age students to get a Tufts education," Herbert said. "They go through the same rigorous admissions process as all other undergraduates, and they have all the same graduation requirements."

This year, however, the RSO has suffered a setback due to an error by the board's previous leadership.

"Last year, our board did not submit a

budget, and this year we have an all new board," Stevenson said.

New groups in the Tufts Community Union (TCU) are capped at \$1,000.

Stevenson said the TCU Senate did not recommend the full \$1,000, however.

Through the treasury, the TCU Senate oversees the distribution of the Student Activities Fee to various student groups on campus.

TCU Treasurer Jeffrey Katzin said the Allocations Board itemized the group's expenses and recommended \$749.80 in funding.

Though TCU's funding decision was standard, it has caused problems for Stevenson and other REAL members.

"Our usual budget was anywhere from \$2,000 to \$3,000," Stevenson said. "The only event we've had was at my house and was paid for out of my own pocket."

"I'm a single mother — I can't dish out money," Stevenson added. "We pay the Student Activities Fund, and for most of us, this is the only group we're in, so it's like we're paying and getting nothing back."

REAL's board members were told they could apply for additional buffer funding this fall, Stevenson said, but were then told that this was an error and that they could not apply for additional funding until the winter.

This year, REAL's focus is on increasing visibility on campus and creating a more supportive environment, according to Stevenson. She also said that REAL plans on submitting the budget proposal for next year in February, and that they will be applying for buffer funding in the spring.

"I've been given such a great gift to come to Tufts," Stevenson said. "I just want to give back to those in my position."

# Students mobilize to promote awareness of genocide

Peace and Justice Studies students set up shop outside Tisch Library

BY CHRISTELLE VALEMBRUN  
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Students in Professor Paul Joseph's peace and justice studies class are currently camped out on the Tisch patio to present their student-made film on the genocide in Sudan, raise money, receive signatures for their petitions and give out pamphlets.

These activities, which will run until Dec. 10, are part of the students' semester-long campaign to generate awareness and activism on behalf of the international crisis.

Sudan — specifically the Darfur region — has become a hot topic of discussion since the displacement of about 1.8 million people as a result of fighting between government-sponsored Arab militias and black rebel forces.

The fighting has killed 50,000 and left as many as 1.8 million people homeless.

Many government and NGO's have been reluctant to classify the deaths and displacement as a "genocide," as the term implies intent.

"Nevertheless, we believe that in the four sites we surveyed, high mortality and family separations amount to a demographic catastrophe," said Dr. Evelyn Depoortere of Epicenter, a Paris-based research arm of the aid agency Doctors Without Borders, to the New York Times.

While reading about the bloodshed, accounts of rape and torture and a mounting death toll in Sudan, the students of the peace and justice studies class were outraged.

"When you read about that kind of stuff, you have to do something," freshman Louise Place said — and so they did.

Place and her classmates organized a campaign to bring awareness on this issue.

"We spoke to Jo-Ann Michalak, director of Tisch Library," freshman Annie Berndtson said. "We told her about our crazy plan and that we needed her support."

The banner of the students' tent on the



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Students man a tent voluntarily to raise awareness of the events in Sudan.

library patio reads "The World Pledged Never Again After the Holocaust."

While reading Chris Hedges' "Wars of Force," one of the readings in the Peace and Justice Studies class and digesting accounts of the Rwandan genocide,

freshmen Julia Nagel and Michael Eddy were inspired to make a film about the Sudan Crisis so that people would be aware and take action.

## Students planning to present petition to the United Nations

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When asked what she wanted the film to accomplish, Nagel said, "I want people to do something about this. I want them to write to their state representatives and to be concerned."

Nagel is one of the many peace and justice studies students involved in the Sudan campaign project. Berndtson is doing her part by working at a booth to get students to sign petitions and wear green ribbons, which she hopes will promote discussion of the genocide.

The location of the project was important, organizers said. They wanted to set it up in front of the Tisch library, an area that experiences heavy traffic throughout the day.

"We pushed to get it outside; we wanted it to be intrusive," Berndtson said.

The students' task involved volunteer for three to four-hour shifts. "We met every Tuesday in

the Tower Café," Place said. "Professor Joseph wanted this to be a student-led project."

The students worked independently, only relying on Joseph to provide them with equipment and funding, which came from his department.

The students are very close to Joseph and say that he has inspired their current action.

Other universities have made similar efforts. Three Wesleyan students recently released a compilation CD entitled "Afrobeat Sudan Aid Project," which will be available on iTunes, with all proceeds going to Darfur. The students who organized the CD wanted to draw attention to this "humanitarian crisis."

At the Tufts project's conclusion, the students will send their petition to the government of Sudan and to UN Secretary General Kofi Annan. The funds that they acquired will be donated to the American Refugee Committee.

OFF THE HILL | MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY

## Tenn. senator fights for marijuana

BY ALEX MILLER  
Sidelines

(U-WIRE) MURFREESBORO, Tenn.—State Senator Steve Cohen, D-Memphis, will try to legalize medical marijuana next year.

If he succeeds, Tennessee will join a handful of states that have legalized the drug for medical purposes. Eleven states have passed medical marijuana laws, according to the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws, NORML.

Passing a medical marijuana law won't be easy. If newly elected senator Jim Tracy, R-Shelbyville, has anything to say about it, Cohen's bill doesn't have a prayer.

"I wouldn't be for it, at all," Tracy said. He wants to see the details of Cohen's proposal, but he generally opposes medical marijuana. There are already prescription pain relief drugs available, he said, so patients don't need marijuana.

Tyler Smith, vice president of Middle Tennessee State University's Raider Republicans, echoed his sentiments.

"I don't agree with medical marijuana," Smith said. He harbors serious doubts about the state's ability to control the drug. If Tennessee can't even administer TennCare effectively, he said, how can it expect to regulate marijuana?

"I think there are alternatives out there," he said. "I don't see why anyone would need to step out and use marijuana."

Bobby Bush, vice president of the College Democrats, said marijuana should be an option for seriously ill patients.

"The decision to use marijuana, as opposed to other pain medications, is a decision to be made between a doctor and a patient, not a politician," he said. He believes that opposition to medical marijuana is based on "moral values" and "gets in

the way of decisions between doctors and patients."

Lynn Parsons, director of MTSU's school of nursing, supports medical marijuana.

"As long as it is physician supervised, I am for it," she said. The people who would use the drug, such as cancer patients, endure tremendous pain, she said. "We should do anything we can to alleviate their suffering."

According to Parsons, prescription pain medications, including marijuana, all have advantages and disadvantages. The side effects of pain medications like Fentanyl and Oxycodone can cause "profound respiratory distress," and marijuana users could experience hallucinations, delusions and paranoia.

In addition to pain relief, marijuana is prescribed to chemotherapy patients for nausea suppression and to AIDS patients for appetite stimulation.

OFF THE HILL | UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

## Phone radiation and cancer unlinked: U.S. Cancer Institute

BY ANNE DEADY  
Cavalier Daily

(U-WIRE) CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va.—When walking to class, students often must choose between personal interaction with friends and gabbing to roommates or parents on their cell phones.

What most students probably fail to realize is that by choosing to talk on the phone they could be hurting not just the feelings of their friends, but also their own

bodies.

Despite various studies that have shown the damage cell phones can cause, the U.S. National Cancer Institute insists that cell phones do not have any negative health effects. Because of this discrepancy, many students remain largely apathetic to the potential dangers of cell phone usage.

Fourth-year college student Drew Matz said while cell phones could potentially be harmful, it

does not stop him from using his. "Cell phones are like cigarettes," Matz said. "We all know they're bad for us, but alas, we won't do anything about it until the medical reports come out 10 years from now."

Yet many scientists would argue the medical reports supporting the dangers of cell phones have, in fact, already come out. One 2002 study conducted by Swedish oncologist Lennart Hardell found that usage

of analog cell phones may be linked to brain tumors.

Patients who used these older, analog phones were around 30 times more likely than digital users to develop brain tumors, according to a USA Today article. This difference is thought to be caused by emissions from digital phones that release much less radiation than their analog counterparts.

Those in the study who used these older phones for more than

10 years were as much as 80 times more likely to develop tumors.

While analog phones may seem like a relic of the past, many phones today actually still use an analog network when digital is not available.

It is also believed that cell phone radiation may be linked to cases of Alzheimer's disease, which affects brain cells and the various functions they perform, including memory.

# Last Chance!

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**BRIAN WOLLY |**

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## Thank you, television

The next five days of food, family and fun are a great time for reflection and much deliberation about how you can pretend to do schoolwork while not doing any work whatsoever. It is also, naturally, a period of gratitude, of thanksgiving. In keeping with the spirit of the holiday, here is my television-related list of what I am thankful for.

**Thanks to reality television.** Yes, I hate the genre, but it has spawned a magnificent scripted program in "Arrested Development." The vérité photography owes itself to the documentary style adopted by various reality shows. Thankfully, creator Mitch Hurwitz forewent the "testimonial" gimmick that has never shed its banality. Two of the show's highlights include Will Arnett's goofy rendition of the hapless and sleazy Gob and Michael Cera as the pubescently repressed George-Michael—reminding anyone who watches him what it was like to be an awkward high schooler. I haven't had a weekly must-see comedy on my schedule since the glory years of "The Simpsons."

**Thanks to Ron Artest and the Detroit fans.** Since the Red Sox victory, there really has been nothing to talk about in the wide world of sports. College football is essentially nonexistent in the New England; it is rather sad when a competition between two Ivy League schools is the high point of the season. Parity has killed much of the excitement in the NFL, making any games before December uninteresting. Thankfully, the NBA has intervened with a brawl of epic proportions. The jaw-dropping battle between Indiana hoopers and Detroit fans should carry the news cycle until the final two weeks of football and baseball's winter meetings. Think of it this way: if it hadn't been for Stephen Jackson's sucker punches, we'd still be talking about Nicolette Sheridan dropping her towel on "Monday Night Football."

*Mr. Powell, I hope you get the plate with the marshmallow-less sweet potatoes.*

**Thanks to GEICO** for renewing my faith in advertising. Whoever runs the ad campaign for the car insurance company had better be sweeping the Clio awards. Two spots in particular stand out: the "Tiny House" ad, which brilliantly spoofed reality programming, and the relatively recent "cavemen" ads. In those ads, a stereotypical adman explains how switching to GEICO online is so easy that even a "caveman" could do it. The camera then pans out to a studio set, where a caveman/cameraman says, "That's not cool, man." Guess you just have to see it.

**Thanks to "Jeopardy!"** for giving dorks a good name. Ken Jennings has become something of a household name due to his unprecedented run on the show, earning \$2,355,001 since

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**MOVIE REVIEW**

## 'Finding Neverland' doesn't want to grow up

BY IAN SANDS  
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Last year, when the live-action "Peter Pan" (2003) soared into theaters, "Finding Neverland" — a kind of behind the scene

**Finding Neverland**



Starring **Johnny Depp, Kate Winslet**  
Directed by **Marc Forster**

look at the classic's rearing — was shelved. Unfortunately for both films, the two needed each other (perhaps they should have been shown back to back in theaters). The modern-looking "Peter Pan" (2003) never got caught up in the fantasy that is Pan, relying too heavily on computer technology and not enough on fairy dust. "Finding Neverland" suffers the opposite effect: it retreats into its fantasies when it should be tearing them down.

The film, directed by Marc Forster (of "Monster's Ball" fame), is based on Alan Knee's play, "The Man Who Was Peter Pan." It tells the story of J.M. Barrie, the eccentric children-loving playwright who penned the kid classic.

Barrie (Johnny Depp), who is caught in a tepid relationship with his wife and a disastrously received play at the theater, meets Sylvia Davies (Kate Winslet) and her four boys in the park. The boys soon take to the odd man, playing games with him and acting out fantasies. It's also during this meeting that Ms. Davies tells Barrie about her husband, who, according to her,



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Perennial pirate Johnny Depp should have stuck to his Captain Jack Sparrow roots instead of testing out the uncharted waters of "Neverland."

has been dead of "cancer of the jaw" for a year now.

This would be all well and good if it weren't for the fact that in real life, Sylvia's husband, Arthur, was in fact alive and well during this time. And apparently, he wasn't exactly thrilled with Barrie spending all of his time with his boys. So, wait a minute: is Sylvia lying to Barrie in the film

or is there something even more devious going on?

It turns out that Sylvia isn't lying. For the purpose of the film, Forster and screenwriter David Magee decided to pluck the poor man right out from under his own roof and discard him.

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**CONCERT REVIEW**

## Boston, Bewilderbeasts, and Badly Drawn Boy come together

BY ALISSA GREEN  
Daily Editorial Board

The stars hanging behind Badly Drawn Boy at Avalon this past Friday night shone like singing dreams, "song-lets."

As Badly Drawn Boy (a.k.a. Damon Gough) and his rotating band played a packed set replete with an intermission, he gradually shed light on the meaning behind the dreamy lyrics his fans have grown to adore. Donning his now expected wooly hat, he enabled the audience to see the person that in recent years has become clouded by his famed persona, a position he's grown to increasingly resent since the release of his first album, "The Hour of Bewilderbeast," earned him critical acclaim in 2001.

His latest album, "One Plus One is One," claws at the idea of fame. "Now everybody's waiting outside / Trying to feel what's going on inside / ... / Give me some peace," Gough wills in the disc's title song. You would think that opening both the CD and the concert with such an insistent statement would make for a caustic relationship with his fans. Instead, as the concert progresses, we see that Gough adores his fans as much as they do him.

This dynamic connection between performer and audience largely comes from Gough taking off his mask as the Badly Drawn Boy. He exposes himself by explaining the meanings of his songs, allowing the audience to judge him as a man who has committed acts, as well as an artist who has penned songs.

Yet, he wasn't sappy; he wasn't pretentious. Rather, he was a 34-year-old boy-turned-British-rock-icon who was genuinely upset that Avalon was kicking him out at 9:30 p.m. to reinvent itself as a club scene for later that night.



KATE DRIZOS/TUFTS DAILY

Badly Drawn Boy pulls both old songs from his "Bewilderbeast" days as well as new ones from "One Plus One is One" out of his wooly hat.

Because of this unexpected time hurdle, Badly Drawn Boy took the stage promptly at 7 p.m., even though many concert-goers trickled in later, expecting an opener. In fact, the band Adem did open, with a short set while sitting cross-legged on the floor and surrounded by the 40 or so people who arrived early.

Gough and his fellow musicians who comprise Badly Drawn Boy barreled through the first half of their show, which consisted only of material taken from his newest album. The limited amount of time wasn't the only reason why the beginning of the show felt rushed; Badly Drawn Boy also seem to

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**ORCHESTRA REVIEW**

## 'Discover' an exciting and lively brand of symphony

BY DAVID POLK  
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When asked why she wanted to attend an orchestra concert this weekend, a sixth grader said that she thought it would be "an

**Bose Discover Series**

Boston Philharmonic



occasion to listen to a peaceful kind of music." Benjamin Zander, the conductor, replied, "well, you're in for a shock!"

Indeed, Thursday night's extraordinary "Bose Discovery Series" concert by the Boston Philharmonic Orchestra, featuring pianist and well-known Gershwin interpreter Kevin Cole, was an experience that was anything but tranquil or boring; the works by Ravel, Gershwin and Stravinsky are so thrilling, personal and intoxicating that each often ends an orchestra program on its own.

Located in Harvard's beautiful all-wooden Sanders theater, the concert had an intimate (if not somewhat cramped), personal feel — rare for a concert by a full-sized symphony orchestra. With the resonant interior and musicians just several feet away from the audience, the sound reverberated clearly and forcefully.

Zander was himself one of the best parts of the evening. The "Discovery" series allows him to briefly introduce each piece before playing it, and his British accent and charming personality helped to bring the

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## Wolly dishes out thanks (and burnt stuffing) on Turkey Day

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June 2. These past two weeks, the quiz show has been running its College Championship edition, featuring my good high school friend Ari. Tonight, he's in the second of a two-episode final. He's a bigger dork than I, so if he wins and reaps all the fame and fortune that comes with a "Jeopardy!" championship, I have something to hope for.

Thanks to Tufts Computing and Communication Services (TCCS) for not wasting our tuition money by giving into ESPN's ridiculous demands for \$50,000 so Tufts could air their programming on the Tufts cable network. When the cable giant Comcast is having disputes with ESPN, you can't blame TCCS for its resolve. I'm as big a sports fan as any other Jumbo, but my fandom has its price and the Worldwide Leader in Sports has exceeded it. And to continue to harp on this point...

No Thanks to ESPN for giving capitalism a bad name. Do they really have to hold out and charge more than every other station combined for a couple thousand college students? It would be as if Barnes and Noble had a bookstore on campus and charged exorbitant prices merely because it was a "Tufts" bookstore. Ahem.

The short end of the wishbone should definitely be passed to Michael Powell and the FCC. Their blatant disre-

gard for the First Amendment and shameless kowtowing to a few right-wing prudes is reprehensible. It isn't the FCC's job to dole out enough fines to frighten affiliates from airing "Saving Private Ryan" on Veteran's Day. Jeff Jarvis, former critic for TV Guide and current blogger, uncovered on buzzmachine.com that of the supposed 159 complaints about Fox's "Married by America," only three were original. The rest were copies of a form letter. So, by charging Fox \$1.2 million, that comes out to a \$400,000 charge per complaint. Maybe this is the key toward paying for the war in Iraq: get the FCC to sponsor a few fundraisers. Mr. Powell, I hope you get the plate with the marshmallow-less sweet potatoes.

Burnt stuffing to producer John Wells for his single-handed dismantling of one of the best dramas in television, "The West Wing." After the ingenious Aaron Sorkin left the show because of a contract dispute, Wells has infused the program with the same melodrama and shallow character development that killed "ER." To steal a joke from the fansite televisionwithoutpity.com, viewers shouldn't be surprised if one of the White House staffers had their head cut off by Marine One. Maybe the show will rebound, but until then, Wells should realize that the success of "The West Wing" lay in its clever writing and strong characters, not weak melodrama and unbelievable plot developments.

## Perry calls 'Scrubs' stint a 'gift'

BY DANIEL FIENBERG  
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Thanksgiving is a perfect holiday for reuniting with old family and friends. Or, in the case of NBC's "Scrubs," it's a ideal time to reunite old "Friends" with their family.

Matthew Perry, away from television screens since a certain long-running comedy went off the air in May, makes his directorial debut with this Tuesday's "Scrubs," an episode in which he also co-stars with his father, actor John Bennett Perry.

"That was just a wonderful gift that they gave me," Perry says. "The story was a father and a son, and my father's a wonderful actor. And my uncle's actually in the episode, so it's kinda a family affair."

Perry developed his comic gifts in the multi-camera world of NBC's "Friends," but the actor, who harbors goals of eventually directing features, didn't want to train his helming skills in the same kind of environment.

"I feel like my experience on 'Friends' can never really be topped, so if I were to direct another four-camera show it just wouldn't be as good as the 'Friends' experience was," explains the actor. "I wanted to go in a different direction and possibly follow in the footsteps of young Zach Braff and possibly direct a movie someday."

"Scrubs," which was created by former "Friends" scribe Bill Lawrence, offered the perfect single-camera environment for Perry to experiment with directing. Of course, the critically adored but ratings starved comedy didn't just want the actor making his presence felt behind the scenes.

"It was a 'Come be on 'Scrubs' and we'll let you direct' kinda thing," he laughs.

In the episode, Papa Perry plays

a patient in need of a kidney transplant, while the younger Perry plays his estranged son who must choose whether or not to donate the organ. Beyond drawing inspiration from "Garden State" writer-director-star Braff, Perry discovered a set that reminded him of the best days of working on "Friends."

"They have to work much longer and harder hours than we did, so I kinda feel sorry for them," jokes Perry, who joined his Must-See comrades in one of television's strongest lobbying blocs. "They are just an amazingly loving and creative group. It really reminded me of the 'Friends' crew in that way. Everybody is just happy to be there, happy to work really hard."

Speaking of those "Friends" co-stars, Perry says that he has no immediate plans to visit Matt LeBlanc on "Joey," though he expects that he'll be asked to do a cameo at some point. Though he scoffs at the idea of reuniting with the other five thespians for a "Friends" movie, he swears that the old gang remains in touch.

"We don't get to see each other every day anymore, which is unfortunate," he says. "We do our best to see each other socially. We all have busy schedules. I see David Schwimmer a lot across the poker table. We do our best."

Perry even turned to Schwimmer, a regular "Friends" director, for advice. Old bud Lawrence and his "Scrubs" cinematographer also helped Perry become comfortable with camera angles and learning a new production language. Although he doesn't have any projects immediately in mind, Perry's "Scrubs" stint has left him convinced he can do more.

"I think this experience has taught me enough that I could possibly fake my way through directing a little movie."



KATE DRIZOS/TUFTS DAILY

British rock icon Badly Drawn Boy was backed by a few other stars at Friday night's Avalon concert.

## Badly Drawn Boy treats fans like old friends

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realize that the audience hadn't quite fallen in love with the new work yet. While the audience swayed and did the "white guy shuffle," they appeared unfamiliar with the latest songs. Only after the intermission, when Badly Drawn Boy began playing their older work, did those girly yelps truly rush forth in praise of the music.

The cello and horn duet which introduces the first track from "Bewilderbeast," "The Shining," heralded the end of intermission. Though also playing songs from his "About a Boy" (2002) soundtrack and sophomore effort, "Have You Fed the Fish?" (2002), Gough showcased his nostalgic and troubadour-esque catalogue.

Much of his sound relies heavily on the combination of various instruments, from strings to guitar, drums to flute. They combine to create a sort of futuristic folk sound that might threaten to fly away on

the listener if the songs weren't rooted so deeply in their lyrics.

*As Gough walked the stage from end to end, frequently reaching down to the sea of outstretched hands, the concert felt more like a reunion than a strict performance.*

Throughout the show, Gough spoke to the audience, calling out their collective name, "Boston," like he would an old friend's. True, this was his third concert at the Avalon, but while chain-smoking on stage and drowning the butts in strategically placed martini glasses, he seemed at ease. He acted like the six hundred-some-odd people in the audi-

ence were old buddies he was performing for with pride.

Sharing anecdotes ranging from why he named his son Oscar Bruce (Bruce Springsteen's "Thunder Road" made him want to be a musician, but Bruce is a "s\*\*t name," so Oscar it was) to the reasoning behind the second album's name (his four-week-old son bought him two goldfish for Christmas that year), he invited the audience to see the scrapbook of his last few years.

As Gough walked the stage from end to end, frequently reaching down to the sea of outstretched hands, the concert felt more like a reunion than a strict performance; he even dedicated one of the last songs to the Avalon itself. But before the management turned off the lights on Badly Drawn Boy's starry night, Gough sang a warm finale to his stateside friends: "I've got a good, good feeling tonight / A feeling that something is right." And it was.

## 'Seinfeld' fans go crazy over new DVD release; not that there's anything wrong with that

BY ADAM NICHOLS  
Knight Ridder Newspapers

Yada yada yada. Millions of "Seinfeld" fans finally get what they've been waiting for for so long this week: the first DVD of the hit show about nothing.

Seasons 1, 2 and 3 will go on sale Tuesday, and the classic Jerry Seinfeld sitcom is expected to quickly become the master of its digital domain.

Huge advance orders from fans — eager to again see Jerry, Elaine, Kramer and George, the four wacky New Yorkers who America came to love — have already pushed it up the top-seller lists.

Some experts predict "Seinfeld" will become the biggest-selling TV show DVD of all time.

Not that there's anything wrong with that. For fans of the show — which drew some 76.3 million viewers to its farewell episode more than six years ago — it has been a long wait.

Internet fan sites have been inundated in recent days by hundreds of thousands of Seinfeld admirers talking about the DVDs finally being let out of "the vault."

"People are really grasping at straws trying to get hold of this," said Steve Schlesinger, 58, a New Yorker living in San Diego.

He set up one of the first Net-based "Seinfeld" fan clubs, Vandelay Industries (named after a fictional company from one of the episodes).

"People around the world started asking about four years ago if I knew when the shows would be released and how they can get hold of them. They've wanted recordings of these shows since 'Seinfeld' went off the air in 1998."

Diehard fan Mark Carey, 30, from Toronto, runs a "Seinfeld" Web site, stantheaddy.com, that gets thousands of hits daily.

He said, "Watching the original showings was a ritual — it was like a religion. Every Thursday, millions of people stopped what they were doing and watched."

"It's still amazingly popular, and this is a show that stopped being made six years ago. I know of nothing like it. I get people from all over the world getting in touch with me."

"This DVD has been a long time coming and a lot of people are looking forward to it, as I am. I cannot wait."

The DVDs will be released in two volumes, with each set containing four discs. Volume 1 includes the first two seasons, and Season 3 is in Volume 2. A special gift set of all three seasons will also be available.

Extras include commentary by the show's stars, footage of Seinfeld's standup comedy, original trailers, deleted scenes and bloopers.

Meanwhile, Seinfeld is set to reunite with Jason Alexander (George), Julia Louis-Dreyfus (Elaine) and Michael Richards (Kramer), along with series co-creator Larry David, for a Thanksgiving Day hour-long special about the DVDs on NBC.

The long delay in releasing the show on disk has been attributed in part to disagreements about payments to cast members.

"It's true only Jerry and Larry David got rich from the original series, and the rest of the cast would want to make money from this," said Schlesinger. "But I think the main reason for the delay was to build demand."

# Even Depp can't save 'Finding Neverland'

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To be fair, this killing off of Sylvia's husband isn't exactly an outrageous bowdlerization of the source material. It's simply the stuff of adaptation. Like so many films that are borne out of the lives of real individuals, certain events, and even people, are often expunged from the screen.

However, Forster's film could have used the drama. After all, the only individuals who even raise their eyebrows (besides a whole bunch of townspeople who you never actually see) at the man-child are Sylvia's mother (Julie Christie) and the most suspicious of the boys, Peter (Freddy Highmore). But, beyond these two characters — who both eventually fall for the charms of the playwright — there isn't much struggle to speak of.

Since no one will steal the fantastical carpet from under the boys' feet, nature eventually steps in to spoil the party. Sylvia turns ill, and after much prodding she finally agrees to see a doctor. Yet, even nature is air-

brushed, as the lung cancer that the real Sylvia suffered is turned into an inconvenient cough.

Perhaps the biggest expurgation of all may be in the film's depiction of how Barrie comes to acquire guardianship of the boys. According to the film, Sylvia left the boys to both her mother and Barrie. In reality, however, Barrie forged Davies' will in order to gain guardianship of the boys.

*Depp's performance is too much of Ned Flanders and not enough of Captain Jack.*

Why Forster rids his film of such a fascinating conclusion is beyond me. You can't write a better ending than that, and Magee doesn't.

This is not to say that "Finding Neverland" is completely barren. In fact, it's almost impossible not to revel in the magical theater

scenes that grace the screen toward the end.

Take, for instance, what the film does with a soaring Peter Pan, who is emptied from a camera shot in order to allow a theaterful of wannabe Pans to take flight in his place. It's a common enough technique — countless video games utilize this kind of first person perspective camerawork — but Forster somehow manages to make it seem fresh.

"Finding Neverland" has another thing going for it: Johnny Depp. The actor is at times wonderfully mystifying in his role as the wacky playwright.

Yet Depp, for all of his talents, gives too pristine a performance to actually make up for the film's shortcomings. Somehow Barrie's quirks don't feel genuine. For a man who spends his days inventing elaborate pirate and Indian fantasies, Barrie comes off like the guy next door. Depp's performance is too much of Ned Flanders and not enough of Captain Jack.

There is an intriguing story beneath the pretense of "Finding



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Literary genius or just a lost boy? "Finding Neverland" explores the past of "Peter Pan" creator J.M. Barrie.

Neverland." Yet in its quest to expurgate anything that might offend its audience, it manages to drain much of the real drama as well.

When the actress playing Wendy calls out for her children in the midst of the stage version of "Peter Pan," she is referring, of course, to the orphans that

Forster has invited to the production. "Finding Neverland," in its tidy treatment of all things Pan, calls out to children in much the same way.

But, unlike Barrie, Forster will find that his audience isn't full of orphans: only adults who know better than to believe in such fairytales.

# 'Discovery Series' makes classical music more accessible for enthusiastic fans

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music alive. He spoke for both seasoned classical music lovers and beginners, telling anecdotes about each piece and composer, and he had the orchestra play important excerpts beforehand so that nobody would miss them.

Another highlight was Cole's performance of Gershwin's Concerto in F. Commissioned so that Gershwin could write something more "serious" to be played in concert halls (his "Rhapsody in Blue" is considered too "pop-ish" in some circles), this piece was the first jazz-inspired work to accomplish just that. The Concerto opens with a Charleston-inspired rhythm, continues with a wild toccata and features a slow, blues-inspired second movement with a sexy trumpet solo; you can picture George writing it alone in his 20s New York apartment, in front of his piano, cigar in mouth.

Cole is said to play exactly as Gershwin had in his short, 38-year life, and he meets such high expectations. He's everything a piano soloist should be: confident, radiant and exuberant. But his uniqueness comes from, as Zander mentioned, his truly American traits: he is optimistic,

clean, hard-edged, "fantastically exciting" and not filled with the "old world neuroses" that a European counterpart might experience.

*And just as we're ready to put on Viennese evening wear and start dancing, Ravel ends the piece with an abrupt five notes in machine-gun succession.*

The concert opened with Ravel's "Valse" and closed with Stravinsky's "Petrouchka," a program order that would be reversed by most other orchestras. But Zander, always communicating directly to the audience, said that he felt "Valse," while on the surface a fun, catchy, whimsical waltz was actually too subversive and pessimistic to be stuck at the end. The beauty of this "Discovery" concert, however, was that he then proceeded to tell the audience why.

"La Valse, Choreographic

poem" starts with a soft, barely audible, low bass chord and continues to pick up until it gets to a colorful, fast dance pace. In a work of contrast, Ravel paints a picture that is both bright and murky, soft and loud (the two dynamic extremes come within one second of each other). And just as we're ready to put on Viennese evening wear and start dancing, Ravel ends the piece with an abrupt five notes in machine-gun succession. This was, after all, written right before WWII in a euphoric, relieved 1920s Europe, and this was Ravel's warning shot.

Stravinsky's "Petrouchka," a musical story in four parts, was accompanied by a projection of the composer's own words explaining the plot of the music. In short, three puppets are brought alive during a fair, and a tragic love triangle ensues between the nice Petrouchka, an evil Moor and a ballerina who likes Russian folk dances. At the end, the Moor kills Petrouchka, a magician turns the characters back into puppets and the story ends on Stravinsky's characteristic C and F-sharp — known to symbolize the composer's own personal agony.

The orchestra performed the

incredibly dense score enthusiastically, and navigated the clashing meters and complicated dissonance with no problem. "Petrouchka" helped usher in a new musical era at the beginning of the 20th century and still sounds modern today. Russian folk songs are scattered throughout and musical vignettes, such as a fun, organ grinder scene, bring the story alive. At the end, the audience in Sanders Theater was on their feet, excited and screaming "Bravo!" at

the tops of their lungs. The Boston Philharmonic, not even fully professional (some are amateurs and students), makes classical music less stuffy and more accessible. As another sixth grader wrote of classical music when asked why he wanted to hear the concert, "some people say that it's bad, some that it's good. I'd like to find out for myself." Here's an opportunity for everyone to find out for themselves.

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## EDITORIAL

## Adoption should be based on love

The debate over gay marriage has been in the headlines for nearly the past year, but the topic of gay parents has faded into the background. A new Tufts-New England Medical Center Professor of Pediatrics study shows that children raised by homosexual parents have no differences from those raised in "traditional" families. Using over 25 years' worth of data, this study could draw attention to the issue of gay adoption.

Before gay marriage became a voting question, homosexual adoption laws were controversial. They vary from state to state, but homosexual partners are largely able to adopt children or give birth via donors. Florida banned adoption by gay couples in 1977; Mississippi passed similar legislation in 2000. Laws elsewhere remain hazy, though. Some states allow any unmarried person to adopt, and a second person can subsequently apply to be a co-guardian. Usually, legal precedents in local courts decide if gay couples can adopt more than legislation permits.

Some states that are tolerant of adoption

by gay couples, such as Oregon, Ohio and Georgia, also passed anti-gay marriage laws in the Nov. 2 elections. It appears that these policies are in direct contradiction of each other, but apparently lawmakers have overlooked it. It remains to be seen if the opposition against gay marriage will spill over and ban gay adoption around the country, too.

Hopefully, this will not happen. Much of the opposition to giving homosexuals the right to marry and adopt stems from the fear of those who are different from what they consider "normal." But, as the study shows, having two parents of the same sex is not detrimental to the development of children. Those who view homosexuality as inherently immoral are not interested in these arguments, however. Their mind is already made up.

What is likely more important to a child's development is having a supportive, loving family at home. Families with parents, siblings and grandparents in one house are readily accepted, as are those with single parents and families with step-parents and

step-siblings. These differ from the "norm" of a nuclear family but have still raised children to the same success. If these families are accepted, those headed by homosexual parents should be also.

Instead of criticizing the organization of a family, focus should be placed on individual cases. It would be madness to suggest that a child is better off in an abusive home with heterosexual parents, rather than of a loving situation with lesbian parents. Homosexual parents should be treated like any other parent and held to the same high standards needed to adopt a child. This is the only fair option to ensure that a child is placed in the best home possible.

The study, however, is not perfect. It focused on lesbian couples, and the subject pools were small and incomprehensive. Ideally, a more studies will be done soon that will give more complete picture of families led by homosexual partners. The family structure has long been changing in the United States, but so long as children can be raised in loving, responsible households, our future is secure.

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## OFF THE HILL EDITORIAL | UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## How to address the alcohol policy

BY DAILY PENNSYLVANIAN

(U-WIRE) PHILADELPHIA — It's time to face facts. The University of Pennsylvania has a drinking problem.

Whether you attribute this to a lack of University oversight, inexperience among Penn students or the ineffectiveness of Penn's current alcohol policy, it is clear that something needs to be done. As a first step, the University needs to take a long, hard look at that alcohol policy, figure out what is effective and what isn't and improve upon it.

This is not just a Penn issue, but Penn needs to address it. Students have died from excess drinking this year at the University of Oklahoma, University of Colorado, Colorado State University and the University of Arkansas. According to The Associated Press, approximately 1,400 college students die in alcohol-related incidents per year. Drinking is a serious problem nationwide and Penn is not immune. There is no sure way to prevent a tragedy, but we must begin working on the issue now if we are going to have a chance.

There are aspects of the current alcohol policy that we strongly support. For one, the amnesty policy, which protects students from punishment when seeking medical attention, is absolutely vital to the wellbeing of students. The one bad experience with alcohol is a classic though unfortunate element of college. By emphasizing safety over the threat of discipline, Penn is showing that it has the right priorities. However effective disciplinary action might be as a deterrent, the fact remains that students will drink too much, and it is in everyone's best interest to make sure that when they do, they have every incentive to go to the hospital and avoid a worst-case scenario.

Additionally, having Penn Police also prioritize ensuring student safety over making arrests represents a very responsible approach to the situation.

Currently, Penn does very well with the crisis management side of these incidents. But prevention remains a challenge. Unfortunately, this is not something that can be achieved by banning kegs or by enforcing a door-monitoring policy. There are no easy answers and no

quick and clean ways to change the competitive and sometimes self-destructive habits that have sprung up around drinking. It is clear, however, that if Penn really is going to effect this change, it must alter the drinking culture as it currently exists. Penn students are highly competitive, and too often they approach the ingestion of alcohol with the same determination that they approach a midterm. Rules on the prevention side of the alcohol policy will be effective only if they help enforce a broader change of thought across campus on how we view alcohol altogether. How exactly to do that is up to the University, and although it is no easy task, it is certainly one of dire importance.

Serious changes in alcohol policy are often reactionary. Penn's current existential crisis toward its policy began with the alcohol-related death of alumnus Michael Tobin in 1999. Since then it has tried a variety of measures, some with more success than others. In this, Penn must act pre-emptively and begin to truly address how we drink before a Penn student becomes a statistic.

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## Rethinking the Kyoto Treaty

In March 2001, President George W. Bush declared that “Kyoto is dead” and that the United States would not move to ratify the Kyoto Treaty.

Arguing that the treaty would harm the U.S. economy and deprive Americans of millions of jobs, Bush firmly rejected the global warming protocol that the majority of the world supported. From Bush’s short-term economic perspective, withdrawing from the Kyoto Treaty was a sound economic decision. However, from a long-term economic perspective, the withdrawal from the treaty would inevitably lead to long-term economic problems and missed economic opportunities.

In Bush’s words concerning the Kyoto Protocol, “I won’t support a plan that will harm the American economy and hurt American workers.” Bush’s description of the plan, to an extent, is quite true. Low pollution emission standards placed on coal, oil and nuclear power plants throughout the country would have immediately increased the price of energy. As a result, many industries would have been forced to raise prices to compensate for higher energy costs.

Thus, households, businesses and even the government would have then had to begin paying much more not only for energy, but for goods and services as well. This is not to mention how the prices of gas, heat, air conditioning and other vital sources of power and comfort would increase.

Because companies, firms and businesses would have had to reduce inventory due to higher costs, they would have had to eventually decrease wages and cut jobs. For example, if it had become more expensive for Gillette to produce razors because of higher energy costs, the company would have been forced to reduce the amount of razors produced and eventually fire workers.

Overall, according to Environmental Protection Agency statistics, the Bush administration estimated that signing the Kyoto Treaty could have resulted in up to 5 million unemployed workers, as well as reducing the U.S. Gross Domestic Product (GDP) by one to four percent in the next 10 years. Signing the Kyoto Treaty could have created a situation like the 1970s OPEC oil shocks, in which everyone would have been affected, not simply one industry. So Bush’s choice to pull out of the Kyoto Treaty was a sound economic decision.

However, the administration’s analysis of the economic impact of the Kyoto Treaty is flawed

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## Words for the soccer team

CORBIS

BY DREW PHELPS

This is a special note to the soccer players who felt their only recourse was to lob accusations anonymously at coach Ralph Ferrigno in *The Tufts Daily* (“Players accuse coach Ferrigno of exploitation,” Nov. 18).

Stand up and name yourselves. If the matter is personal or concerns the team only, then I suggest you handle it in the proper forum. Hiding behind anonymity in this case suggests, among other things, that you can’t stand by your words because of your credibility.

If you’re still worried about your playing time, you are totally missing the point: you have slandered your coach publicly and now do not even deserve to wear the uni-

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form. I watched and played with the team a couple of times this year, and they cannot suggest they would do better with another coach. Their 8-6-1 record seems pretty generous to me.

As for you former players who spoke against Ferrigno anonymously, shame on you. What exactly are you hiding? If your game eroded while at Tufts or you feel the squad didn’t achieve what its talent could have, you need to look in the mirror.

If anyone thinks Ferrigno works at Tufts for his own personal enrichment, you are missing the obvious fact that coaches in Div. III college soccer aren’t in this for the money. You do not understand what has motivated this man for the last 15 years. He’s used his camps to promote Tufts Soccer, yet everyone fails to recognize that fact.

Ralph has stoically handled incredible adversity and worked very hard to realize his oft stated goal: to make Tufts men’s soc-

cer the best team and program in New England. Cynics have called that vanity, but I would prefer to play for an ambitious coach, and I’m very happy we won Ferrigno the New England Championship he deserved in 1994.

It’s a mystery to me why the players criticize Ferrigno for purchasing a computer for team use, then acknowledge that the computer was used for reviewing video as a team. Sure, we could all use an LCD projector, but grow up and make the best of things. I wish we’d had the ability to review more tape while we were at Tufts (it would’ve saved us from having to watch the 1989 FA Cup Final repeatedly). In addition to reviewing video, Ralph used the iBook to create a wonderful video that generated incredible alumni interest in the program. The alumni game this year was attended by over 30 former players, many who donated to the

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OFF THE HILL | BOSTON COLLEGE

## Choose your poison — just don’t take mine

BY TODD BURBO  
THE HEIGHTS

(U-WIRE) CHESTNUT HILL, Mass. — The election of former bodybuilder Arnold Schwarzenegger as governor of California was apparently a harbinger for the future; governments have decided that their citizens will attain physical fitness — like it or not.

On Nov. 16, British Prime Minister Tony Blair announced a proposal that would place a “near-total” ban on smoking in restaurants and pubs that serve food — a move much more than symbolic in a country that measures a good portion of its self-image in having a pint in the bar.

The proposed ban, expected to be phased in over four years if approved, plans to make most enclosed public areas, including offices and factories, smoke-free.

Here in the United States, outside of a handful of places such as California, New York City and El Paso, Texas, cigarette smoking still remains largely unregulated in most drinking establishments. But that could change.

It’s unclear what the tobacco industry has done to be left off the list of govern-

ment-immune industries (such as oil or alcohol), but if one had to wager a guess, I’d say it was allowing their revenues to drop.

Already peppered with class-action lawsuits and advertising restrictions, tobacco is perhaps the first industry in history forced to use its own funds to criticize its product. The result, no doubt, of becoming about as fashionable as trucker hats.

To the ears of a nonsmoker, the ban initially sounds like good news. It would be nice to go out for a beer and not reek of cigarettes for the rest of the evening.

Considering other possibilities, however, should make one pause. If the government is implementing restrictions in the name of improving public health, as is the case in England, where will they draw the line?

Blair’s proposal is part of a program that includes limitations for fast food advertising during programs watched by children — a restraint that would sound quite familiar to the tobacco industry.

But if that’s the case, 10 years from now Congress could be discussing a public ban on McDonalds.

Which brings to mind the near-classic

1995 film “Demolition Man,” starring the Schwarzenegger-like action hero Sylvester Stallone. In one scene, Stallone, brought to life in a futuristic “utopian” society, horrifies his co-workers by asking for salt — which had been outlawed long ago in the name of public health.

The movie, of course, was trying to make a point about the government controlling our lives, but it’s difficult to be sure — Wesley Snipes’ platinum hair was so distracting.

It may be tempting for nonsmokers to gloat about successful tobacco bans in California and New York, but the question arises: When will the government get to the studies linking alcohol to liver failure and drunk driving fatalities?

Or, say, doughnuts and heart attacks? Sex and STDs? The situation, after all, may not seem so wonderful when you’re locked up for having a one-night stand in the presence of a glazed French cruller.

If it comes down to that, I’ll be happy to sacrifice the rights of smokers for the chance to engage in the vices I care about.

And if it means we’ll always be able to have sex and eat our Big Macs — well, then, sure. I’ve got a light for you.

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## Former soccer player plays offense against accusations

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University as a result of the experience.

Former players reading this may know that I also had a difficult time with Ferrigno during my four years on the squad. Like many players, I had issues with playing time, discipline and managerial style. Like many players, I had to sit on the bench for the first time in my life during my junior season. I had trouble with the decision and how it was communicated to me, and I channeled my frustration into negatively judging Ferrigno's every move.

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Since graduation, I've often regretted the way I responded to riding the bench that year. I almost ran myself out of the program that season, but I discussed my feelings with Ferrigno in several private meetings, and I learned quite a bit about him. He cares deeply for his players. He wants the best for the program, but he

does not (nor should he have to) deal with petulant, arrogant, immature players. The problems I had weren't because of Ferrigno; they were because of me.

I hope that these anonymous players will do some self-reflection and come to the same conclusion that I did. It's a tough game, Tufts is a tough place to play and I've seen a lot of Tufts players become paranoid about their game. It's really the player's problem if he can't emotionally cope with the situation. Ferrigno's is an English style, with which many players are not familiar. It requires the players to take responsibility and make things happen on and off the pitch.

If the players are waiting for Ferrigno to magically intervene and make them feel better, they need to understand that it's really each teammate's own responsibility. Ferrigno is available and approachable to discuss such matters. I know that for certain, as I did so several times during my career. Ferrigno's style made me a better person and a better player, and I've never adequately thanked him for that.

Thanks Ralph. You have had tremendous success at Tufts, and it has been well deserved. Normally, I'd suggest throwing this whole squad out and starting anew, but I know there are some really good lads there that still deserve to wear the sky blue.

## Turning down Kyoto Protocol unwise policy

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because it has only been viewed from a short-term perspective of 10 years at the most. Long-term economic analysis of the Kyoto Treaty is necessary for a complete comprehension of the protocol's economic effects.

The United States is the world's greatest economic power, as well as the world's greatest pollution producer. As global warming worsens annually, the frequency of hurricanes, erratic weather, droughts, floods and other bad weather conditions increases. These atmospheric conditions have the potential in the next century to seriously damage the farming and crop-holding industries and any industry that relies on water transportation, as well as coastal cities. Not to mention that the recent hurricanes have caused billions of dollars in damages.

Withdrawing from the Kyoto Treaty did not help ameliorate this potentially devastating economic situation. Unless U.S. industries are forced to reduce emission rates today, as the Kyoto treaty would have done, long-term economic problems will occur due to a vastly erratic weather system.

The U.S. withdrawal from the Kyoto Treaty was also a problem from a theoretical economic point of view. One of the keys to economic growth is technological innovation. Signing the treaty would have

forced the U.S. government and American firms to urgently invest and search for new energy sources and fuel-efficient technologies. This will be costly in the short-run, as was investing in the auto industry at the end of the 19th century or Thomas Edison's system for electric lighting. But this will create jobs in itself, result in revenues for businesses and profits for investors and introduce new services to consumers.

*Though Bush may have helped our economy today by not signing the Kyoto treaty, he may be destining the long-term U.S. economy for failure by creating little urgency to develop new energy sources and technologies.*

Just as the development of electricity helped our economy grow significantly 100 years ago, so will the development of new sources of energy and fuel-efficient technologies help our economy grow. Withdrawing from the treaty created less urgency to develop new, innovative energy tech-

nologies and sources and thus will take much longer to develop.

This leads to the final long-term economic problem that withdrawing from the treaty created. As the supply of fossil fuels gradually decreases in the future and may even run out in the next 100 years, the price of energy will rise significantly and pose a serious problem for the U.S. economy. Catastrophic economic conditions will occur when the supply of coal, oil and natural gas runs out; that is, unless there is an alternate source of energy or fuel-efficient technology available.

So, though Bush may have helped our economy today by not signing the Kyoto treaty, he may be destining the long-term U.S. economy for failure by creating little urgency to develop new energy sources and technologies.

The effects of withdrawing from the Kyoto Treaty are difficult to quantify and determine, as there are many factors to measure and analyze. Yet it is clear that the United States' withdrawal from the protocol was a good short-term economic decision but a bad long-term one. If America had adopted the Kyoto Treaty today, it may have put many people out of work and hurt an already sluggish economy at first, but ensured a strong, innovative future economy, not to mention a far healthier environment.

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## Disputes, questions still linger three weeks after Election Day

BY LARRY EICHEL  
Knight Ridder Newspapers

PHILADELPHIA — It has been three weeks since the election, but a few people still see some loose ends in need of cleaning up.

In Ohio yesterday, the presidential candidates of the Green and Libertarian parties, who plan to seek a statewide recount, asked a federal judge to order the state to speed up its initial vote tabulation.

The suit's goal is to provide enough time for the recount to be held before Ohio's 20 Electoral College votes are cast on Dec. 13. Ohio was the decisive state in the election.

And in Philadelphia, Steven Freeman, a faculty member at the University of

Pennsylvania, was finishing up a second version of his much-discussed paper, entitled "The Unexplained Exit Poll Discrepancy."

The first draft, widely circulated on the Internet, created a stir among Americans worried about the variance between President Bush's 3.3 million popular vote margin and exit poll numbers that had him trailing.

In Ohio, the two presidential candidates, Libertarian Michael Badnarik and David Cobb of the Green Party, have already raised the \$113,600 the state requires before conducting a recount. The unofficial tally has Bush ahead of Democrat John Kerry by 136,000 votes, more than 2 percent of the total votes cast.

No recount can occur, however, until a

first, official count is complete. The Ohio secretary of state's office, citing state law and practical considerations, has said a recount might not be able to start until Dec. 11, only two days before electors meet.

The secretary of state, J. Kenneth Blackwell, was a co-chair of the Bush campaign in Ohio.

"I know a recount will change the results," Cobb said Monday in a conference call with reporters. "I don't know whether it will change the results sufficiently to determine who wins Ohio's [20] electoral votes."

Last week, the Ohio Democratic Party sued the state in federal court over the standards for counting Ohio's 155,000 provisional ballots, the ballots that initially

delayed Kerry's concession. The Democrats' attorney said at the time that the party had no expectation of overturning the outcome of the election.

Among the issues raised in the new lawsuit, filed Monday in Toledo, is the accuracy of the electronic voting machines that have no paper trail. Such machines were used in seven Ohio counties. But, as Cobb acknowledged, there is no way to conduct a meaningful recount of votes cast on them.

In his exit poll paper, Freeman, a lecturer and visiting scholar at Penn's Center for Organizational Dynamics, found that the gap between the poll results on Election Night and the vote count itself was

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## Prestigious med journal questions FDA effectiveness

BY TONY PUGH  
Knight Ridder Newspapers

WASHINGTON — Drug maker Bayer was slow to report the risks of its cholesterol-lowering drug Baycol and to remove it from the market in 2001, according to an forthcoming report in the Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA).

The findings, based in part on internal company documents revealed in a recent court case, raise new questions about the Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) effectiveness in monitoring the safety of drugs after it has approved them for sale.

The report on Baycol appears in the journal's Dec. 1 issue, along with five other papers on problems with drugs after they have been approved for sale. An accompanying editorial in the influential journal recommends that a new federal regulatory office be established, independent of the FDA, to monitor drugs once they are on the market.

The Baycol study concluded that Bayer officials knew four months after the drug hit the market in February 1998 that it was more likely than other cholesterol-lowering drugs, known as statins, to cause a rare and sometimes fatal muscular disorder, rhabdomyolysis.

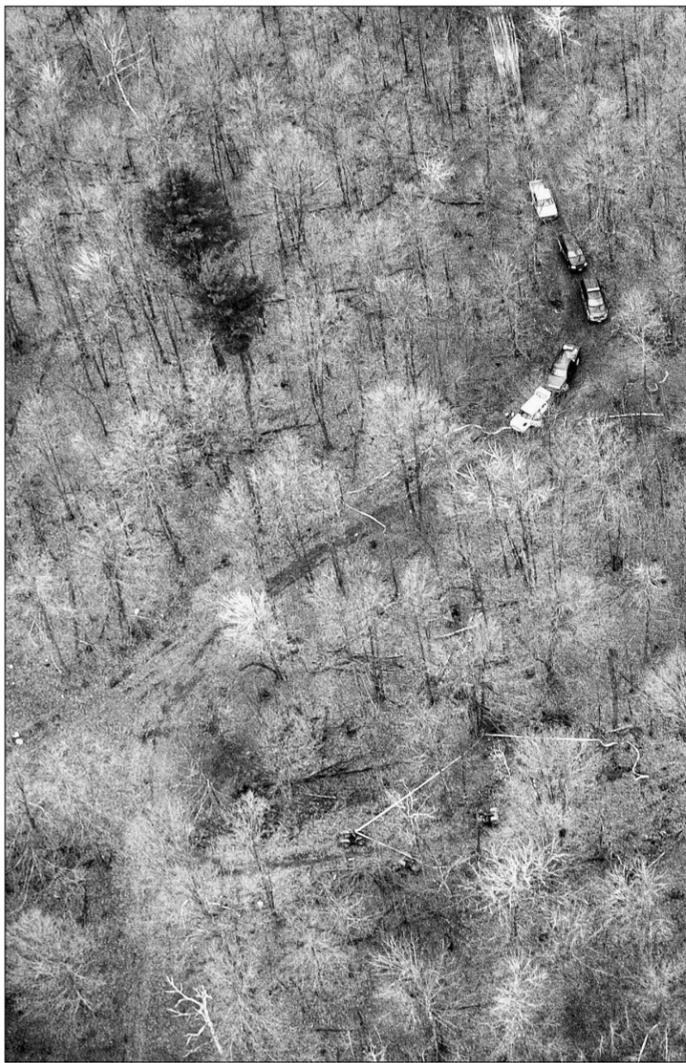
The problems occurred most frequently when Baycol was taken with Lopid, produced by Pfizer Inc., which is used to lower a type of fat in the blood known as triglycerides. Fibrates, as such drugs are called, often are prescribed along with statins, and patients are routinely advised of the risk of developing rhabdomyolysis, said co-author Dr. Bruce Psaty, a medical professor at the University of Washington in Seattle.

A separate JAMA paper by Dr. David Graham, a prominent FDA drug safety expert, found that the risk of developing the muscular disorder was minimal with other statins.

Bayer received seven reports between February and June 1998 that Baycol users had developed rhabdomyolysis, according to internal company

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## A deadly hunt



JOE ROSS/KRT

Yellow crime scene tape (bottom right corner) marks the shooting scene near Birchwood, Wisconsin, yesterday. Six deer hunters were killed and two wounded following a dispute Sunday over access to the hunting land on the opening weekend of the state's deer hunting season.

## Parishioners held up during Mass in Florida

BY BRITTANY WALLMAN  
Knight Ridder Newspapers

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — City police promised increased protection for religious services during the holidays after two masked thieves burst into a Catholic Church just before Mass yesterday morning, assaulting two parishioners and stealing their wallets as others ran for the doors.

Eleven churchgoers were in the sanctuary at Saint Anthony Catholic Church for the 6:30 a.m. Mass when the two men, at least one of them armed with a black semi-automatic handgun, walked down the center aisle demanding wallets and purses and ordering people to be quiet.

One victim, Sherry Saunders, nervously smoking a cigarette after the ordeal, struggled to find the words to describe the attack, shaking her head and blinking and finally saying, "It was surreal."

"They chased me up the aisle," Saunders said outside the church and school, just north of Virginia Shuman Young Elementary School in Victoria Park. "I was screaming."

Saunders said the man with the gun pushed her down.

"I kept trying to kick the guy," she said, "and he pointed a gun in my face."

He grabbed her purse, took the checkbook and wallet and dumped the purse in the back of

the church.

Police officials later went door to door seeking witnesses. They said they would notify every house of worship in the city and increase police patrols around them as well.

"What happened today is an isolated incident," said police Sgt. Andy Pallen, "and we are using every resource available to us to make sure it doesn't happen again."

Two masses are held every morning, at 6:30 and again at 8:15 a.m. Saunders said she goes every day.

She said she was reciting her prayers about 10 minutes before Mass was supposed to start when the men walked in the southeast door, the side next to the preschool.

One wore a black ski mask, the other a black "veil" with eye holes, that was long and "flowing" in the back, she said.

"Everyone started running for the door," she said, "I thought, 'I guess I'm supposed to run.'"

Police said at least one churchgoer, a man, ran out the back door, and Saunders said a man she thought was in his 80s ran into the pastor's sacristy, the room at the head of the worship hall where Father Jerry Singleton was preparing his sermon.

Pallen said the robbers got nervous when people started fleeing, making their own escape

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## Vote on weapons funding called a win for arms control

BY MICHAEL KILIAN  
Knight Ridder Newspapers

WASHINGTON — The defeat this weekend of President Bush's attempts to fund research, and possibly development, of a new family of nuclear weapons was hailed yesterday by arms control advocates as their biggest success in more than a decade.

They were reacting to the approval by the Senate and House of a spending bill that eliminates funding for the nuclear "bunker buster," as well as other "advanced concept" tactical nuclear weapons.

"This is the biggest victory that arms control advocates in Congress have had since 1992, when we were able to place limits on nuclear testing," said Rep. Ed Markey, D-Mass., one of the leading opponents of the Bush

administration's nuclear arms program. "If we are to convince other countries to forego nuclear weapons, we cannot be preparing to build an entire new generation of nuclear weapons here in the U.S."

The administration had argued that it was important at least to study such weapons at a time of great threat against the United States. But congressional sources said Republicans joined with Democrats in opposing the nuclear weapons program because of the bad example it would set while the United States is trying to compel North Korea and Iran to abandon their nuclear arms efforts.

In addition, lawmakers were concerned by the budgetary pressure of the costly Iraq war and the spiraling deficit.

The Bush White House, which

is likely to continue making the program a priority in the president's second term, had sought \$27.6 million to continue work on the bunker buster or Robust Nuclear Earth Penetrator, a nuclear weapon that would be aimed at an enemy's underground sanctuary. The goal would be to deny enemies havens for weapons of mass destruction or for hiding from U.S. forces.

"We want, in some hypothetical future confrontation with a hypothetical generic dictator, to make it absolutely clear that he doesn't have an invulnerable sanctuary," Linton Brooks, administrator of the National Nuclear Security Administration, said recently. "We can take this [nuclear] energy and hole it. We can do it while minimizing, not eliminating, collateral damage, and therefore you should not

believe you have any sanctuary."

Brooks' agency oversees America's nuclear weapons programs. Neither the White House nor the National Nuclear Security Administration responded to calls Monday about Congress' action or the administration's nuclear weapons plans.

The White House had outlined plans to spend more than \$500 million on the penetrator project over the next several years, which some analysts said was enough to move beyond research and put the weapon into production.

Bush had also asked for \$9 million for further research into the possible development of "advanced concept" low-yield tactical nuclear weapons that could be used on a battlefield.

During the Cold War, the

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# Texas mom charged with killing her 10-month-old infant daughter

BY JENNIFER EMILY  
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Knight Ridder Newspapers

PLANO, Texas — A 10-month-old girl died yesterday after her mother cut her arms off, police said. The 35-year-old woman, who has suffered from postpartum depression, was charged with capital murder.

Dena Audre Schlosser sat calmly in the living room when officers arrived after receiving a 911 call just before noon. Her clothes were covered in blood, and the baby lay in her crib in a back bedroom. The child, whose name was not released, was alive when police arrived and later died at nearby Medical Center of Plano.

Schlosser told police she was responsible for the baby's injuries but declined to elaborate, police said. Police would not comment about why she may have killed the youngest of her three daughters. They would also not discuss whether investigators recovered a knife or other weapon.

"It doesn't appear to be accidental. Both arms were completely severed," Officer Carl Duke said. "She was not talking when she left here. She was very quiet, subdued."

Plano police said the child's injuries were horrifying.

"I've never had to face anything like this before," said Detective Bryan Wood. "And, frankly, I'd never want to. My sympathies go out to the family and to the first responders on the scene."

Schlosser's husband and two other daughters, aged six and nine, lived in the downstairs apartment but were not home at the time. The older daughters, who were in school, have been placed in temporary foster care.

Schlosser had received a diagnosis of postpartum depression during a Child Protective Services neglect investigation early this year.

A CPS investigator was called to Schlosser's home Jan. 15 after she was seen running down the street, followed by her then-five-year-old daughter, who was on a bicycle. When police and CPS arrived at the scene, the child told them her mother had left her six-day-old sister alone in the fami-

ly's apartment. None of the children were injured.

"Mom started walking and running from the apartment," CPS spokeswoman Marissa Gonzales said. "Someone called law enforcement, and she was obviously having some sort of psychotic episode."

Schlosser was taken to a Collin County (Texas) medical center, where she was hospitalized for a few days, Gonzales said. Her children were released to their father, who told authorities she had been acting strangely since the birth of their third child Jan. 9.

Once the woman was released from the hospital in January, she agreed to seek counseling and see a psychiatrist, Gonzales said.

**“That's the so-called 'baby blues.' When it goes longer than that, you need to be concerned.”**

**J. Douglas Crowder**

Clinical associate professor of psychiatry, University of Texas

The woman kept all of her appointments, and at one time was given a prescription for a psychotropic drug. But sometime between January and August, the woman was taken off the medication, Gonzales said.

"We had received assurances that mom was stable from the people who were dealing with her, the professionals," Geoffrey Wool, CPS spokesman in Austin, Texas, said of her doctors' decision to take her off of the medication.

CPS caseworkers continued to visit the family through the spring and summer, the last time on July 29.

"She was doing well," Gonzales said.

The case was closed Aug. 9 and classified with a finding of "Reason To Believe Neglectful Supervision."

"At the time we had closed the case, we had been assured she was stabilized, and she posed no risk to herself or her children to the extent that you can predict these things," Wool said.

The baby's death shocked residents of the apartment complex, which is home to numerous families.

Michael Lujan, 25, who lives in the same building at the apartment complex, said he often saw Schlosser and her children having picnics with her children under the trees near their building. He said she stayed home with the children while her husband worked. Her older daughter often rode her bike.

"I'm in shock," said Lujan, who has two children. "She seemed sweet to me... just like any other mother. She was loving and tended to their needs."

Others wondered how something like this could happen.

"What would drive a person to do that?" questioned resident Jacob Hopland, 22. "I know kids are hard to handle, but you have to step up and be a good parent."

Officer Duke said Schlosser was not talking with officers at the police station about what happened. No previous criminal record could be found for Schlosser.

Mood problems are common up to two weeks after giving birth, said J. Douglas Crowder, clinical associate professor of psychiatry at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

"That's the so-called 'baby blues,'" Crowder said. "When it goes longer than that, you need to be concerned."

Postpartum symptoms are the same as those of common depression, Crowder said. Mood swings, loss of appetite, insomnia, fatigue and thoughts of suicide are typical. When at its worst psychotic level, mothers may hallucinate or sometimes conclude that children are hopelessly flawed and better off dead.

But he said violence toward children is uncommon.

Crowder said a law that went into effect last year requires doctors to warn parents of the effects of postpartum depression.

The law was precipitated by the case involving Andrea Yates of Houston, who was sentenced to life in prison in 2001 for drowning three of her five children, he said. It is meant to prompt families to seek medical help for women who display symptoms.

# Questions still linger three weeks after Election Day

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beyond any easy explanation. "That the President did not legitimately win the election is still a very premature conclusion," he wrote in the revised version, "but the election's unexplained exit poll discrepancies make it an unavoidable hypothesis."

Since the original paper was posted (initially without his permission) 10 days ago, Freeman said he has received roughly 1,500 e-mails and 100 phone calls, mainly from voters thanking him for raising the issue.

"The reaction has been overwhelming," said Freeman, whose field is business management. "I started looking at the situation just for my own curiosity. I'd seen the exit poll numbers on Election Day and thought Kerry had won. The subsequent articles trying to explain what had happened made no sense to me."

Any number of pollsters, political scientists and professionals in both the Democratic and Republican parties have

said they see no reason to suspect there is anything significantly amiss with the vote count, regardless of what the exit polls said.

The consortium of news organizations sponsoring the polls has commissioned an investigation to learn why the results ended up skewed toward Kerry.

While the investigation is not complete, Warren Mitofsky, whose company designed and help conduct the poll, has suggested more Republicans than Democrats refused to be polled, skewing the numbers. Such refusals, the theory goes, might stem from distrust some Republicans feel toward the so-called "mainstream media," whose logos the pollsters wore on Election Day. Exit polls have overstated the Democratic vote in other recent elections as well.

Freeman, who said the theory has "some plausibility," expects to post the revised version of his paper today on his Web site (<http://www.appliedresearch.us/sf/>).

# FDA effectiveness under fire by prestigious medical journal

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documents cited in the JAMA report. Five of the seven patients took Baycol and Lopid.

Bayer began revising its labeling in July 1998 to address the findings, but it was not until December 1999 that the company announced in a letter to health-care providers that Baycol's labeling would explicitly warn about the risk of taking it with Lopid, Psaty said.

Bayer withdrew the drug from the U.S. market in August 2001 because physicians continued to prescribe it in tandem with Lopid, despite labeling information warning against doing so.

Later findings by Bayer on the link between Baycol and Lopid and the muscular disorder were never "published [or] reported to regulatory authorities, physicians or patients," according to Psaty.

Bayer attorney Joseph

Piorkowski Jr., in a JAMA article responding to the criticism of Bayer's handling of Baycol, said the company acted properly in updating the product's labeling promptly as information about its risk surfaced. He said in the article that studies that might have suggested a stronger link were not published because they did not make a clear cause-and-effect finding between Baycol and Lopid.

Baycol's labeling, like that of other statins, always has informed consumers of its possibly dangerous interaction with fibrates, he said. In addition, Bayer amended the labeling five times, without FDA prompting, to better address those concerns.

"Thus, at all times that Baycol was marketed, both the nature and the magnitude of the (muscular disorder) risk were accurately set forth in the labeling," Piorkowski said.

# Congress votes against bill to fund further weapon research

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United States maintained a stockpile of similar weapons to be used in the event of a Soviet attack on Western Europe, but these were destroyed following arms reduction agreements between the U.S. and Russia.

In addition to eliminating the funding requests, Congress slashed from \$29.8 million to \$7 million a White House request to build new nuclear warhead facilities, or "pits," and cut \$30 million that the administration had planned to use to speed up a resumption of nuclear testing, if that proved necessary.

Though Brooks argued it was not the intention of the White House to start "some bad new nuclear arms race," critics argued these actions would have precisely that effect.

Russian Defense Minister Ivan Ivanov had said pursuit of these programs would be "a case of letting the genie out of the bottle."

According to the Washington-

based Center for Defense Information, Russia still has some 3,400 tactical nuclear weapons left from the Soviet era that the United States would like eliminated.

A major stumbling block to the administration's plans was a maverick Republican, Rep. David Hobson of Ohio, chairman of the House Appropriations Energy Subcommittee, who feared the research funding would lead to a new arms race.

Unlike other military programs, nuclear weapons are overseen by the Department of Energy, which in turn is monitored by Congress' energy committees.

"What worries me about the nuclear penetrator," Hobson told one scientific symposium when the administration proposal was being debated, "is that some idiot might try to use it."

He succeeded in persuading his subcommittee to eliminate all funding for the nuclear projects in the 2005 fiscal year budget, and the full House overwhelmingly supported him.

# Parishioners held up during morning Mass

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out the northeast door of the sanctuary.

Another victim, described by Saunders as older and named Billy, also was pushed to the floor and robbed of his wallet.

Pallen said the men got very little money. They were described as possibly in their late teens or 20s, though he said it was difficult to tell.

Though children at the church's preschool and K-8 private school regularly attend the morning Masses, Monday's early service is not one of the sessions they attend.

At 8:15 a.m., the second Mass went on as scheduled, even as police forensics specialists worked to find fingerprints on the doors.

Saunders said she has attended the church since 1981 and sent her kids to the private school there.

"I want them to go to jail," she said of the bandits. "You don't go into God's house and do this."

The church's communications director, Mary Ross Agosta, said nothing like this has ever happened at any of the churches in Miami's Archdiocese of 118 parishes in Broward, Monroe and Miami-Dade counties.

They've had their poor boxes robbed, they've been vandalized or had statues stolen. But nothing this brazen.

Nor could anyone remember it happening at any other church in Fort Lauderdale, Pallen said.

Agosta said the church will have to re-think security. The church already hires an off-duty police officer on Sundays. But they're not going to

change the open worship services.

"We're not going to lock our churches during Mass time," Agosta said. "We're not going to be frightened off."

Agosta said the robbers "need to get down on [their] knees and ask God for forgiveness."

Police Chief Bruce Roberts said he's ordered his fugitives squad to help find the church invaders.

"I hope they hunt those jackals down and bring them to justice," said Mayor Jim Naugle, who was on the scene consoling Saunders shortly after the crime.

City Manager George Gretsas and Roberts also showed up at the church to talk to Father Singleton to tell him they were sorry and that they would handle the situation.

Gretsas recently announced the city is focusing on crime prevention using the "broken window" theory of focusing on small things like littering or homelessness. The department's community policing division that focused on such things had been dismantled due to budget cuts.

Still, the department is understaffed compared to last budget year, with 30 police jobs open, 14 officers retiring soon and 16 police jobs cut out of the budget entirely, according to Chief Roberts.

Roberts acknowledged the city is suffering an up-tick in some violent crimes, including robberies, even while other crimes are dropping.

But Gretsas said the two are not necessarily linked, and that some crimes aren't preventable. "Sometimes," he said, "random things happen."

## Israel gives cautious pledge to ease military grip over Palestinian areas

BY WARREN STROBEL  
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Knight Ridder Newspapers

JERUSALEM — Secretary of State Colin Powell won a cautious pledge from Israel yesterday to ease its military grip over Palestinian areas in order to make possible an election to replace the late Yasser Arafat.

Palestinian leaders, who Powell met in a quick trip to the ancient West Bank city of Jericho, reacted with wary optimism to the promises by Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's government, which

offered no specifics.

Before flying to Sharm el Sheik, Egypt, for an international conference on Iraq, Powell spent a day trying to help engineer a smooth path for the Palestinians' Jan. 9 elections. The Bush administration hopes cooperation on the voting could lead to a modest restoration of trust between the sides and the revival of long-dormant peace talks. Powell reported that what he heard from the Israelis and Palestinians, while vague, is the first hopeful thing he's seen in four years.

But, as Powell warned, any

progress in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict remains vulnerable to the same threat as in the past: attacks by Palestinian militants opposed to negotiation. Sharon has made it clear he'll take no steps that he thinks would risk Israel's security.

"We will do everything we can in order to remove any obstacle that [the Palestinians] might face in their preparations to have elections," said Israeli Foreign Minister Silvan Shalom.

But, Shalom added, "We are not going to do anything that might

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GORAN TOMASEVIK/KRT

U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell, left, shakes hands with interim Palestinian leader Mahmoud Abbas following meetings with the Palestinian leadership in the West Bank town of Jericho, yesterday.

## Sunni Muslim cleric advocating election boycott killed

BY TIM JOHNSON  
Knight Ridder Newspapers

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Assailants in the northern city of Mosul shot and killed yesterday a leading cleric of an influential Sunni Muslim group that has called for boycotting Iraq's parliamentary elections, set for Jan. 30.

In separate incidents, private British security guards were blamed for killing an Iraqi policeman in an altercation in central Baghdad, and authorities south of the capital said they found 12 bodies, five of them without heads.

The cleric's assassination was the latest in a spate of violence, much of it apparently

intended to derail U.S.-backed plans to hold nationwide elections at the end of January.

Gunmen in a getaway vehicle fired at the cleric, Sheik Feydhi Mohammed al Feydhi, as he left his home in Mosul at 9 a.m., colleagues said. No one was captured.

Feydhi belonged to the Moslem Scholars Association, which opposes the elections, saying they shouldn't be held until American "occupiers" withdraw from Iraq. The group claims to represent 3,000 mosques.

If the group persuades enough Sunnis to boycott the elections, it could call the legitimacy of their results into question, prolonging the mayhem that's torn at Iraq since last year's U.S.-led invasion to topple Saddam Hussein.

The killing came on the eve of an international conference on Iraq in Sharm el Sheik, Egypt.

Some Arab delegates to the conference, which includes Iraq's neighbors and the Group of 8 industrialized countries, suggested Monday that Iraq's elections might have to be postponed beyond Jan. 30 because of the violence.

But a senior State Department official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said holding the elections by the end of January was "very feasible."

The Bush administration has acknowledged that the elections may be imperfect,

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## Pro-Russian candidate wins in Ukraine, sparking riots

BY MARK McDONALD  
Knight Ridder Newspapers

MOSCOW — Tens of thousands of protesters braved freezing temperatures yesterday to denounce the apparent victory of the government candidate in Ukraine's presidential election.

With nearly all the votes counted, Prime Minister Viktor Yanukovich led opposition candidate Viktor Yushchenko by nearly three percentage points, according to the Central Election Commission.

Exit polls Sunday night had given the challenger a large lead. But that apparent advantage evaporated overnight as election officials counted the paper ballots.

Yushchenko, a former prime minister who favors closer ties to Europe and the West, addressed a huge rally Monday in Independence Square in the capital of Kiev. He charged the authorities with "total fraud," called for an emergency session of Parliament and told his supporters to keep up their protests "until victory."

"From all parts of Ukraine, on carts, cars, planes and trains, tens of thousands of people are on their way here," Yushchenko said. "Our action is only beginning."

The rally continued into the night, in an almost festive atmosphere, with music and speeches. Many in the crowd wore orange scarves, hats and ribbons, the campaign's trademark color.

Teams of international monitors declared the election deeply flawed. Sen. Richard Lugar, the Indiana Republican who went to Ukraine as the U.S. government's official observer, said authorities had tampered with the vote.

"It is now apparent that there was a concerted and forceful program of Election Day fraud and abuse enacted with the leadership or cooperation of the authorities," said Lugar, the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

In Washington, State Department spokesman J. Adam Ereli issued a strong warning to the Ukrainian authorities, while stopping short of calling for new

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## Food supply lines in jeopardy

EL FASHER, Sudan — A worker carries a bag of food for humanitarian aid from the United Nations World Food Program at a central storage facility in El Fasher in the Darfur region of Sudan on Sunday. Due to violence in the region, food distribution to refugees is difficult.

Despite a truce and the presence of African peacekeepers, a recent surge in fighting in Sudan's Darfur region has disrupted food deliveries, prompting aid workers to warn that the world's worst humanitarian crisis is worsening.

Some areas with heavy refugee populations have gone weeks without deliveries as roads open one day are declared unsafe the next. The number of kidnappings, landmine explosions and random shootings has risen.



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## Inter-party wrangling could sway Mexican election

BY SUSANA HAYWARD  
Knight Ridder Newspapers

MEXICO CITY — Despite a string of victories in statewide elections this year, Mexico's former ruling party appears headed toward a split over its 2006 presidential candidate that could jeopardize its hopes of regaining the country's highest office.

At the heart of the split is Roberto Madrazo, the national leader of the Institutional Revolutionary Party (PRI) and the architect of many of the party's regional election victories since the PRI lost the presi-

dency in 2000 for the first time in seven decades.

"Madrazo will lose," said Francisco Labastida, who lost the 2000 election to Mexico's current president, Vicente Fox.

The extent of the opposition to a Madrazo candidacy is still unclear; the PRI has until March 5 to pick a candidate. But at Sunday's party convention, held under a huge white tent at PRI headquarters in Mexico City, several important PRI figures were absent.

In addition to Labastida, missing were Emilio Chauyeff, the PRI's congressional coordinator; Arturo Montiel, the gov-

ernor of Mexico state; and the outgoing governors of Oaxaca and Sinaloa: Jose Morat and Juan S. Millan, respectively.

The convention is one of the party's most important events, held every three years to set its political agenda.

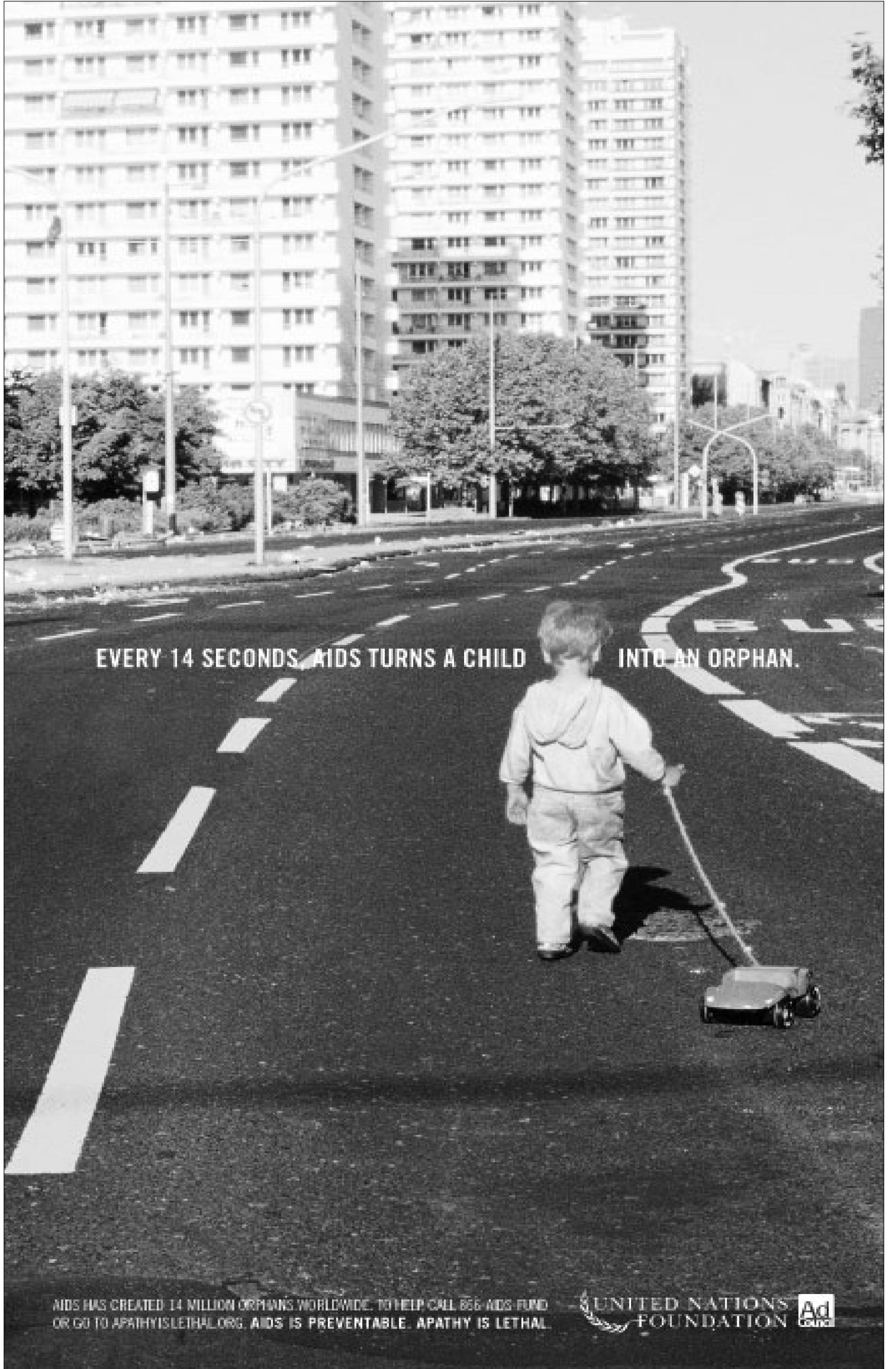
Madrazo opened the convention, calling on party loyalists to embark on a "great crusade" to defeat Fox's National Action Party.

"We're ready to win back the presidency, to govern better, better than now and better than before," Madrazo said, as giant screens projected his image to more than 3,000 delegates.

But in the days leading up the convention, it was clear many PRI members are bothered by Madrazo's dual role as party president and the leading presidential candidate. Last Wednesday, several PRI governors and party members wrote Madrazo, saying his dual roles were reminding Mexicans of the days when the sitting president selected his successor.

The letter called for clear rules to nominate a PRI candidate that are competitive and credible. It said the PRI's candidate should have "the values

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# Medical records rule out poison, but cause of Arafat's death unclear

BY JASMINE KRIPALANI  
Knight Ridder Newspapers

PARIS — Medical records indicate that Yasser Arafat wasn't poisoned, but show no "definite diagnosis" explaining his death, his nephew said yesterday.

The nephew, Nasser al Kidwa, said he hadn't had a chance to read the entire 558-page medical file, which he received yesterday from officials at the French military hospital where Arafat died Nov. 11. He said he'd turn the file over to a special commission established by Palestinian Prime Minister Ahmed Qureia to study the reasons for Arafat's death.

"Two central points remain: There is no clear diagnosis of the reason for the death

and the toxicological tests were made and no known poison was found," al Kidwa said.

Al Kidwa, who's also the Palestinian Authority's U.N. observer, is the first person who's reviewed the records to speak publicly about their content. French officials have declined to do so, citing privacy laws, and have rejected the Palestinian Authority's requests for the records. The resulting silence has given rise to rumors in the Middle East about the cause of Arafat's death, from poisoning by Israel to AIDS.

French officials had expected al Kidwa to retrieve the records Friday, and it wasn't clear why he waited until yesterday. Arafat's widow, Suha, who'd feuded with Palestinian leaders over her husband's condition, col-

lected a set of the files Friday afternoon. Over the weekend, her attorney challenged al Kidwa's right to view the file, saying French privacy law restricted access to immediate relatives.

French officials ruled that the law means any relative is allowed access, and gave a copy to al Kidwa.

"What he does with the records once he has them is up to him," said a Defense Ministry official, who by policy can't be named.

Al Kidwa said he understood Suha's desire "to keep the information and to remain the only source." But he echoed official Palestinian statements that the reason for Arafat's death was too important to

be kept secret. "We have to consider the political view, not only the personal view," he said.

Last week, French newspaper reports, based on leaks from doctors involved in Arafat's treatment or with access to the records, indicated he died of cirrhosis of the liver and a blood-clotting disorder, which led to a brain hemorrhage and other problems.

Al Kidwa said he wasn't a medical expert, and would leave interpreting the results to those who were. He added that the interpretation might take time.

"We are not taking measures, for the moment, to reach a definitive conclusion," he said. "The Palestinian people will have to remain patient."

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21st century." Among the signers were governors from five states, as well as the powerful Sen. Manuel Bartlett Diaz.

Those concerns were echoed by Labastida and Montiel, who acknowledged that he too is interested in seeking the nomination.

"It's not fair that someone is the leading candidate and at the same time leads the party," Montiel said Sunday.

A political group called "All Against Madrazo," or "Tucom" by its Spanish acronym, was formed last year, but its numbers are unclear.

Analysts say it will be hard to defeat Madrazo, a 52-year-old lawyer and former governor of Tabasco state.

Under his leadership, the party

has won 17 state elections since 2003 to the PAN's 10.

"He's the man to beat. The election is going to be based on the rank-and-file vote," said Antonio Ocaranza, an analyst who was former President Ernesto Zedillo's spokesman. "If you look at the polls, the only constant is Madrazo. He's already the party president and can brag that the PRI wins elections under his guidance."

Polls show Madrazo and popular Mexico City Mayor Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador as the leading candidates to replace Fox, with the mayor ahead by one or two points. Lopez Obrador, of the left-of-center Democratic Revolutionary Party, however, could be ineligible, because he faces possible congressional impeachment after refusing a court order to stop road construction to a hospital.



Roberto Madrazo, leader of Mexico's Institutional Revolutionary Party (PRI) speaks on Nov. 20 at a national assembly held in Mexico City to lay groundwork for electoral strategies to regain the presidency in 2006.

## Powell tries to jumpstart Mid-East talks

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damage or harm the security of the people of the state of Israel."

Palestinians say the elections can't succeed unless Israel redeploys its troops from cities in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, eases travel restrictions and military checkpoints and allows roughly 100,000 Palestinians in predominantly Arab East Jerusalem to vote.

Powell praised the conduct of the collective Palestinian leadership that took over after Arafat died on Nov. 11 and said he would make a strong pitch to U.S. lawmakers for direct American aid to the Palestinians.

"I think we can make a pretty good case that this is the time to assist the Palestinians," he said after meeting with Palestinian Prime Minister Ahmed Qureia, former Prime Minister Mahmoud Abbas — a leading presidential candidate — and acting President Rawhi Fattouh.

Saeb Erekat, a Palestinian Cabinet minister, said in a telephone interview that he wasn't concerned by the lack of details on what Israel is willing to do.

"I believe this is the job of the Palestinians and Israelis to put into effect" those details, Erekat said. "We don't need to reinvent the wheel."

He noted that a voting system was in place from a 1996 election, which Arafat won.

But Qureia's chief of staff, Hassan Abu Libdeh, said, "We heard something today, but we will have to wait to see the concrete acts."

The Israeli English-language daily Ha'aretz quoted an aide to Sharon as saying that Israeli and Palestinian officials would meet soon to discuss election arrangements.

Israelis and Palestinians have agreed tentatively to use a formula from 1996 in which Palestinians in East Jerusalem will vote by mail. Israel considers mostly-Arab East Jerusalem part of its capital; Palestinians see it as part of their future state.

Erekat called the talks with Powell "a very important meeting because it signified American re-engagement in the peace process."

Powell, who will leave office soon, was making his first trip to Israel and the West Bank since June 2003. President Bush recently promised British Prime Minister Tony Blair that he would spend political capital to help create a Palestinian state.

But Bush has made such pledges before without engaging in the sustained high-level diplomacy necessary to bridge the gap between Israelis and Palestinians.

Militant groups such as Hamas, Palestinian Islamic Jihad and Iranian-backed Hezbollah oppose compromise with Israel and could disrupt the elections.

Abbas and Qureia are trying to bring Hamas and other factions into the political process and persuade them to halt attacks on Israelis.

Powell rebuffed a recent plea by Qureia that the Palestinians be guaranteed a state by the end of 2005, the target set in the two-year-old U.S.-backed "road map." Meeting that deadline now would require skipping some of the steps in the plan.

Bush "would like to see it happen immediately, but it will take time. And it will take goodwill on the part of both sides," Powell said after a brief visit to the Jericho office of the Palestinian Central Elections Commission.

**“It's not that we lack hope. We are full of hope. But the Americans and the Israelis lack the will for a solution.”**

**Muntaha Tahan, 32**  
Lab technician

Rami Hamdallah, the head of the commission, said 1.1 million Palestinians registered to vote between Sept. 4 and Oct. 13 for municipal and parliamentary elections. Registration was reopened after Arafat's death and ends tomorrow.

Jeries Nabber, 21, a grocery store clerk in Jericho's central shopping district, said he'd vote for Abbas even if the highly popular Marwan Barghouti is on the ballot. Barghouti, a street-smart leader affiliated with an armed faction of Arafat's Fatah party, is serving multiple life sentences in an Israeli prison for conspiracy in the shooting deaths of several Israelis.

Muntaha Tahan, 32, a lab technician at a Jericho hospital who commutes weekly from her home in Nablus, remained skeptical about Powell's visit. To get from Nablus to Jericho, she must pass through three Israeli checkpoints.

"It's not that we lack hope. We are full of hope," she said. "But the Americans and the Israelis lack the will for a solution."

She said she wished she could vote for Arafat, even now that he's dead.

## Gunmen shoot down cleric advocating election boycott

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but is trying to maximize participation by Iraq's disaffected Sunni Muslim Arab minority.

Shortly after the Mosul assassination, shooting erupted near the Babylon Hotel in central Baghdad, the result of an apparent misunderstanding between police and a British private-security detail in a car with tinted windows and no license plate. The gunfire left one Iraqi policeman dead, and a second officer and a bystander wounded.

"It is not terrorist-related," Sabah Kadhim, a spokesman for the Interior Ministry, said in a terse statement, declining to confirm that British security guards were involved.

Other officials said the police grew suspicious of the car and fired into the air in warning. The car's occupants returned fire, leading to the death and injuries.

Whether one or two British security guards were involved wasn't clear. No identities were made public, and those involved were freed after questioning.

"It's not unusual for something like this to happen," one official said, speaking on condition of anonymity. "This country is bristling with arms."

Iraq has some 20,000 private security guards, far outnumbered by the 135,000 Iraqi police. The private guards are heavily armed, poorly regulated and virtually a law unto themselves. Under current regulations, private security companies must get licenses from the Interior Ministry, post bond and register all weapons, but few follow the rules.

Police found 12 bodies Sunday in Latifiyah, 20 miles south of Baghdad, the Defense Ministry said. Seven people had been shot in the head, and the other five had been decapitated.

## Defeat of opposition candidate sparks rioting in Ukraine

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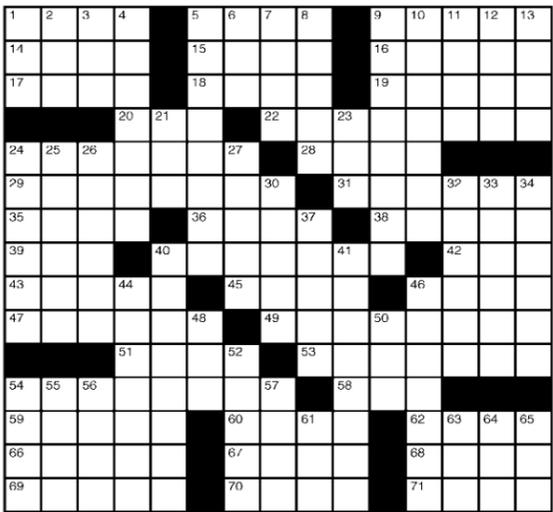
elections. "Should, in the final analysis, this election prove to be fundamentally flawed and tarnished, we would certainly need to review our relations with the Ukraine and consider further steps against individuals who had engaged in fraud. Our hope is, our expectation is that the government of Ukraine — that the Ukrainian officials will act now to ensure that that eventual-ity doesn't come to pass," Erel

said. It was unclear whether a popular movement would rise up to challenge the election result, as happened in the former Soviet republic of Georgia when the "rose revolution" forced President Eduard Shevardnadze from power.

But many of Yushchenko's backers were clearly outraged, and the city council of Lviv, in western Ukraine, declared him the winner. The council called for a nationwide strike to protest the count.

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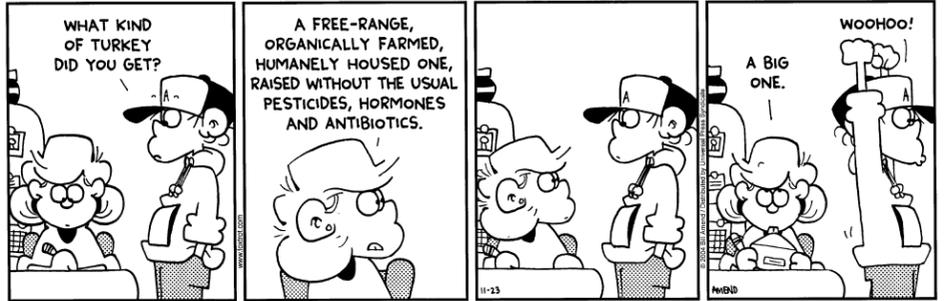
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- Gemini (May 21-June 21)** — Today is an 8 — A rabble-rousing crowd could get you in trouble with your boss, your teacher or some other authority figure. Exercise restraint.
- Cancer (June 22-July 22)** — Today is a 7 — You may not like to take orders from a person with strong opinions, but it will help you achieve rewards faster, if you can do just that.
- Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)** — Today is a 10 — It may be hard to get away, but you can sure make plans. You can make it around the obstacles, too. Nothing ventured, nothing gained.
- Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** — Today is a 5 — Advice from your friends is wonderful, of course, but don't feel compelled to obey it all. Some of it has nothing to do with your current plans.
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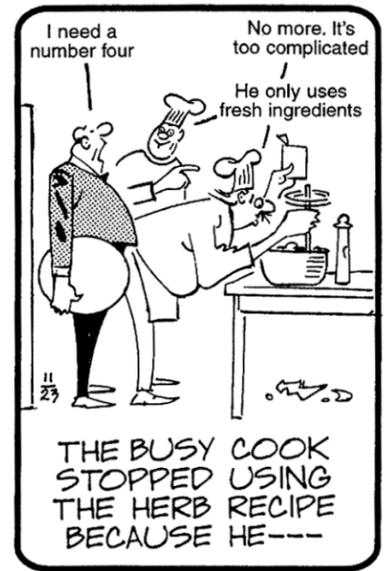
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by Henri Arnold and Mike Argirion



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# Men's swimming split first meets; Baron wins 200 butterfly, 400 IM on Saturday

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The Jumbos came out strong against Connecticut College, taking the meet's opening race, the 200-yard medley relay, and not looking back.

With a veteran team of junior Jon Godsey on the backstroke, senior tri-captains Rochette and Baron on breaststroke and butterfly, respectively, and sophomore Justin Fanning anchoring on freestyle, Tufts took the medley in 1:40.34.

That was only the beginning of the day for Baron, who excelled individually as well on Saturday. The senior provided two more first-place finishes, taking the 200 butterfly in 1:59.17 and topping the field in the 400 IM (4:25.03). Also securing a pair of individual wins' along with a relay triumph was Baron's junior teammate, Brett Baker.

Baker opened his day with a first place result in the 200 freestyle (1:48.41) before sprinting to a victory in the 100 freestyle in

49.09 seconds. Later, the junior displayed versatility in the 100 butterfly, posting a second place finish in 55.67 seconds. To cap off the day, Baker led the Jumbos to a win in the 400 freestyle relay (3:22.61), swimming the first leg, followed by Fanning and a pair of freshmen, with Sean Sullivan third and Chris Wallace anchoring.

The entire freestyle relay team put forth strong efforts individually. Along with his anchor work on the medley relay, Fanning finished second in the 200 freestyle (1:50.39) before taking third in the 100 butterfly (56.70). Sullivan posted a winning mark in the 200 backstroke, swimming it in 2:03.81, making it a two-win day in his first meet as a Jumbo. Wallace also had a solid opening meet, taking second in the 50 freestyle (23.69), along with his relay work.

There were many other big days in the pool on Saturday for Tufts. Junior Todd Putnam posted strong dives, sweeping the events off the one and three-meter

boards. Along with his medley leg, Rochette provided second and third-place finishes in the 100 (1:02.88) and 200 (2:25.60) breaststrokes, respectively.

On Sunday, the senior tri-captain was one of only two team members to win an event against the Eagles, as he captured the 50 breaststroke in 28.27 seconds.

Sophomore backstroke specialist Ray Radovich swam strongly, topping the field in the 100 backstroke (57.83) before providing a third place result in the 200 in 2:05.60.

Following his leg of the medley, Godsey put forth a strong showing in the 500 freestyle, finishing second in 5:12.53. The junior capped his weekend in style as the only other Jumbo to win a race at Boston College, taking both the 50 and 100 backstrokes (25.80 and 55.79).

The team took Saturday's meet very seriously, putting forth its best possible lineup in the absence of juniors Jason

Kapit and Greg Bettencourt.

"We put forth one of our best lineups just to see what everyone could do," Baron said. And I feel that people performed up to the expectations for this part of the season. We had a lot of strong performances, like Brett Baker and Justin Fanning in the sprint freestyle events, and also Sean Sullivan and Ray Radovich in the 100 and 200 backstroke."

With some brief time off for Thanksgiving ahead, the Jumbos will return in December with three home meets at Hamilton Pool against Babson, Bowdoin and Brandeis before finals.

By Dec. 11, the dual meet season will be halfway over, but the immediate future appears promising judging by the team's early results.

"Now that we are into our dual meet season we will be busy competing almost every weekend," Rochette said. "So we are just going to try to improve each time we swim."

# Cavell says Sox have tough off-season decisions to make concerning their roster

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leadership. We cannot overpay for an aging catcher, great as he may be. Damien Miller is a great option for a year or two, and minor leaguer Kelly Shoppach should be ready in two or three years.

The Sox should offer Varitek three or four years at about seven or eight million dollars per year. I'd say a three-year deal worth about \$23 million sounds right. He's fantastic, but not so fantastic that we should overpay. I'd say the chances of him returning are around 70 percent.

3. **Derek Lowe, SP:** Bye bye, Derek. What's amazing is that Lowe pitched his way off the Sox this postseason. Had he continued to stink we might have gotten him back for cheap, but in those last two playoff games he basically won the Mass State Lottery, and a one-way ticket out of town.

The Rangers should get him, as he makes a lot of sense for that team — which, I guess, is neither here nor there. Lowe is

incredibly talented and should be one of the better starters in the American League. But for some reason he isn't, and he's never going to be. We won't offer him a contract. Chances of him returning are about 0.000002 percent.

*Truly great teams return to be champions again, season after season. In an era absent of dynasties, it would be even more impressive were the Sox to pull it off.*

4. **Orlando Cabrera, SS:** Minor leaguer Hanley Ramirez should be ready in 2006, or at the latest 2007, and he's going to be really good. It might be prudent, therefore, to use an inexpensive placeholder like

Pokey Reese. On the other hand, OCab is the Columbian Manny. Everyone on the Sox loves this guy. How could you not? This guy takes happy-go-lucky to a new level. One of my favorite stories from this season was OCab's ongoing efforts to mess with Manny; hiding his batting gloves, stealing his helmet to wear at the plate, hiding his socks in the locker room, etc.

Not to mention that he is fantastic defensively and clutch at the plate. If you couldn't tell, I love the guy. But signing free agents shouldn't be about personal feelings. If we can sign him at \$18 million for three years, I say do it. I'd almost be willing to slightly overpay for him. Chances of him returning are about 50 percent.

That's the end of the big names. Of the rest, I'd say we should try to keep Curtis Leskanic, Doug Mirabelli, Scott Williamson, and Gabe Kapler. Mirabelli will probably leave to start meaningless games for the Rockies or something.

# Schedule too much for Jags

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playoff picture as well. If Manning can pull a Rothenlisberger and continue to improve, and the **St. Louis Rams** continue to play the kind of football they did in their loss to the **Buffalo Bills**, then the Giants could very easily win the sixth playoff spot with a 9-7 record.

Swinging to another branch of the Manning family tree, Peyton is ... well, there is no appropriate adjective to describe Peyton Manning's current level of play. Yes, you have to win a Super Bowl to be great, and he hasn't, and won't this year unless the **Indianapolis Colts'** defense steps up. But Manning running that offense is beautiful. Downright hypnotic. Right now, Peyton's on pace to smash Dan Marino's single season touchdown record of 48.

If the offense continues at that rate and the defense gets just a little bit better, there's no reason why Indy can't run the table. The problem is that unless they win out, the Colts are going to have to play a round 2 playoff game on the road against either the

**Pittsburgh Steelers** or the **New England Patriots**, both coming off bye weeks.

Looking at the rest of the AFC, here are some quick picks to finish off last week's playoff predictions: The Pats, Steelers, Colts, and Broncos look like the safest bets to make it, in that order, leaving the **Jacksonville Jaguars**, **San Diego Chargers**, **New York Jets** and **Baltimore Ravens** to fight over the remaining two spots. 11-5 might be necessary to make it in the AFC this year.

The Jacksonville Jaguars have an incredibly difficult remaining schedule and may have lost their ticket to the dance when they got upset by the **Tennessee Titans** this week. They're out.

This leaves at least one 7-3 team not to make it. The Ravens looked miserable in their win over the **Dallas Cowboys**. They face road games against New England, Indy, and Pittsburgh. It will be tough for the Jets to make it also, and the decision's almost 50/50, but in any 50/50 decision one would do well to abide by the following maxim: Always, always, always bet against Kyle Boller.

# Win over Connecticut College a strong start

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tle nervousness, taking second place in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:09.51), missing out on first place by .75 seconds to Connecticut College freshman Katelyn Brochu. Palomaki had the last laugh, however, as she touched home first in the 200 breast (2:28.84), dominating Brochu by over five seconds.

Tufts also received solid contributions from three of its other standout first years: Tia Bassano, Monika Burns, and Bianca Spinosa. Bassano gave Connecticut College senior captain, NESAC Champion and Nationals attendee Kate Kovenock a run for her money in 200-yard freestyle, taking second place in the event for Tufts in 2:00.54 seconds. She gave Tufts some much needed depth in the short sprints, placing fifth in the 100 free (57.19) and fourth in the 100 fly (1:05.19).

Bassano also swam the first leg of the 400 free relay team that took first place, giving Tufts an early lead with a strong split time of 57.45 seconds.

Burns established herself as a threat in the backstroke events with a third place finish in the 100 (1:07.62), and a fourth place finish in the 200 (2:24.53).

Spinosa made a name for herself in the butterfly, taking third place behind Weitz and Camel sophomore Ali Wilson in the 200 (2:20.29) and second place, just 1.5 seconds off the lead, behind Kovenock in the 100 fly (1:00.50). The Virginia native joined Bassano in the 400 freestyle relay team, swimming the second leg of the race in 58.21 seconds.

"The freshmen really stepped up on Saturday, and it was really exciting to see them swim so fast during this time of year when we've been training really hard in practice," Cannell said. "As the season continues they'll continue to contribute a lot, especially to the relays where they'll be a really

strong force."

"The freshmen are going to be a huge part of our success this season," Weitz added.

Tufts also got strong contributions from sophomore Jess Bollinger, junior Katie Mims and senior quad-captain Suzi Ascoli.

Bollinger, Tufts' strongest distance swimmer, gave Tufts a one-two finish in the 400 IM, finishing behind Weitz in 5:00.34. She added a third place finish in the 500 Free (5:28.47) and a second place finish in the 1000 Free (11:12.78) to complete a successful day in the water.

**“The freshmen are going to be a huge part of our success this season.”**

**Erica Weitz**

Senior Quad-Captain, Women's Swimming

Mims and Ascoli finished second and fourth, respectively, in the 50 free, but were only separated by half a second. The duo also went 2-4 in the 100 free, with Mims racing to second place behind Kovenock. Finally, the duo swam the final two legs of the victorious 400 free relay, with Mims clocking in the second fastest split time (55.93) of all of the competitors, finishing only to Kovenock (51.09).

Ascoli added her fourth place finish in the 50 free with a fourth place finish in the 200 free (2:04.25), missing out on third place by a fingernail to Connecticut College sophomore Liz Lingo (2:04.22).

The Jumbos are next slated to face off against the Wellesley Blue a week from tomorrow in Hamilton Pool. The meet marks the first of three consecutive home meets for Tufts, who will follow up the tilt with the Blue with home meets against Bowdoin and Brandeis on consecutive Saturdays to round out the semester.



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Freshman Rebecca Rice contributed with a win at number three in the Jumbos 7-2 drubbing of the Colby White Mules. It was the first time Tufts overcame Colby in four years.

# Teams will be bolstered by players returning from abroad

## SQUASH

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lessly this week," he said. "Jake Gross is a top 10 player in the country. He's probably the closest player we've had to an All-American in 15 years."

Eng felt that the victory over George Washington was the most important match of the weekend, while the team's performance against Colby also showed potential for the future.

"The win over George Washington was real big for us," Eng said. "They are ranked 20th in the nation."

"Colby is ranked 19th," Eng said. "Both our teams haven't beaten Colby in 11 or 12 years; I would've loved to have done that, and we came very close to it."

The freshmen helped carry the Jumbos to victory against George Washington. Gross won at the No. 1 spot, and freshman Kris Leetavorn won in five games at the No. 2 spot. Kriete won in three games at No. 5, and sophomore David Linz emerged victorious in a five game battle at the No. 6 spot. Freshman Lee Kellogg rolled to victory at the nine spot without losing a point.

In the 4-5 loss to Colby, the four victories for Tufts came from freshmen. Gross won again at No. 1, while Nelson Schubart was victorious at No. 3. Jonah Peppiatt and Kellogg won at the eight and nine spots respectively.

"This weekend was something good to build on," Eng said. "We're off to a good start."

Eng singled out the captain of the men's team, senior Fernando Kriete, for his inspired play.

"Fernando showed a lot of heart against Colby," Eng said. "He came back from two games down, but he couldn't quite put him away in the fifth game. It would have been nice to have a win over Colby, but I think if we played them again we'll beat them because we were missing some guys."

"We're a young team, so I think it's important to set a good example and play extremely hard," Kriete said. "I'm the only senior on the team, so a lot of that falls on me."

The men will only get stronger when junior co-captain Spencer Maxwell returns from a semester abroad. Maxwell projects to play at the No. 2 or 3 position for the Jumbos. The Lady Jumbos will have even more depth when juniors Joelle Polivy and Sarah Lucas return from abroad as well.

Eng has high expectations for both teams for the upcoming season.

"I think the men can win the Summers Division," Eng said. "The Summers Division consists of teams ranked from 17-24; we'd like to qualify for the Hoehn Division, which is one level above that. In order to do that, we'd need to be ranked at least 16th, but it's doable."

"The women have a shot at qualifying for the Kurtz Division, which is the second highest level," he continued. "We haven't reached that high in a few years. We're going to have a very good year. We're a team to beat and the women know how good they are. I'd say it's the best team we've had in five years."

## SCHEDULE | Nov. 22 — Nov. 28

	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN
<b>Men's Basketball</b>		<b>Springfield</b> 7 p.m.					<b>Salem State</b> 7 p.m.
<b>Women's Basketball</b>		@ Johnson & Wales 7 p.m.					
<b>Hockey</b>		@ So. N.H. 7:30 p.m.					
<b>NFL</b>				Indy @ Det Chi @ Dal			
<b>Main Course</b>				Turkey, Stuffing, Sweet Potatoes			
<b>Dessert</b>				Pumpkin Pie, Pecan Pie			
<b>JUMBOCAST</b>							

## STATISTICS | STANDINGS

Men's Basketball NESAC Standings				Women's Basketball NESAC Standings					
CONFERENCE			OVERALL	CONFERENCE			OVERALL		
Team	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Amherst	0	0	—	12	0	—	1	0	—
Bates	0	0	—	1	0	—	1	0	—
Bowdoin	0	0	—	0	0	—	0	0	—
Colby	0	0	—	1	0	—	1	1	—
Conn College	0	0	—	0	2	—	1	1	—
Middlebury	0	0	—	1	1	—	0	0	—
Trinity	0	0	—	1	0	—	1	1	—
<b>Tufts</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>—</b>
Wesleyan	0	0	—	1	1	—	1	0	—
Williams	0	0	—	0	0	—	1	0	—

Individual Statistics			
Scoring Player	Pts	Reb	A
Reggie Stovell	18.0	11.5	0.0
Jake Weitzen	16.0	9.0	3.0
Drew Kaklamanos	14.0	3.5	2.5
Ryan O'Keefe	11.5	1.0	1.0
Brian Kumf	9.0	8.0	1.5
David Shepherd	8.5	5.0	6.0
Brian Fitzgerald	5.0	3.0	0.0
Jason Grauer	2.5	3.5	1.5
Dan Martin	1.0	2.5	0.0
Jesse Belodoff	0.5	0.0	1.5
Jimmy Edgerton	0.0	0.0	0.0
Casey D'Annolfo	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Team</b>	<b>86.0</b>	<b>52.0</b>	<b>17.0</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>87.5</b>	<b>38.5</b>	<b>13.0</b>

Individual Statistics			
Scoring Player	Pts	Reb	A
Jessica Powers	11.5	3.5	3.0
Allison Love	11.0	4.5	0.5
Valerie Krah	10.5	1.0	2.0
Erin Connolly	7.0	0.0	1.5
Laura Jasinski	7.0	4.0	1.0
Katherine Miller	7.0	4.5	0.0
Julia Verplank	7.0	5.5	5.5
Jenna Gomez	6.0	2.5	0.5
T. Miller-Stevens	4.0	2.0	3.5
Khalilah Ummah	4.0	4.0	1.0
Julie Mulinare	2.5	0.5	0.0
Ali Landes	2.5	2.0	0.5
M. Duffy-Cabana	1.0	2.0	3.0
<b>Team</b>	<b>81.0</b>	<b>41.0</b>	<b>22.0</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>39.0</b>	<b>25.0</b>	<b>9.5</b>

Individual Statistics			
Scoring Player	G	A	Pts
Ken Cleary	1	2	3
Matt McCarthy	2	0	2
Jason Boudrow	1	1	2
Kurt Hertzog	1	0	1
Gino Rotondi	0	1	1
Peter Corbett	0	1	1
Greg O'Connell	0	1	1
Ross Gimbel	0	1	1
Matt Ninnemann	0	0	0
John Murphy	0	0	0
Joe Cappellano	0	0	0
<b>Goaltending</b>	<b>GA</b>	<b>Sv</b>	<b>Sv%</b>
James Kalec (0-1-0)	9	51	.850
Matt Ninnemann (0-1-0)	3	13	.812

Coed Sailing Rankings as of Nov. 16 2004			
Rank, Team (Previous Rank)	W	L	T
1. Brown (4)	2	0	0
2. USC (1)	2	0	0
3. Yale (3)	2	0	0
4. Harvard (9)	2	0	0
5. Hobart/William Smith (7)	1	0	1
6. Hawaii (17)	1	0	1
7. Dartmouth (6)	1	1	0
8. Boston College (8)	1	1	0
9. Stanford (12)	1	1	0
10. MIT (14)	0	2	0
<b>11. Tufts (11)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>
12. Georgetown (5)	0	2	0

Men's Cross Country Rankings as of Nov. 16 2004			
Rank, Team (Region)	W	L	T
1. Calvin College (GL)	1	2	3
2. Wisconsin-La Crosse (MW)	2	0	2
3. North Central College (MW)	1	1	2
4. Haverford College (ME)	1	0	1
<b>5. Tufts University (NE)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
6. College of New Jersey (A)	0	1	1
7. St. Olaf College (C)	0	0	0
8. Willamette University (W)	0	0	0
9. University of Chicago (MW)	0	0	0
10. Carleton College (C)	0	0	0

NFL ESPN Power Rankings as of Nov. 16 2004			
Rank, Team (Previous)	W	L	T
1. Steelers (1)	1	0	0
2. Patriots (2)	1	0	0
3. Eagles (3)	1	0	0
4. Colts (5)	1	0	0
5. Falcons (6)	1	0	0
6. Chargers (4)	1	0	0
7. Broncos (7)	1	0	0
8. Ravens (10)	1	0	0
9. Jaguars (12)	1	0	0
10. Packers (13)	1	0	0
11. Jets (8)	1	0	0
12. Rams (16)	1	0	0

NBA ESPN Power Rankings as of Nov. 15 2004			
Rank, Team (Previous)	W	L	T
1. Mavericks (7)	1	0	0
2. Jazz (2)	1	0	0
3. Spurs (5)	1	0	0
4. Pacers (1)	1	0	0
5. Heat (3)	1	0	0
6. Timberwolves (6)	1	0	0
7. Pistons (4)	1	0	0
8. Kings (12)	1	0	0
9. Suns (8)	1	0	0
10. SuperSonics (19)	1	0	0

DAVID CAVELL | DOUBLE DOWN



Sox talk

You know what I haven't written about in a while? The Red Sox. Let's change that.

First off, just as I predicted, I remain as invested in the Sox as always. Although I'll be disappointed if they go 1-161 this season, in all honesty, they could win a total of 10 games in the next two seasons and I'd still be happy. You just cannot top this season. It's impossible.

Pulling off the greatest comeback in baseball history? Make that perhaps all of sports history. I have to keep reminding myself, however, that one championship isn't the end. I'm a normal fan now and normal fans aren't satisfied by one title every 86 years. The 2005 season must be played.

Truly great teams return to be champions again, season after season. In an era absent of dynasties, it would be even more impressive were the Sox to pull it off. To do so, however, Theo Epstein and the Sox management must figure out what to do with their free agents.

The Red Sox are in a totally unique situation this off-season. Four of our starting players are free agents and another 12 role players are also eligible to be signed by other teams. In light of this massive potential player turnover, I've decided to offer some unsolicited advice, player by player.

I'm probably more qualified to do this than you realize. Like Theo, I grew up in Brookline, love the Red Sox and am Jewish. Both our fathers are professors. We're two of the most lusted-after men in the city. What more do you need? Give me a little bit of a lisp, gel down my hair and I'm the general manager of the Sox.

1) **Pedro Martinez, SP:** Let's start with the biggest free agent on the list. Here's my analogy: Pedro is like "The Simpsons." Remember when "The Simpsons" were still tossing 97 mph heat every Sunday?

Well, no more. Yeah, it's still "The Simpsons," but their fastball now tops out at like 92. Sometimes you're still pleasantly surprised, but it's clearly not what it used to be.

That's Pedro these days. He's still Pedro, and against teams that haven't seen him before (the Cardinals, for example) he's still masterful. But he needs an inning or two to figure out what he has on a given night. The first inning is always a horror show.

That being said, what would you replace the Simpsons with? "Malcom in the Middle: The College Years"? In my opinion, seven innings of Pedro is better than eight of almost anyone else, even now. He's still got an extra gear for the playoffs. And he's still Pedro.

I totally agree with the Red Sox's contract offer of two years at about \$12 million per year, with an option for a third. It's exactly what Curt Schilling gets and it's exactly what Pedro should get. I'd say the chances of him signing that contract are 85 percent. Pedro will be back.

2) **Jason Varitek, C:** Varitek is the quintessential team leader. Tek is everything you could ask for in a catcher. He's tough, he plays fantastic defense, hits well and handles pitchers well. If you have any doubts about what good veteran catchers can do for a team, check out what Ivan Rodriguez did for the Marlins.

The wild card with Varitek is Scott Boras, the money-thirsty agent who has taken it upon himself to ruin the sport. If Boras really wants a 25-year contract worth several billion dollars, the Sox will have to look elsewhere.

I love Varitek, but the Sox team has

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INSIDE THE NFL

Ignore the dropped balls: Eli's the real deal

BY DAVID POMERANTZ  
Daily Editorial Board

While Week 11 didn't exactly simplify the playoff picture, it did leave one fact crystal clear: At the very least, Eli Manning will be a good NFL quarterback one day. At the most, he'll be his brother.

Wait just a minute, the kid (and he really is just a kid) has started one NFL game. Is anything actually revealed after one game? This is a valid point. A million different things could happen to derail Eli's path to stardom. New York is the toughest place in the world to play and has stolen away many a promising career.

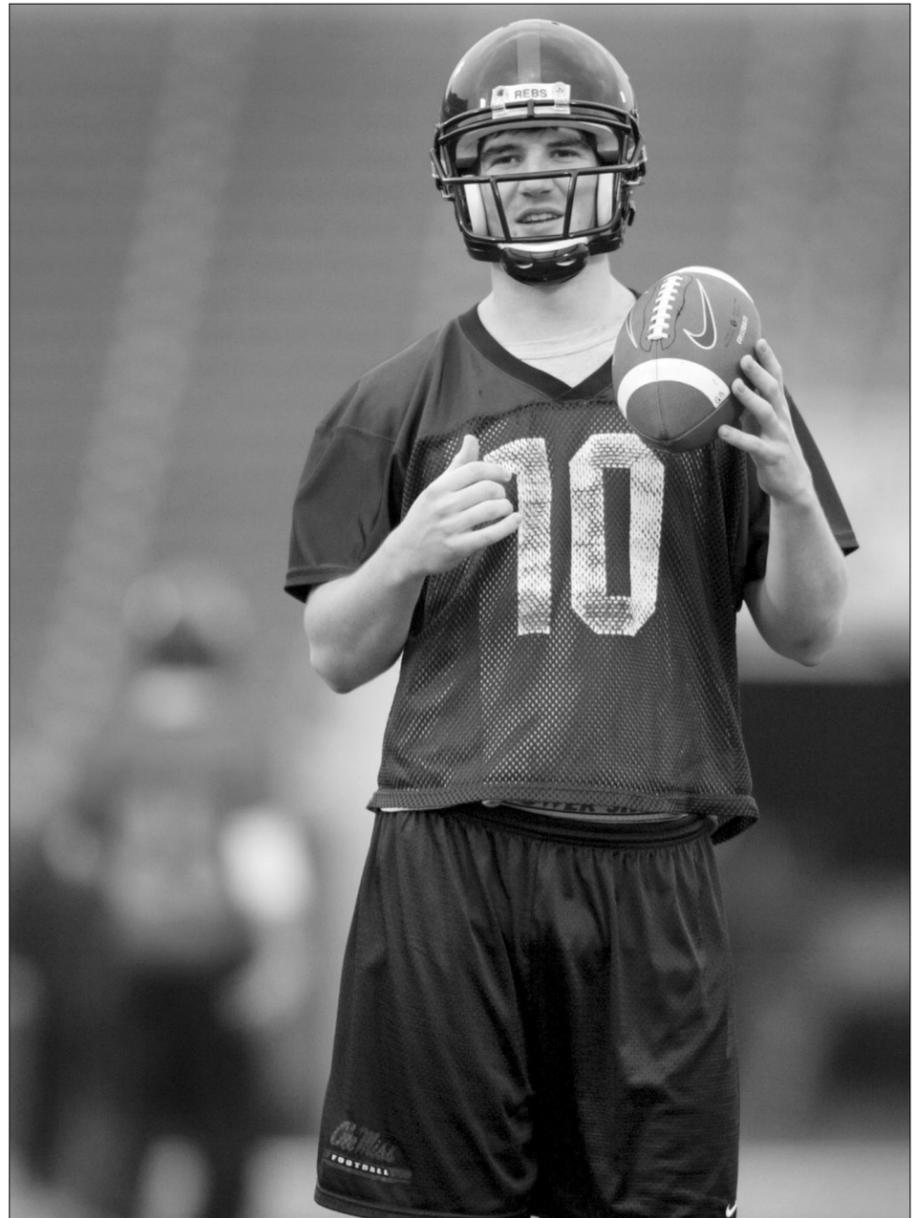
But all signs thus far have pointed to a fairly well-grounded guy, so let's just assume that Eli doesn't crack up. Looking at yesterday's game against the Atlanta Falcons, Manning was 17 of 37 for 132 yards with a touchdown pass and two picks, and Manning's New York Giants lost 14-10. Not exactly thrilling. But since "Inside the NFL" gets paid the big bucks to look behind the numbers, this is what you missed if you didn't watch the game:

Either Jeremy Shockey and Amani Toomer developed some weird undying loyalty to Kurt Warner, or they were both on the take on Sunday. The two combined to drop nearly 10 balls. Put some flesh back on those hands and Eli's 27 for 37 with 230 yards. In addition, the drops themselves show something about the incredible ball that Manning throws.

After getting used to Warner's telegraphed lob jobs, Toomer often couldn't snap his head around quick enough for Lil' Peyton's passes, which were generally thrown hard, accurately and right on the break.

As a side note, this is one of those tiny differences between a 10-6 playoff team and a 9-7 just-missed-the-cut team. In close, important games with a rookie quarterback starting, playoff team receivers raise the level of their game — they don't drop it, no pun intended.

And Manning showed definite flashes of brilliance: His touchdown pass to Shockey was thrown around three defenders and on a frozen rope. On one play, he evaded a potent Falcons pass rush, moved outside of the pocket, drew forward the flat defender and then



BRAD LOPER/KRT

Eli Manning started off slowly but came on strong late in the game and showed he has the potential to be successful as a pro.

lobbed a first down pass to Tiki Barber. Not to mention the fact that Atlanta boasts one of the best defenses in the league, especially when defensive lineman Rod Coleman is playing, which he was. Manning looked poised and comfortable in the pocket, despite offensive

line work by the Giants that was only slightly less miserable than usual. All of this is fun for Giants fans, but it might have an implication for the NFC

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SEVEN QUESTIONS | MATT MCCARTHY

**Full name:** Matthew Justin McCarthy  
**Nickname(s):** McCarthox, Big Mac, Legolas  
**Birthdate:** 9/12/82  
**Zodiac sign:** Virgo  
**Hometown:** The Fields (also home of my ace in the hole, Sean Hayes)  
**Favorite athlete:** Wade Boggs  
**Favorite Tufts athlete:** We call him Marathon Man ... he's the kid in the gym who flails his arms around.

All things considered, junior hockey forward and all-around rebel rouser Matt McCarthy is a man amongst boys. I mean, seriously, a 22-year-old junior? But disregarding that fact, McCarthy is the unofficial Mr. Tufts, even if he wasn't in Friday's pageant. As an out-of-hockey-season employee at Olde Magoon's Saloon, McCarthy often had to spend his Friday nights soberly going about his business while all his Tufts comrades gawked and stared. Poor kid ... err, man. It is just this kind of stick-to-it-ness which separates Matty from the rest.

I caught up with McCarthy while he was roasting marshmallows with Trakimus on the Quad. Before he could throw his mallow-roasting partner into the fire, Seven Questions ensued.



1) So you've been getting a lot of airplay in "Seven Questions with Tim Whelan" lately (Erin Connolly and Ariel Samuelson, to name a two). What gives?

Ulif (Samuelson) was thinking about me while doing "the greatest thing ever," and I was still on her mind when she answered your questions. As for Dunee (Connolly) and the others, I suppose I'm just always on their minds.

2) They say hockey players are often collecting social security while still in college. Are there any senior citizens on your team at the moment?

Most of us can pass. We get matinee price at the movies, but [senior forward Jason] Boudrow is the only one actually old enough to collect social security.

3) If there was a rink on campus, how much cooler would you be? If there was a rink on campus, girls would like me and I would be ridiculously cool, but neither are gonna happen.

4) Word around the campfire is that you might be living in DU next year. Don't you have to be a brother to do such a thing?

I'm seriously not "technically" a brother yet. However, I feel that my participation and devotion to the house may land me a room next fall, but first I have to make it through pledging this spring.

5) Who do you feel holds the campus (or somewhat off-campus) social scene down better: 298 Boston Ave. or Delta Upsilon?

Since football ended, DU is the place to be. However, our late night intimate and exclusive soil room is where the ladies want to be, but instead of Finnish dwarfs staying with us we have Alex Rovzar.

6) Favorite hockey movie? (disregarding "D2: The Mighty Ducks," the obvious choice)

We have some webcam footage from 298 that we compiled into a real good movie and, for the most part, the people we know on camera are hockey players. There's another hockey movie I like, though. I don't know what it's called, but I do know Jessica Powers has a leash on [Seven Questions alumnus] Chris Decembrele.

7) Have you seen "The Cutting Edge?" Would you ever consider trading in the black skates for the white ones with toe-picks (in other words, would you consider doing figure skating?)

I'm always ready to try something new. However, it is tough enough to find a partner who can keep up with me in the layer [layer], let alone on the ice.

— by Tim Whelan

## MEN'S SWIMMING AND DIVING

## Jumbos top Connecticut College to open season with strong start

### Loss to Div. I Boston College a good effort

BY ANDREW SILVER  
Daily Editorial Board

The Jumbos opened the swimming and diving season with a busy weekend, one of only two

**MEN'S SWIMMING**  
at Conn. College, Saturday

**Tufts 169**  
**Conn College 102**

at Boston College, Sunday

**Tufts 146**  
**Boston College 190**

weekends this season that will feature back-to-back meets.

Tufts had entirely different goals for the two meets as well: to open the season with a show of strength at Connecticut College on Saturday before traveling to Boston College (BC) on Sunday to show that it can compete with teams at any level.

It did both.

While Sunday's meet at Chestnut Hill to the Div. I Eagles went down in the loss column for the Jumbos (1-1), the contest marked yet another instance of

Tufts athletic teams being unafraid to take on competition outside of Div. III.

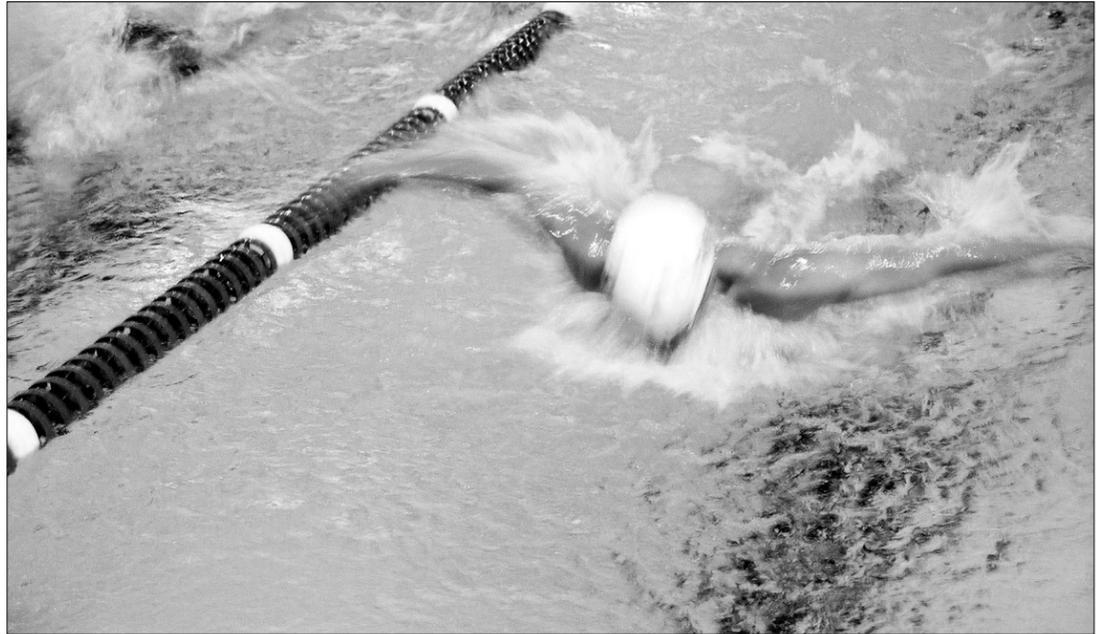
Following in the footsteps of Jumbo track and cross country teams, not only did the Jumbos compete, but they showed that they belong.

In the loss, many Jumbos put forth strong efforts despite fatigue from the meet a day earlier and a stiff preseason workout regimen.

"[The meet at BC] was a test to see how well we could swim while tired, and many of the guys performed well under that pressure," senior tri-captain Seth Baron said. "This part of the season is a time where Coach tries to break down the swimmers by increasing the workload and intensity at practice, and we were certainly feeling it."

"[BC] was a tough competitor," Baron continued. "But I think we showed them that Tufts is not a team to blow off, as we had a lot of close races that came down to the hundredth of a second."

Baron's fellow classmate and tri-captain, Mike Rochette, agreed that the meet against the



SCHUYLER ARMSTRONG/TUFTS DAILY

Following a season-opening 169-102 win at Connecticut College, the men's team traveled to Chestnut Hill to take on Div. I Boston College. Despite losing, it was a positive experience for the 1-1 Jumbos to swim against stiff competition and participate in two meets in one weekend.

Eagles was a positive experience.

"It was good to face some tough competition early in the season to gauge where we are," Rochette said.

With Sunday's showdown

against a school whose athletics department will rack in untold millions of dollars this New Year's, the Jumbos knew how important it was to open the 2004-05 season with a win at

Connecticut College on Saturday.

Led by a pair of strong relays that opened and closed the meet, Tufts downed the Camels 169-

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## WOMEN'S SWIMMING AND DIVING



SCHUYLER ARMSTRONG/TUFTS DAILY

The women's swim team dropped its first meet of the season against the Connecticut College Camels on Saturday.

## Tufts falls to Conn in second straight season

### Lack of experienced divers poses problem

BY ANDREW SILVER  
Daily Editorial Board

If it's any consolation, the women's swimming and diving team started out this year exactly

**WOMEN'S SWIMMING**  
at Conn College, Saturday

**Tufts 117**  
**Conn. College 177**

the same way it started its record-breaking 2003 season.

For the second year in a row, the Jumbos were upset in their first meet of the year by the Connecticut College Camels, 177-117.

"I think everyone swam really well overall," senior quad-captain Erica Weitz said. "The freshman really stepped up, and our returning upper-classmen swam as hard as they could. We really

wanted the win, but we just couldn't pull it out."

The loss puts the Jumbos at 0-1 on the season, the same record they started with at the beginning of last year before rattling off seven consecutive conference victories in preparation for the NESCAC meet at the end of the season.

"We're only going to go up for the rest of the season," Weitz said. "Last year, we lost to Conn College and then won seven straight, and I don't see why we can't repeat that this year."

Tufts went into the meet down 32 points before any of its swimmers even hit the pool because the squad's one experienced diver, junior Jess Schwartz, is abroad this semester and coach Nancy Bigelow's freshmen were not ready to compete.

"It was frustrating because we didn't have any divers and we lost

a lot of points because of that," sophomore Dierdre Cannell said. "Connecticut College is a really strong team, and although we lost, we tried our hardest and there really wasn't anything that we could do differently in retrospect."

Despite the lack of divers, the Jumbos swimmers still put forth a valiant effort to try and make up the difference. They were led at the meet by Weitz and freshman standout Allison Palomaki.

Weitz placed second in the 200-yard butterfly (2:16.41), narrowly missing out first place in the event by under half a second to the eventual winner, sophomore Ali Wilson of the Camels. In addition, the quad captain took second place in the 200 back (2:17.70) and first place in the 400 Individual Medley (4:49.74).

Palomaki, swimming in her first collegiate meet, showed lit-

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## SQUASH

## Teams put up mixed results against solid competition

BY MIKE DEBARTOLO  
Senior Staff Writer

Historically, Tufts University has had very strong squash teams, but this year both the

**MEN'S SQUASH**  
Overall Record 2-3  
NESCAC 1-2

**WOMEN'S SQUASH**  
Overall, NESCAC Record 2-2

men and women's teams are hoping to take it to the next level.

They got off to a pretty good start in a series of matches at Dartmouth and Harvard held over the weekend.

The men, facing some of the top teams in the nation, went 2-3 against both NESCAC and national competition. They lost a tight match to Colby (4-5) on Sunday afternoon at Harvard and fell by a larger margin to Williams (8-1) earlier in the day.

Playing shorthanded because one of their top players is abroad, they managed impressive victories over George Washington (5-4) and Middlebury (6-3) on Saturday at Dartmouth. They also fell to Navy (9-0) on Saturday.

On Sunday, the women had a big win against Colby (7-2) and fell to a strong Williams squad (0-9) at Harvard. On Saturday the Lady Jumbos lost to Bates (0-9), while defeating Connecticut College (7-2).

The records for both teams were not outstanding, but they were facing stiff competition. Both the men and women's teams at Bates and Williams rank among the top 10 teams in the country. Unlike most Tufts sports, squash teams are not separated by division, so Tufts was forced to face bigger schools with stronger recruiting pro-

grams. Given this, coach Doug Eng was very pleased with the performance of his teams.

Eng noted that the women are particularly strong at the top and bottom portions of the lineup.

"We have very strong number one, two and three players, and we also have a lot of depth. Nicole Arens, Eliza Drachman-Jones, Rhonda Barkan and Liz Thys are going to be very tough for teams at the bottom," Eng said.

Drachman-Jones, a senior and one of this year's co-captains, was encouraged by her team's start to the season.

"Overall I think we performed really well this weekend," she said. "Bates and Williams are really tough teams, and a lot of our newer players may not have been used to that level of play, but in our last match against Colby we were beat up and tired but we put everything into it."

"That match was huge for us," Drachman-Jones continued. "It was the first time we have beaten them in four years."

The Jumbos were led by sophomore Erica Adler, who won 3-0 against Colby at the No. 2 spot. Freshman Rebecca Rice was victorious at the three spot and senior Nida Ghouse notched a victory at No. 5.

All of the matches at the lower part of the lineup also went to the Jumbos. Drachman-Jones, Thys, Barkan and freshman Micela Leis won at the sixth through ninth spots, respectively.

Sophomore Jules Avrutin went 1-3, playing against some of the top squash competition in the nation at the No. 1 spot.

Eng was equally effusive in his praise for the male Jumbos.

"The freshmen played fear-

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