

## Dry summer causes dorm roach problem

BY AMELIE HECHT  
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Students moving into their dorms for the semester have been greeted by some unwanted guests in their living spaces, as sightings of cockroaches have surged this fall.

The hot, dry summer weather resulted in a proliferation of cockroaches in dorms, including Hodgdon, Lewis and Wren Halls, Residential Facilities Coordinator Jennifer Bevins said. While the return of students to the dorms is expected to lessen the problem, students are reporting an increased number of cockroaches and other insects in their halls.

"During the summer, because no one was in the buildings, there was no water running through the pipes and it was so hot, the drains dried out, which afforded the roaches more ability to run through the building," Vice President for Operations Dick Reynolds said.

"The roaches use the various drain pipes as ways of getting into and around the building," Reynolds said.

He added that he expects the cockroach issue to fade now that students have moved into the dorms and water is flowing through the buildings' pipes once again.

"As soon as you turn on the

drains, that cuts off the entry points into the building, but we are still left with the roaches that already got into the building," Reynolds said.

The university has a contract with an exterminator who is on campus four days a week and is on call at all times, Bevins said. The exterminator has been working on the problem for the past several weeks.

"We have had an exterminator on site since before the freshmen got here and we are getting at the problem, but it does take a little while to get rid of the bugs that already got in," Reynolds said.

Many residential buildings were treated at the end of last semester, but the unusually warm summer lessened those treatments' effectiveness, according to Bevins.

"We are always trying to make sure we are ahead of the game, and this summer, the heat made what we had done in the buildings moot in some cases because everything dried out. That's something we didn't plan for," she said.

Because the insects rely on the dorms' pipes, the majority of cockroach sightings have happened in bathrooms.

"I had four cockroach sightings in late August in the bathroom area, but I haven't seen

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## Awaiting licenses, some fraternities lack permission to host parties

BY CORINNE SEGAL  
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Even as the Greek community has brought many students to attend parties on Professors Row over the past weekends, many Tufts fraternities are currently not legally permitted to host such functions while they await licensing approval from the City of Somerville.

In Somerville, lodging house licenses are mandated for buildings in which four or more unrelated residents are living together. Greek houses need these licenses in order to house residents and host social functions, but a majority of the organizations on campus are currently operating without them.

This issue was thrown into the limelight recently when Tufts University Police Department (TUPD) disbanded parties at Alpha Epsilon Pi (AEPi) and Alpha Tau Omega (ATO) on the nights of Sept. 4 and Sept. 5 respectively, according to TUPD Sgt. Robert McCarthy.

Sophomore Yulia Korovikov, chair of the Tufts Community Union Senate's Administration and Policy (A&P) Committee, said that Somerville would approve the licenses on or around Oct. 1.

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123 is one of the few fraternities now legally allowed to host parties.

## Revamped JoeyTracker to debut soon

BY JENNIFER WHITE  
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A new and improved version of the JoeyTracker service, beset by recurring technical difficulties since its inception in 2008, is expected to make its debut in the coming weeks.

New GPS devices are being installed in two separate Joseph's Transportation shuttles that travel between Tufts' Medford/Somerville campus and Davis Square as part of the service commonly known as "the Joey." New screens will

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A revamped JoeyTracker will once again provide riders with real-time data.

## Senate elects trustee representatives

The Tufts Community Union (TCU) Senate elected three new trustee representatives in its meeting last night.

Seniors Alix Boulud and Josh Friedmann and sophomore Alice Pang will represent the student body on the three trustee committees. Trustee representatives serve as liaisons between the Senate and the Board of Trustees. While they sit on the Senate, they do not have any voting rights.

Boulud will sit on the Administration and Finance Committee. A founder of the Tufts Culinary Society, she mentioned an on-campus kitchen for students to use as a potential project she will pursue with the trustees.

She is eager to hear the ideas of the Senate and the student body. "I'm really more interested in representing the students' interests than my own," she said.

Friedmann was elected to the University Advancement Committee position. In a speech before the Senate body last night, he outlined his vision for a mentorship initiative that would pair students with off-campus alumni.

"Students would benefit by getting insights into the working world, and alumni would benefit at the same time by getting a connection to what's going on, [on] the Hill," Friedmann told the Daily after his presentation at

the Senate meeting.

Pang will sit on the Academic Affairs Committee. She has experience in academic issues, having served last year on the Senate's Education Committee, where she pursued the goal of publishing course evaluations online.

"I am incredibly humbled to be chosen to be student representative to the Board of Trustees," Pang said. "I plan to use my time this year constructively to push the boundaries of intellectual life and culture at Tufts."

TCU Historian and Student Outreach Chair Tomas Garcia, a junior, was pleased with the selection of candidates. Six candidates applied for the three available positions.

"We had a very competitive pool of applicants," Garcia said.

TCU President Sam Wallis, a senior, expressed confidence in the new trustee representatives' ability to serve as envoys to the Board of Trustees.

"At the end of the day, the candidates that won represented themselves very well, and they presented themselves with the confidence that's required when addressing the very powerful people that make up the Board of Trustees," Wallis said.

Wallis added that discussions of diversity issues featured more prominently in this year's selection process than in previous ones he had witnessed.

—by Brent Yarnell

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## TuftsLife takes over JoeyTracker

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display those shuttles' estimated arrival times to students waiting both inside and outside of the Mayer Campus Center.

The JoeyTracker could return as soon as this weekend, TuftsLife Chief Operating Officer Michael Vastola, who is spearheading the project, said.

"The GPS data goes from the buses to the server of our vendor [GPS company]," Vastola, a senior who is also the technical manager for the Daily, said. "The TuftsLife servers read that data, process that and track the Joey route. It will update every minute, so it will be accurate."

The Tufts Community Union Senate launched the JoeyTracker GPS project in January 2008, seeking to improve the safety and convenience of the campus shuttle service.

The Senate authorized funds to purchase the new GPS units last semester, Vastola said; the Department of Public and Environmental Safety has paid a monthly fee to keep the devices running, according to Administrative Service Coordinator for the Department of Public Safety Louis Galvez III.

TuftsLife took over the project from the Senate last year, Vastola said.

The Senate's original JoeyTracker featured GPS devices installed in two buses. The service was often plagued by malfunctions.

Visitors to [joey.tufts.edu](http://joey.tufts.edu), the old JoeyTracker webpage, had often encountered errors with the GPS data loading. It has stood idle throughout the revamping process.

"There were issues last year, mostly because the GPS units were shaky," Vastola said. "Now we're happy that we have better, more reliable units."

The designated webpage now redirects to a page hosted by TuftsLife; the URL will continue to send visitors to the JoeyTracker service once the redesign is complete.

Vastola added that Joseph's Transportation's changing daily assignment of buses to the Joey route would result in GPS units not being used.

This year, JoeyTracker boasts three, not just two, GPS units to improve the service's reliability, according to Vastola.

"Two are permanently installed in the Joeyes, and a third will be a portable GPS to be put in a Joey being used over the weekend," Vastola said.

One of the permanent GPS units is installed on the regular, weekday Joey, while the other is designated for the backup bus used from Thursday to Sunday, Vastola said.

TuftsLife is working with the Office for Campus Life (OCL) to install screens on campus and possibly in Davis Square that display the Joey's estimated time of arrival in real time.

TuftsLife procured two screens, one of which is installed in the window of OCL Director Joe Golia's campus center office, which is visible to people standing at the shuttle stop in front of the building.

"This will be a really nice service, and it's fairly inexpensive," Golia said. "This way students can see the screen and know whether they just missed [the Joey] or not."

The Senate gave TuftsLife funds for two screens, Vastola said. Because the OCL paid for the screen in Golia's office, TuftsLife plans to use the remaining funds on a third screen in a location yet to be determined.

"Davis is our priority," Vastola said. "One of our members at TuftsLife is attempting to contact Boston Burger Company, but we're not sure if that will work out. If Davis doesn't work, we'll investigate putting it uphill in Olin, Wren or Carmichael."

Vastola said that once completed, the JoeyTracker will prove to be a handy service. Galvez agreed.

"I think this is really just so convenient to have this all at your fingertips," Galvez said. "The ability to look at an iPhone, BlackBerry, Android — it's a million times better than any schedule we can put up. From a customer service standpoint, we love the idea that it's not based on a theoretical schedule, but based on real-time events."

## Fraternities await city's approval to host parties

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As an interim measure to preempt insurance and liability issues while they wait for Somerville to grant their licenses, Dean of Student Affairs Bruce Reitman has required the Greek houses occupying privately owned properties — Delta Upsilon, Theta Delta Chi (123), Zeta Psi, AEPi and ATO — to obtain signatures of approval from their national organization, insurance company and housing corporation before being permitted to host parties.

"We need to make sure that the housing corporations of the fraternities, who own the properties, are in agreement that even without having the actual lodging house license, they are okay with having social functions," Reitman said.

Of these five, Reitman said he has received partial paperwork from Zeta Psi and complete paperwork from 123 with these signatures.

While 123 is allowed to host parties, the other four do not have permission, leading TUPD to break up the parties at AEPi and ATO.

TUPD Capt. Mark Keith said that while fraternities provide a social outlet for students, liability issues necessitate requiring the extra permission.

"I think the dean puts those rules in place for their own protection," he said. "If there was an issue or if there was an incident, the dean is just trying to save them from liability issues."

In addition to 123, Chi Omega and Sigma Nu — which occupy Tufts-owned houses — are also allowed to host parties, although the respective presidents of the organizations said they were unsure if they had obtained their licenses yet, as the university handled the paperwork.

The last five houses — Alpha Omicron Pi, Alpha Phi, Sigma Phi Epsilon, Theta Chi and Zeta Beta Tau — similarly have not obtained their licenses. They are, however, occupying houses owned by Walnut Hill Properties, a housing corporation that is affiliated with the university, which has agreed to let their members live and host functions in their properties even as they await final licensing approval from the city, according to Reitman.

Before a zoning board will accept a lodging-house license application, all five city inspectional services — the fire department, police department, electrical inspector, health inspector and building inspector — must approve the house, according to Reitman.

The organizations living in Tufts-owned houses — Chi Omega and Sigma Nu — were granted licenses due to the speed at which they completed inspections and repairs, Reitman said.

Bruce Ketchen, general manager of Walnut Hill, said that Walnut Hill's



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Some fraternities are still awaiting their lodging licenses from the City of Somerville.

fraternity and sorority properties have met the conditions for the license and may function normally pending the license's approval.

Ketchen said that Walnut Hill is not involved in rules regarding fraternity social functions and as such does not expressly rule out these functions.

"We do not take any position on parties," he said. "Those would need to be regulated by the university."

Tufts allows chapters to open for the year only after they have obtained these inspections and submitted an application for the lodging-house license, according to Reitman.

Senior Danny Wittels, president of Walnut Hill-owned Theta Chi, said his house has already hosted social functions this year, thanks to Walnut Hill's approval. Peer fraternities, he said, have not been as lucky.

"The only reason we know about that issue is because other houses have had that issue in the last couple of weeks," he said, referencing the lack of permission to host parties.

Bruce Ratain, a senior who is an AEPi brother, said the university should facilitate the process of obtaining the license for fraternities occupying privately owned properties.

"It's definitely conspicuous that none of the non-Tufts-owned houses got their paperwork through," Ratain, who also chaired the A&P Committee last year, said. "Why didn't it notify or try to assist this other segment of Greek life?"

Reitman said this licensing process could take more or less time for each house depending on its need for repairs. He said that Tufts' Facilities Department takes care of Tufts-owned houses, making their repairs, and subsequently the approval process, easier.

"They're in a position to address those issues on an ongoing basis," he said.

Both Ratain and Korovikov said that it would be beneficial to the entire Tufts community for the Greek houses to have formal approval to host social events. From a public safety standpoint, fraternity parties even have an upside, Ratain said.

"Frat parties aggregate students in known, centralized, on-campus locations, where both police and [emergency medical] services are readily accessible," Ratain said. "When fraternity parties are prevented from happening, we have students wandering around the larger Somerville community late at night, often potentially alone, where TUPD cannot monitor or patrol the area that the students are in."

## Students report roach sightings across campus

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any in at least two weeks," sophomore Lincoln Giesel, a Wren resident, said. "I think it seems to be getting better."

However, another Wren resident, sophomore Catherine Heyward, said that she has seen no decrease in the number of cockroaches.

"We have had three roach sightings in my suite in the past three days," Heyward said. "A few days ago a suitemate of mine took a pair of shorts out of her drawer and shook them out and a dead cock-

roach fell out."

"My roommate was in the bathroom the other day and found a cockroach in the stall with her," Michaela Fallon, a freshman living in Hodgdon, said. "I think the cockroaches are absolutely disgusting and I would prefer not to have to worry about seeing one every time I take a shower."

In some dorms, insect sightings have not been limited to cockroaches.

"I actually haven't seen any cockroaches, but we have a ton of other bugs," sophomore Avani Gupta, a Lewis resi-

dent, said. "There were a bunch of ants all over the carpet and there were bugs on my bed when we first moved in."

Reynolds is optimistic that the remaining cockroaches will be eliminated soon.

"We are going to get into colder weather and now that people are using the dorms we have water flowing through the systems," he said. "The exterminators are working their way through the bugs that have already gotten in."

"Hopefully we will continue to make progress every day," Reynolds said.

## Visiting the Hill this week

### WEDNESDAY

"Israel 101: Dr. Ory Zik"

*Details:* Ory Zik, founder of Greenpeace Israel and co-founder of solar energy company HelioFocus, will speak on "cleantech" and environmental efforts in Israel.

*When and Where:* 12 p.m. to 1:15 p.m.; Eaton Hall 206

*Sponsor:* Tufts Friends of Israel

### THURSDAY

"Architectural Dialogues Across the

Mediterranean: Domed Sanctuaries in the Ottoman Empire and Renaissance Italy"

*Details:* Gülru Necipoglu, Aga Khan Professor of Islamic Art at Harvard University, will deliver a lecture about Ottoman and Renaissance Italian architecture. Associate Professor of Art and Art History Daniel Abramson will moderate. RSVP by noon on Sept. 21.

*When and Where:* 12:30 to 2 p.m.; Mugar Hall 129

*Sponsor:* Fares Center for Eastern Mediterranean Studies

"Renaissance Assassins: Blood, Lies, and Videogames"

*Details:* Marcello Simonetta, professor of medieval studies and romance languages and literatures at Wesleyan University and author of *The Montefeltro Conspiracy: A Renaissance Mystery Decoded*, will deliver a lecture.

*When and Where:* 4:30 -- 5:30 p.m. at the Center for Humanities, 48 Professors Row

*Sponsor:* Center for the Humanities at Tufts.

—by Daphne Kolios

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Tufts ranked 21st in a listing by The Daily Beast of the top 50 most stressful schools in the country.

## Stressing out about stress

BY EMILIA LUNA  
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Ask any Jumbo if he or she has ever experienced an endless reading assignment, an all-nighter or a late-night study session, and one is bound to hear an exasperated “yes.”

A listing in April by the news website The Daily Beast ranked Tufts 21st in a list of the top 50 most stressful universities. Cost and competitiveness each accounted for 35 percent of the overall ranking, while schools’ acceptance rates, graduate engineering programs and on-campus crime each accounted for 10 percent.

But before condemning Tufts as a stressful school, some said it is essential to note what exactly stress is and what it implies for students.

Defining stress as strictly negative would be a mistake, according to Marilyn Downs, the director of outreach at Counseling and Mental Health Services (CMHS).

“It’s good to consider the complexity of what stress means; it can be helpful to think of stress on a continuum,” Downs said.

“Research has shown that there is a curvilinear relationship between stress and performance as can be depicted on a bell curve. At low levels of stress, people may not perform as well as they do with

moderate levels, or [at] the ‘top’ of the bell curve, which is associated with optimal performance.

“With too much stress, performance tends to decline,” she said. “People can start to lose functioning, become overwhelmed and anxious and, in extreme circumstances, become fatigued, tired or experience negative effects on physical or emotional health.”

In other words, small amounts of stress may be a good thing.

Athletes who stress out before a big race or game may find that their performance actually improves, and students who experience some stress in the classroom may be able to use that feeling to stay on track academically. Too much stress, however, can result in diminished health and anxiety.

Given that Tufts students will inevitably experience some level of stress throughout their academic careers, Downs said, it is of utmost importance to learn exactly how to handle it.

“Students tend to feel the negative effects of stress when their coping mechanisms are not sufficient for the situation at hand,” she said. “If you are able to adapt to a situation and develop new skills, that stress isn’t necessarily a problem and can sometimes lead to positive growth.”

Another reason to wait before denouncing Tufts as a particularly stressful environment, skeptics said, is The Daily Beast’s questionable ranking system.

Patricia Reilly, the director of financial aid at Tufts, said the stress-inducing categories defined by the website do not accurately measure cost, defining it vaguely to use as a factor in school comparisons.

“It seems odd that they would use total costs without taking into account the amount of financial aid offered by a school,” Reilly said. If they had considered financial aid offerings, the story would be different, she added.

“I would expect that we would have fallen significantly within the rankings,” she said.

Downs agreed. According to the last Healthy Minds Study conducted at Tufts in spring 2010, she said, only 11 percent of students said they were experiencing financial struggles. Therefore, school costs may not be an accurate measure of stress for all students, who have varying financial resources and situations.

Although competitiveness and academic rigor are both reasonable factors to consider in a study relating to stress, Downs said, 31 percent of students in the Healthy

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## Proposed Muslim center continues to stir debate among Americans

BY ALEXA SASANOW  
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The Lower Manhattan Community Board in August approved a building under the name of the Cordoba House — a name that holds little significance for most Americans next to the nickname it has since been given by conservative pundits and bloggers nationwide: The “Ground Zero Mosque.”

For many Americans closely affected by the tragedy of 9/11, the approved building has become the center of a heated argument as to whether building an Islamic center so close to ground zero is a disgrace to the memory of those who lost their lives there.

Yet Rosemary Hicks, a post-doctorate fellow at the Center for Humanities at Tufts (CHAT), questioned the validity of legally distinguishing ground zero from any other patch of city ground, raising the point that there were mosques in that area before the World Trade Center was built.

“These suggestions about what’s ‘hallowed ground’ and what’s not are increas-

ingly portraying all of New York as ‘hallowed ground’ that writes out Islam completely,” she said, citing a plot on Staten Island that a Catholic organization had sold to and later taken back from a group proposing to build a mosque there.

Some even go so far as to say that the national fixation on the building of this community center reveals a deep xenophobia present in the United States. Others feel that the proposed construction of the center is a major national concern, some even spending the ninth anniversary of the attack on the World Trade Center in near-violent protest around Lower Manhattan. Still others responded to the building with mere, and sometimes bigoted, frustration.

In response to the many remarks in opposition to the Muslim center, Assistant Professor of Religion Ken Garden questioned the validity of applying such general and racist language to Islam and, moreover, any group.

“Is it accurate to talk about religion in that way at all?” he said. “Is it accurate to make generalizations about a million

people, to talk about Islam as a blueprint to produce cookie-cutter Muslims? I try to bring this out when I teach. [In] any tradition ... you can see that it’s hard to find a single thing that would hold true across time or across the world.”

The easiest way to understand why generalizations do not hold true, Garden said, is to try and apply them to an ideology you know well.

“If you look at Christianity, you have Catholicism, which is a rigid hierarchy with popes and cardinals and monsignors, and you have Quakers sitting in a circle where people talk when the spirit moves them, and you have snake handlers who prove that they’re true Christians by drinking strychnine [a poison],” he said. “When people read the Quran, they focus on certain passages to tell us this or that about Islam. You cannot go independently to a faith scripture and say what all worshippers or believers are like. That seems to me where the mistake is often made.”

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STEPHEN MILLER | COUNTERPOINT

## Combating the urge to do something



As a growing focus on post-grad life and the transition into adulthood sweeps across the nation (see the Daily’s own Sept. 13 article “Twenty-somethings show increasing uncertainty about post-college life”), I am bewildered that one main issue is implied in every article or argument but never addressed head-on. Perhaps it is due to the highly motivated, success-oriented environment that defines the upper echelon academic institutions, but here everyone is asking, “What should I do after Tufts?” No one, it seems, is asking the question, “Why do I need to do something?”

This question will doubtless be received with a level of slacker scorn by a large number of readers, but I firmly believe in addressing the question and contemplating the serious value that lies at the root of it. Do we, either as fortunate, intelligent members of society, or even just as living people in general, have an inherited duty to do something that will affect the greater world? Do we have to actively pursue a future? We’ve been told for the greater bulk of our lives that to be successful is to excel in a world that we must dedicate ourselves to.

The generations before us strove to “get ahead” in the business, academic, political, etc. worlds. Now, contemplative journalists ask questions along the lines of “Why are twenty-somethings taking longer to grow up?” My thought is that they are asking the wrong questions. Instead, we should be asking ourselves, “What does it mean to grow up?” and “Why do we feel the need to grow up?”

I do understand that we have to admit that a level of financial responsibility lies behind the idea of growing up. It is indeed irresponsible to spend our years as dependents, leaching off the fortunes of others. We do need, at a certain point, to achieve financial independence. This is perhaps the simplest and shallowest definition of being an adult, but I wonder why we need to press for more.

The process of providing for oneself frees one from the bonds of obligation that stem from financial dependency. Aside from achieving financial solvency, do we have a duty to go beyond? Does a Tufts grad waiting tables after senior year instead of following a career path mapped out by their major fulfill our idea of successful adulthood? I think many would say “no.” Many would consider this a waste of a Tufts education.

I personally disagree with this belief. We do not have an obligation to follow any certain path, and we surely do not have to buy into our parents’ and parents’ parents’ understanding of success. If nothing more, I believe that the college education’s goal should be to develop within students a “self-investigating identity.” It’s an identity that is not tethered to the career paths, ideological beliefs and worldview that we inherited through family and social environment.

The goal of education is to help us develop into people who are able to explore the world with new eyes. And, if this is the case, then we are surely making a mistake by simply accepting the growth patterns of those before us. If you really, honestly believe that the career-oriented grind is what you want to do, then that is perfectly alright. But we should not blindly submit to occupations and obligations because we aren’t thinking for ourselves. We, as self-investigating individuals, need to analyze the world with our own lenses.

The questions “Why are we taking so long to grow up?” and “What should I do now?” empower a belief system that may very well be antiquated. It weakens our collective identity by blocking the self-discovery of a new generation. And so I again propose my question: Do we really have to do something?

Think about it.

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## Is stress always so terrible?

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Minds Study rated Tufts as very competitive or competitive, while 27 percent rated it as not competitive or very uncompetitive.

Senior Tala Kayyali thinks that the categories used in the study are relevant but that the rankings may not have been completely accurate.

"Factors like tuition are much easier to rank than more subjective things like competitiveness," she said. "There are other important factors that make Tufts a great school, and focusing on factors like tuition and crime rates leave other aspects in the shadow."

Still, the academics at Tufts are definitely a source of student stress, according to Carmen Lowe, the director of the Academic Resource Center (ARC).

"One of the biggest reasons [for stress] is feeling over committed," Lowe said. "Students have to keep up with their academics and, at the same time, their extracurricular activities and leadership roles. While this can be a stress reliever in a way, these activities can be very time-consuming, so that [they] eat into study time and make you feel stressed."

Stress originates from a wide array of sources, Lowe said, from the question of life after graduation to digital distractions.

"Students are never free of constantly checking emails, texting and logging into websites," she said. "This never allows people to relax and it is something this generation doesn't really realize."

When trying to understand why stress levels are so high among students at a school like Tufts, some Jumbos agree that it is not solely due to academics.

Like Lowe, sophomore Lizzeth Merchan thinks that a

heavy involvement in extracurricular activities could factor into stress levels.

"A student will sometimes be involved in different advocacy groups, social groups and volunteer organizations, in addition to working and handling the workload of four or five classes," she said.

Recognizing that college, for a myriad of reasons, is a stressful time for students, the university has put in place a number of tools to aid in stress management.

The ARC offers tutoring for various subjects and a time-management and study strategies program that is focused on helping students deal with overwhelming stress. Junior Alisha Sett witnessed some of her friends learn to address mental strain thanks to these programs.

"I have friends who've loved the free time-management counseling," Sett said. "I went to one of those sessions, too. I definitely know people who have benefited greatly from it and stuck to weekly meetings with their counselors for up to two years."

CMHS' programming teaches students how to cope with not only academic stress but social stress as well. Christopher Willard, a staff psychologist at CMHS, is in charge of developing and offering a variety of mindfulness and stress-reduction activities for students.

"Tufts students are high-achieving leaders in their high schools and go on to become high-achieving graduates after Tufts. This is a recipe for great success but also great stress," Willard said.

"I think that one place the school and we at CMHS can help," he said, "is by teaching and offering skills to cope with stress that students can then use later in life."

## Citizens butt heads over proposed mosque

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Tufts Democrats President Seth Rau, a junior, agreed with Garden and called the widespread criticism of the community center "the closest America's gotten to McCarthyism in 40 years."

He quoted a recent statistic from the Pew Research Forum stating that 18 percent of Americans believe that President Barack Obama is a Muslim.

"There's a lot of irrationality behind it," he said. "We're in tough economic times and we have a president with a foreign-sounding name. When people are scared, they look for an outlet to express their fear — [they] look for a scapegoat. The real issue at play here is that the economy stinks and people are taking out their economic frustrations [on the center] in greatly disproportionate ways."

Senior Michael Hawley, a former president of the Tufts Republicans, acknowledged that the center's builders have the constitutional right to build it at the proposed location. Hawley noted, however, that the question of whether it was fitting was another issue altogether.

"I think, and I think few people would deny, that the builders of the mosque have an absolute right to build it ... The question ... is whether it is appropriate for them to build the mosque, especially in light of the reasons the imam building the mosque had given for building it," he said. "He said ... the goal of the project is to foster understanding and build bridges between the Islamic community and the United States. I feel that it's pretty clear at this point that the mosque is not serving that purpose. ... Considering its proximity to what was in fact a

horrific terrorist attack by Muslim extremists, it seems in some ways inappropriate to build this building there."

Hawley further pointed out that the center's opponents have the right to air their views publicly and participate in the discourse.

"While the people building it have, as I said before, every right to build it there, Americans have every right to reject it ... but will have crossed the line when they prevent it from being built."

Much of the fury associated with the Muslim center has been unleashed not only on Muslims but also on Arabs and citizens of Arab heritage, a majority of whom are not Muslim. Senior Danna Solomon echoed Hawley and said that the bigoted and extreme opposition against the proposed Muslim center obscures the rational arguments many Americans make, not about the illegality of the center but about its inappropriateness.

"Is it okay for the government to repress religious expression and regulate where a place of worship can be built? No, not at all. But there is something to be said for sensitivity," Solomon said. "The fact is that the location in which this mosque is being built is extremely close to a place where lots of people were killed in the name of Islamic terrorism. It's pretty ridiculous to try and pretend that its establishment won't be perceived as a provocation. Our liberal community here at Tufts might be able to see this mosque as a step toward religious coexistence, but America as a whole just isn't that tolerant yet."

Hicks pointed out that one reason issues surrounding the Muslim center have been getting so much media attention lately

may very well have to do more with the upcoming midterm congressional elections than anything else.

"The mosque has been functioning there since October 2009, which most people don't know," she said. "They announced the plans to build the center itself in December, and it didn't make national news until May, when Mark Williams, the Tea Party chairman, conflated it with the Republican Party trying to make a referendum on Obama in November."

Those who agree with Hicks are frustrated with politicians' exploitation of the situation to serve their campaigns. Sophomore Jack Fleming, a born-and-bred New Yorker, believes that the election should be a moot point when it comes to issues of such importance.

"I wish any politician had the balls to come out and speak for what was clearly just not only constitutionally but also morally just without thinking about whether it was an election year or term or cycle," he said.

He also emphasized, however, that while the attitudes about Islam that have arisen out of this conflict are important to talk about nationally, the community center itself is a local issue that should not necessarily concern those who do not live in New York.

"This is not a national issue," he said. "The rest of America needs to back out because it's just not their jurisdiction. Tell me how a community center in Lower Manhattan is going to affect people in Dallas, or even Boston, for that matter."

Ellen Kan contributed reporting to this article

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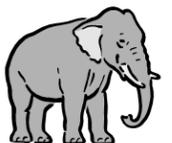
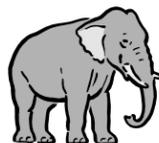
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TV REVIEW

## In third season, '90210' ignores continuity, moves into full-blown idiocy

BY ANDREW PADGETT  
Contributing Writer

Senior. Year. Baby. Prepare to be brutally assaulted with these three words for the first two minutes of "90210's"

**90210**



Starring **Shenae Grimes, Rob Estes, AnnaLynne McCord, Tristan Wilds**

Airs **Mondays at 8 p.m. on The CW**



'90210's' characters congratulate each other on reaching their senior year.

third season premiere — if viewers even make it that far, that is.

Yes, somehow, The CW has allowed for the loveably common sense-deficient teens of West Beverly High School to return for another year of scandalous plots that "The O.C." (2003-07) and "One Tree Hill" have already done. Many watch "90210" just to make fun of it, but the show occasionally offers some insight or humor of such good quality that it seems almost accidental.

To provide some context: Last season, the main character, Annie (Shenea Grimes), cried a lot and had sex with a weird person. This weird person, Jasper (Zachary Ray Sherman), hap-

pened to be the nephew of some guy she ran over and killed on prom night when she was drunk. Hilarity ensues.

Luckily for Annie, the writers of "90210" decided to wrap up all storylines from last season within the first ten minutes of the episode so that newer, even more forgettable plots could shine.

For finally confessing to her hit-and-run (after an entire year of secrecy), Annie served a measly summer on house arrest and is on probation until she's 25. Jasper? He wasn't even in the episode. Annie's friends? Oh, they still love her. "You can finally put the hit and run behind you,"

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ALBUM REVIEW

## Second album by Jukebox the Ghost disappoints

BY BEN ANSHUTZ  
Contributing Writer

The Washington, D.C.-based indie-pop trio Jukebox the Ghost recently released their sophomore effort,

**Everything Under the Sun**

Jukebox the Ghost



Yep Roc Records

"Everything Under the Sun." Coming off of 2008's acclaimed "Let Live and Let Ghosts," fans eagerly anticipated a fresh set of songs, replete with the same bouncy, retro vibe of their debut.

The LP kicks off with "Schizophrenia," one of the strongest tracks on the album. The track opens with a jumpy piano riff and Ben Thornewill's

delightfully frantic vocals. Nervous lyrics and a loopy synth hook combine stunningly, and the result is a song that is pure fun. That same jauntiness comes across in "Half Crazy," another track on the album. Unfortunately, while "Half Crazy" is well-produced, the song feels like a lesser version of "Schizophrenia." The chorus melody, aided by Tommy Siegel's falsetto, saves the song from complete redundancy.

Thornewill's "Empire" showcases the band's songwriting quality. In this song, Jukebox musically maintains their sunny pop theme by combining the piano and the glockenspiel. However, with lines like, "I've got my knives in the heart of my sleeves/But this weather's getting too nice for me/To keep an empire at peace," the band hints to a darker side disguised by their bright composition.

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## Just the intro



While the Internet is busy changing the face of television and print media is busy dying, commercial hip-hop is becoming something fascinating, bizarre and captivating: A former corrections officer-cum-thespian weaves yarns about drug dealing alongside a college dropout who would be king, a happily married Muslim makes himself sound like a robot while confessing his love for strippers and the most famous rapper in the world nears his mid-life crisis.

Rap is turning into some bizarre, meta-textual, post-modern art form.

Nicki Minaj, the Barbie-chic force of nature taking the genre by storm, recently told an interviewer from Details magazine that she expects an openly gay rapper to become popular within her lifetime. A bisexual, female rapper predicting sharing the limelight with a gay man would never have happened as recently as five years ago.

There are countless factors influencing the changes in the genre — from the impact and spread of the Internet, to globalization and the coming of age of the first generation weaned on fully mainstream hip-hop. Hip-hop isn't just the music of the streets or the music that white kids listen to in order to think they're tough.

Although it also is both of these things, hip-hop gives a voice to an otherwise voiceless group: It's the new punk.

Think of Soulja Boy — I know, I know, most people rarely think of Soulja Boy, but I implore you: Just this once, think of him. Born in 1990, by 2007 he was Internet-famous (and probably hood-rich) and by 2010, he was a multimillionaire. People make fun of Soulja Boy, but without hip-hop, he would still just be a 20-year-old kid from Atlanta.

Everything about Soulja Boy is mind-blowing. I would bet that most people couldn't name one Soulja Boy song, we're talking full titles: The one you think you know the name of isn't called what you think it is; it's called "Crank That (Soulja Boy)" (2007). I'm not proud of the fact that I know a number of Soulja Boy songs, nor that I have a favorite. Or two. But despite the potential setback of no one knowing the titles of his songs, Soulja Boy is insanely successful, ridiculously wealthy and something of a kingmaker himself. When he made it big, he brought along with him a whole group of other ridiculously named, semi-skilled rappers that no one takes seriously (do not mock Gucci Mane, he's the best rapper you'll never take seriously).

Starting in the mid-'90s or so, people began pining for the "golden age" of hip-hop. Before hip-hop was of legal age, rap fans were already waxing nostalgic for what it had been when they were kids. It's true that without Public Enemy, A Tribe Called Quest or De La Soul, we couldn't have Kanye West, The Wu-Tang Clan or Nicki Minaj, but if all we had were the "golden age" groups and that particular style, commercial hip-hop would be mind-numbingly boring.

This column isn't really concerned with underground hip-hop. I'm going to explore Top 40 hits — the really commercial stuff. I don't care about street cred. We can argue about Brother Ali and J. Cole on my day off. Don't be mad if this is the only time I ever mention Flying Lotus. Let's be honest: That stuff is great, but right now, DJ Khaled is more important than DJ Green Lantern and Kanye is more relevant than Doom.

Being pretentious is easy, but it isn't a lot of fun. Now excuse me, there's a new Gucci Mane mixtape begging for a listen.

Or as Rick Ross would say, "This is just the intro/Allow my flow time to sink into the tempo."

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MOVIE REVIEW



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The vague marketing for 'Catfish' gives away zero hints.

## 'Catfish' questions the Facebook age

BY LORRAYNE SHEN  
Daily Editorial Board

Everyone has had the experience of becoming acquainted with another person on Facebook, from creepy

**Catfish**



Starring **Megan Faccio, Nev Schulman, Rel Schulman**  
Directed by **Henry Joost & Ariel Schulman**

strangers expanding their friend lists to the more common introduction made by a mutual friend.

The makers of the film "Catfish" bring the audience into this familiar world, exploring the consequences and meaning behind what is seen as a daily reality. A documentary that earned buzz at the Sundance Film Festival, "Catfish" is a perfect complement to "The Social Network," the widely anticipated, soon-to-be-released film that delves into the origins of Facebook.

"Catfish," against the backdrop of the controversy behind "The Social Network," provides a touching, funny and unsettling look at the reality of humanity that social networking often masks.

The film begins in 2007, with New York-based filmmakers Henry Joost and

## Jukebox the Ghost still shows skill, loses some originality in 'Sun'

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Another intriguing track is "The Sun," which picks up with a splashy piano intro soon joined by galloping guitar and drums. Instrumentally, the song provides some of the most interesting moments on the album.

Unfortunately, several tracks on "Everything Under the Sun" fail bring that unique energy to the table. "Summer Sun" opens with an easy piano arpeggio and tight harmonies provided by Thornewill and Siegel. The track again features piano and glockenspiel and moves from low to high energy halfway through, with Siegel providing tube-scream guitar power. The attempt is fair, and yet the song passes without incident and is uninteresting overall.

"Mistletoe" is another skippable pop number; like "Summer Sun," it feels like a filler track. Drummer Jesse Kristin provides bouncy percussion, while Thornewill relies on such unreliable lines as, "Don't look at me like another lost soul."

"So Let Us Create" feels equally recycled, with monotonous lyrics and a soft-pop sound. Considering that the band went into the studio with over 25 songs to record, it is a shame that these unremarkable tunes made the cut.

"Carrying" opens up with the same old trick of glockenspiel doubling guitar and piano parts. While it certainly creates a sunny-pop aura, it's one that's already been delved into several times before; as one of the CD's later tracks, it just sounds lazy. Thornewill and Siegel fail to impress lyrically with cookie-cutter poetry that's easy to stomach and is quickly forgotten.

Near the end of the CD, Jukebox picks up speed again. "The Stars" opens with a tightly synchronized piano and guitar riff that weaves under an arching synth hook. The refreshed vigor in Siegel's voice and the comparatively original songwriting make the song interesting, and the track provides respite from the heavily traveled pop territory that makes up the bulk of the album. The

harmonized guitar and synth riffs return in the second half of the song, finishing it off with pop power.

The upward trend continues with "The Popular Thing," a track that sounds a bit like a Broadway number. Thornewill provides some catchy piano work admirably supported by the rest of the trio. It's definitely worth the time it takes to listen to it, a compliment that can't be given to many of the other tracks.

Considering the originality and fervor of Jukebox the Ghost's debut, "Everything Under the Sun" is an overall disappointment. Through overuse of pop tricks (lay off the glockenspiel, boys) and hyper-slick production, Jukebox the Ghost has lost their former distinctive quality. This is yet another sad case of the little "indie-band-that-could" getting stuck in a rut after acquiring a bigger album budget. While "Everything Under the Sun" certainly isn't bad, it really isn't good either. It's inoffensive and would be good background music for a



'Everything Under the Sun' is Jukebox the Ghost's sophomore effort. AMAZON.COM

social gathering or a sunny highway drive, but attentive listeners shouldn't expect to be able to stomach the entire middle of the album. Sticking to the fringes is the best plan.

## Intriguing documentary 'Catfish' examines role of technology in a personal story

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Ariel Schulman documenting Schulman's professional photographer brother, Yaniv "Nev" Schulman, and his online relationship with a charming Michigan family.

Nev receives a painting of one of his published photographs from Abby Pierce, an 8-year-old girl living in Michigan. He then proceeds to develop a casual correspondence with the girl; he sends Abby his pictures, and she responds with canvases of his work. It's through Facebook that Nev becomes acquainted with Abby's family: Her mother, Angela, her attractive older sister, Meg, and her older brother, Alex.

Abby's family is highly appreciative of Nev's encouragement of the girl's artwork, and Meg seems to take a romantic interest in him. They send each other flirty wall posts and suggestive texts and even have a couple of phone conversations.

But there are inconsistencies, and when Nev and his filmmaker comrades ultimately have an opportunity to visit Michigan, they do so unannounced. The final third of the film grips the audience in the kind of way where one cannot look away from an impending train wreck.

Still, "Catfish" manages to stay profoundly

human and leaves audiences with a unique feeling to mull over for hours on end.

And the film is funny. The filmmakers' sense of humor is boyish, quick and playful. There is something inherently hilarious in the thrill of going on a spontaneous adventure to expose the truth about an 8-year-old's family or about a 24-year-old male trying his hand at "sexting."

Ultimately, the film's tone reflects the attitude of the Internet generation. Everything is fair game if it's on social-networking websites, and nothing is too serious for a witty comment.

Although Schulman and Joost are relatively amateur filmmakers, "Catfish" stylistically stands out.

Most of the documentary is filmed with hand-held or hidden cameras, a technique that encourages the idea of authenticity and should not come as new to audiences. What is unique in "Catfish," though, is the filmmakers' use of Facebook photo-tagging, Google Maps and Facebook profile "stalking" to visually illustrate their world. The film opens with a blur of pixels that manifest into a coherent image; it continues with this trend throughout the movie, helping to mix film and Internet imagery.



A group of twenty-somethings go on a road trip to turn online relationships into real world interaction in 'Catfish.' COLLIDER.COM

In all, "Catfish" explores the age-old theme of deception, only this time with the disguise of Facebook.

Perhaps it is easy to walk away with the oft-heard message: "You can't trust anyone on the Internet." But, while taking the audience on a search for truth, the filmmakers weave a story of

their own. The tale questions reality in a world where everything is public and documented.

"Catfish" is an experiment worth seeing. It is a standout film that speaks to the times in which we live, making viewers question their own relationships and networks.

## Despite its ridiculousness, '90210' offers some guilty pleasure

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they say. She agrees: No more monkey business or gratuitous killings this year. Now that every-

one's cool with her being a murderer, things can finally go back to normal.

But normal is relative in the show's fictional Beverly Hills.

In just one episode, an earthquake shakes up Los Angeles and closes down the school, yet another character with a British accent somehow makes

his way into the cast, Kim and Khloe Kardashian appear in a pointless cameo, and a minor character dies — although no one seems too fussed about it. The resilience of these characters is astounding; mortality is about as significant to them as peanut butter.

Another fun fact about these kids is that some of them don't have parents and/or homes.

One character, Liam (Matt Lanter), says he's been kicked out of the house, but the writers never touch on that again so it appears safe to presume he's homeless. Silver (Jessica Stroup) used to live with her sister, but the actress playing the sister quit at the end of season two — so her fate, too, is currently up in the air. And poor Naomi's (AnnaLynne McCord) parents have both been written out of the show. She was also raped by her (British) teacher in the season two finale, so things aren't going too well for her.

There are enough unadressed and contradictory plot holes in this 41-minute disaster to go on forever, but what's

more interesting about "90210" is how entertaining it can still be if one surrenders to its idiocy. Sure, it's wildly unrealistic and has the continuity of a fourth grader's diary, but there's something beautiful about that. The writers have created a new universe with unique rules and social codes, a universe at once intriguing and disgusting. Every single character is a horrible person, but it gets harder with each preposterous scene to even care.

And, in the show's defense (because, remember, there are sporadic moments of quality), the aftermath of Naomi's rape offers a compelling new story that viewers can take seriously for a change. Thus far, it's the only believable and even remotely moving plot of the season. McCord, who finally gets to step out of Naomi's clichéd rich-girl character trap, puts on a fabulous performance. Watching her even makes the viewer wonder if, perhaps, this is the stuff of good TV.

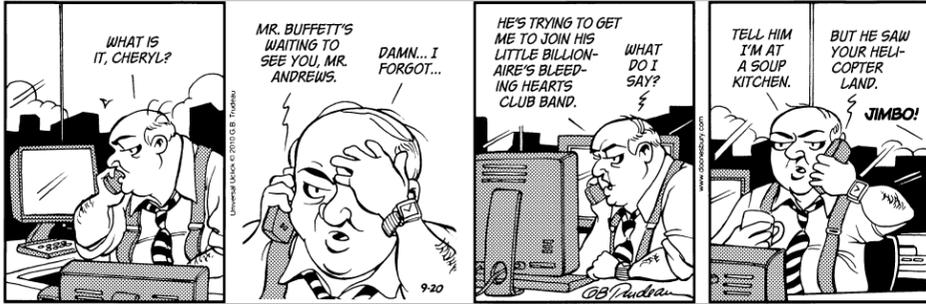
Unfortunately, it still isn't. But will you watch again next week? Of course you will.



The Kardashian sisters make a cameo appearance on the season premiere of '90210.' CWTV.COM

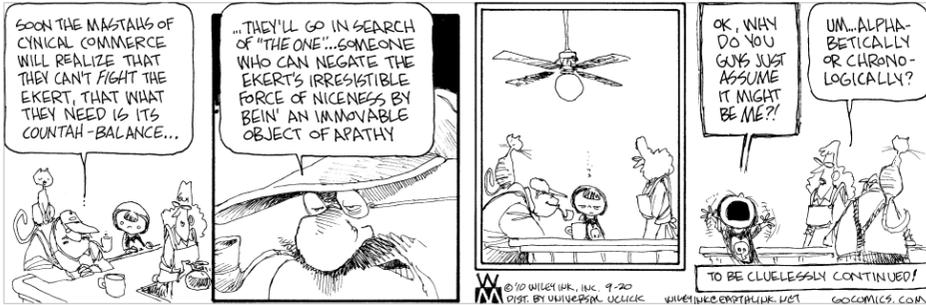
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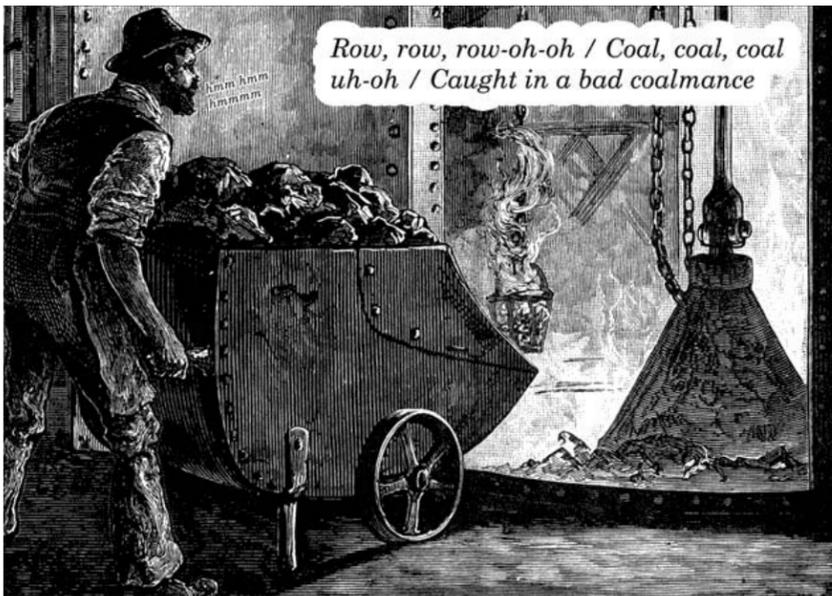


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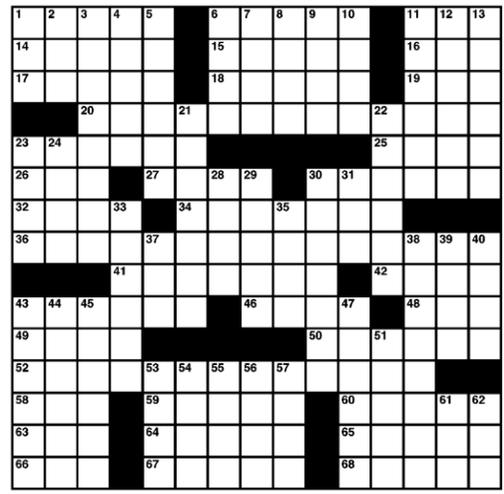
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By Samantha Wine

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## A forgotten victim of government belt-tightening

At Tufts, we often read about cockroaches finding their way into our dwelling spaces or a lack of wireless Internet access in dorm rooms, and we start grumbling about where our tuition money is disappearing to. In fact, that money often goes to valuable ends like retaining research faculty.

The truth is that Tufts is doing better financially than many public universities, which are losing state funding to health care programs like Medicaid. An opinion piece in yesterday's New York Times by columnist Peter Orszag asserted that as states are allotting more and more money to statewide health care, public universities are suffering financial setbacks and their professors are starting to feel the effects.

According to the column, public universities would have \$30 billion more than they do now — more than \$2,000 per student — in state funding if it had not gone instead to health care. As a result, a pay gap has opened up between public and private universities. The worry is that the best professors will eventually switch over to teaching at private universities, which do not rely on state funding.

Although college rankings like the U.S. News and World Report rankings are often critiqued and are far-from-perfect systems, it is important to note that historically, many public universities have been on par with or surpassed prestigious private institutions

in these rankings, but recently public universities have overall been ranked lower than in the past. Orszag points to the University of California, Berkeley as a prime example. It was once the top-ranked public university in the nation and placed fifth overall. It continues to be the top public school but has fallen to 22nd place.

So what are we to do about this? Stop giving medical care to the poor? The interconnectedness of the health care system and essentially everything else that receives state or federal money has become illuminated by the economic crisis. Getting the health care system under control is absolutely necessary for getting workers' wages back up and getting people back on their feet economically. Right now, a portion of the money that would normally go toward workers' wages goes instead to their health benefits and, as a result, people have even less to pay for college tuition.

At the same time, tuition has never been higher than it is now and neither has the necessity of attending college in order to get a well-paying job. Health care is an issue of the here and now, but a degenerating higher education system is a long-term determinant of our nation's future. We cannot just have one or the other, but the two are competing for the same funds and resources.

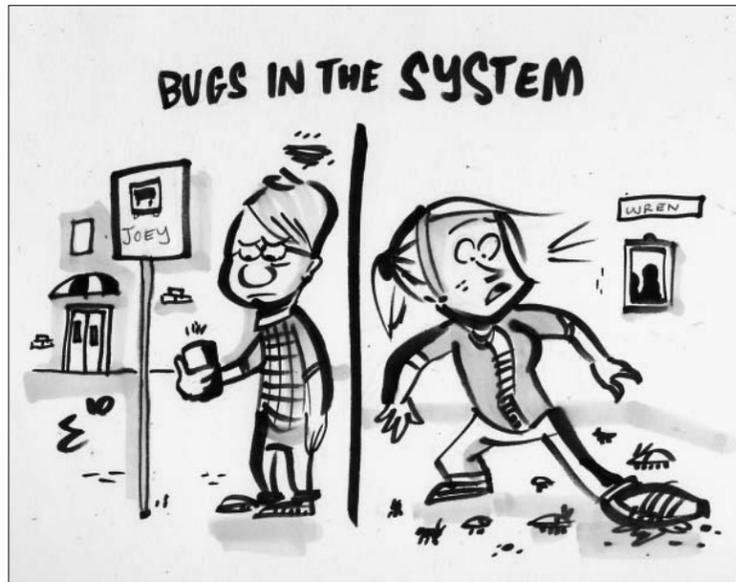
While those on the Hill might feel immune to cost-cutting in public edu-

cation, it is important to remember that the vast majority of American college students attend public institutions for their undergraduate education, and many who attend private colleges and universities as undergraduates end up going to public institutions for graduate school.

In annual college ranking reports, the United States has a history of coming out on top of the world. The Times Higher Education World University Ranking, which ranks schools based on completely quantifiable measures, listed American schools as seven of the top 10 in the world. Higher education is one of the United States' anchors. It is our backbone and one to be proud of. Letting it go, even for necessary and just causes like health care, is simply unacceptable if we wish to continue to produce individuals and generations ready to conquer both today's and tomorrow's national and global issues — including rising health care costs. It is important to remember that investing in higher education today will go a long way toward improving the nation's public health, whether this is through technological advances, more health care professionals or better policy makers.

While we do not pretend to have all the answers for how to accomplish this balancing act, we hope that our leaders will not continue to let higher education funding fall by the wayside in the public discourse.

LOUIE ZONG



## FROM THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

## The Daily is daily — and more!

Get ready: The truth is now coming at you daily, as we live up to our name and print a new issue each day of classes this semester. Coincidentally, that boring lecture class just got a little easier to sit through, with new crossword, Sudoku and Jumble puzzles coming at you every morning, too.

Today, we switch over to daily production for the rest of the semester after two weeks of putting out issues every other day while our staff got its sea legs.

But that's not all: We've got columns. In a similar vein to those of the Corinthian and Ionian brands, our columns bear the weight of the complex issues of our day.

To name just a few: Stephen Miller will argue a counterpoint to commonly held views. Former Primary Source Editor-in-Chief C.J. Saraceno will discuss all things banned and ban-able at Tufts.

Daily Arts Editor Mitchell Geller will keep it real with a column that explores the joy of commercial hip-hop, bringing Soulja Boy to the level of Shakespeare and turning your Monday into Dre Day. Returning columnist and assistant copy editor Elisha Sum will shift his column's focus on gender issues to

include more of those pertaining to men.

Along with Sports columnist mainstays Alex Prewitt and Ethan Frigon, Avinash Asthana will share his views on a sport not so popular in America, but beloved around the world: cricket.

Those of you who use the Internet may be familiar with the array of blogs on TuftsDaily.com that have covered campus news, arts, editorial cartoons and sports over the last couple years. This semester, we consolidated those blogs into two sites: Jumbo Slice, a blog on campus life, and The Score, our widely popular sports blog.

Throughout the day, Jumbo Slice (blogs.tuftsdaily.com) will serve up campus news, arts musings, editorial cartoons and a variety of other content relevant to those on Tufts' Medford/Somerville campus and the surrounding communities. Frequent posts around the clock — with tons of photos, videos and interactive features to boot — will provide a more credible, central and authoritative voice on campus news than checking your Facebook News Feed to determine whether that rumor about who's playing at Spring Fling is true or why that NECN news truck was parked by the

Granoff Music Center the other day.

The Score (blogs.tuftsdaily.com/thecore), meanwhile, will continue to throw quality sports news and analysis your way throughout the year. As the fall sports season shifts into gear this weekend, look for live updates on athletic events and hard-hitting coverage of your Jumbo teams.

Now that we've blown your mind with ways to get your fill of Tufts-centric news, how do you handle the inevitable information overload? Sign up for a free newsletter with the day's headlines delivered to your inbox every morning, at [www.tuftsdaily.com/register](http://www.tuftsdaily.com/register).

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As readings and problem sets come more frequently and midterm season descends upon us, rest assured that the Daily will be there with news that matters to you — every day in print and more frequently online. Don't worry — your crossword will be there, too.

Sincerely,  
Ben Gittleson  
Editor-in-Chief

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## I have arrived

BY SCOTLAND WILLIS

It is 5:29 p.m. on Thursday evening and I am standing atop the memorial for Alex Mendell — better known as Alex's Place. Overcast skies and a light rainfall result in a "tap-tap" spattering sound over the hood of my rain jacket. From here there is a view that already has me reminiscing about the day before as this unforgettable summer of 2010 comes to a close. But what makes it most memorable is my acceptance into the urban and environmental policy and planning (UEP) and civil engineering graduate programs at Tufts — for many reasons.

Filled with many of the best minds of all hues, ages and genders, my time at Tufts is fast becoming a memorable experience for me. I spent the first week organizing the plethora of resources that made being here very challenging — challenging not because there was a poor selection of resources (on the contrary, there are exceptional resources), but due to decentralization, the system through which you access these resources is somewhat dysfunctional. But with some effort, this complex web of resources has enriched my experience.

On a couple of occasions, I have found that I am already becoming a resource for some of my peers. I informed one that she could get her computer worked on for free — something I would not have known at all if I hadn't encountered the friendly good-natured Judi from University Information Technology (UIT) during the general graduate student orientation. She introduced me to the tremendously helpful new flash drive system — a great resource — that Tufts has first experimented with this year, through which graduate students can instantly access resources related to Tufts graduate programs. Judi also led me to a UIT website — <http://it.tufts.edu/> — which will help students understand how to better navigate through the web of services at Tufts. In a different vein, my connection with Katrina of the Africana Center created an opportunity for me to do some mentoring for undergraduate students at Tufts, an initiative that I feel is very important.

In terms of resources at the Tisch Library, I learned about the great locker space available to graduate students after scheduling an appointment with Karen, a librarian who services the engineering students and helps them effectively use the library's resources. This exchange led me to Regina (another librarian who helps UEP students), from whom I gained further insight into what the library has to offer for UEP students. If it were not for initial interactions like these, I would not have had the opportunity to have these valuable connections with such a wide range of people at Tufts, from administration



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to faculty to students. It is important to take the opportunity to engage in conversations with all members of the Tufts community because they're likely to lead to longer-term relationships and connections. Based on these experiences, my recommendation is to tackle the challenges that make being at Tufts overwhelming sooner rather than later, and don't be uncomfortable asking questions — it takes courage. Spending my first week organizing was the best choice for me, but only you can determine what actions you need to make a priority for yourself.

I have engaged in multiple conversations with students and faculty about society, the needs on the campus, special events and Chinese culture and collaboration. This week alone led me to a variety of activities — from a great barbecue held for Tufts graduate students to the bluegrass sounds and dialogue of the Carolina Chocolate Drops — and I still had time to produce work assignments a few days to a week before the work was due. At first the anticipation of the graduate school workload left me feeling somewhat anxious and wondering how I

would do and if I were ready, among other unknowns; fortunately, I find myself settling in at this point. I know all will go well.

About a week ago, I started toying around with ideas for my thesis. More importantly, I began utilizing my peers in this process — a resource none should take for granted — by bouncing ideas off of them and informally testing the feasibility of these ideas. Because learning is a constant work in process (hopefully right up to our last breath), I am still assessing how I learn best; my learning tools are constantly evolving and so my thinking about how I learn best must constantly evolve as well. Now, digital recording devices, smartphones, pen and paper, e-mail and Blackboard all play a role in how I learn best. And although I am using all of them, none are a substitute for direct contact. Fortunately, some of the people with whom I interact still recognize the value in this fundamental human approach to learning through direct communication.

Back at Alex's Place, I am contemplating his generosity and that of his parents. I am wondering if he would grant me the honor

of borrowing his place for a while, until my time here is done, and if he would let me identify it as my place. It is where I go to reflect, to find answers and to recharge. I imagine Alex was the kind of person who would want such a place for someone like me. I think there are several of those types of compassionate people on campus as I assess the Tufts culture thus far.

What does it mean to have "arrived"? Are you familiar with the term? For me it means the culmination of all the pieces moving in the right direction, of all the cogs in the wheel working in unison. No, not everything at Tufts is perfect. I could make a few recommendations that would improve the student experience here. But right now, for me, it is the near-perfect experience. Fate could not have chosen a better journey for me than my presence at Tufts right now.

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## Spirituality plus science, good for society?

BY BRITTON PEELE  
Daily Toreador

Earlier this week, I stumbled upon an opinions piece on [USAToday.com](http://USAToday.com), titled "Spirituality can bridge science-religion divide." Boiled down, it seems to be trying to say that science and religion can get along just fine, provided religion leaves the picture.

Seriously, that's how the author comes across. He seems to want people of faith to keep their faith, if they so choose, but ditch fundamentalist religion.

He might not be entirely wrong, but I don't think he's entirely right, either.

It's treading on old ground, but it's still worth noting that religion itself is not at war with science, nor should it ever be. As a Christian that's fairly fundamentalist (to the point that

I believe much, if not all, of the Bible contains a great deal of historical accuracy), I've never had problems with ideas such as evolution or the big bang.

Now, that's not to say [I] entirely accept evolution yet, but it doesn't affect my faith in the least if it's 100 percent true or not.

Scientists aren't out to disprove God — or if they are, they're severely misguided. Science's goal is to figure out how the universe works and then to apply that knowledge to make our planet a better place to live. Nothing about that goes against the teaching of the Bible, nor, to my knowledge, many other spiritual texts.

That said, religion today — Christianity definitely included — is extremely flawed. Churches all over the world have done very bad things in the name

of God, Allah, etc. I can see why some people would be all for ditching organized religion altogether and going the "spiritual" route.

But in my humble opinion, we should try to fix the problems before ditching the practice entirely.

With the resources available to organized religion, a lot of good could be done for the world. We could cure AIDS, shelter the homeless and feed the hungry. Science could gain much more from a partnership with religion than it could from people who are merely spiritual — a term I'm sure a lot of agnostic people would apply to themselves.

Now, I'm definitely not saying there's anything wrong with going the spirituality route in your personal life. That's perfectly fine, and the day may

come when I leave Christianity and follow Christ on my own terms, as it were. All I'm saying is that we should maybe give religion a better chance.

The USA Today column, all told, doesn't feel terribly balanced. The author spends a lot of time talking about how New Atheists, like Richard Dawkins, are fine with "spirituality," and how even people who don't believe in a deity can have it. Therefore, it doesn't seem to make the case for religion being OK with science so much as it seems to ignore religious people altogether.

Not that Richard Dawkins really understands religion, anyway. That man is a pretty smart scientist, but he's one of the worst philosophers I've ever read.

I know this imaginary war between science and religion isn't going to end any time soon, and

that's a major bummer. However, I don't think that means we have to immediately toss one side or the other into the trash.

Not all religious people will boo Bill Nye the Science Guy for saying that the moon only reflects light. I would bet a great deal of money that those sorts of religious people make up a very, very small portion of the population.

Likewise, not all science-minded people are like Dawkins, anxious to destroy religion and all it stands for. Those numbers, too, are probably pretty low in the grand scheme of things.

Why can't we all just play nice with each other?

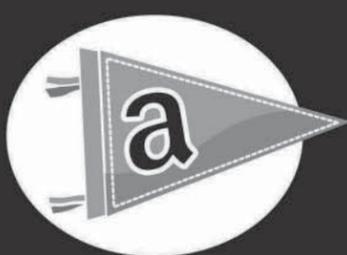
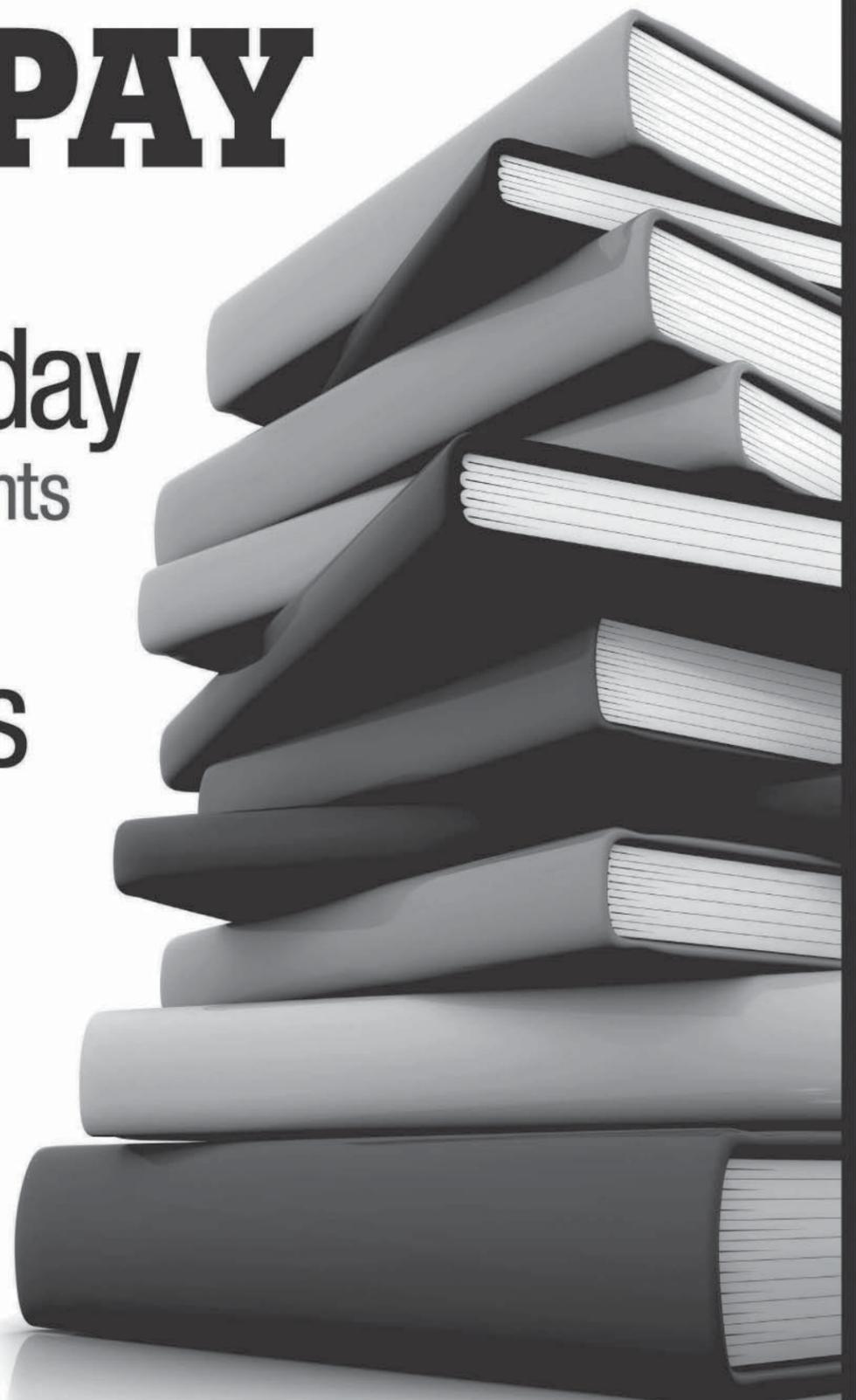
Regardless, the time hasn't yet come to toss religion out the window. I worry that such an action would create far more problems than it would solve.

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**FIELD HOCKEY**

## Tufts takes down second top-20 team in the past week

BY CLAIRE KEMP  
Daily Editorial Board

Another historic season could be underway for the field hockey team.

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| <b>FIELD HOCKEY</b><br>(2-0 NESCAC, 3-0 Overall)<br>at Amherst, Friday |   |   |   |   |
| Tufts                                                                  | 1 | 2 | — | 3 |
| Amherst                                                                | 0 | 0 | — | 0 |

For the third year in a row, the nationally ranked No. 3 Tufts is off to a 3-0 start following a 3-0 victory over No. 16 Amherst on Friday afternoon, marking the Jumbos' third consecutive shut-out of the Lord Jeffs. The game also marked the first home-opener loss for the Jeffs since 2002 — a loss which also came at the hands of the Jumbos.

The offense was led by two goals from senior forward Melissa Burke, who has now notched three tallies in the three games thus far. Classmate Tamara Brown added the other goal for the Jumbos.

Tufts scored three goals in its other NESCAC match against No. 10 Middlebury on Sept. 11, but the offense was more efficient this time, netting three goals on just 16 shots — 12 of which were on-goal — and only 12 corners. The defense was also tested for the first time this season;

Amherst racked up 10 shots and nine corners of its own, forcing junior goalkeeper Marianna Zak to make seven saves. Prior to Friday, Zak had only two saves on the season.

"I think that just with every game we're improving and figuring out how to work better together," Burke said. "In practice we've been working a lot on getting all the different lines to work together, and that definitely showed on Friday."

One reason for Tufts' dominance on Friday was its early offensive burst, which put it in control for most of the first half. In the first two minutes alone, the Jumbos earned two corner opportunities and it was not long before they capitalized.

In what has quickly become her signature play, junior defender Sarah Cannon lifted an aerial shot from the left side of the shooting circle toward the exposed top-right corner of the cage. Amherst keeper Sarah Wise made an overhead stick save, but it was not enough to clear it past Burke, who collected the weak rebound and slammed the ball into the far side of the net to put Tufts up 1-0 less than 10 minutes in.

Play continued in neutral zone for most of the period, with Tufts unable to increase



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Tufts followed its defeat of No.10 Middlebury with a 3-0 win against Amherst on Friday night.

**VOLLEYBALL**

## Jumbos annihilate Bobcats and Mules, go 2-0 in NESCAC

BY BEN KOCHMAN  
Daily Editorial Board

The volleyball team did not drop a set this weekend in two matches at Colby, extending its winning streak to five and

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| <b>VOLLEYBALL</b><br>(2-0 NESCAC, 5-2 Overall) |    |    |    |     |
| at Colby, Saturday                             |    |    |    |     |
| Tufts                                          | 25 | 25 | 25 | — 3 |
| Colby                                          | 14 | 7  | 20 | — 0 |
| at Colby, Friday                               |    |    |    |     |
| Bates                                          | 18 | 14 | 11 | — 0 |
| Tufts                                          | 25 | 25 | 25 | — 3 |

jumping out of the gates with a 2-0 NESCAC record.

On Saturday, the Jumbos made mince-meat of the host Mules, winning the second set 25-7 en route to a straight-set victory. Senior quad-captain Caitlin Updike led the team with 12 kills on 33 attempts and was consistently set up by sophomore setter Kendall Lord, who had 30 total assists in the three frames. Tufts also served extraordinarily well, with 10 aces on the day, including a team-high three from junior Cara Spieler.

"We did a good job of playing at our own pace," Updike said. "We were able to stay disciplined, keep our passes low and serve really well."

After Tufts dominated the first two sets, Colby showed some fight in the third, but the Jumbos were able to rally and win the set 25-20 — the closest score of the match.

"They had a couple of good serves and went on a bit of a run, but we stayed composed and were able to pull out the win," Lord said.

Saturday's win moved Tufts to 2-0 in the NESCAC and followed the team's straight-

set win on Friday night against Bates.

The Jumbos pounded the Bobcats by counts of 25-18, 25-14 and 25-11 on the strength of 12 kills from Updike, as well as some tough defense from Lord and junior libero Audrey Kuan, who had eight and nine digs, respectively.

"It was a good weekend for us," Lord, who had 33 assists in the match against Bates, said. "These weren't necessarily the two best teams in the NESCAC, but we were able to be consistent."

Lord's growth over the course of the season will be essential in the Jumbos' quest to host the NESCAC tournament for the third consecutive year. The sophomore is replacing the most decorated player in Tufts volleyball history as starting setter: Former All-American Dena Feiger (LA '10), who averaged over 11 assists a match in 2009.

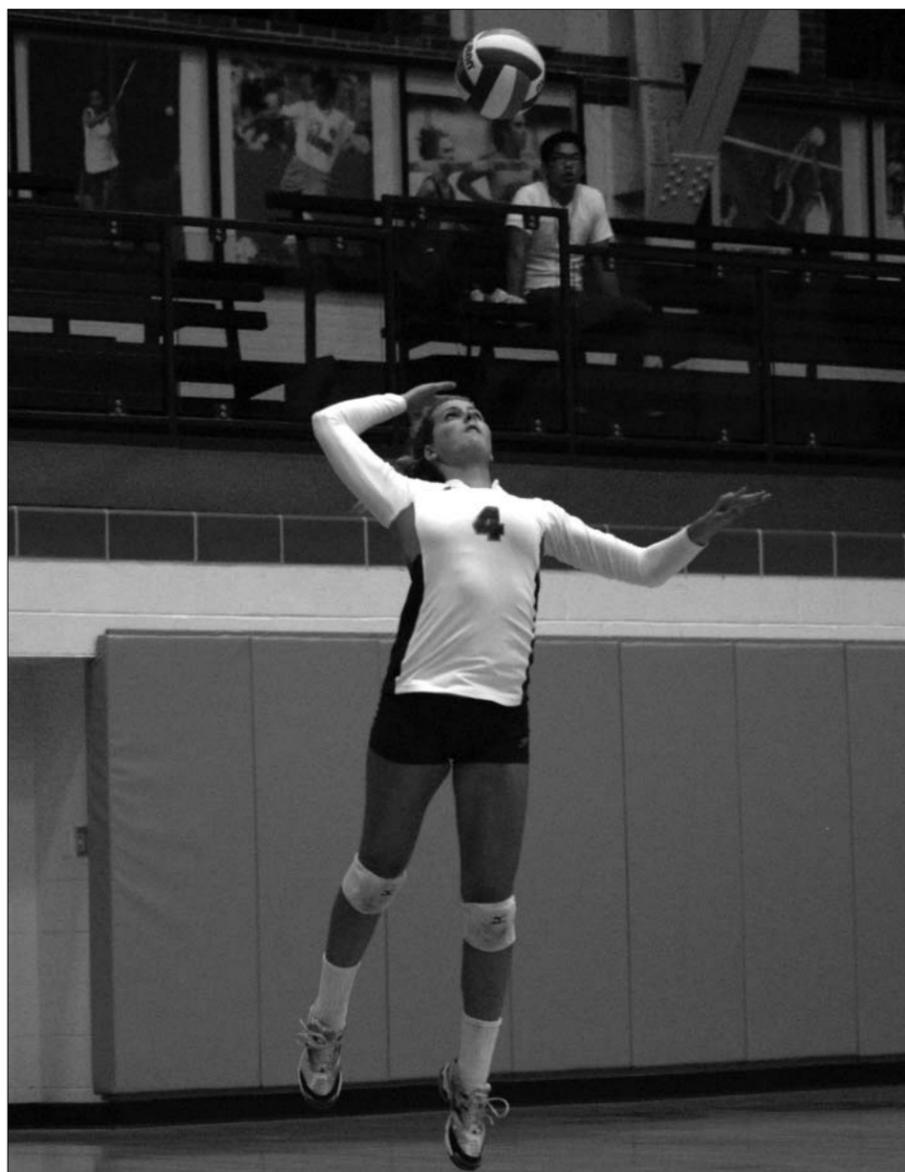
This weekend, with 63 assists over six sets — good for a 10.5 per-set average — Lord showed the type of form reminiscent of the former Tufts standout with an added bonus of five aces.

The Jumbos moved their record to 5-2 on the year with last weekend's two wins. Next up is a home match Tuesday night against non-conference foe Brandeis. Tuesday's contest will be the second of five scheduled home games this season for the Jumbos, who hope to extend their current streak of 10 straight victorious sets.

"We need to keep serving well [in Tuesday's match], and make sure that we have great ball control," Updike said.

Updike added that it was unfortunate that Tufts only had five scheduled home games in 2010, but that if all goes according to plan this season, the Jumbos will be able to schedule a few more home games in the NESCAC Tournament and beyond.

"It's great to go into the NESCAC season with a 2-0 record already," Updike added, "because that's our goal: to host NESCAC's again."



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Sophomore setter Kendall Lord was a major force in the Tufts' sweep of Bates and Colby with a combined 63 assists and 17 digs over the weekend.

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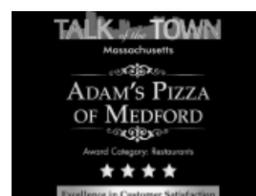
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WOMEN'S SOCCER

# Handball gives Lord Jeffs the edge as Jumbos fall 2-1

BY DANIEL RATHMAN  
Daily Editorial Board

There was no quit in the women's soccer team on Friday afternoon, but the Jumbos' valiant

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| <b>WOMEN'S SOCCER</b>              |   |   |   |   |
| <b>(1-1 NESCAC, 1-1-1 Overall)</b> |   |   |   |   |
| at Amherst, Friday                 |   |   |   |   |
| Tufts                              | 0 | 1 | — | 1 |
| Amherst                            | 1 | 1 | — | 2 |

comeback effort was thwarted in a 2-1 loss to No. 15 Amherst.

"I'm proud that we didn't give up until the final whistle, but we need to play with that sense of urgency throughout the whole game," senior co-captain Carrie Wilson said.

"I think, overall, we played some really good soccer and saw some glimpses of our potential," senior co-captain Sarah Nolet added. "But at the end of the day, the score is what matters and we didn't get the job done."

The Jumbos (1-1-1, 1-1-0 NESCAC) proved they can play with one of the NESCAC's elite teams by contesting every ball in the first half and outworking their foes. But some sour luck in the 44th minute left them down 1-0 at halftime.

Nolet, a defender, inadvertently bumped an incoming cross with her hand in the 18-yard box and the assistant referee flagged it, awarding the Lord Jeffs (3-0-1, 2-0-1 NESCAC) a penalty kick.

"In my opinion, it was a bad call, because they would not have scored on the play even without the handball," Wilson said. "It was definitely unintentional, but that's the thing about soccer — you can't control the referee and sometimes the calls go against you."



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Junior forward Jamie Love-Nichols netted Tufts' lone goal as the team fell to Amherst 2-1 despite a strong offensive push late in the game.

Amherst sophomore midfielder Kathryn Nathan cashed in the kick with a hard shot at the lower left corner, putting the Lord Jeffs ahead.

The Jumbos regrouped at half-

time and came back onto the field in furious pursuit of an equalizer. Tufts dominated play throughout the second half, sending 12 shots at Amherst's junior goalkeeper Allie Horwitz, compared to just

four attempts for the Lord Jeffs. But in the 74th minute, a small defensive lapse proved costly.

A long punt by Horwitz bounced high over the Tufts defense and right to the feet

of sophomore forward Hannah Cooper, whose shot attempt was denied by first-year keeper Kristin Wright. Amherst senior

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MEN'S SOCCER

# Scoreless streak broken in 1-1 tie with Lord Jeffs

BY ALEX LACH  
Daily Editorial Board

After a convincing win against Endicott on Tuesday — the first victory in coach Josh Shapiro's tenure —

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| <b>MEN'S SOCCER</b>                  |   |    |     |       |
| <b>(0-1-1 NESCAC, 1-1-1 Overall)</b> |   |    |     |       |
| at Amherst, Friday                   |   |    |     |       |
|                                      |   | OT | 2OT |       |
| Tufts                                | 0 | 1  | 0   | 0 — 1 |
| Amherst                              | 0 | 1  | 0   | 0 — 1 |

Tufts headed to Amherst for what has always been a tough match-up with the perennial NESCAC contenders. After 110 minutes and two overtimes, the Jumbos and the Lord Jeffs played to a hard-fought 1-1 tie, earning the Jumbos their first NESCAC point of the season.

"After the game we were all pretty excited," junior midfielder Matt Blumenthal said. "While it was a winnable game, getting a tie against one of the best teams in the conference is a big boost."

After a scoreless first half, Blumenthal notched his first goal of the season in the 72nd minute. After his initial shot was deflected, Blumenthal launched a left-footed volley from just outside the 18-yard box that found the left side of the goal and gave Tufts a one-goal lead. It was the first goal the Jumbos have scored against the Lord Jeffs since their 2-0 victory in 2005.

"It felt great," Blumenthal said of his goal. "I was almost a little shocked when it hit the net, but I'll definitely remember it for a long time."

The lead was short-lived, however, as Amherst responded just over two minutes later, courtesy of a well-placed shot from senior Thebe Tsatsimpe that

beat the outstretched arms of junior goalkeeper Alan Bernstein.

"That was hard to swallow, but we did a good job of regaining our composure and being able to go the last [approximately] thirty minutes of the game to hold onto the tie," Blumenthal said.

"The whole game was a fight, so it wasn't surprising that they came back and made a game of it," senior quad-captain midfielder Chris Flaherty said. "We knew they had the potential going forward."

Both teams continued to push numbers forward in the first overtime period, but neither could create a goal. Amherst got the better chances of the extra time, outshooting Tufts 5-0. Bernstein, though, was up to the task, making eight saves in the game and preserving the tie for Tufts in the late stages.

"Bernstein played a great game," Blumenthal said. "He's been doing real well this season — he's made a bunch of big saves for us."

The Jumbos had a handful of solid opportunities in the first half, courtesy of sophomore forward Franco Silva. The first occasion came off of a botched free kick by Amherst keeper Lennard Kovacs, leading to Silva's break. Silva dodged Kovacs but could not steer his shot into the open goal.

On his second chance of the half, Silva freed himself from the Amherst back line, only to miss wide to the right once more. Though another goal was not converted, the Jumbos displayed more offensive creativity and prowess against the Jeffs than in years past.

"This year, I think we're playing with more confidence going forward,"

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## POWER RANKINGS

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It was a big weekend in the NESCAC, one that is reflected in this week's edition of the NESCAC Power Rankings. Perhaps the biggest shake-up occurred at the top, where Middlebury leapfrogged the previous No. 2 Amherst into the runner-up slot. The Lord Jeffs were hurt by their field hockey squad, which fell to 1-2 overall after a loss to the Jumbos, and their men's soccer team. The Panthers, meanwhile, have four teams ranked in the top four in the league by the voters.

Conn. College, additionally, moved past Trinity, the week's biggest faller, and into sixth place; the Bantams, meanwhile, fell from fifth to seventh. Hamilton, additionally, is the newest bottom-feeder after dropping into 11th overall.

| THIS WEEK | SCHOOL        | FOOTBALL | MEN'S SOCCER | WOMEN'S SOCCER | FIELD HOCKEY | VOLLEYBALL | AVERAGE | LAST WEEK |
|-----------|---------------|----------|--------------|----------------|--------------|------------|---------|-----------|
| 1         | WILLIAMS      | 2.38     | 2.25         | 1.89           | 8.13         | 4.13       | 3.75    | 1 ↔       |
| 2         | MIDDLEBURY    | 4.25     | 1.38         | 7.88           | 4.25         | 3.63       | 4.28    | 3 ↑       |
| 3         | AMHERST       | 1.25     | 6.13         | 1.38           | 6.5          | 7.63       | 4.58    | 2 ↓       |
| 4         | TUFTS         | 8.00     | 8.38         | 4.00           | 1.50         | 2.13       | 4.80    | 4 ↔       |
| 5         | BOWDOIN       | 5.88     | 6.13         | 6.00           | 2.13         | 4.83       | 4.83    | 6 ↑       |
| 6         | CONN. COLLEGE | —        | 3.25         | 9.75           | 5.38         | 1.50       | 4.97    | 7 ↑       |
| 7         | TRINITY       | 2.63     | 9.38         | 4.13           | 5.00         | 5.88       | 5.4     | 5 ↓       |
| 8         | WESLEYAN      | 7.13     | 3.88         | 5.13           | 3.88         | 7.75       | 5.55    | 7 ↓       |
| 9         | COLBY         | 6.38     | 5.63         | 7.63           | 6.50         | 9.13       | 7.38    | 9 ↔       |
| 10        | BATES         | 9.25     | 8.63         | 7.63           | 10.00        | 9.13       | 8.93    | 11 ↑      |
| 11        | HAMILTON      | 7.88     | —            | —              | —            | 10.63      | 9.25    | 10 ↓      |

The poll was devised as follows: Each voter ranked all NESCAC schools in each sport, and those scores were averaged to create a composite ranking for each sport. The composites were then averaged to determine each school's overall ranking. Note that Hamilton does not compete in field hockey, men's soccer or women's soccer in the NESCAC, and Conn. College does not compete in football.

This week's list was determined by polling Amro El-Adle (Amherst Student), James Reedy & Seth Walder (Bowdoin Orient), Rob Yee (Colby Echo), Nick Woolf & Mike Flint (Conn. College Voice), Katie Siegner (Middlebury Campus), Ann Curtis and Emily Gittleman (Trinity Tripod), Alex Prewitt (Tufts Daily) and Meghan Kiesel (Williams Record).

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## Mass. Maritime visits Tufts' Bello Field in non-conference tilt

### MEN'S SOCCER

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Flaherty said. "It makes a big difference when you don't give up an early goal and you can gain that confidence. That's something the new coach has imparted on our offense and it's something the players are really relishing under."

The game was the third for the Jumbos in just seven days to open the season, during which the Jumbos have a victory, a defeat and this draw. While its play has not been flawless, Tufts seems pleased with its start. But the team gladly welcomed two days of rest this weekend.

"It was a tough first three games against two tough league opponents and Endicott College, so while the team might be a little tired, I think the extra day off this weekend will help our tired bodies," Flaherty said.

The schedule does not slow down much for Tufts; the team is back on the pitch Tuesday night against Mass. Maritime on Bello Field. Mass. Maritime comes into the game with a 1-4 record after a 2-0 loss to Framingham State over the weekend.

"We don't know much about them since we haven't played them since I've been here, but I'm sure coach [Shapiro] will have a game-plan for us tomorrow and we'll be ready to go again," Blumenthal said.



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Junior midfielder Matt Blumenthal, pictured center in an earlier game against Middlebury, put Tufts ahead of Amherst 1-0 in the 72nd minute on Friday, though the latter responded quickly to knot the game at one apiece as the match ended in a draw.

## After road test with Wheaton, Tufts gets three at home

### WOMEN'S SOCCER

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forward Jackie Hirsch, however, had snuck behind the Tufts defense and sent the rebound into an empty net to put the Lord Jeffs ahead 2-0.

Junior forward Jamie Love-Nichols led the flurry of Tufts shots in the second half, creating two scoring opportunities; about a minute before Amherst drove home its insurance tally, Love-Nichols had beaten Horwitz with a shot that caromed off the left post. Her rebound effort went off the crossbar, leaving the Jumbos both frustrated and determined.

"We hit the post and crossbar about three or four times in that half," Wilson said. "Within the last 15 or 20 minutes, we really had countless opportunities to get back into the game."

The Jumbos finally got on the board when Love-Nichols weaved through the middle of the Amherst defense and buried the ball past Horwitz and into the left corner of the net, narrowing the Lord Jeffs' lead to 2-1.

"We really played with the sense of urgency we needed in the last part of the game," Wilson said. "I think we played our hardest after they went up 2-0, but it was too late."

"I thought there were some really great individual efforts, but we just weren't mentally tough enough to capitalize up top and stay strong on defense," Nolet added.

Horwitz finished the game with five saves for Amherst, including four in the second half. Meanwhile, the Jumbos' sophomore Phoebe Hanley and Wright continued to split time, playing the first and second halves, respectively. Hanley and Wright each allowed a goal and collected two saves.

"We've used both of them in the same manner for each game this year and I think they've both done a great job,"

Wilson said.

The Jumbos will look to rebound from their third straight loss to Amherst when they face Wheaton in Norton, Mass. on Wednesday.

"Wheaton is always a big, physical team, so we're going to be mentally prepared for a physical battle," Wilson said. "But I'm confident that we're a better team technically, so we'll look to play the ball on the ground around them."

*"In my opinion, it was a bad call because they would not have scored on the play even without the handball. ... It was definitely unintentional, but that's the thing about soccer — you can't control the referee and sometimes the calls go against you."*

Carrie Wilson  
Senior co-captain

Tufts will host its next NESCAC match on Saturday at home against Wesleyan, with kickoff scheduled for 12 noon.

"Wesleyan is always a fast and strong team," Nolet said. "We're going to have to play tough, but we really prepare the same way regardless of the opponent."

Starting with Wesleyan, the Jumbos will play three consecutive games at home, and they want to take advantage.

"We're looking forward to being able to go out and practice hard two days in a row and probably do some fitness to get us ready for the next stretch of games," Wilson said.

## UMass' AstroTurf will bring new set of challenges for Tufts

### FIELD HOCKEY

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its precarious lead and Amherst gaining momentum in its offensive zone. Then, five minutes before the half ended, the Lord Jeffs caught a rare opportunity on an open net when sophomore forward Katie McMahon sent the ball across the cage to Zak's weak side, finding junior Chrissy Cantore, who clanged the one-timer off the post.

Tufts' defense was tested again just one minute later on a penalty corner. McMahon set up the play again, this time to junior Carly Dudzik, who had time to wind up. Tufts senior co-captain Jess Perkins, however, stopped the shot a few feet in front of the goal to preserve the lead heading into intermission.

"At halftime we talked about how we really needed to focus on playing our game," Burke said. "It had gotten away from us a little — from how we usually play — and we talked about how we needed to calm down and do the things that we do well and stop having breakdowns in the middle of the field. We wanted to let the ball do more of the work, too, because we were running a lot more than we needed to."

The second half picked up the excitement right where it left off — only this time it was the offense getting the action. Just 3:19 in, senior Tess Guttadauro sent in a perfect insert to Perkins who collected and redirected the ball on net. Brown finished the combination to give Tufts a more comfortable two-goal lead.

Five minutes after Brown's goal, Zak caught a hard redirect with her right leg to deny the first of two close calls. Just moments later, Zak again robbed a Dudzik shot, making a diving stick-save to preserve the shut-

out.

"Amherst was a strong team for sure," Zak said. "They got more shots through than I had seen before. But the defense played well and overall I thought we played well together, which helped us get the shutout as a team."

The final goal of the game came shortly after an Amherst player received a yellow card for breaching the five-yard distance that is supposed to be maintained before a free hit. Just 32 seconds into the man-up play, Burke notched an unassisted goal to put the Jumbos up 3-0.

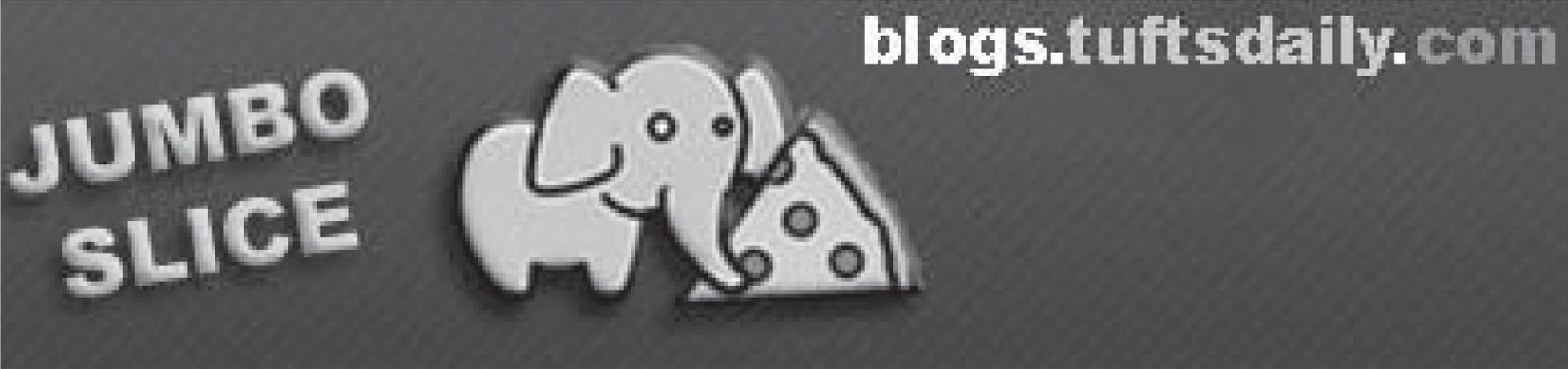
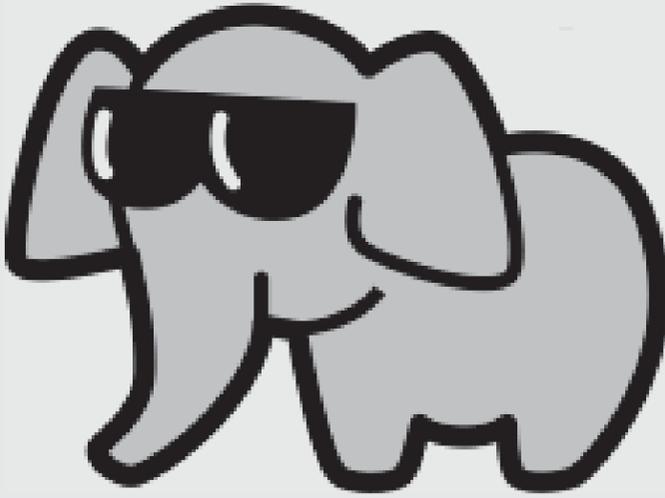
On Wednesday, the Jumbos will look to earn another non-conference win against UMass Dartmouth (4-2), a team they beat 4-0 last year on Bello Field. The Jumbos will be at a slight disadvantage away from Bello, however, as the Corsairs play on a faster AstroTurf field. This past Tuesday, Tufts struggled against Babson in a similar mid-week away game on AstroTurf, eventually edging out Babson 2-1. The Jumbos will have to prevent fast-break opportunities and stay low on the quick, flat surface.

"Playing on a new surface, we have to figure out right away what works and what doesn't," Burke said. "We talk a lot about what will work on [AstroTurf] that wouldn't necessarily work on field turf and vice versa, and it will be important to figure that out on the field right away."

"AstroTurf is a lot faster and shots are going to come harder," Zak said. "But we have a lot of strong hitters on our team as well as our male Australian assistant coaches who shoot on me in practice, so I'm exposed to that kind of ball speed on our field turf all the time. We're just excited to play because it's a more high-speed and exciting game. We also just like to play under the lights."

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