Become reacquainted with LIFE

LIFE SUBMISSION

For some students at IIT the term "LIFE" has a double meaning and not just the general meaning of "active existence" or "way of living." For these students, LIFE is the name of a prominent and well-respected student organization that is going on its 26th year at IIT. LIFE is otherwise known as Latinos Involved in Further Education. In LIFE, student organizations in Latin culture, refined interpersonal skills and professional development for IIT students. Although the organization was established by a group of Latino students and is predominantly Latino based our organization is not exclusive to Latinos.

In fact, we welcome new members from all walks of life, no pun intended. Ultimately our mission is to teach our members about our culture and for them to walk away from LIFE with lifelong friendships along with a better understanding of the professional world in the process. As a LIFE member you get the opportunity to take part in many traditions events on campus and the chance to take advantage of a wealth of professional opportunities we have at hand.

As part of our mission to promote our culture and to expand our member's interpersonal skills, LIFE celebrated Latino Heritage Month through the monthly gatherings we hosted a weekly Latin Culture Friday, food offerings from different Latin cultures throughout the month. The month-long celebration also included an art gallery by Puerto Rican artist Samuel Reyes. Latin music's, a play downtown by Lina Negri Productions, and a poetry slam night. As Latino Heritage Month came to an end, LIFE also participated in IIT's annual International Fest, building a Colombian bus called a chiva and taking 3rd place in the booth competition.

In addition to participating in these types of events, our organization also is actively involved in helping the community. As seen in this past January, LIFE played host to a group of local TMCA students who came to visit IIT during winter break. These students were given a tour of the campus, a private tour of the wind tunnel, and witnessed a concrete demonstration performed by members of the Civil Engineering Department. Afterwards, LIFE members held a discussion panel addressing questions about financial aid, scholarships, and possible futures in science and engineering.

LIFE also offers a wide range of opportunities for those seeking to enhance their professional skills. LIFE works in coalition with a group of organizations that offer numerous workshops, conferences and other career services not offered by IIT. Two of these organizations are the Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers (SHPE) and the Hispanic Alliance for Career Enhancement (SHAC).

SHPE is a nationwide professional organization that offers services to college students and professionals alike. SHPE is most notably recognized for the major conferences it holds throughout the year and the largest gathering is typically to which the majority of LIFE members travel to Orlando, Florida to attend the National and Technical Career Conference (NTCC). NTCC is SHPE's major national conference attended by students and major companies from all over the nation. Among the top companies present were Caterpillar, Motorola, IBM, Exxon, Pepsi Co., Honda and Walt Disney to name a few. This four day event supplied students with workshops and a large career fair that allowed students to talk to company recruiters and to grow professionally in the process.

On the other hand, thinking that Orlando is too far or expensive to travel to don't worry, next year's regional conference will be held right here in the windy city, Chicago. HACE, or as mentioned previously, the Hispanic Alliance for Career Enhancement is an organization dedicated to helping students grow professionally in various fields of study, not just engineering. HACE is catered more for students in business, information technology etc.

LIFE members show off their booth at last semester's International Fest day event.

CHICAGO SHAKESPEARE THEATRE

By Joshua Sullivan

TECHNOLOGY WRITER

As spring flows in and spring approaches, the quest to find the first buds and blemishes of "habitat" is starting to take on a new and vivid appearance. With the latest in fresh new shows hitting the stage, there is no better time to visit and see the shows that keep you up to date with the latest in entertainment. This spring, Shakespeare's Works is being performed by the Chicago Shakespeare Theatre (CST).

CST offers once more, its annual Shakespeare Festival along with the city's ten-year celebration of CST's production. CST provides an intimate and memorable event. With the latest in new shows, CST's production of "Macbeth" is making a thoroughly entertaining impression on the audience. The cast is comprised of some of the best actors in the business today, including award-winning actor and director, Frank Wood. The acting is top-notch, and the acting is sure to make this production one to remember. CST's Shakespeare Festival runs through May 20th.

HARVARD PRESIDENT RESIGNS

By Shea Lemley

CAMPUS REPORTER

Larry Summers, president of Harvard University, resigned from a sense filled with controversy and conflict. With the end of his term, he will go into effect June 30, and marks the shortest tenure of any Harvard president since 1632, when the president passed away after only two years in office. Summers, who has led the school since 2001, frequently clashed with professors in the College of Arts and Sciences, "a uniquely powerful constituency at Harvard," according to former University President Robert O'Neill.

Many of the faculty at Harvard's professional schools supported the president, as did many of the students, but they didn't have the leverage of influence of the Arts and Sciences. "A lot of folks are under the misimpression that faculty can influence whether a president stays or goes, but ultimately the determination is made by the governing board," said William Henry, chief officer for diversity and equity at the University.

Summers sparked controversy throughout his five-year term at Harvard; after a falling out with the president, prominent black studies professor Cornel West left the University. Last year, Summers' comments that female abilities may explain why few women attain prominent positions in the sciences caused an uproar and led to a president about his management style, which has been called bisque, abrasive, and bullying.

These questions about his diplomatic ability led to a 218-175 no-confidence vote, the only instance of such an action in the University's 370-year history. Another no-confidence vote was scheduled for Tuesday, following the resignation of Faculty of Arts and Sciences Dean William Kirby.

Associated Press

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PRESS RELEASE

College students favor smaller employers

CollegeGrad.com - PRESS RELEASE

MILWAUKEE, WI-Febuary 22, 2006-to a recent poll at CollegeGrad.com, the #1 Entry Level Job Site, 78% of job seekers said they would prefer working for a medium or small company. Only 22% said they would prefer working for a larger international company.

"This feedback is contrary to the generally held view that college graduates only want to work for Fortune 500 or Global 1000 companies," said Brian Krueger, president of CollegeGrad.com. "Not only are college grads interested in small and medium size companies, they prefer them."

In their job search, students and recent grads no longer consider employer name recognition as their primary criterion. College grad job seekers are most interested in companies that will invest in them and provide growth opportunities.

"Today's graduates have seen the cyclical nature of the global and national economy," said Steven Jusga, Division Director for ClassKits, Inc., "and they're not going to be lured by 'downsizing,' 'furloughs,' and 'mass lay-offs' any more than everyone else, and are typically associated with larger firms."

Instead of only chasing the giant paycheck, graduates are now opting for jobs with growing companies who can offer competitive benefits and a balanced work life. Small and mid-size companies offer a strong work-life balance, flextime, volunteer incentive programs and other unique benefits to attract college grads.

Some larger firms are adjusting their recruiting style to attract these grads. Marlene Crawford Hentsch, Diversity Recruiter for Geam Sylviae explains, "It's a whole new ball game in terms of landing our top candidates," said Hentsch. "We spend a lot of time emphasizing our smaller working groups, individual professional development and the ability to move up within the company."

The recently published results of CollegeGrad.com's annual Top Entry Level Employers Surveyuggest good news for today's grads. Many listed among the Top 500 are small or medium companies who are significantly increasing their hiring in 2006. The Top 500 Entry Level Employers and their 2006 recruiting plans can be viewed online at: http://www.collegegrad.com/employers.

The results of the poll reveal that college grad job seekers want a more personal work experience. They want to be named, not just numbers on a spreadsheet. They want opportunities to have a positive impact on their company, and to see the results.

"So if you are a medium or small employer, woohoo, if you can compete at the entry level with the large employers," says Krueger, "the answer is a resounding yes."

Following are the overall survey results:

What size company would you most like to work for?

- A medium or small size company - 70%
- A large international company - 30%

The survey was conducted nationally using an online poll placed on the CollegeGrad.com home page. The results are based on nearly 500 respondents.

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Mayor Daley can be elected as many times as he wants: he is Chicago

By Joseph Kaiser

TECHNEWS WRITER

As I scanned through the text, I was surprised to find that the article was written by Joseph Kaiser, a well-known technology writer for TECHNEWS. The article seems to be discussing the ongoing political landscape in Chicago, specifically focusing on Mayor Richard J. Daley. The piece criticizes Daley's long tenure in office and raises questions about his leadership and the impact of his policies on the city.

The article begins by noting Daley's influence on the city and his ability to secure re-election multiple times. The author then goes on to discuss the challenges facing Chicago, including economic issues and the need for systemic change. Despite the criticisms, the article ends on a somewhat hopeful note, suggesting that there may be a shift in the political landscape that could lead to new opportunities for the city.

Overall, the article provides a critical perspective on Daley's leadership and raises important questions about the future of Chicago. As a technology writer, Kaiser brings a unique perspective to the topic, examining the impact of technology on the city's development and the role of leadership in creating a more prosperous future for its residents.
Letter to the editor: 
a Palestinian speaks out

By Smit Bavisht

GM, Ford need a Carlos Ghosn

The Chicago Auto Show 2005, the premier event of the automobile industry, was held last week at its usual McCormick Place location. Luckily, I was able to visit it last weekend. I was able to stroll around this massive show and were able to experience the different cars on display. The show included over 700 cars from around the world, representing the latest in technology and design. I was able to see many different types of cars, from sedans to SUVs and even a few concept cars, all on display in the vast exhibition halls.

For me, the most impressive thing about the show was the diversity of the cars on display. It was clear that the automobile industry is constantly evolving, and that new technologies and designs are being introduced every year. I was particularly impressed by the electric cars that were on display, as they represent a step towards a more sustainable future. The industry is constantly looking for ways to reduce its carbon footprint, and electric cars are a key part of this effort.

Overall, I was very impressed by the Chicago Auto Show and would love to see it again in the future. It was a great opportunity to see the latest in automobile technology and design, and to get a glimpse of what the future of the industry might look like. I highly recommend visiting the Chicago Auto Show if you have the chance. It is a truly unique experience that is not to be missed.

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The recent departure of Carlos Ghosn as CEO of both General Motors and Ford has raised questions about the future of the two companies. With Ghosn's departure, the two companies will need to find a new leader who can guide them through the challenges of the current automotive landscape.

Ghosn was a key figure in the success of both companies, and his departure will be felt throughout the industry. He was known for his innovative thinking and his ability to drive change, and his leadership will be missed. It will be interesting to see who emerges as the new leader of these two companies, and how they will navigate the challenges of the future.

For now, the focus will be on finding a new leader who can bring stability to these two companies. It will be a challenging task, but one that is necessary for the long-term health of both General Motors and Ford. The industry is facing a number of challenges, including changing consumer preferences, increased competition, and rising costs. A strong leader will be needed to guide the companies through these challenges and ensure their continued success.

Smit Bavisht

Finally, Hamas came to the government as a result of a free election that was monitored by international observers like President Bush. There were no reports of fraud or irregularities, and there was no court intervention. The Palaestinians chose Hamas through a democratic process and chose their leader in the polls. In addition, there was no violence against the voters. I believe that by choosing Ismail Haniya to be the Prime Minister of the new Palestinian government, Hamas is showing that it is a pragmatic movement that is willing to consider all the options which will guarantee the security and peace of the region. The new government is not afraid of taking responsibility for solving the problems that face the Palestinian people today, and I believe that this is a positive step towards a more stable and prosperous future for the region.

Ismail Haniya
New cancer drug helps prolong life of patient, but at a price many can’t afford

By Victor Guarany

Aranistin is a new drug commonly used by cancer specialists to treat cancer. A recent report states that the treatment cost is about $50,000, and the drug typically extends the life of a patient with late-stage colon cancer by several months. Now, studies are showing that Aranistin can also extend lives of patients with late-stage breast and lung cancer by several months. It is used in combination with other drugs (Alex Benveniste: A Cancer Drug Showdown; New York Times February 15, 2006). The manufacturer, Genentech, is asking for approval from the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for additional indications in the late part of 2006. The current FDA regulation does not prohibit the doctors from using the drug for indications not approved by the FDA. However, more data on the safety and efficacy of the drug is needed for the treatment unless Aranistin gets approval for a specific indication by the FDA. Obviously, the FDA approval is a must for the drug maker for boosting profit.

Cancer specialists are concerned about the potential side effects of the drug. A recent study is revealed that the drug could treat both lung and breast cancer. The average cost of the drug will be $3,500 to $4,500 for lung cancer and $3,700 to $4,200 for breast cancer, compared to $4,000 cost for colon cancer.

The drug maker already declared high prices for a new drug to cover the research and development cost. However, the defense is very weak in this case since Aranistin is already available at $1,000 cost.

The President of Genentech claims that Aranistin’s price is based on "the value of innovation and the value of new therapies" (New York Times, February 15, 2006).

One of the biggest problems the drug company is facing is the lack of communication between agencies such as the National Cancer Institute. The drug company has met with federal health officials to discuss the issue. The drug company has advised the federal government to consider making the drug available to patients who are not covered by Medicare. This means that the drug will be available to patients who need it the most but are not eligible for Medicare. The drug company has also suggested creating a National Oncology Center, where all government agencies can coordinate together to address this issue.

Aranistin will be available in New Jersey hospitals starting in October 2005. The drug company is considering making it available to patients in other states, too.

New York contract inpatients anesthetists

By J. Schenck

COPY EDITOR

New York City mayors have been hospitalized after contracting infection anesthetists. Vanuatu’s Diomedes, a 34-year-old man, imported raw animal hides from Africa. He was arrested by the Federal Fisheries, the coast of West Africa and the West Coast of Africa. Mayer Bloomberg, a 54-year-old man, said that the anesthetist, was not caused by the man, but his job that involves making drugs from animal skins.

At least four people who are in contact with Mr. Diomedes have also come into contact with anthrax. The City Health Commissioner, Thomas Frieden, said that that is why the city is taking such a serious action. He said that the city is naturally occurring anthrax. Anthrax spores cause a quarter of the deaths in the world, including Africa. Animals can become infected by eating the soil or contaminated seeds. People, like Mr. Diomedes, can get infected by handling the contaminated soil or seeds.

Anthrax is one of the most serious illnesses that a person can contract. The cost of anthrax is more than $100,000. The treatment is very expensive and may last for several weeks. The city has been very careful to prevent any further incidents.

Arrests made in UK’s biggest robbery

By Justin Schenck

COPY EDITOR

Eighty Cash Management Ltd. was the victim of a basic hold-up with robbers making out with approximately $87 million. Three thieves posed as police officers and thanked the manager into giving them his cash. The police were able to recover the cash. The bank said the amount of cash stolen weighed about 900 pounds and was worth $17 million, which is enough to reach the top 500 of the Sunday Times list. The police have said that the amount of cash stolen is about $87 million.

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An unexpected oasis near campus

By Justin Schenck

It's no secret that so many want to go to very many businesses near campus. Case in point is the grocery store selection of many students. There is a place that is virtually unknown to everyone on campus. It's the area between 31st and 31st along Ashland Avenue. There is a Chicago Bible restaurant, a White Castle, a Subway, a Burger King, a Popeye's Chicken and Biscuits, a Denny's, a Radio Shack, and much more. There's also the cheap 24-hour diner Scott's Hamburger Heaven near 35th and Ashland.

It's much easier to get there by car than by foot. If you were taking a car, drive west on 35th to Ashland, and turn right. 31st Street does not go all the way through, it stops at Archer Avenue. If you're CTIAing, you could take the 31st Street to 35th and Ashland. Alternatively, you can take the Orange Line to the Ashland stop. Enjoy!

Shakespeare Theatre

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of classic plays, "The Shakespeare!" is catered to those seeking only a taste of theatre or those unable to dedicate an entire afternoon to a appreciation of drama. The one and half hour plays are perfect for a date, the highlight of a group on a 35th and King Drive ticket, the average cash-strapped student. For the connoisseur, more intensive productions are available also with average show time from six to eight hours averaging $65 dollars. The current play in this category is George Feynman's comedy, "An Outdoor Street" which opens on March 10th.

Chicago Shakespeare Theatre also conducts the largest arts-in-education program in Illinois. The "Team Shakespeare" program reaches out to some 50,000 thousand students in middle schools and high schools annually. Co-patric to this is their efforts in family-friendly programming, with select past productions as "Green Eggs and Hamlet," and "Romeo and Juliet Musical: People vs. Price Lawrence, Max Who Killed Romeo and Juliet.

Commuting to boredom, ignorance, and JTT, Chicago Shakespeare Theatre is a growing gem of Chicago's cultural wealth. The ease of access to drama provided by the "Shakespeare!" program should not be overlooked and wasted, nor its romantic value underappreciated. Plus, for only twice the cost of a coffee, you can no longer be gainsaid, as was the case upon this blossoming venture in sighted in his honor.

City lights: Perfectly Profound

By John R. Brilla

This week, while still on the campus of the University of Chicago, and at the request of the Rockefeller Chapel or the Robie House. I bought a good book about the future, and a very powerful version of architectural renewal, this being the new Fourth Presbyterian Church. I have written about this before, but the design was so much better than I believed. I believe the building is now fully complete, and was originally intended to be completed by 1910.

The design was a product of the minds of the most recent century, the design was the result of the work of many architects that would make one think of a "Brutalist" but not beyond. This is a very well built building, at least internal of the experience that I have had with it. This means that

The lights are perfectly profound.
Embracing black history is a must

By Allissah Love

**Feature**

A very special thanks is due to IFP Tech Newspaper staff for acknowledging and publishing information in honor of Black History Month this year.

In particular, thanks is due to Larren Joyner, the first female editor of TechNews since 1956; and to Justin Schiavone, copy editor for the Tech News who despite his belief that Black History Month should be eliminated, did not interfere with article submissions commensurately.

**Should Black History Month be eliminated?**

During a "60 Minutes" television segment on December 18, 2006, sixties and seventies icon Morgan Freeman sparked debate when he attacked the notion of Black History Month as "relics of the past.

"You're going to relive my history next month?" he asked, later adding: 'Don't want a Black History Month. Black History is American history."

"Black History is not relegated to one month of the year. The month of February was chosen to celebrate it, in the hopes that since Black History is American History, educating the continuous, valued contributions to society made by black individuals from the past, present and future will be fully incorporated into our educational system.

Carter G. Woodson, known as the father of Black History, created Negro History Week in 1926. Woodson believed that blacks should know their past in order to participate intelligently in the affairs of our country. He strongly believed that black history - which others have vied so diligently to erase - is a fundamental foundation for young black Americans to build on in order to become productive citizens of our society.

In 1976, as the United States reached its Bicentennial, Negro History Week was expanded to an entire month.

"Those who have no record of what their forebears have accomplished have lost the inspiration which comes from the teaching of biology and history."

"- Carter G. Woodson"

The truth of Woodson's wisdom is evidenced in the derecognition of the American educational system as a whole, and in the education of black Americans in particular. At IT alone, over the past decade, the enrollment and enrollment of black students has experienced a steady decline. (see graph)

Black history isn't just for black Americans; it is for everyone. And black history is not the only history that people should study and be aware of. As the world increasingly becomes diverse and globally conscious; the history, culture, and contributions of nations should be recognized and valued.

How many of us knew of one, two, or three, if any, of the black inventors and scientists highlighted in the timeline published over the past four weeks in TechNews? Would TechNews have had any motivation to publish such a timeline, if it weren’t for the celebration of Black History Month?

Why is Black History Month necessary? Because a nation trying to overcome its roots in racism needs education and a catalyst for positive information that will impact the minds of those doubting a distortion of reality from stereotypes; lies and deception.

On March 3, 1997, the racist, imperialist beating of Rodney King in Los Angeles spawned a riot that rocked the city as the pain of a man, who scene would view as worthless, stuck a chord in a community of people that knew otherwise.

In September of 1994, the late Erma Purdy, a tough civil rights leader, was beaten and robbed in her Detroit home, by someone in her own community that had no idea of who she was or what her sacrifices in life had accomplished.

In 2002, the movie "Monster's Ball" where she played the widow Latricia Massey, whose convicted husband was sentenced to death and who falls in love with the racist former policeman who supervised his execution. Her shameless, graphic sex scenes with actor Billy Bob Thornton, which some categorized as soft porn, are nothing to be proud of; and says a lot about the morality of Hollywood and the world of actors.

More than anything, these examples are just a few reasons why Black History Month is necessary. Black History Month doesn't inspire racism; it eradicates it with information that proves its premises to be false.

It is a travesty that the minds of our present and future generations are in the hands of the media, and that we give credence to the words of actors over educators.

Embrace black history as your history; for it already is... 365 days of the year.

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**Beethoven was black**

By Allissah Love

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Part of Illinois Institute of Technology's outstanding curriculum includes the option for students to take courses at the Vandaedaw College of Music; and anyone taking Music History II there, this semester would have learned something not well known. Ludwig Van Beethoven, one of Europe's greatest composers, was of African/Moorish descent.

Beethoven was born on December 17, 1770 in Bonn, Germany. His mother was a Moor, whose descendants were from a group of Muslim Africans that had conquered Spain.

His father was a musician at the Court of Bonn, whose family originated from Brabant in Belgium. The Beethoven family consisted of seven children, of which only the three boys survived.

Beethoven was the eldest of his brothers and had a deeper complexion than most of his northern European relatives. Some referred to him as "the black Spaniard."

Beethoven was raised in music at an early age. His formal education did not go beyond elementary school, but his father taught him the piano and violin and made him a prodigy, like Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart.

In 1792, Beethoven traveled to Vienna and studied under Franz Joseph Haydn for one year. He then studied with Albrechtsberger, a choirmaster at St. Stephen's.

Indeed, Ludwig Van Beethoven created symphonies and sonatas of intense passion and emotion, that showed forth his musical genius and moved the Classical Era of music into a Romantic Period; where the stature of composers were elevated above that of a servant of the Court to a respected, powerful, and influential member of society.

Beethoven's life was rife with struggles. He had an alcoholic father, insulted by his siblings did not survive, and he fought long and hard for custody of his nephew who attempted suicide. Beethoven also suffered from syphilis; he never married, and toward the middle of his life he was almost completely deaf.

In an effort to hide his infertility from the rest of the world, Beethoven inhibited his sexual desires, yet he continued to compose until the year of his death in 1827.

A constant theme can be heard in the many works of Beethoven: triumph over struggle, and just knowing his heritage will give inspiration to many who struggle to be known, heard, and respected in a society that once counted them as three fifths of a human being.

Embracing Black History until the truth and hidden treasures of our past become known and appreciated as our history.

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**Boosted Driving is Drunk Driving**
Making history at the Olympic Winter Games

By Alifiah Love

On February 18, 2006, Shani Davis made history at the Winter Olympics in Turin, Italy, when he became the first black to win an individual gold medal in the men's 1,000-meter speed skating race.

In February 2005 Shani Davis became the first black speed skater of any nationality to become the World All-around Champion, with a score of 150.778 points. "All-around" is when speed skaters compete in four distances, all times are added up and a final ranking is given based on those numbers.

Davis is a 23-year-old Chicago native that attends Northwestern University in Marquette and aspires to be a marine biologist.

Skating was a childhood dream of Davis, and growing up he received questions and criticism from many who wondered why a black youth from the south side of Chicago would desire to compete in sport dominated by white males in tight suits, instead of playing more traditional sports like basketball and football.

"Maybe I can be the Michael Jordan of speed skating," Davis said.

Receiving an influx of racially charged messages to his personal Web site before and during the Winter Games did not deter Davis from his goal of becoming an Olympic champion — "people saying they hoped I would fall, break my leg, using the n-word," he said.

"I'm very happy about my race," Davis said. "More than anything, the things I learned from the experience, I was right about. If you put your mind to it and you believe in it, you can achieve it. You can't just give up — even if it's a tough road."

Four years ago, Vonetta Fluker became the first African-American to capture winter gold at the Salt Lake Games. She was a pusher on the two-woman bobsled team, someone who helps get the machine going and helps along the ride.

Aaron Parchem also made history at the 2006 Winter Olympic Games in Turin, Italy, when he became the first black male figure skater to represent the United States. He skated with partner Marcy Hittman.

Black History Month 2006 calendar of events

By Kevin Smith

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Here come the crunchycos!

By Anthony Gaddini

The crunchy trend is everywhere. You see it in the way people dress, talk, and think. It's a movement that's all about sustainability, environmentalism, and social justice. But what exactly is the crunchy trend, and why is it becoming so popular?

One of the key elements of the crunchy trend is the emphasis on reducing waste and minimizing one's impact on the environment. This includes things like using reusable bags and water bottles, avoiding single-use plastics, and composting food scraps. Another important aspect is the desire to live in a way that is in harmony with nature, which often means living a more simple and intentional lifestyle.

The crunchy trend is also about social justice and equality. Many crunchy individuals are passionate about issues like climate change, social inequality, and political corruption. They see these issues as interconnected and believe that solving one problem requires addressing all of them.

While the crunchy trend is gaining traction, it's important to note that it's not without its critics. Some argue that it's too focused on the individual and doesn't address the systemic issues that are really to blame. Others say that it's too focused on the environment and doesn't take into account the needs of other important aspects of life, like work and relationships.

Despite these criticisms, the crunchy trend is here to stay. As more people become aware of the challenges facing the planet, they are likely to continue to embrace the values and practices of the crunchy lifestyle. The key is to find a balance that works for each individual, and to continue to advocate for change on a larger scale.

The crunchy trend is not for everyone, but for those who embrace it, it can be a powerful force for positive change.
Be reacquainted with LIFE

This past winter break, several LIFE members traveled to Orlando, Florida to attend the National and Technical Career Conference, which is a major nations conference attended by students and major companies from all over the nation.

Although these great organizations offer excellent networking opportunities, LIFE itself also offers workshops and corporate visits held on campus. Two weeks ago, LIFE hosted a professional event on campus which brought members from the Elekon Nuclear family to IIT. This event was attended by 30 plus students and was a very informative presentation which discussed career opportunities within Elekon. After the presentation, the Elekon representatives were available for discussion and gladly accepted resumes afterward.

This is just a sneak peek of all the things LIFE has to offer its members, if you haven't read this far we figure you're semi interested in what we have to offer and we would love for you to join our organization. Remember, our organization is not exclusive to Latinos and we welcome everyone. Lastly, we would like to invite you to some of our major events planned for the remainder of the year. First is our annual Cinco Walkathon, commemorating the life of an IIT alumnus who was killed by a drunk driver, and last is our annual LIFE Innsitute breakfast held at which are held in April. We urge you to look out for future events hosted by LIFE and we look forward to seeing you in the future.

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### SGA General Meeting Minutes

**February 21st 2006**

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**SGA Administration**

- **Budget** is the important vote of SGA reforms which has involved a great deal of work. We need your votes for its approval.

**Topic of Discussion:** Galvin Library, with Chris Stewart and Lea Link.

- They talked about how the library is used and sought discussion in order to make it better. Any questions or comments can be sent to lea@iit.edu or Stewart@iit.edu

**Old Business**

Constitutional Amendments. It was introduced at the last meeting and is now being brought up for a vote. The amendments, among others, introduce a new Judicial board, rearrange the executive board, and move up the committee chairs to the executive board, and to stream line SGA into a more productive organization. The amendments were passed by an over whelming majority. Yes:63 No:2 Abstain:2.

**New Business**

- Finance Board Proposals. All 14 Proposals passed.
- Resolution to accept the Coalition to end poverty
- Resolution to Request Tuition Waiver
- Resolution to request the administration to disclose where and how tuition monies are being used.
- Approval of Student Organization NOMAS-National Organization of Minority Architecture Students

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Your neighbors are too loud, but you say nothing.

You didn't sign that petition.

Your street needs a stop sign, but you say nothing.

You don't make time for community watch.

You only open the door for trick-or-treaters.

Someone keeps parking in your spot, but you say nothing.

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Yahoo! bans, un-bans “Allah”

**Copy Editor**

Yahooligans have reversed the ban on the name “Allah” in e-mail addresses recently. The Register reader Linda Caljukan tried to register her last name and found that due to the ban on “Allah”, she could not. Yahoo! claimed that they were registering anti-Muslim e-mail addresses with the name “Allah” contained within. The Register reported that “vicious” and “blasphemous” were also banned. However, “God”, “Messiah”, “Jesus”, “Jeovah”, “Buddha”, “Satan”, “Protestant”, and “Papaloholic” were all allowed.

With a Filter: “Willber”

Fiber optic communication systems are very fast and reliable, but are also very expensive and difficult to install in some situations. Gigabitel Corporation of Virginia has created a technology to solve this problem. Their system, named “W.Fiber”, is a point-to-point high speed wide area network. Designed to be an alternative to fiber optic communication, their system uses high speed wireless solutions. The constraints of weather frequencies that are near the frequencies of visible light, so weather conditions can limit data transmission. Gigabitel’s technology, however, uses frequencies in the 2.45 GHz band, allowing for a reliable and cost-effective solution.

IBM shrinks processors again

IBM has been creating smaller and faster microprocessors for a while. IBM claims to have broken a barrier and created a 30 nanometer process. This is one-third of the 90 nm process currently in mass production. The industry consensus is that the 90 nm process is fast and reliable. IBM has pushed beyond this to create a 30 nm process with optical lithography. The method does not require large modifications on current manufacturing methods, unlike other proposed methods such as using carbon nanotubes. This means that cheaper and higher speed and performance computing could be in the near future.

Five years (11 petabyte) storage?

Inventor Michael Thomas is planning to have a way to create a drive with 1.2 petabytes of storage. For comparison, 1.2 petabytes is equivalent to 2,007 DVDs. However, this has to have developed a new method of storing, called non-contact optical nanoparticle disks. The method is critical to the spin of individual electrons, which control the data recording process. This means that cheaper and higher speed and performance computing could be in the near future.

(1) Privacy

Digital CableBox has released an interesting add-on for the iPod, “iMedia Filter.” If you don’t want anyone seeing what you’re watching on your iPod, this is for you. The filter makes the iPod’s screen viewable from only in front. When viewed from the side, the screen looks black. The kit also includes an IR keyboard with a recordable key.

Purified by US

Weird about pollution in the air while computing? Get the US Air Filter heroic. This adorable battery-powered filter removes the air from your computer through this USB port.

TechNotes

By Kevin Henry

A Wireless Chicago?

Chicago may be jumping onto the wireless internet bandwagon with cities like Philadelphia and San Francisco. There are already hundreds of free WAP buttons throughout the city, in coffee shops, libraries, bookstores, and hotel lobbies. It is very easy to find one of these buttons in the downtown Chicago area. The plans would work to extend the coverage to all 210 square miles of Chicago. The plan is to make internet access “brisk and affordable” for residents of Chicago. The wireless network could also benefit businesses and tourists. If Illinois can’t move forward, a system could be up and running by early 2007.

New nuclear power plans coming

Over two dozen nuclear power plants are being built and refurbished over the next five years. China, Canada, India, Iran, Pakistan, Russia, South Africa and several countries in the European Union will see these new power plants. The United States and the United Kingdom also are making preparations that will lead to as many as 15 new nuclear reactors by 2020. Only 16% of the world’s electricity comes from nuclear power. Power demands are increasing along with the concern over carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases emitted from coal, gas, and oil power plants. Many of the remaining nuclear power plants (90% of the 441 commercial reactors in operation today are over 15 years old), too, need more cleaner energy. With advancements in technology and nuclear power’s potential, it becomes an option to use.
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WHAT'S LEFT?
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Scrabble  Unscramble the words on the right by the help of the clues. Then use the boxed letters to figure out the main word.

Even bigger than Super Big Gulp  1  _______  _______  _______  ULBUPLDOEG

Only some 7-11s sell this to 21+ customers  2  _______  _______  OQIRUL

You can find 7-11s at this place, when your car's tank is empty  3  _______  _______  _______  TONISGAAST

"2 cream cheese and 1 buffalo please"

YOU'RE TRAILER TRASH WHEN...

You've been married three times and still have the same in-laws.
You think a woman who is "out of your league" bowls on a different night.
You wonder how service stations keep their restrooms so clean.
Anyone in your family ever died right after saying, "Hey watch this."
Your junior prom had a day-care.
You think the last words of the Star Spangled Banner are, "Gentlemen start your engines."
The blue book value of your truck goes up and down, depending on how much gas is in it.
Your toilet paper has page numbers on it.
You can't get married to your sweetheart because there's a law against it.
DOWN WITH BOREDOM

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Midwest champs a disappointment; focus shifts to national meet

By Marina Hartung

The word perfectly sums up the Midwest Championship swim meet: lackluster. Held at the magnificent University of Chicago pool on February 17th and 18th, the meet fell far short of expectations compared to years past. In previous seasons, the meet was held at Wheaton College, and was set up as a Preliminary/Finals meet. Due to a University of Chicago academic policy, no athletic events may be held during class time, and as such the meet was not held in the traditional way. Instead, the meet was run in three sessions, much as at earlier meets at University of Chicago were held. Junior Kayleyn Siefken felt frustrated at the outcome of the meet, discouraged with the state of the meet and also with her individual swims. "It was really disappointing to see so few teams and to have less competition. Not having prelims & finals was also disappointing because the meet felt like any other meet that we have won this season. The team really seemed to lack the hype going into this meet and I think that hurt us."

In the past, the Midwest meet has been a sort of stepping stone for the National meet qualifying many new athletes and serving as a sort of mini-Nationals in that it was an overnight meet and conducted in the Prelims/Finals format. This year, only one complete session was a full qualifying meet to the National meet in individual events, unlike in past seasons where multiple usages do. "Sophomore Joshua Nedd was a really strong swimmer all meet in 200 Backstroke, his biggest strength, dropping significant time off of his season best times. Other athletes who made significant improvements over the weekend, Paul Conrad (100 Backstroke), Chase Fosse (100 Freestyle), Joseph Gurnoles (500 Freestyle), Matt Harrington (500 Freestyle, 100 Breaststroke), Luis Schrutter (50 Freestyle) and Sam Saldie (100 Freestyle). Despite missing the National 50 Freestyle cut by a heart-breaking few hundredths of a second, senior Captain Siddha Pimpukutkar earned himself a berth on the men's 200 Freestyle relay with his efforts this weekend."

An unexpected twist occurred this past week in regards to the National meet. Canadian powerhouse Simon Fraser University withdrew both men's and women's teams from the competition, for reasons unknown at time of press. Last year, SFU came in first place overall on the men's side, and second place on the women's. To some athletes, and certainly Coach Bond, this was exciting news. One of IIT's major goals this season is to finish in the Top 2 spots for both teams at the National meet, and with one of the top finishers from last season dropping out of competition, this goal seems that much more attainable. The team is very excited, and well on their way to achieving their season goals."

Women's Results:

200 Freestyle Relays
A (3rd) - Liz Vong, Amanda Rublee, Sarah Stone, Nicole Mulligan

200 IM
Mulligan (14th), Stone (3rd), Sade (6th), Fosse (10th)

50 Free
Stone (1st), Harrington (7th), Marsh (29th)

400 Medley Relay
A (14th) - Rublee, Harrington, Pimpukutkar, Vong

200 Medley Relay
A (11th) - Rublee, Harrington, Pimpukutkar, Stone

200 Breaststroke
Rublee (11th), Fosse (6th)

400 IM
Pimpukutkar (2nd)

100 Butterfly
Fosse (1st), Harrington (3rd), Stone (4th)

200 Freestyle
Stone (1st), Fosse (6th)

100 Breaststroke
Rublee (2nd), Fosse (5th)

800 Freestyle Relay
A (16th) - Stone, Rublee, Pimpukutkar, Fosse

1650 Freestyle
Whitenessy (5th), Barratt (7th)

200 Backstroke
Nedd (67th), Gold (20th), Fosse (8th), Harrington (3rd)

100 Breaststroke
Mulligan (2nd), Stone (5th), Fosse (6th)

100 Freestyle
Johnson (5th), Stone (6th), Rublee (7th)

200 Breaststroke
Harrington (1st), Stone (4th), Mulligan (7th)

200 Butterfly
Pimpukutkar (2nd)

400 Freestyle Relay
A (26th) - Vong, Stone, Harrington, Mulligan

Men's Results:

200 Freestyle Relays
A (15th) - Luke Sorensen, Ryan Feinstein, Jeff Lanson, Andrew Miter

200 IM
Lanson (3rd), Fosse (5th), Dan Conrad (7th)

50 Freestyle
Mulligan (2nd), Stone (4th), Fosse (5th), Pimpukutkar (6th), Parry (10th), Josh Nedd (19th), Phil Pan pulpaks (29th)

800 Freestyle Relay
A (16th) - Fosse, Pimpukutkar, Vong, Stone

200 Medley Relay
A (14th) - Fosse, Lanson, Parry, Nedd

200 Freestyle
Stone (1st), Stone (3rd), Vong (6th), Reinhart (14th), White (20th)

200 Breaststroke
Lanson (4th), Fosse (5th), Nedd (6th)

1650 Freestyle
White, Vong (5th), Whitenessy (7th)

200 Backstroke
Nedd (66th), Stone (30th), Fosse (8th), Harrington (3rd)

100 Freestyle
Mulligan (2nd), Stone (3rd), Pimpukutkar (4th), Parry (10th), Fosse (exhibition)*

200 Breaststroke
Lanson (3rd), Pan pulpaks (6th)

400 Freestyle Relay
A (15th) - Pimpukutkar, Lanson, Miter, Harrington, Stone (exhibition)*

1650 Freestyle
Vong (5th), White (17th)

* National Qualifying Time
$ New National Cut

Student-athlete spotlight:
Daniel Conranald.

Name: Daniel Conranald
Year: Junior
School: Rutherford HS
Home town: County Line, Penn City, Florida
Events: 400 IM, 100/200 Backstroke
Biggest role model in Life: John Brown
Biggest swimming role model: Ryan Feiersol -he’s just the best.
Favorite thing to do outside of swimming: Sleep
Thoughts on Rob as the coach so far: When his dog met my dog, she tried to pee on him. That's what I think about when I think about him.
Favorite memory of being on the IIT team: Hearing a very old very drunk man say: "Rip Van Winkle!" - it's a very lucky girl.
Goals for the season: Make Finals at Nationals.
Favorite quote: "Individual rights are not subject to public vote; a majority has no right to vote away the rights of a minority." — Ayn Rand

SCARLET HAWK ATHLETICS

This Week
Tuesday 2/28

Men's Basketball
Women's Basketball
Men and Women's Swimming and Diving

Wednesday 3/1

Thursday 3/2

Friday 3/3

Saturday 3/4

Sunday 3/5

Monday 3/6

Men's Basketball
Women's Basketball
Men and Women's Swimming and Diving

Last Week
Tuesday 2/21

Wednesday 2/21

Thursday 2/23

Friday 2/24

Saturday 2/25

Sunday 2/26

Monday 2/27

NAA National Championships TBA
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at Robert Morris 7PM

February 28, 2006
This week in Chicago sports quite a mix

By Sachin Jain

This week the Bulls need to play well to keep their playoff hopes alive. Their first opponent of the week will be the Minnesota Timberwolves, who have been playing terrible as of late. Their team has not been the same since the team traded Wally Szczerbiak to the Boston Celtics for Ricky Davis. The Bulls should be able to revenge their loss from earlier in the year as long as they can hold the Timberwolves star, Kevin Garnett, to a mediocre game. Later in the week, the Bulls face off against All-Star game MVP LeBron James, and the Cleveland Cavaliers. In their previous two meetings, LeBron averaged 34.5 points per game, leading the Cavaliers to victories both times. For the Bulls to win this game they will need to do something to throw James off his game. After their game at home against Cleveland, the Bulls head to New York to face the Knicks. This game should be an easy win as the Knicks have struggled to win only one game in their last ten. Finally, the Bulls close the week at Cleveland for their second meeting of the week. Expect the Bulls to win two of four games and still remain in the playoff picture.

This off-season the Chicago Bears have an excellent chance to upgrade their offense, making themselves a serious Super Bowl threat. The Bears are still $17 million under the salary cap and can afford to spend a high-profile player. Two top free agents who are likely to be available are wide receiver Santana Moss and quarterback Drew Brees. Brees would give the Bears an instant spark on offense with his tremendous arm, and would also contribute to special teams by giving the Bears one of the most dangerous punt returners in the league. On the other hand, Brees would give the Bears experience at the quarterback position, which they haven’t had in recent years. He is definitively a quarterback who can lead the Bears to the Super Bowl, and thus needs to be given careful consideration.

As spring training continues in Mesa, Arizona, the Chicago Cubs are still keeping a close watch on starting pitcher Mark Prior and Kerry Wood. This week Wood will continue rehabilitating his shoulder injury, while Prior will probably get a chance to throw off the mound as he continues a gradual throwing program. The Cubs will also continue contract extension talks with 1st baseman Derrek Lee.

The White Sox continue with their training camp as manager Ozzie Guillen continues to stress to the team that they need to look to the future, not the recent past. The White Sox continue to look at relievers, including former Arizona pitcher, Tim Redding, to replace Damaso Marte.

In college basketball, the Illini are starting to fade in the Big Ten Conference. In order to get back their top spot in the Big Ten, they will need quite a bit of help from other conference teams. It probably won’t be enough to win at both Minnesota and Michigan State. However, Illini need to regain confidence in itself, and winning the two road games this week will help to do that. Illini should not have a problem again Minnesota, but will be challenged by Michigan State, who is looking to revenge their loss from earlier in the year.

Chicago Public Schools Recruiting Candidates for Summer Residency, Internship Programs

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The Chicago Public Schools, recognized as a model for urban-school reform, is recruiting education majors for its summer residency and internship programs. Both the six-week residency and two-week internship programs provide complimentary housing, mentoring, and hiring assistance. Applications are currently being accepted online at www.teachchicago.com/TeachingResidency. The application deadline for both programs is Wednesday, March 15.

The CPS Teaching Residency program is pre-student teaching experience open to third-year, undergraduate education majors and runs from June 29 to Aug. 11. During that time, teaching residents will work in a CPS classroom, receive mentoring from National Board Certified teachers, attend weekly professional-development summits, and earn a $1,500 living stipend and priority hiring consideration. At the end of the session, the teaching residents are treated to a culminating celebration hosted by Mayor Richard M. Daley and CPS Chief Executive Officer Arne Duncan.

“My experience teaching in a CPS classroom was invaluable,” said Coreen Uh, a University of Michigan student who participated in the program last year. “The guidance and support I received from my mentor teacher helped me gain confidence, and working with the students was challenging, yet extremely rewarding. I cannot think of a better way to prepare for student teaching than this program.”

The CPS Teaching Internship program is open to undergraduate and graduate education majors and includes two sessions: July 11-21 and July 25-Aug. 4. The program includes clinical experience within the school system and the opportunity to participate in a professional-development summit and job fair.

—more—

Participants in both programs are treated to field trips and social outings so that they have a chance to see all of the cultural and recreational attractions that Chicago has to offer.

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