A year later, it’s hard to imagine life at IIT without the MTCC

By Vaibhav Agrawal
NEWS/OPINION EDITOR

September 30 marks an important milestone in the history of Illinois Institute of Technology: the anniversary of the McCormick Tribune Campus Center. After one year, the IIT community can truly understand how this building has changed the atmosphere of the campus. It’s hard to imagine an IIT campus without a campus center gracing the presence of the El that rumbles through the heart of this campus making students feel fully integrated with the city.

The IIT community hosted an anniversary event to celebrate the campus center in a short, yet memorable manner. IIT President Lew Collens, Associate Vice President of Auxiliary Services Jean Bingham, and Director of Campus and Conference Centers Paul Terzino greeted several students and faculty/staff as they dropped by the Welcome Center in the MTCC to grab a few snacks and partake in the anniversary celebration.

Along with celebrating the anniversary of the MTCC, the IIT community made sure to recognize and celebrate the birthday of Professor John Kallend, which also falls on September 30.

Sodexo took the responsibilities of fully catering the event and did a wonderful job in creating a cake designed in replica of the actual MTCC. The cake was definitely the highlight of the event as the attendees marvelled at its creativity all the while eagerly waiting to take a bite out of the delicacy.

President Collens took a few moments to say some in honor of the building and the dominating presence it has had shortly before cutting the cake.

“After a year of learning to live together, I am delighted at the way in which this extraordinary building and the IIT community have adapted to each other,” commented Collens. “It’s already difficult to remember what the campus was like without it’s presence.”

Since its opening one year ago, the MTCC has had a dominating presence on campus as it has become a true campus center in every sense. The MTCC has not only met the demands of a campus center, but has proven to be an architectural masterpiece. The building proved to be a symbol of IIT’s revitalization as it showed the beginning of a new renaissance at IIT marked with drastically increased student involvement on campus.
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**from SGA Of the Month Subcommittee**

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**Event and Organization of the Month - Dorms’ Week and RHA**

Nominating Description:

About 200-300 different people attended various activities during Dorms’ Week, including about 150 each at cookout (Monday and Friday) and the potluck Saturday night. $2000 gift certificates were given to the winners of the competitions. Students from all over the IIT community (not just in MSV or SSV) came out and participated.

This was a highly successful event that met or exceeded its projected attendance, unlike many other “major” events at IIT.

**Student of the Month**

Joshua Haycraft

**Faculty/Staff of the Month**

(No Nominations Received)

**from Sodexo Campus Services**

**International Guest Chef**

Tuesday’s Dinner: Fresh Lake Trout Medallion w/Noqui de Sernola & Chianto Cheese

Wednesday’s Lunch: Chicken Maigre w/Black Olive Sauce

Chef Francisco Layera from Santiago, Chile, will be honoring us with his culinary talent this Tuesday, October 5th for dinner and Wednesday October 6th for lunch in the Commons. Please join us and partake in his wonderful cuisine.

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# Homecoming 2004

## Fall Back to the Future

**Sunday, October 3rd**
- Scarlet Fever Tailgate Party - before the soccer game on the soccer field
- Girls Soccer vs. Indiana Tech 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM
- Spirit Team Competition: Window Painting

**Monday, October 4th**
- Spirit Team Competition: Relay Races - outside of e1 from 12:45 PM - 1:45 PM
- ESP, An Interactive Game Show - in center court from 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

**Tuesday, October 5th**
- Spirit Team Competition: Chubby Bunny - in the hub from 12:45 PM - 1:45 PM
- Carnival - in the Quad from 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM
- Volleyball vs. Judson College 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

**Wednesday, October 6th**
- Spirit Team Competition: Lip-Sync - in center court from 12:45 PM - 1:45 PM
- Girls Soccer vs. U. of Saint Francis - soccer field from 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM
- Mens Soccer vs. U. of Saint Francis - soccer field from 7:30 PM - 8:00 PM
- Comedian Steve Byrne - in center court from 10:00 PM - 11:00 PM

**Thursday, October 7th**
- Spirit Team Competition: Donut Eating Contest - man on the bench park from 12:45 PM - 1:15 PM
- Pep Rally - in the Hub from 3:00 PM - 3:30 PM
- Chinese Acrobats - in the Hub Auditorium from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

**Friday, October 8th**
- Picnic and Parade - at the Quad from 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM
- Volleyball vs. Indiana University Northwest - from 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM
- Wild Video Dance Party - hub

**Saturday, October 9th**
- Soccer vs. Cardinal Stritch - away with the scarlet fever
- Adopt-A-Beach - from 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

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**King Nominees**
- Ryan George
- Neal Patel
- Jason Tenenbaum
- Joe Gottardo

**Queen Nominees**
- Shruchita Thakore
- Theresa Allen
- Ioana Nicolaeascu
- Annie Ranttila

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You've all seen some hippy post-adolescent suburban kid wearing a "Che" shirt. Wearing this shirt is a symbol of their rough individuality, anti-establishment revolutionary communist belief. It's also a symbol of their desire to be seen as different, unique, and nonconformist. The rights to the image are owned by an American corporation, Fidelity, and the shirts are produced in Honduras. Not that I think it's a great vigor. The first presidential debate held on September 30th created quite a stir. Both candidates agreed that the arrogant demeanor and political attitudes of Kerry were more acceptable than those of Bush. Throughout the debate Bush tried to characterize Kerry's flip-flops. Bush gave a well-publicized example of Kerry's vote to launch military action in Iraq and his subsequent vote against an additional billion dollars to fund the effort. Many students sounded off in agreement.

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The students of Fourth North unite in a common cause to save their beloved mascot from the bureaucracy of IIT and their Save the Cart Movement is gathering widespread support.
**CTA Sleeper Case Gets Dropped**

By Anthony Gaddini

August 25th, 2004

Gaurav Bhatia, the infamous CTA Sleeper, had his case dropped on September 29th, one day before the scheduled hearing.

Gaurav was ticketed on August 25th during his morning commute on the Orange Line for violation of Section 1.16.6 of the Chicago Municipal Ordinances, a.k.a. "hazardously sleeping."

"At this time, the city makes a decision that the ticket was issued to Gaurav, Counsel James McSaa. With this brief statement, a case reported from British India came to a close.

The case was dismissed: "Due to the minor nature of the offense, according to City’s policy release."

Gaurav found the ordeal "anti-climactic," ending with a brief evening phone call instead of a dramatic closing statement delivered by a fiery litigator, but he still thinks people talk about it for quite some time.

Gaurav has not let his quasi-celebrity status become his life, as friendly as ever, and is still impressed by "the many people who came forward to help him."

When asked why he thought he was singled out among the dozens of people probably doing the same thing that day he said that he can speculate and "does not know." Perhaps it was because he was out of place, or perhaps the true reason was that he was just too dazed to be noticed.

Gaurav was quick to remind me that the common man has the power. He ascribed those who simply write a check for $50, insisting that no matter what bureaucratic headaches the city causes, we should "show up to contest a unjust ticket."
Last week IIT was host to the “Sustainable Communities: Learning From the Dutch Experience” conference which hosted over 15 authorities on sustainable living from Holland and Chicago. Held over two days, the symposium addressed topics dealing with architecture that specifically addressed the issue of mass housing and of urban planning that was most conducive to harmonious and heterogeneous living spaces. More specifically, discussions included innovations in environmentally friendly design and safety were addressed, public policy and incentives and design in architecture.

The campus was bustling with smartly dressed people in blazers accessorizing with circle shaped glasses. People from all over the country flew in to partake in the convention and attendance was said to be at around seven hundred people.

There were some main undercurrents which every speaker seemed to touch on either as a mainstay of his or her lecture or in an indirect way. A lot of the lectures put a big emphasis on what ‘good urbanism’ entails. John Norquist, President and CEO of the Congress of New Urbanism, aptly put it that ‘good urbanism protects the buildings’, proposing the idea that conserving buildings older than 50 years is not such a bad idea, and that there is much to be learned from our past. Slides of old towns from Holland and the US were shown, and their quaint charm screamed out a harsh contrast to the ‘urban pile-on’ we are faced with today. Samuel Assefa, LEED AP, Deputy Commissioner, Urban Design and Planning, Chicago Department of Planning and Development, ascertained that the cities should be built on the backbone of the transit. Keeping the transit system in mind when planning a new urban layout will yield an increase in traffic flow and simply road travel altogether. Also, I noticed that parking was never given precedence in any of the projects. Mostly built underground, the idea of parking garages seemed almost outlandish. Bottom line, parking should not dictate urban planning.

Another heavily employed theme was that of ‘green architecture’ and the reuse and recycling of previously existing forms. The mantra that the Dutch seem to live their life by is one of finding a way to create new forms by rethinking and remolding already existing forms.

The idea of heterogeneous living was also a fundamental theme of the symposium. Many of the projects that were presented over the span of the two day lecture were evenly split between social housing, intermediate income housing, and higher priced housing – many a times all in the same building. What is to be avoided at all costs is a sort of ‘class segregation’ caused by income, background, or nationality. The Dutch place a huge value on the harmonious mixture of all people. Hopefully the idea of collective public spaces is one that the United States can also adopt.

Aaron Betsky, Director of Netherlands Architecture Institute a summation of everything that had been discussed and closed the conference with an American’s perspective of the Dutch. With the Dutch – according to Betsky – it never was a question of whether to build or not to build, but rather a question of how to build it correctly. The Dutch approach things with a ‘no frills’ sort of attitude and therefore make things that work practically. The beauty of that stark functionality and practicality is what shines out. A use must be found in everything, there is no such thing as useless beautiful art or architecture in Holland, according to Betsky. Dutch architecture mirrors reality, only re-organized and improved, a conceptual act of stability of sorts. In a country the size of Holland’s, with a location like Holland’s, one must get creative: that’s a given. The way the architects in and around Holland have addressed the situation is one with creativity, ingenuity and an innate respect for form and functionality.
franz Ferdinand brings brit invasion to the 21st century
By Melissa Pros
ARTS STAFFWRITER

In the best of his work there is an incredible sense of rhythm, light and dark beats across the long frame.” Commenting on the Art Institute's newest exhibit is John Grimes who is currently the Institute of Design (ID) Associate Director of Academics. Grimes a professor of photography and former associate of Art Sinsabaugh, reflects on a time when photography didn’t have a home in the art world. Nearly twenty years after his death, Art Sinsabaugh has only recently been recognized with the most complete exhibit to date. Sinsabaugh’s first involvement with ID was during a summer seminar on photography organized by László Moholy-Nagy, then head of the Visual Fundamentals program at a school founded after the ‘New Bauhaus’ failed. Moholy passed away shortly after Sinsabaugh’s arrival, but he worked with another influential great who would heavily influence his photography, Harry Callahan. Sinsabaugh graduated from the School of Design (later called the Institute of Design) which still practiced Bauhaus principles. The School of Design imparted upon him his and brought pop rock to a whole new level. Of course they played “Take Me Out” and even hit the characteris-tic retread with precision. Not to be overlooked, their live performances of “Matinee” and “Michael” were also nothing short of fabulous.

Entertainment Weekly called them “danceable and ferociously melodic.” I agree, but I also call them, “fierce rockers who put on one hell of a show.” I envisioned that a Franz Ferdinand show is like the Beatles for the new millennium. Not that they will ever be like the Beatles, but as John Lennon once put it, more popular than Jesus, but just that they have that stage presence. Franz Ferdinand has enthusi-asms and boyish charm, and wonderful-ly choreographed light effects to match. A lot of bang for your buck. Franz is a show that can’t be missed.

Artist Spotlight: Art Sinsabaugh

By Mindy Sherman
ARTS STAFFWRITER

A passionate landscape photographer shot the rural and urban landscapes that we make ever-changing. When Grimes first learned of how Sinsabaugh taught his students to watch the edges and how three dimensions viewed in a two dimensional way would create new composite shapes, art was truly born on dark and light relationships between edges and repetitions. “Making the ordinary extraordinary, Sinsabaugh’s photographs certainly do that,” Grimes recalls. His relationship with Sinsabaugh remained in tact over years. As a photography department faculty member at Urbana Champaign, Sinsabaugh let Grimes use darkrooms and later introduced him to fellow ID professor Aaron Siskind. Grimes now con-tinues the legacy of humanizing technology through his own research in the future of publica-tions and images in interactive media.

Seeing as the University of Indiana acquired a great deal of Sinsabaugh’s work after the last time his work showed at the Art Institute in 1963, Grimes thinks that this traveling collection will be more complete. The difference between appreciation levels are centuries apart in this year’s show, as “photography was not generally recognized as an important fine art medium during the time that Art was making his amazing landscapes and cityscapes.”

During the time since his first meeting with the now honored photogra-phers, the medium of photography has become the next big thing and has re-created entirely new genres. Although Art at one time was interested only in his newer works in portraits, color, and nature photography, “the early work is now getting the treatment it has always deserved.”

American Horizons, The Photographs of Art Sinsabaugh opened at the Art Institute on October 2nd, but will be around through January. Visit www.artic.edu for more information regarding hours and admission if going to visit another day besides their Ford Free Tuesdays from 10-4:30.
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By Anthony Oliva

Huck Finn’s Donuts is a southside, family-style, all-night diner that specializes in donuts, ice cream and a 24-hour breakfast menu. Located about 20 blocks west of campus at 3414 S Archer Ave, Huck’s is a favorite late night dining spot for much of the IIT population, especially among Greeks through which Huck’s fame has spread by word-of-mouth.

It’s only a quick 5-10 minute drive from campus down 35th to Damen, and less than that on I-55 (2am traffic) with a left at the Damen exit. The food is good, the orders are served quickly, and the waitresses are always wearing a smile – even at 2:30 in the morning. The restaurant has an old-time atmosphere; they’ve always got retro radio playing. The seating is cozy and the waitresses are always in a good-morning mood. They’ll remember you after only two or three visits. Huck’s has separate smoking and non-smoking seating with a quick breakfast bar up front, and a place right at the register where one can just walk in to buy donuts, then leave if time is of the essence. If time is not a major concern, a group of friends may be at Huck Finn’s for longer than they realize; the cozy feel, friendly wait staff, good friends, and great home-style cooking can turn a “Huck’s run” into a 2-3 hour event.

The menu is your typical diner variety Breakfasts of different combinations of eggs, pancakes, waffles, bacon, sausage. The skillets are definitely not to be overlooked either. It has been said that the Denver skillet (ham, onions, peppers, cheese, with a side of potatoes) and an order of French toast together make the best breakfast one can experience.

The lunch menu consists mainly of different sandwiches, with or without the side of fries and soup of the day, and the dinner menu is various cuts of meat with salads or potatoes. The desert menu is where Huck Finn’s earns its gold star. On a pedestal among the sundaes, banana splits, and donuts is the “Mikey’s Usual.” Named after its creator, this mammoth dessert is a 10 inch tower of solid sugar with a foundation of donut, a huge pile of ice cream, topped with an entire can of whip cream. The Texas Donut is the first element of this colossus, it is a donut big enough to put a regular sized donut in the center hole. Next comes the strawberry jelly donut, followed by mounds of cookies and cream ice cream, smothered in whip cream and sprinkles. Finally two cherries top this diabetes-inducing beast. Not just anyone can conquer this creation, in fact few have; but they are those of legend and lore who can harness the strength and perseverance to mow through this intimidating behemoth.

All in all Huck’s is a great establishment with good eats, outstanding service, and a quaint, home attitude, not to mention at least a few IIT students at all hours.

(*Special Note: This statement does not reflect the official opinion of TechNews. Do not blame any gastrointestinal issues on TechNews or any of its staff. Consume at your own risk.)

By Anthony Oliva

Octoberfest at The Green at Grant Park was less about the festival itself, and more about the location. The Green at Grant Park is a privately developed public space that used to be a bus turnaround for the city. Today it has 18 true-to-life putting greens and an outdoor veranda dining area.

This happening place was bustling with social Chicagonians, and the lively atmosphere definitely wasn’t hindered by the abundance of Hacker-Pschorr Anno, the beer of the day at this Octoberfest hot spot. Music was playing, the Cubs game was on, and all of the greens were full with beer toting socialites/schmoozing and enjoying the pleasant Chicago afternoon. The patrons were primarily business people, as would be fitting, because of its location right next to downtown. Additionally, given the food and leisure offered, The Green at Grant Park is a prime spot for a business or “work[in]g” lunch.

However, this spot would be a wonderful place to stop and have an afternoon lunch and a round of greens on a day just spent about the city with friends. The putting fees are $8 per person for 18 holes, and the food was an expected $8-12 lunch for the downtown area. All throughout the fest they’ll have live music, good food, and an abundance of greens to play, not to mention people to play them with.

The Green at Grant Park is a great place to eat, play some greens and enjoy the downtown atmosphere Octoberfest or not. But, if you would like to check out the ongoing Octoberfest merriment, it will continue through October 10th from 2:30 p.m. until 11 p.m.
By Callie Johnson
CHICAGO STAFFWRITER

**Caffe Baci**
332 South Michigan Ave.
312-214-2220

Right after you cross the bridge and start walking down South Michigan Avenue, you will come across Millennium Park, Buckingham Fountain, and a plethora of small cafes. Directly across from Millennium Park is a café you should not overlook—whether you want coffee or want a sandwich or a pizzette. The choices here are endless.

So you walk in, just expecting another Starbucks wannabe or something off the wall. Contrary to expectations, there is nothing off the wall or Starbucksish about this place. It has a décor of its own—black and white floors, small tables in a large front room looking out to South Michigan Avenue—everything about this place makes you want to sit down and take a load off for a while. Where you order, there are several lines. One line is for pizza, one line is for sandwiches, and one line is for coffee. This cuts down the wait time so you can quickly sit down and eat your food.

Caffe Baci boasts a diverse range of options to satisfy your appetite. You can choose from over eight salads, eight kinds of paninis, and three kinds of wrap sandwiches. Or, you can select a delectable sandwich from the classic sandwich menu such as roasted turkey and brie, lemon chicken, wood smoked ham and gouda, Baci Tuna, etc. Additionally, there are breakfast options like a country omelet, breakfast burrito, scrambled muffins and croissant (scrambled egg sandwiches), oatmeal, crepes, and Belgian Waffles. If you’re looking for something hot, there are options such as Tavola Calda of pasta, fish, and meat as well. The appetizers are well-represented here with soups and their signature pizzettes. The pizzette choices are the Florentine (spinach, mushroom, caramelized onions, and mozzarella), Roma (zesty sausage, pepperoni, red onions, and mozzarella), Genovese (pesto, plum tomatoes, pine nuts, and parmagiano), and Margherita (fresh mozzarella, plum tomatoes, and fresh basil). Whatever you decide, pick up a latte as well—they are delicious.

Caffè Baci puts an Italian twist on the regular Chicago café. When you walk in, you feel like you belong. It is a comfortable café, one that is worth the walk from the Green Line Adams/Wabash stop. The prices are more than reasonable ($8-$15 per entrée), and you do not have to dress up to go. If you are ever around Millennium Park, stop by and give Caffè Baci a try.

**Weber Grill Restaurant**
539 N. State St.
312-467-9696

The Grand stop off of the Red Line—the one that makes the trip worth while. There is Rock Bottom, P.F. Chang’s Chinese Bistro, and Pizzeria Uno just to name a few. On the north side of Grand Avenue on State Street is a restaurant many know of, but not many people have experienced. Weber Grill is a restaurant all Chicagoans should experience at least once. It does not look like much from the outside—just another downtown restaurant with outdoor seating. But, why should you eat here? Well, the interior of the restaurant is amazing. It has the look and the feel of something completely out of price range, but in actuality it is just a little on the pricey side. The waiters and waitresses are friendly, and the moment you sit down they are there to take your drink order. A few moments later, you order your food. After some conversation with your dinner buddy, your food is at your table, and you are ready to eat a fabulous meal.

Weber Grill boasts the fact that it grills all of its food on Weber Grills—hence the name. The atmosphere on the inside is relatively quiet, because if you are sitting outside, you have to fight with the noise of the city to be heard. With a prime location right off of the Red Line, Weber Grill has no shortage of customers ready to eat great food. If you want to spend a little money on yourself and have a great meal that is kind of butch, Weber Grill is the place to go.

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**TECHNOLOGY NEWS TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2004**

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(605 E. 8th Street, Seattle, WA)

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840 N. 3rd St.

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521 NE 42nd St.

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**wed.oct.06**
Italian Market Festival (also on 10/14, 5/07, 08)
@ Daley Plaza

**thurs.oct.07**
Natural History with The MoW and The Dead Science
@ Empty Bottle

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**fri.oct.08**
Gomez
@ Vic Theatre/ Brew & View

Umphrey’s McGee
@ The House of Blues

Flogging Molly
with Street Dogs and The Briggs
@ Congress Theatre

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**sat.oct.09**
Dio
with Anthrax and Fireball Ministry
@ The House of Blues

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**mon.oct.11**
UFO with Healing Sioxes
@ The House of Blues

Old Canes
with Son, Ambulance and The Glass
@ Empty Bottle

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**tues.oct.12**
Fly Pan Am
with Mondo and Timenade Dragger
@ Empty Bottle

Hello Sequence
with Del Rey
@ Schubas
Editor's Diary

Adeljoke Akin-Aderibigbe

I'm glad you could join us again this week and I do hope you found last week's edition entertaining. Not much has been going on on campus; rather more studying has been taking place. I guess it can be attributed to the fact that most exams have been scheduled in the past week. By the way, it was my birthday last week Tuesday, but I celebrated it the IIT way: preparing for exams taking place the next day! I'll like to seize the opportunity to thank my friends who took time out of their crammed up schedule to burst into my room at midnight to usher me into another year. Guys, you know who you are—"LARGE thanks"!

Anyways, I presume most students brushed up on their resumes to show recruiters at the career fair the stuff they are made of, and for those unable to attend, be not alarmed as your favorite I-Tech Team was there to capture it all.

I won't bore you all and I want you off for now, but still, I talk to you all next, Good Luck in your exams and happy job hunting!

Life on Campus

SWE Tie Dye Party a Success

By Shravani Pasupneti

The Society of Women Engineers (SWE) hosted a tie-dye event outside of MSV on Sunday. The event, which drew around twenty students and produced many colorful t-shirts, left many students with dyed hands. Due to the success of this event, SWE hopes to have a spring tie-dye party as well.

SWE was founded in 1950 and is headquartered in Chicago. With over 17,000 members, nationwide, SWE has a chapter on campus; rather more than their counterparts who did not perform the task 27 percent faster than doctors who spent at least three hours a week playing video games.

By Aron Varhegyi

IIT Organized Activities

As opportunity for all to participate in different types of games or challenges against their peers is always a good time. The information for these activities can be found in Tech News email from the Dean of Students, flyers and posters around campus, and by talking to your RA.

Keating Hall and Playing Fields

A positive characteristic about IIT is that for the most part many stay in shape one way or another. The newly renovated sports hall, Keating, and the surrounding fields provide an excellent platform for staying fit. Featuring a weight room, basketball and squash courts, and a pool there would rarely be a shortage of things to do.

The outdoor facilities provide tennis courts which are constantly used, as well as fields to play ultimate Frisbee or whatever your heart may desire, but are all these modes of exercise fun?

Of course, if you are on a varsity team or with friends, Keating Hall and the playing fields provide a welcome escape from the monotonous study schedule of many students.

Computer/Video Games

If you are sitting down and just moving your thumbs, isn't that exercise?

That's what I would like to think. The entertainment that the Xbox or 3.8 GHz over clocked computer supply are diversions that take our mind off studying and into a world were no other gone. It is interactive, fun, and at times a bonding experience.

But more importantly it is preparing some of us for the profession we will soon master. How could video games possibly be educational, you ask? I know I always tried to find justification for playing long hours at a time, but now, I can submit to you credible information supporting my case. For all you biomedical engineers out there:

"A recent study found that doctors who spent at least three hours a week playing video games made about 37 percent fewer mistakes in laparoscopic surgery and performed the task 27 percent faster than their counterparts who did not play video games."

In addition, Computer Science majors are playing the very games, which sequels, they will be creating. Hanging out at MTCC

Then there is the socializing factor. Every night walking by MTCC at 11:00pm en route to 7 Eleven I see students congregating around the cafe and in general conversing with friends. It is great to see that even though we study inordinate amounts of time we still have free time. To get even further joy, the entertainment section and auditorium of the MTCC provide leisure activities that are worth participating in.

As you might have already guessed the options for fun are not limited to the above. This school is filled with smart and intuitive students, whose minds would have no problem creating yet another fun activity. So get set. And in the end we will prove that fun is possible at IIT.
Talent Spotlight

By Ayomide Fawole
I-TECH STAFF WRITER

TechNews: Can you give us a brief background on yourself?

TYLER: I was born in Kentucky, but raised overseas in Papua New Guinea. I started singing when I was very young, and recorded a tape of original compositions when I was 7 or 8. When I was a junior in high school, a musician named Aaron Johnson noticed me at my first public performance, and worked with me throughout high school to expand my abilities and gave me a lot of worthwhile experience. Alex and I met in 2001, and we started working together off and on the following year. We played a show at the old Bog one time, as well as at the IIT Talent Show (with others). We also regularly play at Delta Tau Delta Coffee House ever.

TN: What is your major?

TYLER: Computer science, first year master's student.

ALEX: Chemical engineering, 4th year.

TN: Can you tell us something unique about your singing ability. Is it your passion? And why do you sing?

TYLER: I love the relaxation that singing provides, and I enjoy challenging myself to sing in new ways or different types of music. I also love the feeling of taking a classic song that everyone knows and changing it up, making it my own. It's also great to work with talented musicians like Alex. It's a challenge for any musician to learn to play with others, and truly build the music around the other musicians.

TN: Why did you decide to start singing at global grounds café and what kind of reception are you getting?

TYLER/ALEX: Brian Bosak, manager of Global Grounds, asked us if we'd like to perform regularly at Global Grounds. It gives us a chance to practice and perform regularly for an audience, however small it may be. Our acoustic-based music is also perfect for a coffee shop type setting.

TN: What type of music do you guys perform?

TYLER/ALEX: We play a lot of acoustic classic rock covers, as well as some jam-band music. We often take classic rock or pop songs and change them to fit our own style. As an example, listen to our version of "For What It's Worth," originally by Buffalo Springfield.

CALENDAR

Oct.03.04
Department of Athletics
Women's soccer hosts Indiana Tech
3:00PM, IIT Soccer Complex
Union Board
Homecoming Week
Main Campus

Oct.04.04
Union Board
Homecoming Week
Main Campus
Center for the Study of Ethics
Ethics Sack Lunch
12:00PM, Group Study Room,
Upper Level of Galvin Library
IBS office
Business Speaker Series
3:15PM, Hub Crown room
College of Architecture
Primitivism and Modern Architecture in Italy
6:00PM, Crown Hall
RCF
Bible Study
8:30PM, IIT Chapel

Oct.05.04
Union Board
Homecoming Week
Main Campus
Computer Science Seminar
11:00AM, Stewart Building, Rm.239
Department of Athletics
Women's Volleyball vs Judson
7:00PM, IIT Soccer Complex

Oct.06.04
Union Board
Homecoming Week
Main Campus

Hello IIT

By Oksana Lasowsky
I-TECH WRITER

Favorite person/people @IIT:
My close-knit quirky group of friends.

Why did you come to IIT?:
I was very interested in a school that was located in the city of Chicago. In addition I was given a good scholarship to come to the school.

What/Who has been your driving force so far?
My family has always supported me and encouraged me to be my best.

Is there something that people should know?
The one thing I miss most since coming to IIT is political thought and debate.

A Yearbook for the New Millennium

By Joshua Haycraft
TECHNEWS SUBMISSION

Every wonder what the name of that cute girl in your class is? Or how about that guy who stepped on your foot yesterday? Want to find his room so you can leave a voicemail on his phone? Well, with the new online yearbook known as IITFacebook, you just might have an opportunity to do just that without needing to bide a door guard.

Around the 3rd of September, students began receiving emails, inviting them to join IITFacebook, where they could? Create your info; add your photo; connect with others and build your network? Considering some of the academic-targeted spam I had received, I almost sent my invitation to an early grave. But for some reason, I relented, and decided to sign up. What I found was a setup for an online community, similar to Friendster, Orkut and FaceTheury, though IITFacebook was restricted only to students of IIT. (Hence, the name)

I went through the process of filling out what information about myself I didn't mind being shared amongst the rest of the student body. Picture? got one or two. Name? fine. Major. graduation year, age? sure. Cell phone? don't think so. AIM screen name? why not? I filled out the parts relating to my favorite movies, my political stance, and my relationship status. Nothing that wasn't common knowledge to anyone whose opinions I really cared about.

Then came the fun part: searching through the list of people that had already signed up, adding everyone that I knew to my friend list. It was amazing how many people had signed up so quickly (at the time of this writing, there are approximately six hundred students signed up). I found people who I hadn't seen so far this year, and was somewhat wondering if they were still attending here. I found friends, acquaintances, people whose names I always forget, and archenemies (whose information was carefully archived and set aside for future use).

So, whether you just want to stalk that freshman that you have a crush on, look for other people in your major to ask for advice about classes, or avoid the embarrassment of forgetting someone's name the next time you see him, take a look at the IITFacebook: http://www.iitfacebook.com.
I was such a nice day out on Saturday, September 25, 2004: the perfect weather for a fun time with the girls. Guess what – we had free facials at Nordstrom! I only go by Nordstrom for window shopping because I don’t think I need a $100 pair of shoes that I can’t wear in all weather conditions.

The Sigma Gamma Rho sorority Inc sponsored a number of IIT girls to their 2nd Annual Diva day. IIT girls were asked to sign up for the event and it was completely free for them! Daidrea, Dolapo, Keisha, Qiana, Daisy and I, along with Yetunde and Tiffany signed up.

We were joined by Irma Dobbins and other Sigma sorors. We sure did have a swell time downtown on Saturday. We received minor facials and makeovers from beauty companies like Esteé Lauder, Fashion Fair, MAC, Bobbi Brown and Clinique. It was fun to have them tell you what colors worked on your face and how easy it was to make yourself look even better than you did already.

Everyone looked fantastic after the makeovers; the experts were able to get rid of those black lines under our eyes, and help us expose our natural beauty. We walked around the mall a bit before heading out for lunch. Lunch at the Grand Lux Café was fun; there was a large variety of food to choose from and the IIT non-sorors got the best price you could think of – free! We had Chicken Parmesan, Chicken sandwich and salad, Asian Lettuce wrap, crispy chicken and rice, tomato soup and pizza. Yum-yum! Sitting around a big table gave us all the chance to mix-up and get to know everyone else, since there were non-IIT students present as well. Our table definitely caught a lot of attention because we were talking and laughing making a lot of noise; besides a table full of outstanding divas is sure to catch someone’s eye. Most of us enjoyed a good relief from stress, being in such a warm and friendly environment.

This is an event I would attend again and again, and I recommend this for anyone who’s interested. For anyone who’s interested, email Kimberly Hardy at ititghro@yahoo.com.

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By Ayomide Fawole I-TECH STAFF WRITER

Career Fair Paves Way for Students Road to Success

By Ayomide Fawole I-TECH STAFF WRITER

I was amazed to see the usual pajama mornings replaced by this beautiful but quite chilly Wednesday, on the 29th of September. Everyone was dressed as corporate as you could imagine. Making money really gets IIT students serious. The Career Development Center organized yet another Career Fair and it nice to see a number of very good companies showcase themselves there.


It is obvious that the stu- dents present at the fair which ran from about 12noon to 5pm, had a lot of options to choose from. The different disciplines represented on IIT campus were widely repre- sented and a good percentage of the attendees were satisfied with what they say. Motorola was a hot spot because for quite some- time, a good number of IIT stu- dents have been hired for intern- ships or full time jobs by Motorola. It was interviewed by an IIT alumnus. There were quite a number of old stu- dents from IIT who did the interviews at the Fair – they all wore red badges. For me, and I guess a couple other people, it was quite encourag- ing to see people who graduated from IIT, working in these big companies and defi- nitely enjoying it. It sort of gives you the assurance that you can also make it in the ‘job-world’.

Many of the companies had a lot of options, so even though there were a lot of options, you could also encounter a setback if you did not meet the qualifications they were searching for. Cater- pillar Inc. was also a point of in- terest to a number of people, be- cause they accepted resumes for people interested in internships and co-ops. They were more in- terested in fresh graduates and current students than any other group of students. This would be a good choice for students who are graduating very soon. Their website is www.careers.com. It was quite funny to me that only one of the people I talked to was willing to give me a contact address; anyone I asked for one, they referred me to their website. I guess they re- ceived too many emails for com- fort, and were willing to do all they could to reduce that.

I believe that the career fair is a very good resource for col- lege students because besides making money, anyone who’s in- volved in a co-op or an internship, get the chance to obtain hands-on ex- perience in his/her field. Being suc- cessful in your discipline depends a lot on what you can do, and not just what you know. Like with experiments that we do in chemistry or physics classes, it is much easier to understand the concept behind some phenomena, when you incorporate the hands with the brain.

Your resume is also a factor that plays a very good part in finding you a job. The CDC did a lot to help stu- dents get their resumes looking good enough. The office organized Resume Writing workshops in conjunction with the African Stu- dents Organization, The Black Student Union and the Office of Multicultural Student Services. One also had the chance to sign up for resume critique appointments and have the counse- lors at the CDC look through their resume.

The Career Fair is definitely a good resource for many people and a good number of people look forward to it every time. Hopefully, this would create many more job opportunities for IIT students.
From the Editor....
Daisy Agose

The next big thing has arrived…you guessed right: Shark Tale is out! If the trailers and clips are anything to go by it looks and sounds like a great movie. I would have seen it before you read this, so if you are still unsure about spending the 8 bucks, you can get my honest opinion on it in the next issue. If you don't know what I am talking about, just pretend you do, don't tell anyone!

The editor’s pick section this week is a selection of some quotes I find interesting. The reason there’s a guy in shirt in that column is not because we placed an ad in the wrong place. Focus on the words on his shirt (inspiring right?)

I look forward to more participation from everyone in the any of the little columns for this section. Many thanks to Chinmay who sent me the funny conversation that was featured last week's issue, and Ayo who sent the riddle for this week. As for the rest of you guys, what are you waiting for?...

Please give me feedback on what you think about this section. Feel free to send me your ideas and suggestions.
Email agosdai@iit.edu

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Riddle of the Week

By Ayomide Fawole
I-TECH STAFFWRITER

The following short quiz consists of 4 questions and will tell you whether you are qualified to be a "professional." Scroll down for each answer. The questions are NOT that difficult. But don't scroll down UNTIL you have answered the question!

1. How do you put a giraffe into a refrigerator?
2. How do you put an elephant into a refrigerator?
   Did you say, "Open the refrigerator, put in the elephant, and close the refrigerator?" Wrong Answer.
3. The Lion King is hosting an animal conference. All the animals attend except one. Which animal does not attend?
4. There is a river you must cross but it is inhabited by crocodiles, and you do not have a boat. How do you maneuver this?

Correct Answer: You jump into the river and swim across. Have you not been listening? All the crocodiles are attending the Animal Meeting.

This tests whether you learn quickly from your mistakes.

According to Anderson Consulting Worldwide, around 90% of the professionals they tested got all questions wrong, but many preschoolers got several correct answers. Anderson Consulting says this conclusively disproves the theory that most professionals have the brains of a four year old.

1. The correct answer is: Open the refrigerator, put in the giraffe, and close the door. This question tests whether you tend to do simple things in an overly complicated way.
2. Correct Answer: Open the refrigerator; take out the giraffe put in the elephant and close the door. This tests your ability to think through the repercussions of your previous actions.
3. Correct Answer: The Elephant. The elephant is in the refrigerator. You just put him in there. This tests your memory.

Okay even if you did not answer the first three questions correctly, you still have one more chance to show your true abilities.

EDITOR’S PICK

"There are painters who transform the sun to a yellow spot but there are others who with the help of their art and intelligence, transport a yellow spot into the sun" - Pablo Picasso

"Do not fear mistakes—fear only the absence of creative, constructive and corrective responses to those mistakes" - Anonymous

"I know of no more encouraging fact than the unquestionable ability of man to elevate his life by conscious endeavor" - Henry David Thoreau

"Treat a man as he is and he will remain as he is. Treat a man as he can be and he will become as he should be" - Goethe.

SILLY QUESTION OF THE WEEK
How important must one be to get assassinated?

JOIN THE I-TECH AND COMICS TEAM FOR OUR SECTION MEETING EVERY THURSDAY AT 7PM
By Lauren Joyce

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The Scarlet Hawks netted another win against conference contender Cardinal Stritch University (Milwaukee, WI). Despite this win, the match was a nerve-toster as the Scarlet Hawks gave up too many points to the Wolves. Collectively, the team missed 15 serves, which hurt the Scarlet Hawks at some points during the battle. However, the women persevered with the help of senior Jackie Lange (13 kills, 2 accts), freshman Raisa Pelae (12 kills, 4 digs, 19 passes), and junior Amanda Bieberich (10 kills, 2 blocks). Seniors Jackie Sokolowski (21 passes) and Chelsea Bolden (35 assists) provided excellent serve receive and offensive options for the Scarlet Hawks, which allowed them to triumph over the Wolves.

On Thursday, the women suffered their sixth loss of the season at Benedictine University. The Scarlet Hawks took the Eagle’s to five games, but passing broke down and too many serves were missed (15 service errors). This put the Scarlet Hawks in a hole that their efforts could not help them out of. Despite these misfortunes, the offense succeeded. Junior Amandu Bubichich (14 kills, 4 accts) led the Scarlet Hawks out of the middle while Junior Lauren Joyce (37 assists) ran the offense. Although the Scarlet Hawks serve lacked its normal spark, their defense was superb with five players making it into the double digits. Senior Jackie Sokolowski (28 digs) led while senior Jackie Lange (21 digs) rallied close behind.

The Scarlet Hawks plan to practice hard and focus their attention on the basics during their next few practices to prepare for games against conference opponent Judson College and Homecoming challenger Indiana University-Northwest.
Hawks Fly Strong Amidst Cold Weather and Strong Winds

By Ed Aramayo
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

A voice on the loudspeaker blares above the music for the start of the race as hundreds of runners prepare to sprint off the starting line. Number one hits such as Lynyrd Skynyrd’s “Sweet Home Alabama” and N’Sync’s “Pop” set the tone as teams crowd the line moments before the race. The temperature has risen into the low- to mid-50s as the wind continues to barrel in from the lake at Montrose Harbor in Chicago this past Saturday. An air horn sounds and the bodies take off across the field as the 2004 Sean Earl Lakefront Invitational is underway.

The day was made up of nine separate races, four of which were on the collegiate level (men’s and women’s, Gold and Maroon races, split by competitive level). Never before in school history had so many IIT fans attended a cross country meet. Several of the runners ran their season best, if not personal best times.

The Lady Scarlet Hawks competed in the Women’s Collegiate Maroon Division race as they continued to exhibit their competitive nature with 575 points and a 21st place finish in the field of 34 teams. The team was led by freshman Kaitlin Streyle with a 5k of 20 minutes and 32 seconds, good enough for 83rd place. The next runner across the line for IIT was Senior Lauren Raetz (20:45) in 100th place, closely followed by sophomore Amara Ogbonnaya (20:48) in 104th place, Christie Ferraro (21:15, 142nd place), Melissa Lemons (21:17, 146), Natalia Ervin (21:31, 157), and Ioana Nicolarescu (23:09, 204). Other racers for the Lady Hawks were Kristen Kelley (23:14), Karen Sedacki (23:46), and Shan Colletti (24:41).

The men’s team began their race a full two hours after the women’s competition, separated by high school races. The men finished in similar fashion grabbing 21st place out of the 32 teams in the Men’s Collegiate Maroon Division race, totaling 588 points. The team was led by freshman Dan Oh, finishing the 8k race in 64th place in only 27:35. Tom Francescangeli snatched 111th place in a time of 28:25, followed by Nate Gates in 125th place with a time of 28:45. Rounding out the top 7 for the Hawks were Matt Rodriguez (29:08, 137), Wendell Holmes (29:30, 153), Alek, Babel (29:37, 153), and Ed Aramayo (29:53, 154). Other runners included Deep Shenoy (30:01), Doug Meyer (30:03), Tom Montgomery, (30:49), Rich Stefanski (30:56), Sean Huber (31:23), Blake Hellman (32:20), and Brian Bridgeman (34:54).

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The cross country team races this Saturday in Kenosha, Wisconsin, at the Cathage College.