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but by the responsibility for our future.*

George Bernard Shaw





*Our future will not be determined by chance, but rather by the choices we make today, and in the days and weeks ahead.*

Bill Richardson, Tufts alumnus and governor of New Mexico



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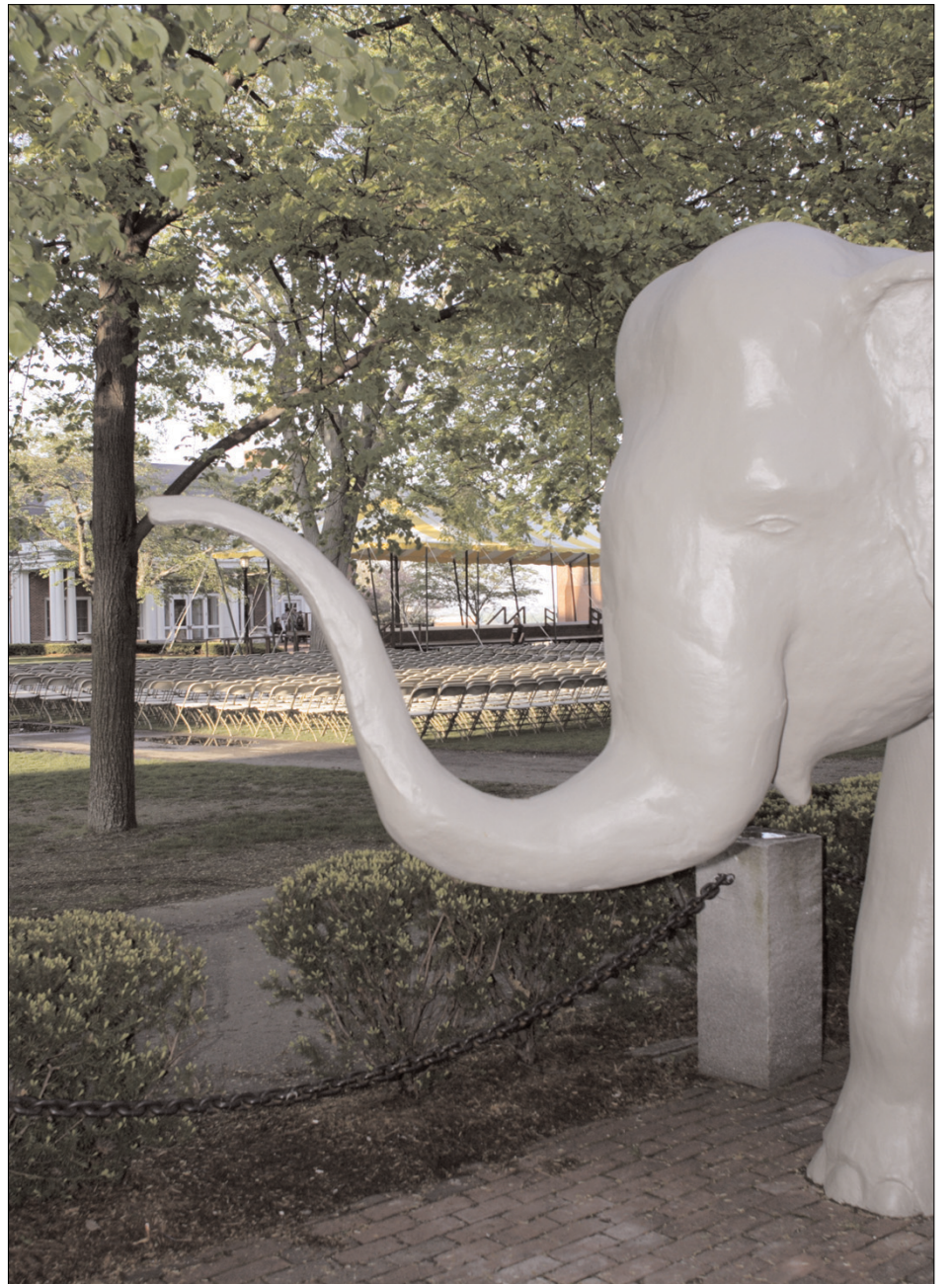
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# Over 2,100 diplomas to be awarded today

BY ALLISON ROESER  
Daily Editorial Board

Approximately 2,195 diplomas will be distributed among graduates on both the Medford/Somerville campus and the Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine's Grafton, Mass. campus to mark the University's 149th Commencement exercises.

Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy alumnus and Greek Prime Minister Kostas Karamanlis (F '82) will give the University-wide Commencement address.

This is the second year in which the new Commencement ceremony procedure has been employed. This new procedure, approved by the University administration last spring, was drawn up in response to complaints that the original Commencement exercises were too lengthy and unorganized.

The ceremony is now divided into two parts: Phase I, in which all of the University's schools are to participate, and Phase II which encompasses the presentation of diplomas to individual graduates and special activities for the different schools and departments.

Phase I will include the academic procession, the awarding of honorary degrees, Karamanlis' address, recognition of faculty emeriti, conferral of degree candidates by each school and the presentation of degrees by the University's Board of Trustees.

Phase I will take place on the academic quad between Bendetson and Ballou Halls.

Following these events will be Phase II, which will be held at various locations on campus.

In addition to his speech, Karamanlis will receive an honorary doctor of laws degree from the University. Four other distinguished individuals will also receive honorary degrees: alumnus and Oscar-winning actor William Hurt (A '72) will receive an honorary doctor of fine arts, and National Medal of Science winner Ann M. Graybiel will receive an honorary doctor of science degree. Graybiel earned a Master's degree in biology as a Woodrow Wilson Fellow at the University.

Receiving honorary doctor of humane letters degrees will be former Dartmouth College president James Freedman, and Mayor of Hiroshima, Japan, Tadatoshi Akiba. Akiba taught mathematics at the University from 1972 to 1986. (For more coverage on today's honorary degree recipients, please see page 13.)

Yesterday, alumnus and Governor of New Mexico Bill Richardson (A '70, F '71) addressed graduates at the Fletcher School during their annual Class Day ceremonies.

Following University tradition, the winner of this year's Wendell Phillips Award, senior Eitan Hersh will be the only student to publicly speak during Commencement weekend. Hersh spoke yesterday at the Baccalaureate Ceremony organized by the Chaplain's Office.

Before his speech yesterday, Hersh, who described himself as "slightly nervous and humbled," said that he thinks



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Workers assemble a tent on the res quad earlier this week in preparation for the weekend's Commencement ceremonies.

many students are so busy during the school year that they do not spend enough time reflecting upon their college experience. "I found that to be the case for

me, and took this opportunity [to compose a speech] to think about it. What are

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## Alleged bias incident sparks anti-hate rally on campus

BY ZOSIA SZTYKOWSKI  
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Students and faculty assembled on the Tisch Library patio on May 3 for an anti-hate crime rally in response to the alleged hate crime that occurred between an Arab student and members of the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity earlier that week.

The alleged bias incident that occurred in the early morning hours of April 30 outside the Sigma Phi Epsilon (Sig Ep) house sent the Tufts campus reeling from the sudden, very public occurrence of alleged racism, even attracting the attention of national media.

Yet, this event may serve mainly to identify problems already present at the University, according to some.

The alleged racially-motivated assault of junior Riyadh Mohammed prompted a response in the form of an "anti-hate" rally on May 3. At the rally, senior Reem Assil, a "personal friend" of Mohammed's, said that the event was "emblematic of the racism, violence and scapegoating that occurs on campus every day."

History professor Steve Marrone, a member of the Oversight Panel on Race who also spoke at the rally, said he acknowledges that Tufts has a "problem" in this area. With regard to bias, he said, "I haven't had an experience at any other university like my experience at Tufts."

The Bias Intervention Team releases an annual list of the reported bias incidents that occurred on campus. This year's list consisted of 27 incidents, not including the event on April 30.

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## University feels after-effects of student's cocaine-related arrest

BY KAT SCHMIDT  
Daily Editorial Board

The arrest of a Tufts student earlier this month for cocaine trafficking has left his future hanging as administrators and students grapple with the implications of a cocaine culture abruptly brought into the spotlight.

On Tuesday, April 12, senior Marcus Mattingly, 23, was pulled over by Massachusetts State Troopers on Route 16 in Medford for driving an unregistered motor vehicle. At this time, State Troopers discovered 200 grams of cocaine, a significant amount of cash and drug paraphernalia in the car Mattingly was driving.

After obtaining a search warrant, the police discovered an additional 80 grams of cocaine as well as more cash and drug paraphernalia in Mattingly's campus residence, the Delta Upsilon (DU) fraternity house on Professor's Row. According to a press release from the Middlesex County District Attorney's office, the 280 grams of confiscated cocaine was valued in excess of \$25,000.

Mattingly was arraigned in connection with drug trafficking before Judge Allen Jarasitis of the Somerville District Court on April 13. He entered a plea of not guilty and was held on \$10,000 cash bail.

Mattingly posted bail and

attended a pre-trial conference on May 11. A second pre-trial is now scheduled for June 8, at which time a court date may be set.

According to Dean of Students Bruce Reitman, no disciplinary action will occur through the Dean of Students Office because the investigation was conducted by the State Police.

"This is something that the state and federal government have defined laws about, [it] wasn't campus policy that really came into play," he said.

Because any court proceedings will not happen until after the conclusion of this semester, Reitman said that Mattingly's status at the University is pend-

ing and awaiting the outcome of the proceedings. "[Should a] felony conviction be made of campus, that individual is not eligible to be [on campus]," Reitman said.

Due to his pending status with the University, Reitman said Mattingly "is not eligible to receive a degree at this time."

If convicted, Mattingly faces a minimum of 16 and maximum of 20 years of jail time.

According to arresting officer Richard Iwanicki, Mattingly was pulled over for a motor vehicle violation. But Iwanicki was unable to comment on how police found the cocaine in the car following the stop.

To Iwanicki's eye, "the likeli-

hood of a conviction looks pretty good."

Iwanicki said drug trafficking violations are "pretty common," though "[not to the extent] of what [Mattingly] had on him." Iwanicki said that most drug trafficking takes place "more towards the city area."

According to Thomas J. Barrett, an attorney who practices criminal defense law in Salem, Mass., it is "not a given that [a defendant in a case like Mattingly's] will be convicted."

According to Barrett, "there's a whole line of defenses he has, that everyone has."

A defense lawyer, Barrett said,

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# Tufts Greek system is under fire for multiple violations

BY DANIELA PERDOMO  
Daily Editorial Board



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The Tufts chapter of Delta Tau Delta (DTD) will be shut down for one year and will be on probation until 2007 after a student pledge stopped breathing during an alcohol-related pledge event at the house.

With the recent number of disciplinary incidents involving members of the on-campus Greek system, many Tufts community members have found themselves wondering whether or not the system is falling apart.

Director of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs Todd Sullivan said he does not believe the situation to be that bad.

"[The Greek system] is not falling apart, but we have serious concerns," he said. "This semester was very difficult. I don't know if we know yet what led to all of these things happening this semester but we're going to follow up on that."

The Chi Alpha chapter of the Chi Omega sorority will be suspended for one year starting on May 22. The charges of "participating in the hazing of fraternity pledges," "participating in the distribution of alcohol to underage individuals," and "contributing to the endangerment of others," were brought against the chapter by the Dean of Students Office.

According to a press release from the Office of Community Relations, each charge relates to the participation of Chi Omega members in the fraternity pledge activities of Delta Tau Delta (DTD). One such activity occurred at the Chi Alpha chapter house, while another occurred at an off-campus apartment on Feb. 25 and 26.

According to Chi Alpha chapter president Elizabeth Thys, the chapter has

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## Source appeals wind vote to TCUJ

BY DANNY LUTZ  
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The Primary Source — "Tufts' journal of conservative thought" — filed a complaint with the Tufts Community Union Judiciary (TCUJ) following the April 27 referendum election.

The election was held to determine whether students would support each paying an additional \$20 per year for the University to use wind power as an energy source, and passed with 88 percent student approval.

The members of the Primary Source requested that the results be invalidated.

According to the Primary Source, the TCU Elections Board (ELBO) handled the referendum election unfairly, only presenting the pro-wind energy argument. After hearing the appeal, the TCUJ decided unanimously in favor of ELBO: that the election results should still stand.

Editor-in-Chief of the Primary Source junior Nick Boyd filed the complaint on May 2 against ELBO's handling of the election. Boyd was unable to make the hearing, so junior Nicole Brusco represented the Primary Source in front of the TCUJ on May 8.

"ELBO was not an impartial and fair party [to the elections]," Brusco said. "The referendum [submitted by ECO] was constitutional — our problem was with ELBO."

According to the members of the Primary Source, ELBO's election Web site had a link to Environmental Consciousness Outreach's (ECO) information in favor of wind energy, but no representation of an opposing view. "ELBO neglected information about the other side," Brusco said. "The election needs to be overturned; it clearly was not fair."

On the ELBO Web site, "the issue is the candidate's page," Brusco said. "[The page said] more info on the ECO campaign, not more info on wind power."

ELBO Chair sophomore Denise Wiseman defended the election, and said that the Primary Source's complaint was "nothing more than an act to lash out about elections that didn't go their way."

Wiseman's interpretation of fairness was different from that of the Primary Source's. "Fair" to ELBO is giving all students an opportunity to vote," she said. She then pointed to a 40 percent voter turnout for the referendum, which was higher than the TCU Presidential election turnout a week earlier on April 20.

According to Wiseman, it is not the responsibility of ELBO to seek out information about both sides of an election. "ECO voluntarily gave the contents [supporting wind power] to us," she said.

She also said that the ECO information was not posted on ELBO's Web site until 1:00 p.m. — four hours after the online polls had opened. "It was clear by [11 a.m.] what the results would be," she said. Wiseman said that the old candidate bios for the TCU Presidential election were still on the ELBO Web site up until 1 p.m.

The TCUJ's decision sided with ELBO, but also offered a mandate to change future procedures for referendum elections. According to the TCUJ report, "while ELBO was incorrect in posting the ECO information, the margin of victory of this referendum was such as to negate any possible effects of the Web site posting."

For all following referendum elections, the TCUJ has mandated that the TCU President and members of the TCU Senate fact-finding committee take responsibility to make every effort to research information and thoroughly understand both sides of the issues called into question by the proposed referendum, then present both sides on the ELBO Web site.

"We feel that these new procedures will both increase the impartiality of the process by

which referenda are conducted, as well as continue to foster a more informed, more knowledgeable student body," the TCUJ stated in its official decision.

With regard to possibly bringing wind power to Tufts, no significant progress has been made since the election. Although students showed enormous support to bring wind energy to campus, the University's Board of Trustees will make the final decision.

"We're still working on getting it on their agenda," ECO member sophomore Amanda Fencl said. "[Tufts Climate Initiative] has basically taken on calling people and doing the running around to figure out how to make that happen. Basically, no one knows what to do because a referendum of this sort hasn't been passed in a really long time."

According to Fencl, there are numerous business plans from which the trustees will choose. "The trustees could vote to appropriate existing funds if they're against raising student fees, or they could vote to incur the fee," she said.

"It is basically out of students' hands," Fencl said. "In the fall, depending on how negotiations go, ECO or other interested students may take action to pressure the administration to make a decision."

Boyd said he was not content with the TCUJ decision, however, and said he intends to appeal it to the Committee on Student Life (CSL) at the beginning of the Fall 2005 semester. "The Primary Source holds that both the TCU Judiciary's decision and the solution the TCUJ advocates to what it argues was not a problem are flawed," Boyd said.

Members of the TCUJ said they are not worried about the appeal. "I don't think [the CSL overturning a mandate] has ever happened. I doubt our decision will be overturned," TCUJ member sophomore Shiva Bhashyam said.



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Scott Sahagian will join the School of Engineering as Executive Associate Dean.

## Vet School loses Kosch, Engineering gains Sahagian

BY KELLY MCANERNEY  
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As the school year draws to a close, current Dean of the Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine Phil Kosch will officially leave his position, and Scott Sahagian will join the School of Engineering as Executive Associate Dean.

Kosch will resign on June 30, after leading the Vet School for nine years. Under Kosch, Provost Jamshed Bharucha said, the Vet School "is stronger than it has ever been."

The Vet School underwent a period of expansion and growth under Kosch's leadership. "[I'm proud of] the maturation of a young school into an established, mature leader," Kosch said. Currently, it is ranked first out of 28 for entrance exam scores by the Association of American Veterinary Medical Colleges (AAVMC).

Kosch was Dean when state

financing for the school was threatened, but "successfully saw the school through a challenging period," Bharucha said.

Since then, the Vet School received a \$50 million gift from the Cummings Foundation. Bill Cummings served on the University's Board of Trustees while the Vet School was still young and struggling, Kosch said.

"[Cummings] looked at the Vet School, saw that it was the most entrepreneurial school," Kosch said, and greater resources facilitated further success.

Since then, new facilities were added, including the Luke & Lily Lerner Spay/Neuter Clinic and the Bernice Barbour Wildlife Medicine Building.

During his tenure, Kosch oversaw the union of all veterinary students on the Grafton campus in 2000. Previously, freshmen had to attend classes

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## Search for Dean of A&S continues

BY BRIAN MCPARTLAND  
Daily Editorial Board

Tufts University faculty and administrators are still trying to determine who will be the new Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences (A&S) for the 2005-2006 academic year.

Susan Ernst, who currently holds the position, told the administration and the student body earlier this semester that she plans to step down.

"I have decided to leave my position as Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences, effective June 30, 2005," Ernst wrote in a letter to the Tufts community. "This is not a decision that I made easily."

Ernst, however, said she does not plan to leave the Tufts community entirely. She will remain at Tufts and focus on teaching and research in the Biology Department, primarily in the field of genetics.

Over the last 15 years that Ernst worked at the University, she held a variety of leadership positions, including Dean of Natural and Social Sciences, as well as Dean of A&S.

Ernst has also demonstrated her expertise in the field of biology. According to a letter from University President Lawrence Bacow and University Provost Jamshed Bharucha, she cloned the first gene in the Biology Department and helped to bring molecular technology to the Medford and Somerville areas.

Her research has been supported by grants from the National Institute of Health (NIH) and the American Cancer Society. In 1997, Ernst was elected to the American Association for the Advancement of Science and worked as the Chair for Biological Sciences in 2002.

Bacow and Bharucha also highlighted Ernst's accomplishments as Dean of A&S. Ernst was key in reorganizing the Dean's office in order to give more of a voice to graduate education at the University. She worked to develop closer ties between A&S and Tufts' professional schools. She also drummed up support for undergraduate financial aid and faculty development.

"[Ernst's] high standards, integrity and passion for teaching have been the hallmarks of her tenure [as Dean]," Bacow and Bharucha wrote in their letter. "She has established a vision for the school that will serve as the foundation for its continued future success for many years to come."

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## Med School students continue to do well with residencies

BY BRYAN PRIOR  
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In March of this year, students at the Tufts School of Medicine were matched up with residencies — many with their top choices — on the aptly-titled Match Day.

On Match Day, medical students receive acceptances to the program that best corresponds to their specialties. The process uses a computer algorithm to match residency programs with university students. "Students did great with

their matches this year," Amy Kuhlik, Dean for Student Affairs at the Medical School, said. "Tufts' [medical] students have always done well and are still doing well. The majority gets their first choice and almost all get one of their top few choices."

Specialties for residencies include internal medicine, pathology, OB-GYN, and psychiatry. Internal medicine is historically the most popular specialty, with 22.4 percent of last year's available positions falling under its department.

This year, about 25 percent of Medical School students pursued residencies in internal medicine, with 10 percent pursuing pediatrics and another eight percent in general surgery.

Medical School student Jennifer Lai was matched with her top choice: Columbia University's residency program for internal medicine in New York City.

Despite her accomplishment, Lai said she had a negative experience with the application process. "It is 10 times

worse than applying for anything else," she said. Lai said she felt the ranking process was "nerve-wracking." The ranking process is when applicants begin to hear preliminary feedback from schools and then rank those schools that responded positively in order of preference.

The final match is made mutually by the students and residency programs. After students have been accepted to interview at various programs,

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Construction work has begun on Talbot Avenue for the new residence hall, Sophia Gordon Hall.

## Future focus on property acquisition, new buildings

BY KEITH BARRY  
Daily Editorial Board

The Class of 2005 may not recognize the Tufts campus when they return for their 10 year reunion.

The impending sale of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church property from the Archdiocese of Boston to the University, the renovation of the Dame School, changes to Packard Hall, the construction of the Integrated Lab Building and the extension of the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) Green Line to Medford will all play a part in shaping the future look of the University.

At press time, the University was very close to acquiring the former Sacred Heart church property on Winthrop Street. "We're in the final stages of terms and conditions for acquisition," University Vice President for Operations John Roberto said. "We do not have a specific reuse [plan]. Should we succeed [in acquiring the property], we're putting together some potential uses for the facility."

According to University Director of Community Relations Barbara Rubel, Medford residents may have a mixed reaction to the announcement of the property sale.

"Feelings ran very high when it was announced that that parish would close," she said. "There will be some people who feel that the University will be a good steward for that property, and there are others who feel that it should be put on the tax rolls. We just have to see how that works out."

Since the University is a non-profit organization, the use of the church will not generate tax revenue for the city.

Rubel said Medford residents were excited about a University purchase of the former Lorin Low Dame School on George Street, which will now house the University Advancement office,

currently located in Packard Hall.

"The neighbors around the Dame School did not want it to be developed residentially," she said. "They were very welcoming of the University's interest for using it as an administration building."

Rubel said that negotiations over the reuse of that property filled a "reservoir of good feelings" for residents.

"Now as we proceed to renovation, doing the work on the building, we have to make sure we maintain that good feeling," she said. "And my office will

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## School, departmental degrees to be presented in separate award ceremonies

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the goals of Tufts for its graduates?"

Hersh also said that education for citizenship is paramount for Tufts students. "It's a pretty obvious mantra for Tufts and I'm going to focus on what that means and the ways people should strive to be exemplary citizens," he said. "Obviously, I'm thinking a lot about what this means. I can't give words of wisdom to my class — I'm just one student who has the opportunity to speak on behalf of his class."

From the undergraduate College of Arts and Sciences and School of Engineering, approximately 1,122 diplomas will be awarded today. An estimated 982 of these diplomas will be in Arts and Sciences, with 789 Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degrees, 128 Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degrees, and 65 Bachelor of Fine Arts (B.F.A.)

degrees. In the School of Engineering, 140 B.S. degrees will be awarded.

The Graduate School of Arts and Sciences will award an estimated 210 diplomas. Of these 210 diplomas, 106 are Master of Arts (M.A.) degrees, 25 are Master of Science (M.S.) degrees, 21 Master of Arts in Teaching (M.A.T.) degrees, 27 Master of Fine Arts (M.F.A.) degrees, six Master of Public Policy (M.P.P.) degrees, 16 Certificates of Advanced Graduate Study (C.A.G.S.), and nine Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degrees.

The Graduate School of Engineering will award a total of 86 diplomas, including six Master of Engineering (M.E.) degrees, 57 M.S. degrees, 19 Master of Engineering Management degrees, and four Ph.D. degrees.

The Fletcher School will award an estimated 34 M.A. degrees, 160 Master of

Law and Diplomacy (M.A.L.D.) degrees, 11 Ph.D. degrees, and six Master of Arts and Humanitarian Assistance (M.A.H.A.) degrees in conjunction with the Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy. The Fletcher School award ceremony is to take place on the Fletcher Field.

The Tufts School of Medicine and the Sackler School of Biomedical Sciences will hold their award ceremonies in the Gantcher Family Sports and Convocation Center. An estimated 183 students will receive degrees from the School of Medicine, including 140 Doctor of Medicine (M.D.) degrees, 15 Doctor of Medicine and Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.) degrees, five Doctor of Medicine and Master of Public Health (M.P.H.) degrees, 19 M.P.H. degrees, and four Master of Science (M.S.) degrees.

The Sackler School will award a total of

36 degrees.

The School of Dental Medicine award ceremony will take place on the Carmichael Lawn. One hundred sixty-six Doctor of Dental Medicine (D.M.D.) degrees will be presented, as well as 39 post-graduate certificates.

The Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy will award a total of 64 degrees during their ceremony at Somerville Theater in Davis Square. These degrees include seven M.S. and M.P.H. combined degrees, one M.S. and M.A.L.D. combined degree with the Fletcher School, six M.S. and combined Dietetic Internship degrees, 33 M.S. degrees, eight M.A. degrees, and nine Ph.D. degrees.

The Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine will hold its ceremony on its Grafton, Mass. campus this afternoon, and an estimated 78 Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degrees will be presented.



# Wait list prompts discussion of future changes to housing lottery



DAILY FILE PHOTO  
Director of the Office of Residential Life and Learning Yolanda King is considering changes to the housing lottery system for the rising sophomore class, after this year's housing shortage during the lottery at the end of March.

BY MARC RAIFMAN  
Daily Editorial Board

The Office of Residential Life and Learning (ORLL) received criticism from students after this year's housing lottery, which left 77 students temporarily without a dorm assignment for the fall.

Rising sophomore Alejandro Piñero, who was originally wait-listed, said he was frustrated with the wait to find out where he would be living next year.

"[The ORLL] was very unhelpful," he said. "They didn't do anything to clear up how the situation was going to be solved."

Approximately two weeks after the original housing lottery, a second lottery took place for all wait-listed students.

In response to the waitlist at this year's lottery, Tufts Community Union (TCU) Senator sophomore Andrew Caplan proposed a new "three-tiered" lottery system that would prevent the assignment of low numbers to students year after year.

In this system, each class would be divided into three parts. The students in each division would receive low, middle and

high numbers once each in the three years they participate in the lottery.

This system would be most useful for rising juniors, who have the fewest housing options. They would be able to predict whether they were going to get a high or low number and know if they should look for off-campus housing.

TCU senators fleshed out this idea and approached Director of the Office of Residential Life and Learning Yolanda King.

According to TCU Senator junior Jose Vazquez, the ORLL has not expressed any problems with this plan and King has been negotiating with people in the Student Information System (SIS). Principal Programmer Analyst Renie Wolfson declined to comment on any work being done on a new lottery system.

According to King, the lottery was not poorly handled, and the size of the waitlist this year was consistent with that of past years.

"I do not think we experienced any big problems this year. Lottery is a stressful time for students," she said. "I think we are always challenged to move students along a little quicker when

they are trying to select their assignments and the line is starting to back up."

Nevertheless, the TCU Senate is determined to get this plan into action, and Vazquez said that Dean of Students Bruce Reitman is going to assist the TCU Senate in the creation of this lottery system if it does not go into effect by next spring.

According to King, however, the only change that will take place next year is the extension of the lottery for the rising sophomore class from one day to two.

The ORLL is always open to release information about the likelihood of housing to concerned students, King said. "We share our interpretation of the range of lottery numbers with students when the lottery numbers are released so students know what to expect," King said.

Apart from working on this year's lottery, the ORLL has also been planning for the future. For the fall semester, Hill Hall will be converted into an all-freshman dorm, and Miller Hall will be reserved for sophomores. Tilton and Houston Halls will remain all-

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## Town-gown relations lauded as close, cooperative and positive

BY BRUCE HAMILTON  
Daily Editorial Board

Town-gown relations between universities and their host cities can sometimes be complex and contentious issues, yet despite past and present strife, officials from Tufts and the cities of Medford and Somerville said the cities and the University enjoy a positive bond.

"We've enjoyed a great partnership with Tufts," Medford Mayor Michael McGlynn said. "It's a great resource."

McGlynn has been mayor of Medford for 18 years — a tenure which he said has overseen multiple University presidents and a dynamic, changing relationship between his city and the University.

McGlynn said that years ago, residents complained of loud noise and inappropriate student behavior. He said there was one incident in which students blocked Winthrop Street and parted with kegs in the middle of the road.

"Things just got a little out of control," he said. "We explained that if this was going to be the case, we were going to have stricter enforcement."

"There was a perception before that [the town and the University] were separate and apart," said Somerville Mayor Joe Curtatone, who has been in office for a year and a half.

"Years ago, a lot of elected officials thought you got elected [in Medford] by beating up Tufts," McGlynn said. McGlynn, however, said he has always stressed the ways in which the University is a tremendous resource for the community.

Despite some of these positive sentiments, administrators acknowledged that in any "town-gown" relationship there is always some strain. According to the University's Director of Community Relations Barbara Rubel, recent controversy has been sparked by parking conflicts, land use issues and complaints about students' actions.

"Student behavior issues are still something that we live with," Rubel said. "We rely on the goodwill of our neighbors and the good sense of our students [to keep things calm]."

Somerville Alderman Bob Trane, who represents the part of Somerville which encompasses Tufts, agreed that relations have "improved dramatically." Nevertheless, "there are still some issues we have to work on," he said.

Chief among these is "student-neighborhood relations," especially with regard to noise, he said. In terms of finding solutions, "the responsibility [is] squarely on Tufts at this point to keep an open dialogue with neighbors on these issues," he said.

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## Tufts endowment continues to grow, passes \$800 million mark

BY LULA LAKEOU  
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Tufts University's endowment has been the topic of great attention this year, closing the fiscal year with an endowment of over \$812 million.

This figure includes both gifts and investment earnings.

Part of this increase in endowment can be credited to a step up in donations and gifts to the University.

The current University endowment is an increase of 39 percent over the past four years at a compound rate of eight and a half percent per year. A university's endowment provides vital funding, including financial support for academic programs and financial aid.

According to Betsey Jay of the University Advancement Office of the

Vice Provost, the endowment value as of March 2004 was \$777 million, and by March 2005, it had reached \$812 million.

"A portion of the earnings provides a critical source of funding to address ongoing University needs, including faculty and program support, graduate fellowships, and undergraduate financial aid," Jay said. "As the University prepares for a new fundraising campaign, it will no doubt set ambitious goals across the University for endowment growth."

The University's success this fiscal year, however, falls short in comparison to other elite universities such as Harvard and Yale Universities. For example, Harvard's operating budget

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## Religious roots still present today

BY MARK PESAVENTO  
Daily Editorial Board

While the Universalist roots that anchored the nascent Tufts University to the hill may no longer be as pervasive as they once were, some Tufts students continue to embrace an evolved Unitarian Universalism for its liberal values and welcoming ideals.

"I would contend that there is still a Unitarian Universalist (UU) presence at the University today," University Chaplain Reverend David O'Leary said.

According to Reverend Hank Peirce of the UU Church of Medford, present-day Unitarian Universalism is a liberal, "non-creedal" religion with Protestant ties, in which the teachings are open to individual interpretation.

"UUs embrace the belief that revelation isn't sealed," Peirce said. "Wisdom and insight into the mystery of life have occurred both within and outside of all the books of scripture and are still occurring."

The religion was founded in 1961 as an amalgam of the Unitarians and the Universalists. Universalism was seen as a refreshing alternative to the more stringent Unitarianism, which was based heavily on Protestant values.

Whereas Harvard was Unitarian, Tufts leaned more toward the liberal Universalism. "That built in rivalry," Peirce said.

According to Peirce, Tufts was started by several Universalists who were dissatisfied with the "conservative, upper-crust" attitude perpetuated by Unitarians and other "biblical literalists."

Hosea Ballou I was one of the first Universalists to push for the establishment of a Universalist university. Dissatisfied with the educated ministry at Harvard, Ballou appealed to the Universalist Church of America to establish a university-level learning institution. The church looked to the hills of Medford, Mass. as a suitable starting place.

While the influence of Ballou I helped the University to come into existence, Tufts' first president, Hosea Ballou II, is credited with truly perpetuating the family name on the Hill.

"[Tufts] was the first college started by someone who wasn't a Congregationalist," Peirce said. "This really puts into perspective the lock in that sort of Puritan mindset at the time."

After the establishment of Tufts in 1852, several other Universalist benefactors built Universalist colleges in the New England area, which include St. Lawrence College, Goddard College, Westbrook College and Dean College.

Like many universities, however, the religious presence of Tufts' founding

fathers has since diminished.

"Once a University has its own board of trustees, it becomes another legal entity," O'Leary said.

O'Leary said he also attributed the school's failing Universalism to the decline of the Chandler School of Theology in the late 1960s.

According to Peirce, Tufts' interest in increasing resources and enhancing reputation came at the expense of its ties to the religion.

"Tufts fell into the pattern that many other colleges and universities did — catering to the people with the most money," Peirce said.

Since the merger of 1961, however, Universalism in the form of Unitarian Universalism has continued to play a role in campus politics, both directly and indirectly.

"Most colleges in Boston have roots in religious tradition somehow," O'Leary said. "Now the question is how connected or loyal are those roots today."

O'Leary gave the example of a lecture from Reverend William Sinkford, the president of the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA), last October in Goddard Chapel as one of the UU activities on campus. According to O'Leary, the lecture was such a success that he plans to coordinate an annual lecture from a UU speaker each year with the help of Sinkford.

"Reverend Sinkford and myself both want to strengthen the connection between both entities, Tufts and the UUA, by having them sponsor an annual lecture," O'Leary said.

Senior Erik Kesting, who was raised UU, is a member of the student group Tufts Unitarian Universalists (TU3). According to Kesting, the group meets intermittently to perform a variety of social and worship activities.

"We'd get together for lunch, dinner, just to talk," Kesting said. "It's about building a sense of community."

Throughout his four years at Tufts, Kesting has worked at the UUA headquarters in Boston as an administrative assistant for the office of young adult and campus ministry. Next year Kesting will be studying religion at the Harvard Divinity School.

Reverend Peirce said he works closely with TU3, meeting with them several times of the year and offering his own guidance as students embark on their spiritual journeys.

"For folks in a faith that can be as diverse and divergent as ours, to find a community and to find people who are supportive is very important," Peirce said.

Recently the group has reached out to

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## Administrators continue to search for a replacement

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Soon after Ernst announced her decision, the search began for a new Dean to fill the void left behind by Ernst's impending departure. According to Molly Stutzman, executive assistant to the Provost, the number of possible replacements has been whittled down to a few, but the process continues.

Stutzman said Tufts performed a very comprehensive search to find the best possible candidates to fill the position of Dean of A&S. Administrators placed an advertisement in the Chronicle of Higher Education, as well as other major academic sources read by faculty and students from around the world.

The ad called for, among other things, candidates able to "articulate and demonstrate strong commitment to the value and importance of research and scholarship to the mission of a university."

The University also conducted a broad outreach program to other colleges and universities around the country. Faculty and administrators talked to potential candidates on the phone and in person to convince them to apply for the position.

At the same time, Bharucha said he formed a Search Advisory Committee made up of members of the faculty and the administration that met with all the candidates to try to get to know them better and explain why they would fit in so well with the Tufts community. The goal, according to Stutzman, is to find an applicant with a wide variety of strengths that he or she can bring to the Tufts community.



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## Baumwoll organizes first annual TCU Presidents reunion

The Tufts Community Union's (TCU) first annual presidents' reunion was held in Ballou Hall on Friday, May 6. Twenty former presidents and some spouses arrived to mingle over dinner and reconnect with their former friends and senators.

Outgoing TCU President junior Dave Baumwoll spearheaded the idea with the intention of "creating a network of past TCU Presidents and bringing alumni back to campus and keeping them involved," he said.

Baumwoll said that this year's main

topic of discussion was the expansion of the Mayer Campus Center, a project that for years has been put on the back burner at Tufts.

"We're going to continue to make student life a priority at Tufts," Baumwoll said.

Each former president was given the microphone over the course of the evening and was encouraged to share their experiences both at Tufts and afterwards, and weigh in on the campus center issue.

"It was an amazing success,"

Baumwoll said. "I'm so pleased with how it turned out."

Baumwoll also said that he hoped the reunion would become an annual tradition, and would eventually incorporate a greater cross-section of the former student body still actively interested in life at Tufts for undergraduates since their graduation.

"[We] envision bringing back many people who were an integral part of shaping the way Tufts ran when they were students here," Baumwoll said.

— Patrick Gordon

## TAFP to challenge professors on campus

BY ANTHONY MCGOVERN  
Daily Editorial Board

The Tufts Community Union (TCU) Senate passed a resolution that stated its official support of the University's policy on Academic Freedom earlier this semester on Feb. 13. The TCU Senators voted in favor of this resolution, 21 to three, with one vote of abstention.

The resolution was introduced into the TCU Senate by the Tufts Academic Freedom Project (TAFP), spearheaded by members of The Primary Source — "the journal of conservative thought" at the University — as well as the Tufts Republicans, in response to a perceived liberal bias among professors and an imbalance in the curricula of some departments.

The approval of the resolution has no effect other than officially recognizing student support for — and TCU Senate approval of — the official University policy on academic freedom.

This policy, last revised in 2000, is dictated by the University's Board of Trustees and states that Tufts professors "should be free from institutional censorship or discipline [but] should exercise appropriate restraint, should show respect for the opinions of others, and should make every effort to indicate that he/she is not an institutional spokesman."

The most explicit rule set forth in the policy is that professors should "be careful not to introduce into his/her teaching controversial matter which has no relation to the subject."

Earlier this year, a similar resolution was presented before the TCU Senate but the TCU Senate decided not to vote on it because the wording of the resolution contained no Tufts-specific

language, according to graduating TCU Senator senior Matthew Pohl.

"The best resolutions, when presented before the TCU Senate, either address current policies or the need to have a new policy," Pohl said.

This older resolution was closely tied to a larger national issue being pushed by right-wing activist David Horowitz, and this resolution was based on the Academic Bill of Rights used by Students for Academic Freedom — a national organization Horowitz helped found.

**“Professors don't feel like they are obligated to present both viewpoints.”**

**Brandon Balkind**  
Senior

In general, the TCU Senate is hesitant to vote on issues of national consequence, as they consider such issues to be outside the scope of their authority.

Graduating senior Brandon Balkind, who played a role in the creation of the TAFP, said he believes that the most significant achievement of the project thus far is that it has publicized its message.

"[The resolution] got a real discussion going about what the obligation of the faculty is," he said.

The coordinators of the TAFP planned to hold a forum on academic freedom in April to further the dialogue, but Balkind said that scheduling conflicts prevented it from happening.

Aside from organizing a peti-

tion to present a resolution to the TCU Senate, the coordinators of the project have collected syllabi from almost every Liberal Arts professor at Tufts.

Balkind said he sees the project as addressing a larger issue than the inappropriate behavior of individual professors. According to him, looking at the project as simply an effort to identify specific instances of bias is "the entirely wrong way" to think about it.

The main goal of the project is to make professors realize that students want a diversity of opinion in the classroom. "The reason I started [the TAFP] was to try to get professors to justify to students the education they are providing them," Balkind said.

Balkind acknowledged that "every person has their biases, whatever topic you're discussing." He said he believes that professors often do not present every side of the issues they discuss in class.

"Professors don't feel like they are obligated to present both viewpoints," Balkind said. He said that he received such impression "from the mouths of many professors" during his conversations with faculty this year.

"They don't want any sort of oversight about what they teach," Balkind said, and that he believes this attitude goes beyond ideological issues, extending even to the organization of curricula.

He intends for the project to make professors look more critically at what they are doing. One possible solution is for each department to convene once a year and write a publicized report on the status of diversity of education they are giving and how they are improving it.

Balkind said that most

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## Rankings help match students with their 'right fit' residency

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they complete their interviews and proceed to rank them.

At the same time, the residency programs rank students. The two lists are compiled together to match students with residency programs through a "complicated computer algorithm," Kuhlik said.

**“Every program has a different personality and a different character, you just need to find the one that matches your interests and style.”**

**Jennifer Lai**  
Medical School Student

"Most students apply to somewhere between 20 to 25 residency programs, but it depends on the different specialties," Kuhlik said. For some specialties, students must apply to even more, she said.

But after some more preliminary consideration on behalf of both the applicant and the program, "most rank about 10 places based on location, reputation and recognition," Kuhlik said.

There is varying opinion, however, with regard to how well the process works and how stressful it is.

"The process really isn't that bad because there is a universal application," said College of Arts and Sciences alumnus

Dr. Barry Cukor ('93). "Unlike applying for law schools, you don't need to fill out a different form or write a different essay for each university."

After receiving his degree from Tufts, Cukor went on to medical school at Boston University and said that "applying to [medical] school is actually worse than applying to residencies because it's much more random," as a student's choice of specialty does not come into play yet.

Cukor said he is a proponent of the matching process for residencies because, he said, it is the fairest way to match students with programs.

"It accounts more for students' interests in programs," he said, and the ranking system that is entered into the computerized matching makes the process "less random."

"Most of the programs students apply to are on a similar par, and thus the decision on ranking the individual programs is more focused on finding the right fit," said Lai, who ranked eight programs, including residencies at Cornell, Massachusetts General Hospital, the University of California at San Francisco and New York University.

"Every program has a different personality and a different character — you just need to find the one that matches your interests and style," Lai said. "The process has much less to do with numbers than do other application processes."

"One can't say which programs are the best, because they vary depending on their specialties," Kuhlik said.



# Students say they still feel safe despite rash of theft this semester

BY KRISTEN SAWICKI  
Senior Staff Writer

Despite an upward spike in on-campus crime this year, most students still speak positively of on-campus safety.

In a poll conducted by the Daily this spring, 90 percent of the 328 respondents said they felt "safe" or "very safe" on campus.

Fifty-six percent of the 110 students who responded to the question about how safe they feel in off-campus housing reported feeling "safe" or "very safe."

Freshman Sari Haime said that she feels secure on the Tufts campus, especially when compared to her home nation, Colombia. "I have no problem walking home from the library at 1 a.m.," she said.

"I feel very safe," freshman Chris Fry said. "Campus is generally well lit. There are not a lot of random people walking around."

But no campus completely escapes the threat of crime. Freshman Andreas Lan reported that two "townies" attacked him while he was waiting for a friend to let him into Houston Hall one night.

While Lan escaped injury, he said he feels the Tufts University Police Department (TUPD) could be more active in improv-



An officer of the Tufts University Police Department (TUPD) examines the window shattered in front of Wren Hall on Friday, May 13, after a couch was thrown through the glass by students.

ing student safety. "I don't feel very safe," he said. "They [TUPD] should do more to monitor dorm security."

Though small fights happen, the most prevalent crime this year was theft, especially in off-

campus housing.

Threats to property, rather than person, produced the highest rate of crime this year. At least three Medford houses that are occupied by Tufts students were robbed over winter

break, according to Lieutenant Paul Upton of the Somerville Police Department. More robberies also occurred in several student houses in Somerville near campus.

"Everyone knows that stu-

dents go home during specific periods," Upton said. Since thieves face heavier penalties if an altercation accompanies a theft, many prefer to act when no one is home, such as the daytime hours on weekdays.

Junior Beth Bishop said she

*Freshman Sari Haime said that she feels secure on the Tufts campus, especially when compared to her home nation, Colombia.*

was the victim of theft in mid-January. Her backpack containing her iPod, wallet, passport, digital camera and books was stolen from the common area of her off-campus apartment in the middle of the night. The door to her apartment was unlocked.

Victims of theft often don't see their property again, as was the case for Bishop who filed a police report following the theft of her backpack. "The police were very nice, but I didn't get my stuff back," she said.

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## Rankings' role in higher education debated; Tufts unaffected by dip

BY ZOSIA SZTYKOWSKI  
Daily Editorial Board

Tufts may have fallen this year in the U.S. News and World Report (USNWR) rankings from the 25th best National University to the 28th, but some experts have said that these and other rankings are becoming less and less relevant.

According to Bob Morse, Director of Data Research at USNWR, "rankings nationwide aren't that pivotal of a factor." His assessment takes into account the use of the rankings by parents, schools and prospective students.

According to Morse, parents use the rankings "since they're spending so much money, they want to make sure their kid is going to a good school."

Universities, on the other hand, use the rankings as a "validation of how good they are," he said. "An outside body says they're good, so it proves that they are."

These aspects are auxiliary, however,

to the main utilization of the rankings by prospective students deciding where to apply and which school to attend.

One of the fundamental criticisms of rankings like those put out by USNWR is that they do not capture some of the important assets that could factor into a student's decision.

"Certainly some of the things that are important in the decision to go to a school can't be measured, and that's been a weakness of the rankings from the beginning," Morse said. "We're measuring complex organizations that are way more complex than the available data."

The USNWR rankings are determined from data collected from surveys sent out to several hundred schools in the country. They take into account a peer assessment, which asks survey respondents to rate each school's "academic excellence" on a scale from one to five. They also include data on retention, faculty resources, student selectivity, finan-

1. Harvard University (MA)	Johns Hopkins University (MD)	Angeles *
2. Princeton University (NJ)	University of Chicago	27. Wake Forest University (NC)
3. Yale University (CT)	17. Rice University (TX)	28. Tufts University (MA)
4. University of Pennsylvania	18. University of Notre Dame (IN)	29. U. of North Carolina - Chapel Hill *
5. Duke University (NC)	Vanderbilt University	30. Univ. of Southern California
6. Massachusetts Inst. of Technology	Stanford	William and Mary
7. Stanford	8. California Technol.	University (MA)
9. Columbia University (NY)	9. Dartmouth College (NH)	University
10. Dartmouth College (NH)	22. Carnegie Mellon University (PA)	Univ. of Wisconsin - Madison *
11. Northwestern University (IL)	University of Michigan - Ann Arbor *	35. Case Western Reserve Univ. (OH)
12. Washington University in St. Louis	25. Georgetown University (DC)	Univ. of California - San Diego *
13. Brown University (RI)	14. Cornell University (NY)	37. Boston College

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cial resources, graduation rate performance and alumni giving rate.

Freshman Matthew Weinberg said he found that in his recent college search, the rankings mattered less than "finding the right fit." He said that the factors that truly determined his decision were the location, the size and the breadth of academic opportunities available — all things that cannot be easily quantified.

Students will tend to lean toward schools that are ranked at their academic level no matter what, he said.

"I wasn't that much of a slouch of a student, so the schools I applied to were at the top anyway," Weinberg said.

The more specific divisions of actual numbers within institutions that are

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## Housing changes include all-frosh Hill Hall

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freshman, as King said she has noticed a rising demand from incoming students for all-freshman housing.

The ORLL has also been in discussion with the TCU Senate about a Senate-proposed universal JumboFob that would grant all students access to every dormitory on campus. Vazquez said that he had been working with Director of Public Safety John King, as well as Yolanda King on the matter.

"We met last week, and it looks like there's a good amount of resistance from Public Safety on the matter," Vazquez said. "[John] King thinks that student convenience isn't a good enough reason to go on with the project."

John King confirmed his reluctance in allowing the creation of a universal fob, saying he does not agree with the arguments that it will increase campus security. King's arguments address his concern that the fob will eliminate "piggybacking," or holding open

dormitory doors for people who may not be students. He said, however, that no decision has yet been made, one way or the other.

*"We share our interpretation of the range of lottery numbers with students when the lottery numbers are released so students know what to expect."*

Yolanda King  
Director, Office of Residential Life and Learning

"To this point, we've just had a series of discussions," he said. "If this is just a question of convenience, we have to ask ourselves if it's worth the change."

John King also mentioned other obstacles that might stand

in the way of the creation of a universal fob.

"Other important questions are whether students living in [fraternities] and sororities get the fob, and whether students want anyone to be allowed to get into their dorms," he said.

The TCU Senate had previously conducted a survey of students that showed that most are in favor of a universal fob, but neither John King nor Yolanda King said that the survey was specific enough or conducted on a large enough scale to be accurate.

John King said that Vazquez has asked for another meeting, and that he and Yolanda King were doing their best to meet one more time before the summer.

John King, however, is in no rush to make a decision since the creation of a universal fob will, according to him, set a precedent for decreasing security on campus.

"We can't take this lightly," he said.

## Trustees wrap up year with Commencement Weekend meetings

The Tufts Board of Trustees will emphasize academic strength for Tufts in their final meetings for the academic year, to take place this Alumni and Commencement weekend.

On Friday, May 20, the Board heard from Nutrition Professor Chris Economos on her local nutrition initiative, "Shape up Somerville," in addition to their committee meetings.

Yesterday's Board meeting showcased a presentation from Dean Michael Rosenblatt about his new strategic plan for Tufts' School of Medicine.

"In only his second year, he's really taking the school in a new direction," Trustee Linda Dixon said.

The plan, she said, will likely stress the continuing strength of the partnership between the New England Medical Center and the

Medical School.

"The partnership is critical to the success of both institutions," Dixon said.

Receptions during the weekend also honored alumni donors as well as presented awards for donations from graduated classes.

The current Tufts capital campaign is still in its "silent phase," Dixon said, and will likely remain so until Sept. 2006.

Over the summer, Dixon said the committee on Trusteeship will come up with nominations for new board members, though no major changes in leadership will occur. "A handful will leave, and some new ones will come on," she said.

"[The committee is] looking for people with Tufts' interest at heart," Dixon said.

—by Kat Schmidt



# Record number of new groups recognized on campus this year

BY DANNY LUTZ  
Daily Editorial Board

Twenty-six student groups, a record high, were added to the list of on-campus organizations this year.

According to sophomore Shiva Bhashyam, the new group recognition chair of the Tufts Community Union Judiciary (TCUJ), the 26 are the final set of new student organizations, resulting from 53 groups that were given temporary recognition by Director of Student Activities Jodie Nealley.

"Temporary recognition is given for people who are interested in starting new groups, allowing them to flyer on campus," Bhashyam said. "But it only lasts for 30 days and you don't get any money."

Out of the 29 groups that undertook the entire recognition process after receiving temporary recognition, the TCUJ decided against fully recognizing only three groups.

Other groups joined to become part of an existing student group. "The [TCUJ] only failed to recognize three [new] groups because some other groups turned into subgroups of existing groups," Bhashyam said.

According to TCUJ Vice-Chair sophomore Jake Resnicow, the additional groups raised "the number of student organizations under the [Office of Student Activities] to 178."

The record-high amount of new groups has implications about this year's student body. "I don't know the exact reason why there are more, but I would like to think students are becoming more innovative," Bhashyam said. "It also speaks to the diversity of students coming to Tufts. More students have different passions, and it's not just cultural diversity. [For example] there was the Ayn Rand Society — they are fulfilling a niche on campus."

Of the newly recognized groups, certain ones stood out to the TCUJ as exemplary additions to campus. According to Bhashyam, Engineers Without Borders, Descript Magazine and Tufts Broad2Be



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Members of one of this year's new student groups, the Irish Dance Group, recognized in early November by the Tufts Community Union Judiciary (TCUJ) perform a traditional Irish step dance.

were the most interesting.

In order to gain recognition, "there was a lot of paperwork and it takes a while to get stuff done. You just have to be willing to put the effort in," junior Andrew Chira said. Chira founded the new music magazine, *Melisma*, which was recognized in October of this academic year.

Newly recognized groups are able to receive TCU funding, which ranges based on their projected expenses. "Every year there is a new group fund, and it is [the Allocations Board's] role to dole it out to each group according to how much they

need," Bhashyam said. "A publication will need more money because they have to print."

More student groups on campus do not necessarily mean more TCU spending. "Technically we don't factor in money when we make our decisions; it can be very misleading," Bhashyam said. "Although there were many new groups, we de-recognized some, and some groups have very small budgets — they don't even apply for funding."

The TCUJ plays a significant role in the formation of new student groups, turning

an idea into a structured organization. "Lots of times we help them with the logistics, with getting signatures, coming up with activities that they can plan on campus [and] making sure that they have a valid constitution," Bhashyam said. In the end, however, "the structure of the group is up to the founders, as long as they're not doing something blatantly against Tufts standards," he said.

According to Bhashyam, the process to start a new group on campus is not difficult. "As long as you know what you want to do, it shouldn't be a problem," he said.

## Education, strong administrative position should help to mitigate racism

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Dean of Students Bruce Reitman mentioned this high number of incidents at the community discussion that followed the rally, and said that racism may be even more prevalent because many incidents are not reported.

Sophomore Mitch Robinson, a member of the Emerging Black Leaders and the Black Men's Group, said he has noticed racism on campus. While there is open bias, he said, what is more prevalent are the "subtle things."

In his experience, he said, stereotypes are the most hurtful. He pointed to the stereotypes of African-Americans being genetically inclined toward athletic prowess and the assumption that African-Americans are accepted to academically strong institutions like Tufts because of affirmative action as two stereotypes he has come across.

According to Robinson, "a lot of ethnic groups don't really understand each other or take the time to understand each other."

Furthermore, with regard to the level of racism on campus, "certain pockets of students seem to be aware and others seem oblivious," said junior Ashley Mitchell, another speaker at the rally and a member of the Tufts Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP).

These pockets of awareness are generally limited to the students who are targeted, their friends, the Bias Intervention Team and the Dean of Students office, she said.

The reason there is so little

knowledge of bias among students is because there is a lack of dialogue, according to Mitchell. This is because "people only talk to who they want to talk to, and there is a lack of collective community at Tufts, whereby everybody does not care about everybody," she said.

This racism, however, is not specific to Tufts. Relative to other schools, Marrone said, Tufts is not "at the bottom," but it is not the most open, either.

According to University President Lawrence Bacow, "Tufts is a microcosm of the world we inhabit. We are not a cocoon that insulates students from tensions that exist elsewhere." In a country where racism is prevalent, it follows that the same will be true for Tufts, he said.

Marrone said that racism in the United States is "profound and ubiquitous." Moreover, most of it operates "below the level of consciousness."

"It's something the privileged—especially white people—can ignore," he said. "And it's something that people of color can't ignore. Every one of their interactions with white people contains in it some of this racism."

As for the alleged expression of on-campus racism, there is widespread acknowledgement that the details are too murky to peg as violent racism. Freshman William Toner, who is being investigated in connection with the alleged assault of Mohammed, declined to comment, and neither the police nor the Dean of Student's investigations were complete at press time.

Both Bacow and Mitchell also declined to speak on the incident, and said that there was

too little certain and available information.

Sophomore Dan McDermott, who was one of the organizers of the anti-hate rally and a friend of Mohammed's, said that he is "taking [his] friend's word for it" as to the details of the incident, insofar as it was "never about anything but the color of his skin."

He said that the political situation for Arabs has been less than favorable since the Gulf War and that there "has been a lot of normalization of this kind of [offensive] language [directed toward Arabs]."

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"I can see [the alleged incident] happening. I see enough bullshit on campus, I see the news, I see what people read [about Arabs]," he said. "That stuff [about Mohammed] coming across drunk, I believe."

While he agreed that Mohammed did not return to the fraternity after being verbally assaulted the first time in order to "pow-wow with the frat

brothers and show them why they were wrong," he said, "[Mohammed] knows he didn't want to pick a fight."

McDermott also said that he saw Mohammed the next day and "could see the physical evidence." He described his face as having cuts, bumps and bruises, and that he was having difficulty with his jaw. "You could tell he'd been in a fight," he said.

He acknowledged that alcohol and intoxication of the involved parties played a role, and "possibly" on the part of Mohammed as well. He also acknowledged that the chain of events as to who was the aggressor against whom is unclear.

Neither of these factors, however, are relevant to the true significance of the event, he said, which reduces to the importance of addressing the issue of racism. The fact that Mohammed was injured, he said, "wasn't the worst part."

Rather, it is "the fact that this happened in the first place," he said. "It makes me really, really uncomfortable to hear that racism was involved."

Indeed, according to Marrone, it is the racial slurs that Mohammed said he was called — which included "Saddam supporter" and "terrorist" — that are the basis of the issue at hand. "The fact that [racial epithets] can flow off someone's tongue like that, that's the problem," he said.

While the currently indefinite chain of events that morning makes it difficult to place the blame on any certain party, Reitman said that once these details are known, "we must do whatever we can to ensure that they are brought to justice."

Most parties hope that the high profile and severity of this event will help to make some changes at the University. "I am confident that once we have understood this incident, we will try to learn from it," Bacow said.

All parties said they agreed that education is the best way to at least mitigate the effects of the racism. Mitchell said that "there needs to be some type of communication mechanism that allows all students to know what is occurring, but at the same time will not de-sensitize them."

Marrone said that as a part of the Oversight Panel on Race, he has been encouraging departmental meetings to discuss race in the classroom.

Ultimately, however, he said he hopes to include education about race into the curriculum. According to him, "we are moving in that direction."

Moreover, Marrone believes the administration should be more vocal in its denouncement of such acts. "We need to have people in positions of authority saying that this is not acceptable," Marrone said. This will reduce the "racial enthusiasm" on campus, which leads people to impetuously look toward race in an argument.

Mitchell, however, said that while ignorance of other races and race relations is the main hurdle in reaching cooperation between groups, "you have to want to unlearn [that ignorance]."

People should certainly want this, she said. "You can't be worried walking around campus because you look like someone else," Mitchell said at the rally. In this situation, "everyone should be scared."



## U.S. News & World Report: Rankings still 'measure something meaningful'

### RANKINGS

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generally considered prestigious are meaningless, he said.

The University's Dean of Admissions, Lee Coffin, also criticized the narrowness of the USNWR analysis. "Many important institutional qualities — like the intellectual climate in a classroom, for example — cannot be captured in a quantitative way, and that is one of the fundamental flaws of a survey like [USNWR]."

He also said that the survey outweighs factors such as "academic reputation," which is defined by a survey of university presidents, provosts and deans of admissions. Coffin said that this collection of administrators in higher educa-

tion simply have a limited knowledge on the institutions they are evaluating. This peer assessment data, however, consists of 25 percent of the ranking, and is thus the most heavily weighted item.

According to Coffin, "too much emphasis is put on surveys like this." Like Weinberg, he said that "the caliber of an institution ranked [ninth], for example, is not fundamentally different than the place ranked [20th]," and that the so-called "tiers" of schools are the more valuable categorizations.

The Daily conducted a poll in April that asked students to name which institutions they thought were on par with Tufts. The top three choices were Georgetown, Washington University in St. Louis and Emory University. These

schools are ranked 25th, 12th, and 20th, respectively, in the latest issue of USNWR.

Furthermore, the rankings have not affected the quality or quantity of students interested in Tufts, according to Coffin. Although the University's ranking may have slipped, the amount of applications rose this year by six percent — a new record.

In spite of the shortcomings of the rankings, they cannot be entirely dismissed. Morse acknowledged the flaws in rankings such as those of USNWR's. "But does the data measure something meaningful? Yes," he said.

Freshman Oleg Svet said that the rankings were "not the number one factor [in deciding between schools], but they

were important."

"The actual number of the ranking takes into account a lot of important factors and a lot of experts have their input into the ranking," he said.

The most valuable aspect of the ranking is that it does in some way take into account the prestige of the institution. "The rankings indicate sort of how the school is looked upon," Svet said, "and that's important when you apply to a job."

But even for those who continue to track university rankings, Tufts is not a presence to be overlooked. Despite its small drop in position, Coffin said, "Tufts is essentially in the same rank position it has occupied for a while, and that position is an excellent one."

## Simple changes can prevent theft

### SAFETY

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Upton said that many of the houses in the areas around Tufts have a common hallway, and that many students leave the front doors that lead to this hallway unlocked. He stressed that the most effective way to prevent burglary is to lock doors securely. "You want to keep the burglar outside as much as possible," he said.

Bishop said that since the theft, she and her roommates always lock their doors. She also leaves all her valuables in her room, not the hallway.

While acknowledging the possibility of thefts, Fry said that prevention was simple. "I lock my door. It's common sense," he said.

Upton outlined additional basic measures students can take to protect their belongings. As warm weather begins, Upton said, students should raise their windows by only four or five inches, because thieves can easily puncture holes in the screen. Quality window locks are also a must, Upton said.

According to Upton, the most commonly stolen items are cash, jewelry and small electronics like laptops and digital cameras. "Basically anything that can be thrown into a bag," Upton said.

Upton said he recommends engraving electronic devices with social security numbers so that police can track down owners of confiscated stolen property. Owners should also know their electronics' serial numbers so they can notify the manufacturer that a product has been stolen.

## Towns amenable to the execution of the Master Plan

### EXPANSION

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work with the construction department to make sure that neighbors know what's going on, and that we're keeping them informed."

Roberto said the current work on the Dame School was to stop any further building deterioration. "There were some problems with some roof leaks and broken interior drainage piping — we wanted to stop any damage to the building," he said. "We'll probably be designing it over a year — the earliest it would be available would be January of 2007 but probably more like June of 2007."

The move of University Advancement would leave Packard Hall open for an academic tenant. "I'm sure we'll be looking to renovate [Packard Hall] for academic use. The thinking was to free up the space on the hill for academic purposes," Roberto said.

The University is in its preliminary planning phase for the construction of the Integrated Lab Building that will be built along Boston Avenue, on the now-vacant hillside next to Dowling Hall.

"We're just beginning the programming of that facility — identifying the users of that building, and roughly the type of

space they would need," Roberto said. "We will be working with the School of Arts and Sciences and the School of Engineering to determine the departments and types of activities that would go in the building."

The actual design phase is in the future, he said. Now, "we sit down with the representatives of the two schools and we will come up with the projected space needs and use needs for the building. This isn't even a design, it's called a space program."

The University has hired Cambridge's Ellenzweig Associates for the space program only. Ellenzweig has designed buildings for Harvard University, Post Office Square in Boston and Cambridge's Alewife Red Line station.

A space program "is the first step in what could be a four to five year project [until the building is completed] and that's assuming everything fell into place," Roberto said.

According to Rubel, Medford Mayor Michael McGlynn "seemed to be receptive" to the new building. "I think that most people don't like to commit themselves until they have as much information as they think they need, and we're not at that point yet."

A little further up the street from the site of the Integrated Lab Building, Boston Avenue's intersection with College Avenue might become home to a Green Line stop.

According to a Boston Globe report of May 12, funding was secured for further study of extending the Green Line to West Medford. One possible location for a stop is on the Tufts campus.

"The good news we have about the Green Line right now is that when the 'T' did all their modeling, they determined that extending the service to Medford makes sense," Rubel said. "But the work that's been done so far does not say that it will happen, where it will happen or how it will happen."

The MBTA asked Rubel to represent the University on an advisory committee regarding the project. "We have made it clear that we're very excited about the prospect of having a station within the campus — the obvious place is the intersection of Boston Ave. and College Ave. Both cities understand and seem to be supportive," she said.

Rubel said the mayors of both cities seem to also be receptive to the University moving forward with some of the recommendations of its Master Plan. "They appreciate that we're

doing this very thoughtfully, they appreciate the fact that the plan doesn't represent anything large scale — large scale expansion into neighborhoods — and there are still pieces they're waiting to see with great interest, especially traffic and parking," she said.

"We are at a point in time where there are tremendous opportunities out there," Rubel said. "It's very fair to say that right now we have very strong positive relations with Medford and Somerville. We have two mayors who appreciate the University in their community and recognize that we are a positive citizen. They need to work with us when there are any differences. They're working with us. If there are problems that arise, I'm sure they'll tell us."

That the University spared the demolition of any homes on Professors Row in the construction of Sophia Gordon Hall and the new Music Building added to feelings of good will from the community, Rubel said. "The [Somerville] Planning Department is very positive about the design of the two buildings. We keep hearing people say, 'Tufts builds good buildings, Tufts takes really wonderful care of its campus.' Things are moving ahead in a very positive direction."

## Tufts hosts first UU worship service for local collective

### UNITARIANS

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UU students from other area universities including Harvard, Northeastern and Boston Universities. Last fall, Tufts hosted the first in a series of collective worship services attended by the collective.

While many of the students in TU3 were raised UU, many became interested in the religion due to its non-creedal sta-

tus as well as its notoriously longstanding concern for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) issues.

"[The legalization of gay marriage in Massachusetts] has given us the opportunity for us to educate ourselves around those issues of gender identity, sexuality and reminds us of all the other issues around race and class that we still have yet to tackle," Peirce said.

Peirce said he spent all of last May — the month when gay marriage was officially legalized in the state of Massachusetts — officiating same-sex marriages, free of charge.

"The liberal values of democracy that we find in our faith are also interwoven in the institutions and liberal institutions," Peirce said.

Kesting reiterated Peirce's notion that Unitarian

Universalism has a place among college students questioning their own spiritual identities.

While UUs may not ascribe to a book of answers like the Bible, the religious questions in and of themselves are of the greatest value, Kesting said. "We need to be out there saying, 'You have questions, we have questions too! Let's get together and think about them.'"

## Executive Associate Dean to help carry out School of Engineering strategy

### DEANS

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on Tufts' Boston campus.

"We had to build teaching space on the Grafton campus to move them," Kosch said. "We also unified our faculty because a number of them were teaching on the Boston campus."

Kosch also led the Vet School through the reaccreditation process, which ensures that schools maintain their high standards and remain recognized as a nationally accredited institution.

After schools perform a self-assessment on 11 different standards, an outside team visits the school to substantiate the claims of the self-assessment.

According to Kosch, the Vet school had no trouble securing its reaccreditation. "We were commended on all eleven standards — they just loved us," said Kosch. "We've been fully accredited ever since we opened our doors."

After he steps down, Kosch said he will return to Tufts following a sabbatical leave and serve as a Special Assistant to the Provost.

*Entering the Tufts community is Scott Sahagian, who joined the School of Engineering on March 1 as Executive Associate Dean.*

"I will work on University-wide issues in research and graduate and post-graduate education," Kosch said. "I can earnestly say that I have Tufts Veterinary School in my blood, and it's hard to think about not being in the thick of it."

According to Bharucha, Dr. Sawkat Anwer will be serving as Interim Dean. A search for a new Dean will begin this summer.

Entering the Tufts community is Scott Sahagian, who joined the School of Engineering on March 1 as Executive Associate Dean. Previously, there was only one Associate Dean who oversaw both the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and the School of Engineering.

"I am intertwined in the fabric of the daily life of the School of Engineering," Sahagian said. Currently Sahagian said he is working on "space issues, recruiting new faculty for next year, managing the 2006 budgets, and trying to solve research issues."

Sahagian also will assist School of Engineering Dean Linda Abriola with a committee to program the Integrated Lab Complex. "We want to plan what's going to go into that building, and how

it's going to be configured," she said.

Abriola said that Sahagian "had really excellent experience and credentials, and a great way of thinking ... he brings vision to the school."

Abriola's plans for the School of Engineering include increasing its research presence, graduate education, and general reputation. The creation of Sahagian's position is part of this strategy.

"He's going to help us carry out our plans," said Abriola. "We need to be able to help manage our resources — he can help us manage our money, help us figure out how we can obtain more space, and figure out staff structure."

"He's going to provide us with the practical perspective," Abriola said.

Sahagian was previously Senior Administrative Officer at Brandeis University's Heller School for Social Policy and Management.



# Administration working with Greek system on chapter-by-chapter basis

## GREEKS

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appealed the University sanctions and is awaiting a response.

After a University investigation regarding incidents occurring on Feb. 26 and 27 found that freshman pledge Ian McPherran stopped breathing during an alcohol-related pledge event at the chapter house, the Beta Mu chapter of the DTD fraternity was shut down for a year, and is on probation until 2007.

The fraternity had agreed to remain dry during the 2004-2005 school year following three disciplinary charges brought against it in the 2003-2004 school year.

Additionally, the Tufts University Police Department (TUPD) found a keg of beer in the Kappa chapter of Zeta Psi fraternity on April 8 of this year. The chapter is currently in the second year of a two-year probationary period and no alcohol is permitted on the fraternity's premises until this probationary period lapses.

Zeta Psi chapter president junior Joshua Cohn said he had no information regarding the condition of his fraternity for the next semester, and could not comment on the fraternity's stance with regard to the accusations.

"I simply hope that this matter will be handled by the [Committee on Fraternities and Sororities (CFS)] in an appropriate manner," he said. "Zeta Psi truly looks forward to ending our probationary period after two-plus years of cooperation with Tufts and positive behavior and influence within the Greek system."

The Greek system came under further criticism after junior Riyadh Mohammed alleged that three Sigma Phi Epsilon (Sig Ep) brothers physically attacked him on the night of April 30. According to Mohammed, an Arab student, the attack was racially motivated.

According to Dean of Students Bruce Reitman, there is an ongoing investigation into the allegations, with TUPD working as the primary investigator in conjunction with the district attorney's office.

"[Mohammed] has not yet said whether he intends to pursue criminal charges," Reitman said.

Because the incident is still under criminal investigation, Sig Ep chapter president junior Patrick Willis could not comment on the accusations except to say that the fraternity is cooperating with the authorities in the investigation.

Additionally, senior Marcus Mattingly, 23, a Delta Upsilon (DU) brother, was arrested in connection with drug trafficking on April 13. Massachusetts State Police found 280

grams of cocaine, assorted drug paraphernalia and large amounts of cash in Mattingly's unregistered vehicle and in his DU bedroom.

Mattingly's arrest was not fraternity-related — in fact, he was evicted and expelled from the fraternity that day — but his arrest garnered a great deal of attention from local media who described him as a "Delta Upsilon brother at Tufts University."

Greek leaders, such as DTD President junior Noah Ornstein, said they strongly believe that there will be negative effects if the University goes too far with disciplinary measures against fraternities and sororities.

"Despite specific grievances people may have with some of the members, the presence of DTD and other Greek organizations is as big of an allure to lads and lasses looking at schools as any of the academic attributes," Ornstein said. "Greek organizations are the keystone of on-campus social life."

"Without a Greek system and places to go for many non-Greeks to party, underage drinking in the dorms would go way up," Cohn added. "This drinking would occur in an unmonitored [setting]."

Due to what he views as poor campus social life, Ornstein said he is upset with the disciplinary action taken upon DTD and other Greek organizations.

"Despite what my mother says, Tufts is not a cool school," he said. "Thus I find it particularly strange that the University would be willing to eradicate the last vestiges of on-campus social life."

A poll conducted by the Daily last month questioned students about campus social life. Forty-four percent, or 144 of the 331 students who answered the poll, said that they feel campus social life is "good." Twenty-four students said social life on campus is "very good." Not one of those 24 students was a junior or senior. Thirty-six percent responded that campus social life is "not so good" or "terrible," with an additional 43 students who responded that they had "no opinion."

The same poll showed general support for the Greek system — a question asked if Greeks contributed to the Tufts community in a positive way.

Twenty-six percent responded "yes" while 32 percent responded "slightly." Twenty-seven percent said that the Greek system contributes positively to the Tufts community "not often" or "never." An additional 15 percent of respondents had no opinion on the subject.

"We have to emphasize the positive aspects of the Greek system and the individual students in the system," Sullivan

said. "We have very committed student leaders who have been advancing the idea of the Greek community through programs, new member forums, a Greek leadership retreat and community service."

"I think they do good work, but that's overshadowed by these other, more negative things," Officer of Judicial Affairs Veronica Carter said.

Reitman said that the reluctance of the Greek community to propose long-term solutions for their problems is perpetuating the present dilemma of recurring incidents.

Sullivan's position of Director of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs was created last year after difficulties in the Greek system arose in Spring 2003.

"We hoped bringing Todd on would bring about a change," Reitman said. "That was the time for the system to recognize that it needed to turn a corner and build a system the community can be proud of."

**“To what extent is something that's not a chapter activity reflective of the character of the chapter as a whole?”**

**Bruce Reitman**  
Dean of Students

Junior Alexis Liistro, president of the Inter-Greek Council (IGC) said she feels that now is such a time.

"[The Greek system is] in no way falling apart, and now more than ever, feels the need to rise out of hard times and band together to create a great system for the future," she said.

"The big question is [if these problems] are a continuation or resumption of problem behavior," Reitman said. "Were they lucky they didn't caught last year?"

Liistro said, however, that "it is important to remember that the actions of few do not reflect the attitudes and feelings of the entire system."

"We, as a system, must rise above the incidents that have happened this past semester and become a great and positive presence on the campus," she said. "Our goals for the next semester are to take steps toward becoming the system that we want to be, and that our surrounding communities need us to be."

Sullivan said he believes that good leadership is the first step for an improved Greek system, and according to Reitman,

members of this year's IGC, Pan-Hellenic Council, Interfraternity Council and CFS include the "best and most responsible leadership we've had in years."

"What remains to be seen is if the majority of Greek students are committed to those changes or not? Is it just the leaders? We don't know the answer to that yet," Sullivan said.

"We've got a good structure, strong leaders, senior administrators willing to give [the Greek system] a chance — these are all in place," Reitman said. "But it requires buy-in and if buy-in doesn't exist, then the system will fail. It's not enough for the Greek system to say that the problems are a result of just a few people."

Reitman went on to discuss the effects on Greek life of the alleged hate crime committed by the Sig Ep brothers.

"Unfortunately this alleged bias assault probably further divided the Tufts community overall. It's always very difficult for us to decide whether we should judge people as individuals — such as in the DU case — or if the problem should reflect on the [Greek system] as a whole," he said. "To what extent is something that's not a chapter activity reflective of the character of the chapter as a whole?"

The Anti-Hate Rally held on the Tisch Library patio on May 3, which was inspired not only by the alleged assault on Mohammed but also by bias incidents that have occurred on-campus all year, raised similar questions.

According to Sullivan, University President Larry Bacow said he supports the Greek system but wants it to be a "great system or no system at all."

In Fall 1992, after a particularly volatile year at Tufts coincided with the shutting down of the Greek systems at other New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) schools, the Tufts faculty voted to shut down the Greek system. The recommendation, however, was not acceded to by the University's trustees who made the final decision.

"Of course [such a recommendation] could potentially happen again but right now we're dealing with the issues on a chapter-by-chapter basis," Reitman said.

Approximately 550 undergraduates, 11 to 14 percent of the undergraduate population, are members of one of Tufts' 14 Greek organizations. These organizations include 10 fraternities, three sororities and one co-educational independent fraternity.

In any given year, two hundred students can live in chapter houses, making up six percent of on-campus residential opportunities, according to Reitman.

# Reitman: Arrest for cocaine trafficking will probably not affect Tufts' policy

## COCAINE

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would first "want to explore whether the police acted permissibly in obtaining the drugs and whether they violated his constitutional rights, which includes freedom from unreasonable searches and seizures."

Other factors must be considered in a conviction, Barrett said, "whether or not he did possess the drugs, whether he stored them with the intent to sell, or strictly for personal use."

"These aren't necessarily just technicalities, it's very fundamental stuff," Barrett said. "He has a defense."

Barrett did say, however, that drug trafficking cases of this magnitude are relatively rare.

A high-level drug trafficking case, Barrett said, is one of the most severe cases of drug distribution and drug possession, carrying a minimum mandatory sentence of 15 years. According to Barrett, such a conviction "implies that the person is a drug dealer on a pretty large scale."

Although cocaine was seized in the DU fraternity house, DU president sophomore Brian Rowe confirmed that the fraternity was not associated with the arrest and would not suffer disciplinary consequences. "[The administration understands that] it's his problem, not ours," Rowe said. "From the standpoint

of the fraternity it was definitely fair because we haven't felt any backlash at all."

According to Rowe, Mattingly has been evicted from his room and expelled from the fraternity.

"[Mattingly is] a good guy, and very friendly, but he likes to keep to himself a lot," Rowe said. "Between work and class it was hard to get to know him really well."

Rowe said that Mattingly, as a brother, "didn't spend a lot of the time in the house" and his first floor room was relatively secluded.

"The difficult part is the [resulting discussion among] students on campus," Rowe said. "They say that he was selling to everyone in the house and that is completely untrue."

Mattingly's arrest does not necessarily imply a surge in cocaine use at Tufts, but rather represents a rare window into an enduring drug culture that has remained, for the most part, hidden.

This fall, Tufts conducted a survey assessing alcohol and drug use within its population. According to Margot Abels, Director of Drug and Alcohol Prevention services, 8.6 percent of Tufts students reported having ever used cocaine.

"Eight-point-six is low compared to most campuses," Reitman said. "I suppose to the

extent that it's good news, it's a good thing."

Tufts also ranks behind national averages of cocaine use. Fifteen percent of Americans between the ages of 18 and 25 have used cocaine in their lifetime, according to the U.S. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's 2003 National Study on Drug Use and Health.

Shifting trends in cocaine usage may reflect changing preferences or availability of other drugs, she said, such as ecstasy or hallucinogens, or increased binge drinking.

"Since the mid-'80s there has been a decrease, generally, in cocaine use," Abels said.

While cocaine usage did not top the list of drug policy priorities, Abels said that "judicial responses, services such as counseling and treatment, prevention, education, family support and social marketing for environmental change" could help cope with solving drug problems.

Reitman said it was unlikely that the arrest would result in any change in current campus drug policy, since the investigation occurred under the jurisdiction of the state police.

Yet one student questioned whether any preventive drug policy at Tufts could be effective. "What Tufts policy makers and

police don't realize is that the kids who want to be using drugs will find them."

A further crackdown, the student said, would only yield additional backlash. "I'm concerned that this drug bust and several other incidents of increased police activity could have a negative effect on night life and continue to generate bad publicity," he said.

*Barrett did say, however, that drug trafficking cases of this magnitude are relatively rare.*

Student views on cocaine use — particularly from users — were difficult to solicit due to the sensitive nature of the topic, but those students who agreed to speak anonymously shed some light on the cocaine culture on campus.

Interviews were conducted both with students who had used cocaine and with close acquaintances of such students.

According to interviewees, the cocaine culture appears to lack much of the social nature of widespread alcohol use. One student said he would "not openly" discuss his cocaine use.

"The stigma is too great," he said.

"It's definitely under wraps unless for some reason you see it," another student said. "That's one of the biggest things, to keep it under wraps."

Students interviewed confirmed that cocaine use rarely occurred on its own but as an addition to the pre-existing party culture of alcohol, marijuana or other drugs.

"It's definitely not just cocaine, it's really everything," one student said.

Interviews confirmed that Mattingly appeared to be a popular source for cocaine for the Tufts campus.

In spite of potential legal and health problems, these students did not necessarily view their cocaine use as problematic.

One periodic user would "probably do it again," he said. "If you can be smart about using it, taking care so that in doesn't become an addiction, I don't think it is as bad of a drug as everyone makes it out to be."

One student said that to some, an intense party culture marked by cocaine use was a boon to certain fun-seeking students. "I think many kids feel some sort of pride that a drug dealer of that magnitude operated at Tufts," the student said. "And this drug bust has improved their opinion of Tufts' 'coolness.'"



THERE'S NOT ENOUGH ART IN OUR SCHOOLS.

NO WONDER PEOPLE SAY "GESUNDHEIT" WHEN YOU SAY "TCHAIKOVSKY."

If one were to make a quick list of the world's favorite composers, despite his relatively recent vintage (he's only been dead for a century) Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky would certainly make the list. After all, he composed Swan Lake, which is perhaps the most famous ballet of all time. And there certainly can't be more than a handful of ballet companies that don't stage a production of The Nutcracker every Christmas.



Fig 1 Pollen

Causes watery eyes. Much like Tchaikovsky's composition "Romeo and Juliet."

And why not? Indeed, this great Romantic composer should be so immortalized. As a young man, he quit a secure government job — at enormous risk and against his father's advice — in order to pursue a career in music. His mild temperament combined with his tendency to work too hard left him with terrible insomnia, debilitating headaches and hallucinations. On top of that, Tchaikovsky's composition teacher never liked his work, even after he became world-famous.

Setbacks such as these could have finished a lesser man. Instead, they informed his work,



Among the many setbacks Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky endured: a disapproving family, a loveless marriage, a blind barber.

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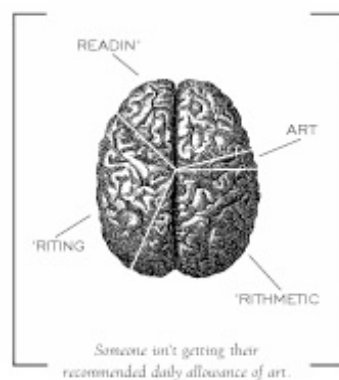
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# From a prime minister to a Hollywood legend

The Daily's Ashley Rios takes a brief look at each of the speakers gracing the Commencement 2005 stage

## KOSTAS KARAMANLIS

The current Prime Minister of Greece and the leader of the country's New Democracy Party, **Kostas Karamanlis** was born in Athens in 1956. He is the nephew of the former president of the Hellenic Republic, Konstantine Karamanlis. He studied at Athens University's Law School and then practiced law in the 1980s.

Following his years at the bar, he moved on to Deree College, where he taught political science, diplomatic history and business law. Karamanlis later earned his master's degree and a doctorate in political science, international relations and diplomatic history from Tufts' Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy.

Karamanlis is the author of several historical publications and books, including "Eleftherios Venizelos" and "Greece's Foreign Relations 1928-32." He is the youngest prime minister ever to be elected in Greece. He'll be giving this year's Commencement address, and he will be awarded an honorary doctor of laws degree.



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## TADATOSHI AKIBA



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**Tadatoshi Akiba**, the mayor of Hiroshima, was born in November 1942 in Japan. He received his B.S. and M.A. in mathematics from the University of Tokyo. He earned his Ph.D. from M.I.T. in 1970, after which he worked as a professor of mathematics here at Tufts University from 1972 to 1986.

Akiba assumed the office of mayor of Hiroshima on Feb. 23, 1999. In August 2002, Akiba made his Peace Declaration, in which he stated, "in recalling the events of 57 years ago, we, the people of Hiroshima, honor this collective human memory, vowing to do our utmost to cre-

ate a 'century of peace and humanity,' and offer our sincere prayers for the peaceful repose of all the atomic bomb victims."

Akiba was also one of the many signers of the worldwide petition initiated by the Committee for a National Discussion of Nuclear History and Current Policy. He has accepted many distinguished awards, including the World Citizenship Award in 2004. He has been an outspoken peace activist and an advocate for the abolition of nuclear weapons, and he will receive an honorary doctor of humane letters degree at this year's ceremony.

## WILLIAM HURT

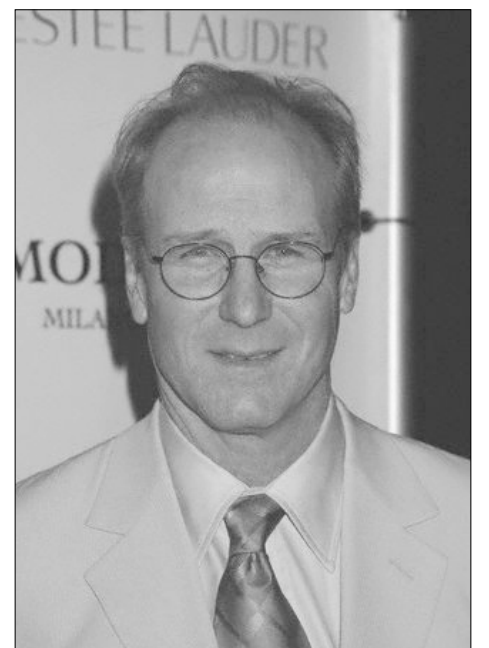
**William Hurt** (LA '72), one of Hollywood's most distinguished actors, attended Tufts as an undergrad but ironically was not a theater major. Born in Washington D.C., Hurt had traveled throughout the world by the age of six. His father worked for the U.S. State Department, so Hurt and his family had to relocate to many exotic locales including the South Pacific, Guam, Somalia and the Sudan.

When his parents divorced, Hurt moved to Manhattan with his mother, visiting his father during the summer. His mother remarried Henry Luce III, the Time-Life heir, when Hurt was 10, after which he was promptly sent to a boarding school in Massachusetts. It was there that he first became interested in the theater.

After he left Tufts, Hurt moved to London to study theater. He followed that with a stint at Juilliard after returning to the United States. Hurt joined the Oregon Shakespeare Festival in 1976 as a member of the Circle Repertory Company. He made his professional debut starring in the company's production of Hamlet, and then continued his career on the New York stage.

His film debut came in 1980 with "Altered States," directed by Ken Russell. Hurt's big break, however, came in 1981 when he starred with Kathleen Turner in "Body Heat."

Hurt's performance as a prisoner in



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"Kiss of the Spider Woman" earned him an Academy Award, a British Oscar and a Cannes Film Festival Award for Best Actor. He has gone on to work with some of the most influential artists in both the film and theater world, including Steven Spielberg and Franco Zeffirelli.

Hurt will be awarded an honorary doctor of fine arts degree at this year's Commencement.

## ANN GRAYBIEL

MIT professor **Ann M. Graybiel** earned her masters' degree in biology as a Woodrow Wilson Fellow at Tufts University. A pioneer for women in the scientific community, she earned her Ph.D. from MIT in 1971 and joined the University's faculty in 1973. She has been awarded the Killian Award, which is the highest honor given to an MIT faculty member.

Graybiel was elected as a member of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States in 1988, the American

Academy of Arts and Sciences in 1991, the Institute of Medicine in 1994, and was also elected as a fellow in the American Academy of Neurology in 1997.

Her research has focused on the exploration of the anatomy of the human brain and its processes. Graybiel and her assistants have made several important advances in the understanding of the basal ganglia (the large forebrain region). At this year's Commencement, she'll be awarded an honorary doctor of science degree.

## JAMES FREEDMAN

**James O. Freedman** grew up in Manchester, New Hampshire. He attended Harvard, receiving his B.A. cum laude in 1957. He earned his L.L.B. cum laude from Yale Law School in 1962. Freedman joined the University of Pennsylvania Law School faculty in 1964 after working as a law clerk for Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall.

Freedman has been an outspoken supporter of liberal arts education and the importance of moral leadership. He

is the former president of Dartmouth College, the University of Iowa and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Freedman expanded on his view of liberal arts education in his 1996 book, "Idealism and Liberal Education," stating that it fosters the leadership skills necessary in both national and international communities. He'll be given an honorary doctor of humane letters degree at this year's Commencement.



## EYE ON THE ENVIRONMENT

# Tufts is a brown and blue university with a green history

BY JEN CANTELMINI  
Senior Staff Writer

On May 10, the Tufts Climate Initiative (TCI) received the 2005 Climate Protection Award from the New England Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Usually, the award goes to corporations: Tufts is only the second university to receive this honor in the eight years that it has been awarded.

*Tufts' early involvement in the environmental movement was motivated in part by the threat of environmental health hazards.*

Tufts first promoted environmental awareness in the academic arena. Eve Schluter, a program administrator for Tufts Institute of the Environment (TIE), points to the year 1963 as the dawn of Tufts' legacy in environmental education.

"Tufts University's rich envi-

ronmental history began in 1963 with a sanitary engineering degree offered by the department of civil engineering," Schluter said. Nearly 20 years later, the University opened an undergraduate environmental studies program as a possible second major.

"The environmental studies program grew out of an especially popular Biology 7 course taught by [Professor Norton] Nickerson," Associate Biology Professor George Ellmore said. "Nickerson found the class to be so popular that he went on to put together an interdisciplinary major, which was way ahead of its time. Very few science majors crossed disciplines in the early '80s."

Four students graduated in the environmental studies program the first year in which it was offered. Since 2000, the program has graduated about 40 students each year. When environmental studies was first offered as an optional second major, 70 percent of environmental studies majors were also majoring in a natural science.

Now, students from 23 different primary majors including psychology, political

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As TIE staffers, Eve Schluter and Anja Kollmuss continue Tufts' tradition of environmental awareness and activism.

## Forty undergrads become Scholars

BY ANNE FRICKER  
Senior Staff Writer

This summer, 40 undergraduate students will set off on interesting and exciting journeys. But the voyages of these 40 students who have been accepted into the University-wide Summer Scholars program aren't typical summer getaways. Rather, they're research journeys, and as these students embark upon them, the Daily checks in with a few of them about their plans.

The Summer Scholars Program, now in its third year, offers research apprenticeships with faculty or "clinical mentors" to students. According to the University College of Citizenship and Public Service (UCCPS) Web site, "the Program gives students a chance to be on the front line of discovery and scholarship at Tufts today."

One of this year's Summer Scholars is David Strohlic. Most people view summer as a chance to relax and get away from stress, but for Strohlic, the summer will be full of stress — stress hormones, that is.

Strohlic will spend his time researching under Associate Professor of Biology Dr. L. Michael Romero, and his research will focus on discovering the function of corticosterone binding globulin (CBG), a

protein that binds to the stress hormone corticosterone. Strohlic's research will continue through next year, and he plans for it to comprise the first part of his Senior Honor's Thesis.

"I've always had an interest in physiology," the Queens, New York native said. Strohlic is a biology major who spent last semester studying in Costa Rica with the Organization for Tropical Studies, which is affiliated with Duke University. That was his first taste of the field of biology, although he has been working in Romero's lab since the summer of 2003.

"The program helped solidify my interest in biological research and my desire to become a member of the scientific community," said Strohlic, who plays the alto saxophone in Tufts Big Band, is a member of the Tufts Mountain Club, and is also involved in the Tufts Wilderness Orientation (TWO). He will lead his second trip with TWO in August.

When most people hear the word research, they think of laboratories and experiments. But Tanya Paz will spend the summer researching something else entirely — buildings. As a Summer Scholar, Paz plans to research the role of obsolescence and impermanence in architecture throughout the 20th century.

An architectural studies major and studio art minor, Paz became interested in the subject through her work with Associate Art and Art History Professor Daniel Abramson, under whom she'll be conducting her research.

"Much of my recent work has involved the solution of urban problems with minimally invasive architectural interventions," said Paz, who, like Strohlic, hopes that her research over the summer will lead to a Senior Honor's Thesis.

A native of Santiago, Chile who grew up in Pasadena, Calif., Paz spent this semester abroad in Paris, studying architecture in a program offered through Columbia University's Graduate School of Architecture Planning and Preservation.

At Tufts, Paz is involved in the early language program, through which she teaches Spanish to local kindergarteners, and is also a member of the Tufts Democrats. But her academic passion takes up most of her time: Paz is a member of the Tufts Architectural Society, and works at a local design company, allowing her to dedicate much of her time to her love of architecture. After graduation, Paz hopes to study architecture in Chile for a year and then go on to graduate school for a Master's in

## ...and there's more

Sophomore **Stacey Watkins**, a chemistry major, will be partnering with Chemistry Professor David Walt to "[create] a molecular beacon to detect pathogens in the environment."

"A molecular beacon is a single-stranded oligonucleotide probe in the hairpin shape that can be used to identify specific nucleic acid sequences," Watkins said. "I'll be faced with the challenge of designing and creating specific molecular beacons to detect specific pathogens."

Junior **Katie Seyboth** — who received a prestigious national Goldwater Scholarship this year in addition to her Summer Scholarship — will be working with Computer Science Professor Diane Souvaine.

"We're looking at data depth, which is a method of efficiently processing large volumes of data, especially with high-dimensional data sets," Seyboth said.

Senior **Rebecca Sacks**, a music major, said she plans to "[produce] a folio to accompany a sound recording of Agbadza, the most widespread type of music of the Ewe people of West Africa."

"Agbadza is currently an oral tradition," Sacks said. "We'll be notating both the music and the song texts, and creating an analysis of the textual and musical material."

Sophomore **Anjali Fahlberg** will be working with Associate Political Science Professor Pearl Robinson on a "project, titled Islam and Female Empowerment in Senegal, [that] focuses on the rights of women within the context of religion."

"I'll be spending five weeks in Dakar and Kaolack with the Tiddjanya, a Sufi Muslim group, exploring the interactions between women and their communities, the rights they are given in the community and within their religion, and interviewing three to five women on their life stories," Fahlberg said.

Junior **Erin Poth** will be working with Dean of the Genetics Program at Tufts' Sackler School of Biomedical Science Dean Dawson on researching "the segregation of homologous chromosome pairs using yeast as a model organism."

"Incorrect chromosome segregation causes many diseases, including Trisomy 21 [Down syndrome] and various cancers," Poth said.

Sophomore **Josh Kessler** will be focusing on a different medical condition. With Paul Milbury, a scientist at the Jean Mayer USDA Human Nutrition Research Center on Aging, Kessler will be focusing on age-related macular

degeneration.

"It has long been claimed that certain compounds in bilberries and blueberries promote eye health," Kessler said. "Although there was evidence that they acted as antioxidants, new evidence suggests their primary importance is in signaling in biological pathways that reduce oxidative stress, a cause of aging and age-related macular degeneration."

"The goal of our research is to determine whether and how the signaling is happening," Kessler added.

The goal of junior **Meghan Bean's** Summer Scholars research — which she is conducting with Psychology Professor Nalini Ambady and will eventually develop into a senior thesis — is to determine "whether women are better able to adapt their negotiation tactics if a situation calls for cooperative rather than competitive behavior."

Working with Economics Professor Lynne Pepall, junior **Mike DeBartolo** will be looking into another aspect of behavior involving competition: "We're looking at how competition among faith-based groups affects their fundraising ability as well as the services they provide the community," he said.

Junior **Sarah Shea** and Assistant Psychology Donna Mumme plan to conduct a study to "help us understand what features of people's faces are most salient to kids."

"We want to know what is most important to children: the fact that the person is a woman, that she is angry, or that she wears glasses."

Junior **Alicia Harvie** will be partnering with Friedman School Assistant Professor Kathleen Merrigan to do research on organic foods.

"We're comparing antioxidant content between produce from organic and conventional farms in Mass. and doing organic food policy research," Harvie said. "We'll be visiting farms throughout the summer to collect produce samples and will take a trip to D.C. to interview [members of the] USDA [U.S. Department of Agriculture], Congress, OMB [The White House Office of Management and Budget], and other interest groups on organic food standards policy."

Junior **Jamie Chang**, in conjunction with Assistant Drama and Dance Professor Claire Conceison, will be researching the South Korean Democratic Movement and Noli Theatre.

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Summer Scholar A. Thambundit will research a disease called babeosis this summer.

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JEFF VOLINSKI | STOP WHINING!



Cue the curtain

Imagine that you are sitting in a steamy auditorium, watching one of those award ceremonies that simply will not end. An award recipient trudges onstage to receive a lifetime achievement award and begins to read a 10-page dissertation describing, in detail, his life story.

There's just one problem: nobody in the audience cares. Everyone is hot and sweaty, and all they want is for Mr. Award Face to stop talking so that they can all go home and eat their leftover mashed potatoes and watch the news.

Right now, I feel just like Mr. Award Face. Not because my face resembles a lifetime achievement award, but because I have been put in a situation where I'm supposed to sum up the last four years of my life, at a moment in time when both my audience and myself are eager to move onward.

But what, I ponder, are we moving towards? Cubicles, coffee and cardiac arrest? I don't know about you, but I want to relive this "college" phenomenon as many times as I can before I get stuck writing TPS reports for Bill Lumbergh.

For the past four years, the word "college" has completely defined my life. By telling someone that I was a college student, I would convey a comprehensive sketch of my life — that I was young adult in search of a career, and that I was in an uncontrollable stage of experimentation where I would try anything once. One incident involving a keg, a flamethrower, a Tibetan yak and the rain dance comes to mind.

*I now realize that the journey for knowledge is one of the pleasures of life, and it will continue to be so long as I put my pants on each morning.*

Regardless, this form of expression no longer applies. I mean, the next time a friend asks, "How's life treatin' ya?," I will not longer be able to respond, "College, man, college" and bask in that moment of complete understanding between us.

Now that it's over, I'll have to admit that college has changed me as a person. When I first came to Tufts, I was young, immature and cowardly. I would flee in terror from other humans. Now I am old and wise, and I turn into the Incredible Hulk when angered.

But honestly, college has been a time of rapid development for me, and my views of the world have changed dramatically. All of a sudden, I care who is running this country. When I stumble upon something that I don't understand, I want to figure out how it works. I want to grow, I want to improve, and I want to conquer the unknown. Look at this — I've even gained an appreciation for writing entire paragraphs without being lame and sarcastic. Breast. Damn.

I have a newfound appreciation for this thirst for knowledge. I now realize that the journey for knowledge is one of the pleasures of life, and it will continue to be so long as I put my pants on each morning. Well, Jeff, does this mean that when you finally end this expedition for awareness of yours that you will no longer be wearing pants? You have my word.

Of all the things that I've learned in college, I have to say that the most important is the fact that as I learn, my

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# Seniors weigh in on the best courses at Tufts

BY LIZ YATES  
Senior Staff Writer

With Tufts tuition costing upwards of \$26,000 a year, skipping a single class can be a pricy venture in monetary terms. But there are many classes that, if skipped, cause Tufts students to lose more than just money, and, as this year's seniors testify, some classes are worth more than others.

As the Class of 2005 spends a week indulging in sentimental moments and general nostalgia, they are more than willing to reflect on the best courses of their collegiate careers.

Courses taught by English Professor Lee Edelman received consistent praise.

"He commands that you delve into your intellectual capacity more than you ever knew was possible," said senior Jesse Belodoff, who was so impressed with Edelman's classes on films that he persuaded others to take advantage of the professor's lectures.

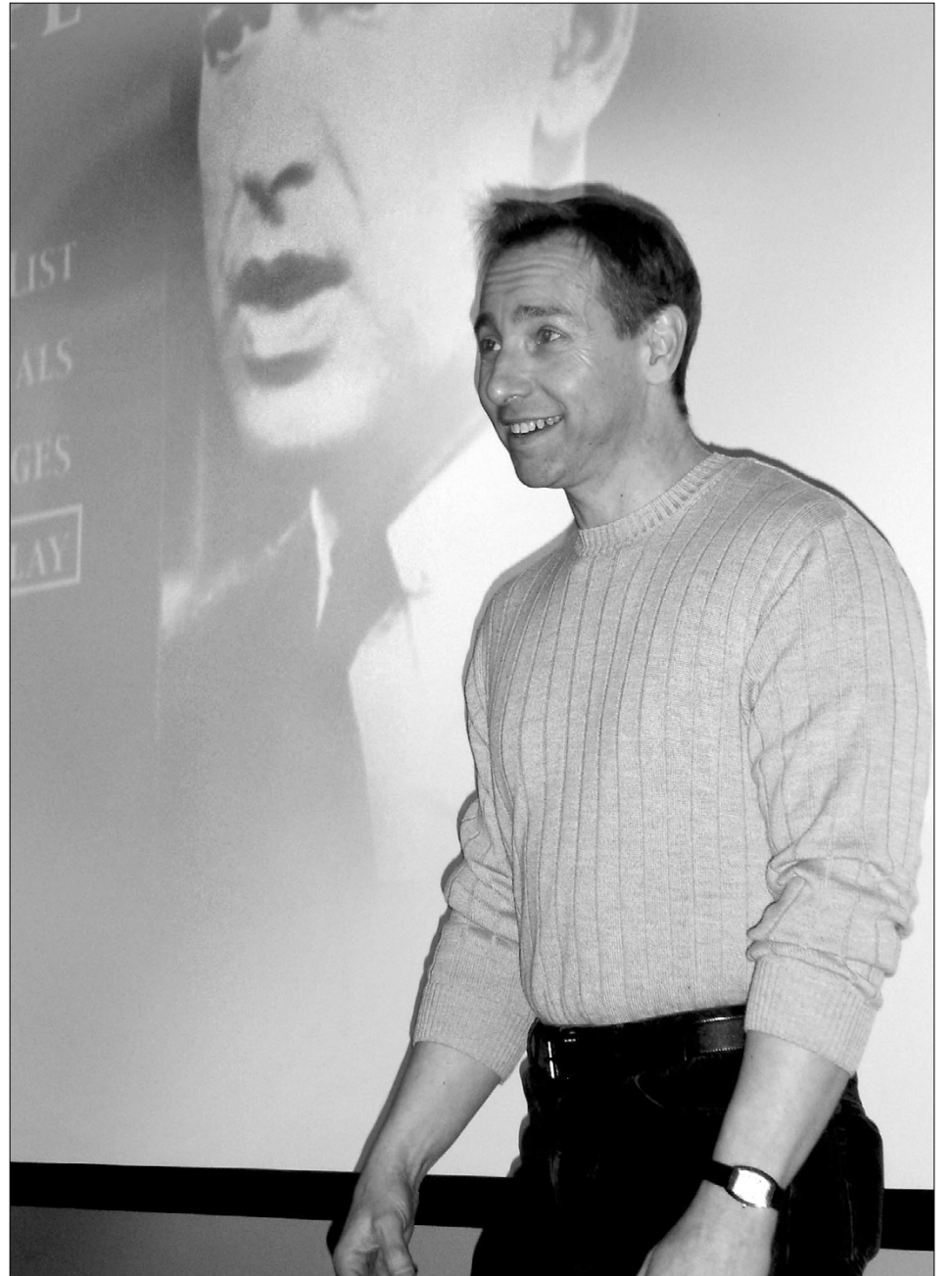
"I never did any of the papers or took the tests, but I just went to class with Jesse anyway — that's how amazing it was," senior Stephanie Albin said of Edelman's course on Alfred Hitchcock.

Edelman's other course, How Films Think, also received rave reviews. "He's a real scholar," senior Matthew Nathanson said. "He had opinions and wasn't just regurgitating other people's work. He had his own arguments, which we could take or leave. He came to lectures completely prepared, [and] he talked very fluently, never saying 'um' or 'like.'"

Other favorites ranged from the hardcore realism of international relations to the abstractions of psychology.

"U.S. Foreign Policy with [Assistant Political Science] Professor [Jeffrey] Taliaferro [was my favorite course]," senior Alexander Duncan said. "He's an excellent professor and really gets you engaged in the material." Other courses on Duncan's top list were also related to international relations, and included

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Courses taught by English Professor Lee Edelman receive consistent praise from graduating seniors.

CAMPUS COMMENT: ALL-SENIOR EDITION

## What do you most regret about your years at Tufts?

“That’s an easy one. I regret not ever taking an IR [international relations] course.”

Lauren Gesserman  
Senior



“I regret not taking an Ex College class.”

Laura DePalma  
Senior

“I regret living in the O-zone of Haskell freshman year — it’s gross. We had dead decaying rats under the stairs.”

Anna Kantha  
Senior



“I really regret dying my hair. That was a mistake.”

Brian Kessler  
Senior

## Regrets? I’ve had a few...

BY CUFF BAKER  
Daily Editorial Board

Upon leaving the Hill, Tufts seniors are full of things to remember and reminisce about. Fond memories and happy nostalgia pervade most seniors' goodbyes. But in realizing that their college years actually are over, some students find that they have regrets about the time they spent at Tufts.

Senior Anny Kim wishes she had been more involved on campus. "I guess I regret just not taking advantage of more things," she said. "I could have spent more time getting to know professors better, or joining organizations."

Some seniors felt regret over their academic choices during their eight semesters. "I regret not taking an Ex College class, because they always seemed really interesting," senior Laura DePalma said. "I never gave myself the time to take one."

Senior Lauren Gesserman explained why she regretted not taking an international relations course. "This semester, I took a Spanish course called Latin American Civilization in which we learned, among other things, about the United States' role in Latin American politics and economics," she said.

"It was fascinating," Gesserman continued. "It made me wish I had learned about my interest in IR much sooner!"

One student expressed her regret about not taking a course with a particular professor: history teacher Gerard Gill. "I regret not taking one of Gill's classes," senior Anna Kantha said. "[Gill] does African American history; everyone raves about him."

Taking advantage of Boston was important to one senior, who feared that she did not see and do enough in the city. "I regret not going out and doing more fun touristy things in Boston," senior Arielle Jacobs said. "Because I'm probably never going to live in Mass. again."

Another student expressed concern over the way he spent his time at Tufts. "I regret voting in the Tufts elections," senior Brian Kessler said. "That was a waste of five minutes I'll never get back."

"I most regret not liking Pepsi," he added. "Damn Pepsi campus."



# So what do *they* do over summer vacation?

BY GUERGANA PETKOVA  
Daily Staff Writer

By the time the school year ends, students can answer questions regarding their summer plans in an almost automatic manner. But on the same college campus, awareness of the plans of faculty and staff for the upcoming summer is not so natural.

*Having spent this semester teaching statistics and econometrics, Associate Economics Professor Tom Downes is dedicating his summer to several different projects.*

Political Science Department Chair Vickie Sullivan will be teaching a summer course, but will be far from campus: "I'm teaching a class on Rousseau this summer in Talloires," Sullivan said. "I'm really starting to get excited about the class. We have

a very good enrollment of about 15 students."

Sullivan said she is looking forward to the unique teaching atmosphere of the Tufts-in-Talloires program. "We will be having intensive discussions in a private setting for two-hour blocks," she said.

Having spent this semester teaching statistics and econometrics, Associate Economics Professor Tom Downes is dedicating his summer to several different projects. First on his list: a study he is doing on the changing role private schools play on educational provisions in the United States. He is examining how changes in the private sector affect public education.

Incorporating both teaching and research, Sociology Professor Paul Joseph will teach a course on the sociology of war and peace for the first Tufts summer session, as well as finishing a book, which will be published in the year to come.

Joseph said he appreciates the relaxed atmosphere of summer courses. "The classes are nice — smaller and more relaxed," he said. "There's a better opportunity to get to know students. The

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BEN THAYER/TUFTS DAILY

Many members of Tufts' faculty and staff — like computer science professor Alva Couch — take advantage of the summer months to pursue academic and research interests.

JON SCHUBIN | HONGKONGERS



*Bye-bye*

I leave Hong Kong with mixed emotions.

My study abroad experience was very positive, rewarding and important. I even decided to extend my original semester abroad into a full year in order to stay longer in my new home. But there is this problem.

Hong Kong University is a place divided. There is a division between those who visit and those who stay. And it is a barrier that I found, even after a year, is not easily crossed.

It is something that permeates every portion of my life in Hong Kong, but at the same time, it is largely invisible.

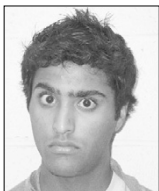
This debate, however,

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SAJ POTHIAWALA |

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*De-matriculation*

It comes to this. My last column printed on my final day as an undergraduate, and I would be lying if I said it was not difficult to write. Truthfully, I cried at least once. OK. Twice.

Today we, the seniors, will cross that stage, and as our names (or mine at least) are horribly mispronounced, we are going to look out onto this hillside campus, turn our tassels, and finally break that four year spell this place has cast upon us, emerging from the chrysalis that is a University education. And yes, this time I know what chrysalis means.

These years have been the most formative of our young adult lives for the sole reason that we became adults here at Tufts University. Three years and nine months ago we moved into Tilton or South or Houston Hall, little freshmen barely old enough to shave, drive or smoke, nervous and excited about meeting new people, leaving our parents, and living next door to members of the opposite sex.

And hopefully today we stand as completed individuals, shaving every day or three, driving with the reckless abandon of invincible youth, and buying cigarettes, alcohol and pornography at our leisure.

But in all seriousness, most of us are graduating as responsible members of society due to our experiences here in the Tufts bubble, because that is what higher education is in this country: a \$40,000-a-year safe space, protected from the evils of the real world, but still exposed to them.

Never in our lives will we again have access to the information and resources we had while we were here. A blessing in that it changed who we were. A curse in that it had to end sometime.

An example: less than two weeks into our time at Tufts freshmen year, on Tuesday, Sept. 11., 2001 at 9:30 a.m., I watched the second of two airplanes fly into the World Trade Center on live television. It was definitely a surreal day for most people on this campus, especially those directly affected, yet from

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## Environmental legacy has both academic, activist aspects

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science, economics and anthropology are also majoring in environmental studies.

"The Tufts community has been very supportive of the program," Ellmore said. "We're now working with associated departments towards making the environmental studies major a free-standing major at Tufts. We think we have enough professors in different departments to give the program enough depth."

Tufts' early involvement in the environmental movement was motivated in part by the threat of environmental health hazards. Tufts' Center for Environmental Management (CEM), established in 1984, trained more than 7,000 workers and inspectors to handle and remove asbestos and lead-based paint.

In 1990, Tufts signed the Talloires Declaration, "a 10-point action plan for incorporating sustainability and environmental literacy into campus teaching, research, operations and outreach," Schluter said. Initially, only 35 schools signed the Talloires Declaration. Now 300 universities from 40 different countries have pledged their commitment.

The environmental movement at Tufts gained momentum in the 1990s. Throughout the first half of the decade, the University created several interdisciplinary programs with an environmental focus. The Tufts Environmental Literacy Institute was founded in 1990 to help faculty integrate environmental concepts into curricula, paving the way for new degree options.

In 1998, TIE emerged. "TIE is an interdisciplinary, University-wide education and research institute, devoted to advancing and disseminating knowledge about the many ways human interactions affect the environment, and ways in which people can meet their needs in an environmentally sustainable manner," Schluter said.

A year after the creation of TIE, then Tufts President John DiBiaggio committed Tufts to meeting or exceeding the greenhouse gas emission targets specified by the Kyoto Protocol. During the same year, Tufts trustees created the University College of Citizenship and Public Service (UCCPS).

"From the start, environmental citizenship has been a major focus of the University College," UCCPS Dean Robert Hollister said. "Many significant public issues combine environmental and community aspects — they are one

and the same."

"An extraordinary environmental leader named Nancy Anderson created the environmental citizenship program to support the work of environmental activists," he added. "Nancy was gifted at linking environmental activists with academic specialists, at Tufts and at other universities."

UCCPS has supported major environmental projects, including the Mystic River Watershed Collaborative. It has also assisted faculty fellows working on environmental issues and offered seed grants for curriculum development. One of these grants helped to launch Associate Economics Professor Jeff Zabel's popular environmental economics class. Another supported Associate Civil and Environmental Engineering Professor Chris Swan's course on soil remediation.

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George Ellmore  
Associate Biology Professor

The University College has also funded several student projects through Active Citizenship summer grants and other awards supporting community development.

"This past year, [UCCPS] supported my efforts both to bring environmental education to urban schools with the maple syrup project, as well as to create a stronger connection between Tufts students and the Somerville Community Growing Center, an outdoor community center and organic garden," junior Maisie Ganz said.

The Tufts division of Water Watch has been planning for the future.

"Our focus was not only on what could be achieved this year, but what we could help others achieve in the future," 2005 Water Watch Coordinator Zachary Harlow-Nash said. "We went from no long-term stream monitoring projects to three projects, which will likely resume in the fall."

"Starting in the fall, Water Watch has also established a partnership with WSSS [the interdisciplinary Water: Systems, Science, and Society Ph.D. and

MS Program] and UCCPS that will provide graduate students and some undergrads with the opportunity to present their research to others," Harlow-Nash said.

"We received a lot of support from the schools and we were able to give several presentations to students ranging from first graders to sixth graders," Water Watch education intern sophomore Deirdre Cannell said. "We were really pleased with the progress we made this semester as far as communicating with a larger base of schools, presenting to over 1,500 students, and creating important curricula that cover topics from the water cycle to the watershed ecosystem."

TIE and the Tufts Climate Initiative have also found success through partnerships. "Buildings are a huge source of emissions, and in order to build them with sound insulation and other mechanisms that will increase energy efficiency, we must have the cooperation of the builders," TIE Project Manager Sarah Creighton said. "We couldn't work effectively without the help of the Tufts Operations Division." Tufts' new dorm, Sophia Gordon Hall, will have solar-powered hot water and solar panels on the roof.

Over the past few years, the University has taken great strides in increasing energy efficiency and using cleaner forms of energy.

"Tufts has invested in a lot of energy efficiency upgrades, especially lighting upgrades," TIE Project Coordinator Anja Kollmuss said. Over the past 15 years, Tufts has reduced its net water use by 20 percent by installing more efficient toilets, showers and faucets.

Currently, the Schmalz House has solar hot water and the Fairmont House has 500 watts of photovoltaics on the roof. This year, ECO has taken another step in converting Tufts to cleaner energy. Due to the efforts of ECO members and the support of student voters, a fee of \$20 or less will be added to tuition charges starting next year in order to enable Tufts to purchase between 25 and 50 percent of its energy from wind power.

Tufts Recycles has also been on the upswing this year. "Recycling used to be an aside," Kollmuss said. "But now the University has created a full time position for Recycling Coordinator."

"Projects in the future will focus on waste reduction, improving recycling on the Boston campus, and working more closely with Dining Services," current Recycling Coordinator Dawn Quirk said.



# Four alums share their experiences one year out

BY LIZ COPELAND  
Daily Staff Writer

Making the transition from college life into the real world can be difficult, but four Tufts alumni who graduated last year seem to be doing very well. Josh Belkin, Lisa Fishlin, Mitchell Lunn and Mirette Kouchouk (all LA '05) took time to talk to the Daily about their experiences in the year since their graduation.

According to these alumni, one of the biggest challenges in transitioning from college life to the real world is the change in work schedule. The daily and weekly work routine is a far cry from the sporadic class times and late-night studying that most college students experience.

Belkin, who is currently working at an investment consulting firm in downtown Boston, has certainly noticed the difference. "I get up a lot earlier, go to bed much earlier, and have less homework," he said. "The nice thing is that weekends are work-free, usually, and you can take a few days off whenever you feel

you need it — you don't have to wait for winter or spring break." Lunn, now a staff molecular biologist at Columbia University in New York, said she was very pleased by his new after-work schedule. "Probably the biggest and best change is that I don't have anything that I 'must' do when I get home from work — no homework!" he said.

Still, other graduates encounter a different problem of having too much to do in too little time. Fishlin, an Americorps VISTA Site Coordinator for National Student Partnership (NSP)-Somerville, said she has had some difficulty balancing all of her responsibilities.

"It's difficult to balance everything that I want to do after work and still get to bed early enough to get up for work the next day," she said. "It's hard to make decisions relating to work and grad school plans. I feel like it's the first time in my life when the options I am deciding between are so different from each other."

The new predictability of life has been a welcome consequence of the entrance into the

working world for Kouchouk, a market research consultant in Boston. "I know that I'll be right here in the office for 10 hours everyday for a long time," she said. "It's strange not having any three-month vacations in sight, but on the plus side, I don't have to do the job [or] internship search anymore."

Kouchouk, Fishlin and Belkin are still living and working in the Boston area. Belkin is now situated in Brookline, which is just across the river from Tufts. "It's a great place to live, and it's very close to the city, but the green line is super slow compared to the red line," he said.

Belkin also realized that Brookline has its advantages for Tufts graduates nostalgic for student life. "The good news is Soundbites is still a close drive away, and we have two Anna's Taquerias in Brookline, so all the staples of Tufts eats are still accessible," he said.

These Tufts graduates are all currently enjoying their diverse lines of work. Lunn loves his work as a molecular biologist: "I study a rare, pediatric disease



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2004 graduate Josh Belkin

called spinal muscular atrophy (SMA)," he said. "My laboratory looks for ways to increase production of a certain protein that SMA patients don't make enough of using thousands of small molecules."

Fishlin also loves her position as the Americorps VISTA Site Coordinator for NSP-Somerville, a student run organization that

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## BY THE NUMBERS A look back at a big year

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From the Red Sox' World Series win to a Tufts student's coke bust, the 2004-2005 school year was filled with highs and lows. In this commencement installment of *By the Numbers*, the Daily puts some of the defining moments of this academic year into numerical perspective.

- ◆200 Grams of cocaine State Troopers found in senior Marcus Mattingly's car in April
- ◆80 Grams of cocaine later discovered at Mattingly's campus home
- ◆\$25,000 "Street value" of 280 grams of cocaine
- ◆8.6% Percentage of Tufts students who have used cocaine, according to the Office of Institutional Research's 2004 Alcohol & Drug Use Report

- ◆121 Online comments posted in response to an April Daily Viewpoint arguing that Ultimate Frisbee is not actually a sport

- ◆0 Online comments posted in response to a March Daily article exploring the disproportionately large gap between Tufts' graduation rates for white and minority students

- ◆70% Tufts' retention rate for male Caucasian faculty, according to the University's 2004 Kaleidoscope Report
- ◆0% Tufts' retention rate for female African-American faculty

- ◆500 Tufts students who celebrated on the Residential Quad the night of the Red Sox' October World Series win over the St. Louis Cardinals
- ◆1918 Last time the Red Sox won the World Series

- ◆\$103,000 Average professor's salary at Tufts for the 2003-2004 school year academic year at Tufts
- ◆\$122,158 Average professor's salary at comparable institutions — a statistic Tufts faculty members cited when they lobbied for higher pay in February
- ◆14.6% Return on Tufts' endowment during the 2004 fiscal year
- ◆2.7% Return on Tufts' endowment during the 2003 fiscal year

- ◆25 Tufts community members who protested the Iraq War on March 16
- ◆45 Tufts community members who attended a rally on April 22 held by the Student Labor Action Movement (SLAM), which pushes for better working conditions and pay for Tufts' custodial staff



- ◆40 Tufts community members who protested the lack of an Asian American Studies program at Tufts on Apr. 27
- ◆150 Tufts community members who protested racism at an "anti-hate" rally on May 3, following an allegedly racially motivated attack on an Arab-American Tufts student

The statistics cited above come from the Tufts Daily and the Boston Globe.

## MARISSA BECK | EAT THIS!



### Beck's top 10 tips

Here are the top 10 nutritional tips that I would want to come away with after graduating from Tufts.

10. Life is not composed of a bunch of Dewicks, Carmichaels and Brown and Brews. There is a jungle out there, A JUNGLE! And you might have to dig deep, go long and search far and wide for that nice piece of grilled Mahi Mahi that you were once so easily able to catch here in the dining halls. Be prepared to rough it.

9. Then again, life is not composed of a bunch of Dewicks, Carmichaels and Brown and Brews. You can actually try new restaurants, taste new foods and embrace new cultures. Isn't that the kind of thing Tufts would expect from you? Opt for something different; be that person who is always flexible and can try anything.

We are no longer five-year-olds. Noodles with butter, chicken soup and Froot Loops can't cut it anymore. The last thing you want is to let pickiness become a source of mealtime tension. So I beseech you not to discriminate against your taste buds. They deserve a chance too.

Just because you think there is a "right" way to eat and live doesn't mean your body and tongue agree. How else would our fine Harvard student friends have learned to adjust to their new less expensive and ill-tasting cereal options like "Tootie

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Senior Marissa Beck, an English and art history major, works with the Strong Women program as an assistant manager and personal trainer for the Tufts Personalized Performance Program. She can be reached at Marissa.Beck@tufts.edu. This column is written in conjunction with Emily Bergeron, R.D., the editor of the Daily's Balance section.

## Seniors find core courses have their upsides

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Soviet/Russian Foreign Policy, Stalinism and History of South Africa.

Senior Matt Leeds reached into the depths of his memory to pay tribute to a course from his freshman year, Introduction to Psychology. The course was team-taught by three faculty members: Senior Psychology Lecturer Sinaia Nathanson, Associate Psychology Professor Lisa Shin and Psychology Lecturer Daniel Hannon.

"It's the reason that I'm a triple major," Leeds said of the course. "It changed the way I view the world."

Other students enjoyed the more comedic side of the Tufts faculty.

"He's an absolute maniac," senior Larry Perchick said of Associate Political Science Professor Robert Devigne. "His class, The Political Philosophy of Nietzsche, had some of the best subject matter of any I've had. He's very entertaining and relates to the students."

Although many Tufts students lament forced enrollment in core requirements, senior Sangeeta Parekh managed to find one core class that she came to love.

"I would say one of the most useful and informative classes I took, even though I'm not a science major, was Community Health 107: The Practice and Science of Medicine," Parekh said.

Courses in the art and drama departments were also popular.

"As an art major, I loved my classes with [Assistant Art and Art History Professor] Adriana Zavala," Parekh said. "Especially 20th-Century Mexican Art."

"I'd say directing, but I guess that's not really a class," senior Dan Balkin said. "Shakespeare's Rome was a favorite of mine. It's great material."

The EPIIC Symposium was another course that produced excellent responses.

Senior Kirit Radia discovered his career path through a course taught by University College of Citizenship and Public Service Lecturer Roberta Oster Sachs.

"[My most influential class was] Producing Films for Social Change — it inspired me to go into journalism," Radia said. "Professor Oster Sachs really treated us like professionals."

## Research of Summer Scholars will be diverse

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Since she first came to Tufts as a freshman, junior Chelsea Bardot has taken an interest in cleaning up the Mystic River. Her research as a Summer Scholar developed out of that interest: over the summer, Bardot will research Mystic River watershed identity under Professor Dale Bryan, Assistant Director of the Peace and Justice Studies Program.

A watershed, Bardot said, is a region draining into a body of water. "People all the way up in Woburn and all the way down in Chelsea and East Boston are all connected to the Mystic River," Bardot said. "When they pour out dirty water or chemicals, it will all go into the Mystic."

The purpose of Bardot's research is to discover if people have any collective identity as a watershed, and to look into how to promote such an identity in order to better protect the Mystic. As well as conducting research, Bardot has been involved in Water Watch and the Mystic Watershed Collaborative, and has taught classes to children about watersheds.

An environmental studies and political science double major, Bardot is also a UCCPS Scholar. She went abroad to Madagascar in the fall semester

of her junior year, and is considering a career in environmental law after graduation.

Summer Scholar Apisadaporn Thambundit, known simply as "A" to her friends, will spend the summer researching a disease called babesiosis at the New England Medical Center. Thambundit, a junior who hails from Tampa, Florida said she became interested in doing summer research after watching a friend do research last year.

"For personal reasons, I just want to gain more research experience," the biology and biotechnology major said. Over the summer, Thambundit plans to work on genetic studies to determine changes in age-related risk factors of babesiosis.

"I'm hoping that it will lead me to write a thesis under the biotech or bio department," said Thambundit, who is vice president of the Thai Club and is involved with the Leonard Carmichael Society. She also volunteers at Massachusetts General Hospital, and is currently trying to decide if she wants to work in a lab setting doing biotechnology research, or with people in a medical setting as a doctor after graduation.

Another Summer Scholar, junior Matt Toia, is taking the idea that technology keeps getting smaller and smaller to an

extreme. This summer, Toia and a team of graduate students will work on designing a digital camera that can fit on a single silicon chip.

"The idea is that you can use this chip to detect changes in a chemical reaction," the electrical engineering major said. Toia became involved with the project after taking a large-scale integration design class with Assistant Electrical and Computer Engineering Professor Sameer Sonkusale, who invited him to do some long-term research.

A native of Washington's Crossing, Penn., Toia said he hopes to integrate the research into a required senior project that all electrical engineers must complete. "I'm really hoping I get some things published," Toia said.

Toia is also the president of fraternity Zeta Beta Tau and the chief technical officer for www.tuftslife.com, as well as a member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers. He is considering going to graduate school after his senior year.

"Initially, I was always considering going right into being an electrical engineer," he said. "But now that I'm getting involved in research, it's starting to look like a definite option for me to stick around for a master's."



## Saj recalls lazy landlords, replaced RAs and World Series celebrations

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matriculation 13 days earlier we were already in our cocoon.

That afternoon I remember going to see President Bacow, himself 13 days into his first year at Tufts (a fact which he will surely remind us of today), speak in front of Ballou Hall and offer us some words of comfort.

I consider Sept. 11, 2001 the defining political event of the last four years, laying the foundation for America's two wars, polarizing public opinion of a president the majority of students and faculty on this campus believe should not be in office, and putting Arab Americans on this country's racial stereotyping map.

But it was also the defining political event of our undergraduate careers, archetypal in the sense of community it inspired, especially on a campus as infested with international relations and political science majors as this one.

Which brings me to what I found truly important about my time in the Tufts bubble: the community and friendships it fostered. They are what I personally will take with me with my diploma today, and what I will truly cherish.

Final exams and problem sets came and went (and often went poorly, believe me). Projects and philosophy papers were hastily completed minutes before, if not hours after, they were due. All of those I leave here.

But the commiserating conversations I had in the Eaton Hall computer lab at four in the morning as I worked on one of those projects or philosophy papers, the onset of delirium after spending hours in Tisch working on impossible problem sets with the least efficient of study groups, and the all-nighters during finals period half-spent studying and half-spent waiting for the dining hall to open for breakfast I will remember forever.

I will remember when my friends Emilie and Ana thought it would be a

great idea to bake cookies during the Super Bowl. They triggered the fire alarm in South Hall in the middle of the first half, prompting the evacuation of the building. If you were in South that night, then the mystery is now solved, and if you are still angry about it, I know where the girls live and have a comprehensive list of foods they are deathly allergic to.

I will remember when our RA moved out on us and was replaced. But like belligerent stepchildren, we refused to open up to the new RA, mutilated a stuffed animal, and hung it from the ceiling of the common room with a name tag that said "Mary?" on it. Juvenile? Yes. Inappropriate? Yes. But we took it down before she saw it, and isn't that what really matters?

I will remember when I lived off-campus and had to deal with the laziest landlord in the very long and involved history of lazy landlords. There was a gaping hole in the bathroom window which, to this day, I am confident has not been fixed.

I will remember standing with my friends on the Brookline Avenue overpass, perched on a guardrail, just minutes after the Boston Red Sox won the World Series this past October. In the pictures we're so happy we look angry.

And I will remember, also, writing this column every week; the single most rewarding experience I have had here. From it I have realized two things. One: I talk a lot. Even in print. Two: I really enjoy talking a lot. Even in print. Now to find a way to get paid for it.

So I ask you seniors, as you sit and listen to the speakers today and as you accept your diploma, to please steal as many moments as you can to remember all the things you want to remember, as I just did above.

Commencement literally means a beginning. A start. But don't take the jargon literally. It's an ending. A very bitter-sweet ending. Enjoy the day, Class of 2005, because it belongs to us.

## Schubin bids farewell to Hong Kong

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simmered up from the surface with the installation in my residence hall of the "Democracy Board."

In the ground floor of our residence, the Student Association placed two large pieces of construction paper with a question written at the top. This was the "Democracy Board." "What do you think of the removal of the Chief Executive?" one said. That one stayed nearly empty. One person scribbled "Bring in the Communists!" in large blue marker.

The other board asked, "What do you think about the three new halls of residence?" This got the students talking. "Too many non-local students means that there will not be development of the hall culture," one person wrote.

Another was more blunt. "Exchange students are bad for hall life!"

The students were not just inflamed about the non-local students — the proposed all-male dorm did not have too many supporters — but the issue was the most popular.

Later that week I attended part of a forum on the proposed dorms. The dean of students was English, and the forum had to be conducted in his native tongue. Most university functions are in Cantonese. There student after student got up and angrily denounced the new dorm in the same manner.

The dean seemed taken aback by the response. More than a hundred students gathered for the forum, far more than the number of seats available. "We are trying to balance the needs of the local students, but at the same time enhance our position as an international university," he said.

There was little satisfaction in the crowd. The new dorms are still scheduled to be built, and they will have an international student population between one-third and one-half of the total population.

Local students wanted to be with other local students. International students, the general opinion was, would be damaging to the way of life of the local students. Even though international students may be welcome on campus, they are so different from the locals that

the locals would rather put them in another place. This way the locals can live they way they like, and the international students can do the same.

If a bunch of Germans want to party until 6 a.m. on a Saturday and host poker tournaments in a common room, that would be allowed. If the locals want to set up a karaoke machine and cook red bean soup while singing along to Andy Lau or Kelly Chen, that would also be okay.

They have a point. Take my roommate, for example. I sleep at night; he sleeps during the day. I use the weekend for leisure and extra sleep; he goes home and works three jobs. I like to write; he is terrified of writing an essay.

We can talk, and frequently do, about these differences, but it doesn't make them disappear. We are both sides of the divide, cohabiting an 11-by-six-foot cell.

We are very different, but at the same time I wish that we could be close friends. I came abroad to experience new cultures and meet people. It frustrates me that the international students are removed from the local students. Blame lies on both sides for failure to put a real effort into getting past initial awkwardness (something I am guilty of) and also our different preferences. We remain just casual friends.

Moving into different spheres was the natural, but unfortunate, outcome. Frequently it has been this column that has forced me out of my element, into parts of Hong Kong society that I would otherwise never explore.

From Filipino Holiday Dances to the turbulent last four months in Hong Kong politics, this space forced me to push further. Having an empty space to fill has allowed me to push through the barrier and experience life on the other side. I only wish I had been able to apply it more to my everyday life.

Hong Kong is a place where I am a visitor. Ultimately I have had to accept this status: there will always be something that makes me different from those who are born and raised here. I still had a wonderful time — met many interesting people and saw new places — but it was on these terms.

My final "bye-bye" will be sad, but at least I know that I will be going home.

## Many alums stayed in Boston area

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works with homeless and low-income clients. "I support 30 student volunteers and conduct client service," she said. "Since I am working in the Somerville office, I still work with Tufts students."

"Because I'm the only full-time staff person, I've had the opportunity to wear so many different hats," she added. "Every day brings a new challenge."

Kouchouk was nervous and excited about entering the working world, but luckily she found a job that was a good fit. "The trick is to find a job where you love the environment, even if not the actual work," she said. "That way you can feel like you're with friends around the clock while you're working, just like it was in college."

Senior Week is a special time for Tufts seniors, and these graduates remember it well. Fishlin was particularly moved by the activities the night before graduation. "The candle lighting ceremony was a great time to see everyone and it really did bring me right back to freshman orientation," she said. "It was beautiful to see all of the candles walking up the library steps."

Belkin remembers Senior Week as the defining culmination of his college career. "It's a surreal feeling sitting there on the quad and realizing this is the end of college," he said. "I'll always remember sitting with my friends, realizing that the real world was only a day away."

One year after graduation, many alumni still find themselves missing Tufts and college life in general. "I miss the people," Lunn said. "Tufts was such a great place to make lasting friendships with students, faculty and staff. Sometimes it's hard walking through downtown Manhattan and not recognizing anyone."

These graduates miss the sense of community they had at Tufts, which is often

lacking in their professional lives. "At Tufts you can walk around and see dozens of people a day you know, and there is always something going on at all hours to do," Belkin said. "In the real world, it's much harder to find that, and you have to make more of an effort to find something to do on a weekend."

Although many Tufts graduates live thousands of miles away from each other, they still make an effort to visit their college friends on a regular basis. Unfortunately, Kouchouk noticed that "the trips are just a little shorter than when we had three weeks off during the school year."

Fishlin has kept in touch with her five roommates from senior year, as well as many other friends. "Right now, I'm living with three friends from Tufts, and I have visited friends that live in New York and [Washington] D.C.," she said. "My friends who are in New York and D.C. also come to Boston a lot, especially since there are many people from Tufts still living in the area."

In the next few years, many '04 Tufts graduates will be beginning graduate school. Lunn is moving to California in the fall to attend the Stanford University School of Medicine in pursuit of an M.D. and a Ph.D. Belkin plans to go to business school to earn an MBA after a few more years of work experience.

Fishlin wants to move to another city and work for two to three more years before going to back to school, and Kouchouk wants to continue working and taking grad school classes at night.

Kouchouk also offered advice to graduating seniors worried about entering the real world. "I don't think people should plan on staying at one job for five years after graduation," she said. "You should take advantage of being young and use it to find what you really want to do for the long term."

### Congratulations Community Health Program

### Seniors 2005!

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## Beck lists nutritional tips for grads

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Fruities" and "Colossal Crunch"? We never knew we would learn such a colossal lesson from Harvard.

8. Eat breakfast. Maybe you didn't do that too often here, but it's not too late to start! Studies have continuously shown that skipping breakfast detracts from concentration, good memory and mood — and that's the last thing you want now that you've got a Big Cheese to answer to.

*I beseech you not to discriminate against your taste buds. They deserve a chance, too. Just because you think there is a 'right' way to eat and live doesn't mean your body and tongue agree.*

Mmmm, big cheese. You can eat some cheese in the morning, but eating a variety of foods that include whole grains (breads and cereals); proteins (meats, eggs, beans, and/or nuts); fruits and vegetables; and milk, cheese, and/or yogurt is your best bet. You ARE a loser if you skip the meal entirely.

7. Speaking of cheese, eat and drink foods rich in calcium. Those in their early 20s need to build up calcium stores in order to prevent osteoporosis later on in life. But calcium does not work alone. In order to actually absorb it, your body needs a little bit of vitamin D.

Milk and juices are now often fortified with vitamin D, or you can just get a little sunlight (the body makes vitamin D when the skin is exposed to the light). Exercise is also an important factor — particularly weight-bearing exercise — in helping to build strong bones.

You're graduating; look to the future. Now is the time to begin weight training. Some reasons: it will help your body make hormones that protect bones; it will produce electrical activity, promoting bone growth and repair; and it will boost the flow of blood and nutrients to your bones.

6. Eat your five to nine servings of fruits

and veggies every day. Don't forget how easy it was for you to make a huge salad here, racking up the five-to-nine like it was nobody's business. According to the Food and Drug Administration, eating that amount of fruits and veggies daily helps lower susceptibility to many cancers, reduces the risk of heart disease, and protects against the effects of aging.

Make sure to eat a VARIETY of fruits and veggies — five to nine doesn't mean four apples and two pears. Different phytochemicals and antioxidants can be found in the varied colors of the fruits and vegetables we choose. So, taste the rainbow! (And I don't mean Skittles).

5. Alcohol CAN still be a part of your post-grad plan — even if it's not involved in a game of Beirut. The American Heart Association asserts that the ethanol found in alcohol appears to be good for the heart and circulatory system; but anything more than moderate drinking — two drinks a day if you're a man or one drink a day if you're a woman — can counterbalance the health benefits.

4. Water, water, water. Eight glasses a day. 64 ounces. And if you exercise vigorously, you may need even more. Don't underestimate THIS drink.

3. SNACK! Just because you might be in a nine-to-five job doesn't mean lunch is the only time to eat. Keeping healthful snacks on hand wards off hunger pangs, and you won't be tempted by the vending machines. Having a combo of protein, carbohydrate and unsaturated fat is the best way to go.

Some options could be fresh or dried fruit, nuts, or organic peanut butter on whole wheat crackers. You might find that your workplace has a refrigerator — in that case, raw vegetables with low-fat yogurt or a cottage cheese dip is "delish," as my grandfather would say.

2. Moderation. Funny that this is coming from Marissa "Extremist" Beck. But our friend the Cookie Monster has taught us a valid lesson: Eat your "sometimes cookie." AND LIKE IT!

1. www.mypyramid.gov. This class will set out into the world with the new and improved dietary guidelines and pyramid of 2005. The new food guide pyramid is cool because it can help you choose the foods and amounts that are right for YOUR BODY. A new pyramid for a new beginning — what a great note to leave on.

## Multi-million dollar donations go toward Vet School and fellowships

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alone matches Tufts' entire endowment. According to Executive Vice President Steven Manos — who spoke on University President Lawrence Bacow's behalf — Tufts is steadily catching up financially to some of its Ivy League neighbors.

*Bacow announced a generous gift to the school ... One anonymous donor pledged \$10 million toward the benefit of students and faculty. According to Jay, this gift will provide \$4 million to establish two endowed professorships, \$4 million toward endowment and financial aid, and \$2 million for endowed fellowships for graduate students.*

"We have made some headway in the last few years in our comparisons to Brown [University]," Manos said.

Brown University has an endowment of \$1.7 billion — amounting to about \$209,000 per student. In comparison, Tufts' endowment only affords \$79,000 per student. According to Manos, however, Bacow is working to steadily decrease the gap between these numbers.

"With successful fundraising and excellent investment of the endowment, we can hope to gain some more [funds]," Manos said.

Bacow has been recognized for his success in increasing the Tufts endow-

ment this fiscal year. Manos said he attributes Bacow's achievement to his latest investment plan. "This growth has come after about five percent of the endowment per year is taken out to support our schools," Manos said.

Manos also said that Bacow has been commended for his successful increase in investment returns from Tufts alumni.

This year, Bacow as well as the University Advancement Office, have actively informed donors of opportunities to support the University, and their efforts have generated some particularly generous donations.

This past March, Bacow announced two generous gifts to the School of Arts and Sciences and the School of Engineering. One anonymous donor pledged \$10 million toward the benefit of students and faculty. According to Jay, this gift will provide \$4 million to establish two endowed professorships, \$4 million toward endowment and financial aid, and \$2 million for endowed fellowships for graduate students.

The second donation was one made by alumnus and former University trustee Edward Merrin (A '50) and his wife, Vivian, committed \$3 million to endow a professorship in the School of Arts and Sciences in honor of their son, alumnus and current trustee, Seth Merrin (A '82).

This past September, real estate developer, alumnus, former University trustee, and philanthropist William Cummings committed to invest \$50 million to Tufts' School of Veterinary Medicine, recently renamed the Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine.

Cummings' contribution to the University ranks among the largest ever made to a Massachusetts university.

"Our success in increasing the size of the endowment has come from the generosity of donors," Manos said. "Among other functions, contributions from alumni and friends of Tufts have provided [students] with financial aid and helped ensure that our faculties are paid competitively."

## Volinski reflects with fondness on his four years on the Hill

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personal views of the world are constantly in a state of flux. It seems like just yesterday I thought that broccoli was the devil incarnate, and that mixing one percent and two percent milk would cause a violent explosion. Now I know that at least one of these isn't true. I wake up each morning expecting to learn more truths such as these.

You may think that it's too late for advice, but hey, who cares what you think? My advice to both graduates and incoming students is to expose yourself to as many different things as you can.

*When I first came to Tufts, I was young, immature, and cowardly. I would flee in terror from other humans. Now I am old and wise, and I turn into the Incredible Hulk when angered.*

One of the most rewarding aspects of my college career has been writing this column, which I decided to try out on a whim. Who knows what my second semester of senior year would have been

like if I hadn't sent in those three sample articles to the Daily? ("I hate John Mayer," "I hate names," and "Can't Stand It," for those scoring at home.) I guarantee that it would not have been as enjoyable.

In college, you are forced to do a lot of things that you don't enjoy, but you are also free to find any number of things that you *do*. It is these experiences that will shape your future. Find something that you love, that you could see yourself being in 10 years, and have at it.

If I had found a university where I could have majored in Spiderman, then I would have been first in line to sign up. Well, you know what they say, if you can't become a superhero, why not become a mechanical engineer? I think someone said that.

In closing, I would like to say that I am grateful for every experience that I've had here at Tufts. Many of these I'm sure I will never forget — my struggles on the baseball field, the faces of friends, and heck, even sitting in front of my computer wrestling with each sentence of these columns.

Recently, I've been wondering what I would try to accomplish if I had the opportunity to relive these past four years. While what I would do is a story for another day, the simple fact that there were stones left unturned is proof to me that you can never accomplish too much the first time around.

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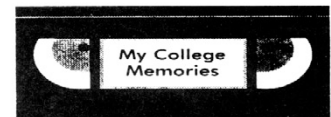
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## Mayors credit Bacow with progress

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Improved communication and cooperation is what has made the current relationship so much better than in the past, some officials have said.

"I really believe our relations with Medford and Somerville are more and more collaborative right now than they've been in 20 years," Rubel said.

This relationship was the result of "principally President Bacow's efforts to reach out to the community," she said. "[There is a] synergy that raises everything to a new level."

*Curtatone said there are several ways in which Tufts has contributed to his city, including running the Shape-up Somerville educational campaign to promote good health.*

Curtatone and McGlynn also credited Bacow with exceptional efforts to reach out to the communities.

"This president understands community," McGlynn said. "He came right in and sat down and the relationship has been a good one ever since."

"He reached out to me before I was even sworn in," Curtatone said. "I can only speak positive things about Larry Bacow [and his staff]."

According to McGlynn, the cooperation between the cities and the University has manifested itself in a number of ways.

"Tufts is the number one employer here in the City of Medford. From a job standpoint, it's a great benefit to have Tufts here," he said. "But more importantly, to have such a fine university here — from an educational standpoint — means a lot to the community."

Curtatone said he concurs with McGlynn's assessment. "My relationship and experience with Tufts has been extremely positive. It has been a very, very constructive working relationship," he said.

Both mayors pointed to various ways in which Tufts has helped the cities financially, educationally and socially. Tufts engineering professors visited Medford fifth graders to discuss bridge building, and the University hosted a symposium on strategic growth and development for Somerville.

Curtatone said there are several ways in which Tufts has contributed to his city, including running the Shape-up Somerville educational campaign to promote good health. In Medford, Tufts also donated money to repave roads and revitalize parks, according to McGlynn.

From here, both mayors expressed desire to expand upon the relationship and further these initiatives.

"I'm very happy with where we're starting from. I want to build upon the foundation we have set," Curtatone said, adding that the foundation that McGlynn, himself and Bacow construct must be "solid" enough to endure when the leadership changes.

"The president understands that importance, and we're building upon that," Curtatone said. "I see nothing but positive things in terms of the relationship between Tufts and Somerville. We're part of one community,"

Rubel said that she wishes students who came to Tufts would take more time to learn about Medford and Somerville. Students, she said, come to Tufts for four years and leave without learning about these cities.

"There is a lot of richness in Medford and Somerville, [and I want to] work and make that more accessible to [students]," she said.

For now, however, it will be up to the community and University leaders to expand on the relationship and help it progress, according to the officials.

## Tufts faculty and coaches find time for work and play over the summer

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learning atmosphere is different."

The athletic realm of Tufts also remains active during the summer months. "We don't do it for the money," Football Defense Coordinator John Walsh said. "If you're a coach, it's a year-round job."

During the summer, the football coaches travel to football camps and clinics in June and July, visiting clinics at Notre Dame and Yale to search for recruits. The summer is the time to also work on the team's playbooks, meet with other coaches, and reflect on the old season as well as the one to come.

"It's why we do it: the experience of watching kids succeed on the field, the classroom ... they grow; it's priceless," Walsh said.

Softball Coach Cheryl Milligan is attending a scheduled recruiting weekend and the summer softball season games in hopes of finding new Jumbos for the team. "It's a lot of work, but it's fun," Milligan said.

Apart from traditional recruiting events, Milligan takes time to continually improve her own game by playing with the North American Women's Baseball League during the summer months. There are four teams from Lynn, Mass. in the league, and Milligan will travel with the all-star team. She says that playing during the summer allows her to try out new stances or pitches, and to bring those lessons back to her players at Tufts.

An engineering professor planning on having an intense summer fitness experience? Not exactly congruent with stereotypes. But in addition to training for a bike tour that he has been doing with his wife for 22 years, Associate Computer Science Professor Alva Couch is mentoring three students, writing a chapter in the Elsevier System Administration Handbook on configuration management, and attending several conferences. He also has a speaking engagement at the International Conference on Automatic Computing in Seattle, Wash.

"One of the benefits of being a professor is a relatively unstructured summer schedule," Couch said. "I take advantage of that with a good two-hour bike ride a day and a 600-mile unsupported bike tour at the end of summer."

Couch's fellow Computer Science Associate Professor Rob Jacob is setting up a small summer research group comprised of two graduate students and one undergraduate with the goal of identifying the next generation of user interfaces after desktops.

Their hypothesis? The future user interface will be increasingly based on reality. "We don't know quite where to start," Jacob said. "We have a theory and will meet and simply say, 'Let's all just think.'"

Chair of the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering Mohammed Afsar will be continuing research funded by

the U.S. Army and Navy. Seven sophomores are involved in this research, which will measure the resonance frequencies of 12 different common substances, such as sugar, salt, glucose and lactose.

"Identifying materials based on their resonance frequencies is really important in determining whether the material is present inside baggage," Afsar said. "One can find out what's inside without scaring the public."

By involving younger students in the research, Afsar said she hopes that they will become proficient in the research and become "key for future research at Tufts."

Not all engineering professors choose to conduct federally funded research. Electrical Engineering Lecturer Paul McCormack will be "developing the next generation of integrated circuits for cell phones" at Bitwave Semiconductor in Lowell, Mass.

Referring to his choice to work in industry during the summer, McCormack said it allows him to "bring back the knowledge into the classroom, the new skills."

Chris Rogers, a mechanical engineering professor and the director of the Center for Engineering Education Outreach, is continually — in his words — "playing with Lego bricks for a living."

Rogers does research on Steinway pianos, studies obesity in fruit flies, is building Lego underwater robots and building inventions with teachers in New Zealand over the Internet, as well as researching for Intel on how to make better computer chips.

Such ambitious summer engagements do not finish with retirement. Mechanical Engineering Professor Emeritus John Kreifeldt teaches in Taiwan and travels in Borneo throughout the summer — and his travels have resulted in the development of a side interest: textiles.

"I've been collecting textiles from Borneo and Indonesia for years and now have a piece in the American Textile History Museum in Lowell," he said. "I'm scheduled to give a talk at the MFA [Museum of Fine Arts] next February on these textiles."

Assistant Mathematics Professor Misha Kilmer has hired two undergraduate researchers who will work with her on a project involving medical image processing.

"I definitely have several conferences this summer," said Kilmer, adding in jest, "You'll probably do the professors a favor implying we do have a real social life outside of school!"

Indeed, Kilmer is spending a portion of her summer going to Antigua with her husband for their 10-year anniversary. Her sister is also coming on the trip with her husband, celebrating their fifth anniversary.

In the end, therefore, the term "summer" does not completely lose its complete "fun-in-the-sun" meaning for professors. As Joseph said, "I'm taking a vacation too, don't worry about that."

## Some students express concern over intentions of the TAFP

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universities have some type of internal review process once every five years or so during which they ask the following questions: What is the status of our department? Where is our education heading? What do we need to add to or subtract from our curriculum?

As far as future plans for the project, Balkind said that at the moment they are currently trying to plan the forum for next fall and "reflect on what we've accomplished, what we've found out so far."

Balkind said he wanted to clarify that the aim of the project is not "to rush to judgment or punish professors," as he does not want to turn the TAFP into an "ideological witch hunt."

Despite that this revised resolution did pass through the TCU Senate, the TAFP has its critics. Pohl said he thinks that the overall conduct of the members of the project has been "reprehensible."

According to Pohl, it is not appropriate for members of the TAFP to declare their intention to report alleged cases of ideological discrimination in The Primary

Source before educating the Tufts community about how curriculum and professors are evaluated.

"It's more about getting off on belittling people than about actual dialogue," Pohl said. Pohl said he does not think that bias is an overwhelming problem in classrooms at Tufts.

If the TAFP wants to have a serious discussion they must "detach themselves from the auspices of the Primary Source and the Tufts Republicans," Pohl said. "[The TAFP has] lost too much credibility to suddenly reverse course and attempt a movement that seeks inclusion."

President of the Tufts Republicans sophomore Douglas Kingman said that next year he will create "an academic environment at Tufts that is stronger through a faculty and student commitment to multiple viewpoints and debate."

"In the fall we will continue to build a dialogue between students, faculty and administrators to get input on the current proposal, strengthen the ideas, and to form a framework for the goals of the resolution to be accepted at the university level," Kingman said.



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**SUMMER CONCERT PREVIEW**

## Cool concerts for the summer months ahead

BY VALERIE CHUNG  
Daily Editorial Board

Sticking around Boston this summer? Going to be missing all those concerts in Hotung? You're in luck. Consider checking out some of the bands that are going to be playing at various locations in or near Boston during the next few months.

**Rilo Kiley and Nada Surf:** Take your mind off any and all nuggets of nostalgia by going to Avalon tonight. Granted, it might be last minute timing and all 53 members of your extended family might be in town, but these are two indie bands not to be missed. Proof? Rilo Kiley's 2004 release, "More Adventurous," adventured its way onto dozens of "Best of 2004" lists. And even though Nada Surf is still riding on the tails of their 2002 release, "Let Go," the band's repertoire far exceeds that of most opening acts. At Avalon tonight.

**The Decemberists with Rebecca Gates:** A little known band that's going to be huge soon, this is your chance to catch them on the way up. Their latest release, "Picaresque," got rave reviews. It looks like they're filling up that ever-gaping void in the world of good new bands. At Avalon on May 25. Tickets are \$15.25.

**Stevie Nicks and Don Henley:** Although you might have to be over the age of 30 to really appreciate these guys, years of listening to my parents' Eagles and Fleetwood Mac albums have rubbed off a bit ... just a little bit. At the Tweeter Center in Mansfield, MA on June 8.

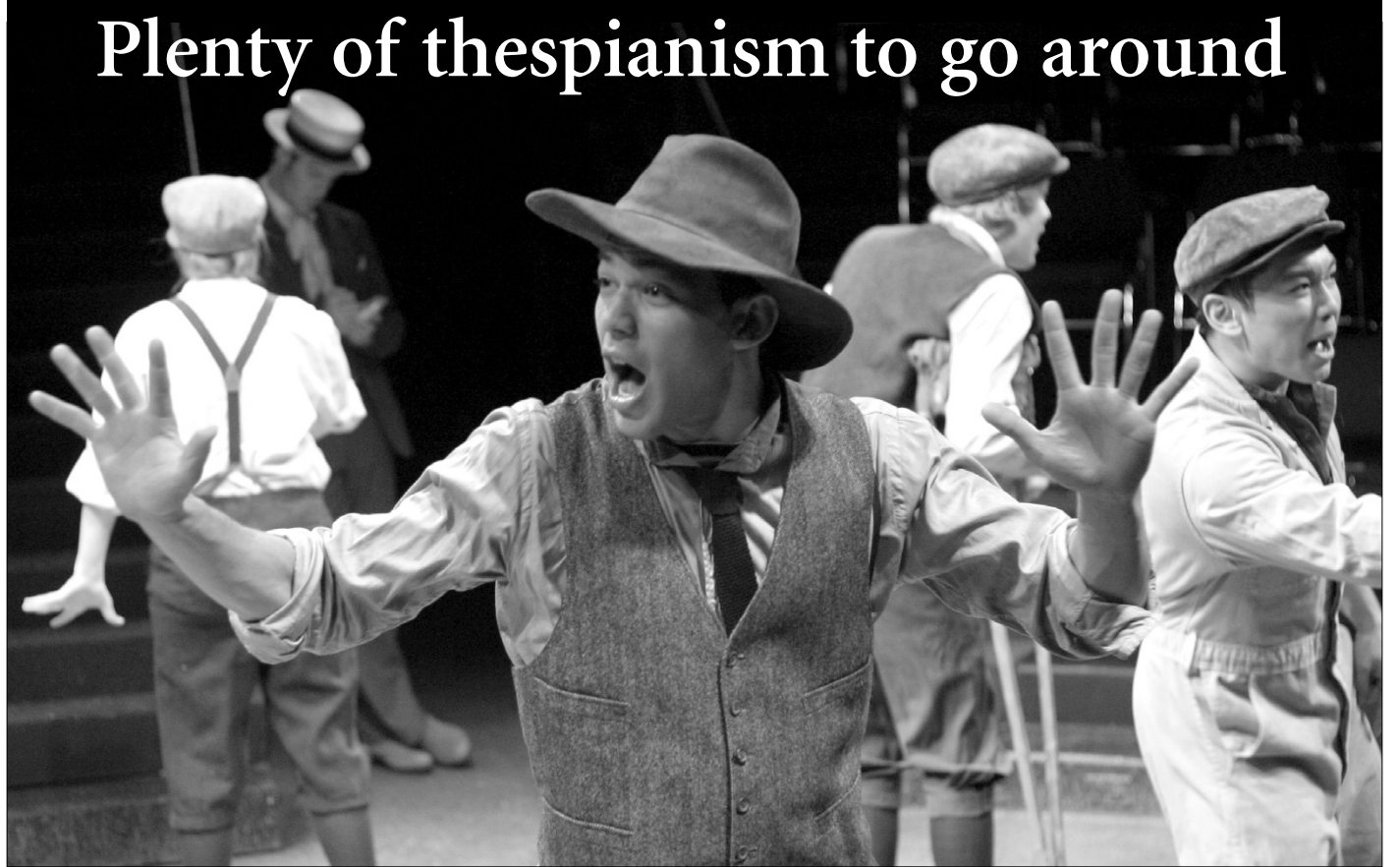
**LCD Soundsystem with M.I.A.:** Both just put out sparkling new releases. With a lot of musical variation between the two, the mix of sounds should make for an interesting show. At Avalon, June 9.

**Santana with Los Lonely Boys and Salvador Santana Band:** Santana is, obviously, Santana. A trio of brothers

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**THEATER ROUNDUP**

## Plenty of thespianism to go around



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'Newsies,' directed by sophomore Brian Smith, was a crowd pleaser.

BY STEPHANIE VALLEJO  
Daily Editorial Board

After a year of varied productions, the final curtain has been drawn on campus theater. From the dark "Monster" to the heartwarmingly chipper "Newsies," Tufts actors and actresses have explored a range of styles and settings through the drama department and numerous student theater groups.

In the fall drama department musical major, "Parade," faculty member Barbara Grossman directed a talented cast, while exploring the range of the genre. Rather than the archetypal musical of sunshine and tap shoes, Alfred Uhry's "Parade" used song to convey deeper emotion in the tale of a Jewish man's experience in 1913 Atlanta, which included lynch mobs

and rampant anti-Semitism.

Neal Bell's "Monster," directed by faculty member Laurence Senelick, was the next show to grace Balch. An egg take on Shelley's classic "Frankenstein," the show highlighted themes of life and death, passion and obsession. The creature, made by Frankenstein and subsequently ignored, wreaks a path of destruction through the creator's life. A departure from the darker themes explored this year arrived in time for a dreary spring. Noel Coward's "Hay Fever," the final department show, entertained audiences with the story of the house of Bliss. The play begins when each member of the clan invites a guest to stay in the same room, allowing for merry melodrama.

Pen, Paint, and Pretzels (3Ps) fall

major, "Metamorphoses," directed by senior Jess Fisch, brought stellar acting and characters to the stage. An update on Ovid and a Tony award nominee in 2002, the play features several classical stories tied together by the theme of love.

The spring 3Ps major, "Woyzeck," directed by sophomore Brendan Shea, brought what many have called the first modern tragedy to campus. This interpretation, set in an eerie carnival, tells the tale of the soldier Woyzeck, detailing atrocities mental, physical and emotional as the man slowly descends into madness with his only friend, the imaginary Andres, as a comfort.

On the opposite end of the spectrum, "Newsies," directed by sophomore

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**GALLERY ROUNDUP**

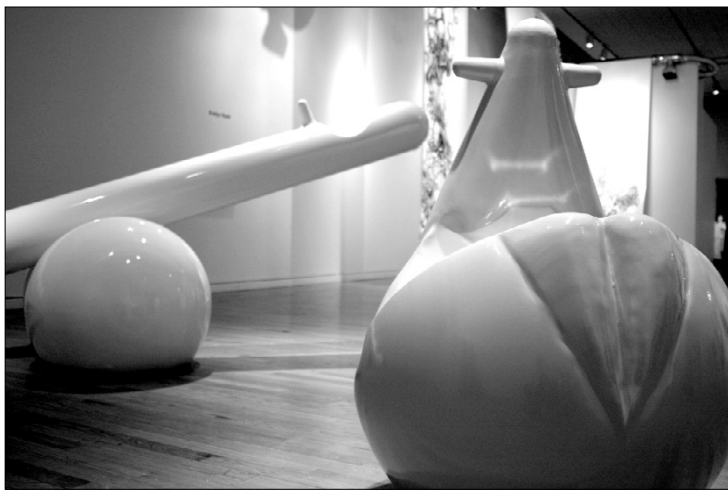
## Schlegel turns bare campus to canvas

BY ABBEY KEITH  
Daily Editorial Board

Just as each Tufts student has (hopefully) progressed over the course of their time here, so has the school and its campus. While an array of construction equipment has decorated the campus landscape this past semester, new and interesting art has adorned its art spaces.

Amy Schlegel, Director of the University's Galleries and Collections, has introduced a number of new attractions to the gallery since her arrival in January 2004. Schlegel focused on exhibiting new art, as opposed to the historical and multicultural focus that was previously taken.

For example, she introduced the New Media Wall in Aidekman, which screens artwork in video and film continuously throughout the day. The Wall played host this semester to the successful young artist Alex McQuilkin's video "Get Your Gun Up," which explores female aggression by referencing the traditionally masculine Spaghetti Western film. Currently on display is Joshua Mosley's work,



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Erin Sadler's artwork for the Senior Thesis Show

"Commute," an animation which utilizes both stop-motion clay figures and charcoal drawings.

Other exhibits were equally modern, and in some cases complementary. Lauren Greenfield's "Girl Culture," on display in the Tisch Gallery, explored the modern female life through photographs and personal testimonies. Barbara Zucker's "Time Signatures," in the Koppelman Gallery and Remis Sculpture Court, examined the restrictions that older women may experience in

society. Additionally, three of the four MFA thesis shows were on display in the Tisch Gallery this semester, each bringing a comprehensive collection of modern artist's work to the space.

Remis Sculpture Court hosted Karl Stirner's work, "Feeling Lucky," a body of work dealing with the loss of his wife to suicide shortly after his marriage. He explored both morbidity and sensuality in his iron sculptures, which have

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## Boston summer theater preview

Previewing an entire summer's worth of Boston's arts in one article is pretty hopeless — almost as hopeless as trying to teach a course called "Introduction to World History" in one semester. Although more probably happened since the beginning of time than will happen in Boston this summer. Maybe. So as not to get too overwhelmed by the cornucopia of spectacles waiting to be seen, let's break it down.

If you've ever needed a comedic monologue for an audition, you know Christopher Durang. The genius behind "Beyond Therapy, Naomi in the Living Room," among countless others, Durang currently serves as co-chair of the Juilliard Playwriting program. This summer you will find him acting in his own 1987 work, "Laughing Wild," alongside ex-"NYPD Blue" star Debra Monk at the Huntington Theater. Directed by Nicholas Martin, it's sure to be a gas (June 3 to June 26. Call 617-266-0800 for tickets).

Can't stand theater? Wish you were watching the Red Sox? The Speak Easy's "Take Me Out" may be your ticket.

Written by Richard Greenberg, this 2003 play not only garnered the Tony Award for Best Play, but also sold out shows for weeks in NYC. Chronicling the repercussions for fictional pro ballplayer Darren Lemming after he comes out of the closet, the show rings with comedy, especially in men's locker room scenes. Even better, it promises a ninth-inning rally, the kind only seen in musicals and America's favorite pastime (April 29 to June 11. Call 617-933-8600).

On the more dramatic side, you can find an encore run of "The Syringa Tree" running at Cambridge's American Repertory Theater. Written and performed by Pamela Gien, the one-woman show describes her experience growing up in South Africa during the height of Apartheid. Narrated by a six-year-old girl, the play begins with two events from Gien's past, including the murder of her grandfather, before dissolving into fiction. It was originally performed at the A.R.T.'s South African Festival this past winter (July 15 to August 7. Call 617-547-8300).

— by Alissa Green



BRIAN WOLLY |

WOLLY AND THE TEEV



## A graduate of distinction

The stakes in the ratings game have been rising over the past few years, and it is killing television. Each morning after a major televised event, a mandatory sidebar details the ratings, each story lamenting how they're lower than they have been in the past.

Network news, award shows, sports championships, you name it. All suffer from deteriorating viewer bases, and it is a trend that is driving both advertisers and television executives crazy. From the boardrooms to the blogosphere to talk radio, it is everyone's favorite pastime to dissect and analyze the causes and factors involved in the lower ratings.

To me, there's only one reason and it spans the gamut of all television genres: over-saturation of the market. With so many channels to choose from, everyone seems resigned to stoop to the lowest denominator. In lieu of trying something new to become the newest pop culture sensation, the trend has turned to copying the industry leader.

A few years back, during the home-run boom, the big talk in Major League Baseball was about the dilution of talent due to expansion. The thinking was that the finite number of pitchers with the skills to play pro ball was being spread out over too many teams, therefore making it easier for the hitters to go yard. Then, whiz kids like Billy Beane and Theo Epstein found that if you just put a good product on the field, you can succeed.

The same has been true with television for the past decade. The status of both network and cable programming is crap. With a few rare exceptions ("Daily Show," "24," "Arrested Development,") television shows have been dumbed down and sensationalized to the point that few even care. If a paparazzi-fueled show on VH1 about celebutantes (a mix between celebrity and debutante — see: Paris Hilton) is what passes for entertainment, it is clear that something is off.

No one seems to be thinking anymore; there are so few risk takers. It's like the line from "Field of Dreams," "If you create a good show, people will come." Why does no one watch the network news? Because it is bad. Fox News built up its success because it was something new; they took a risk and it paid off.

The other imitators are failing because they're just that: bad carbon copies of the real thing. Again, this carries over to reality programming, the ubiquitous "makeover" shows, and the score of "CSI" and "Law & Order" spin-offs.

Since when did the catch phrase in pop culture change from "Anything You Can Do I Can Do Better" to "Follow the Leader?" The reason there's never "anything good" on is that no one wants to take the initiative and create a solid product.

There's a burden attached to this commencement column, in that it is supposed to be profound and sentimental. I may not succeed on either front, but with this idea of an oversaturated market, I've found a parallel here to our current status as college graduates.

There are approximately two million fellow students graduating with us, and the vast majority of us will be invading the job market like ants at a picnic. As we venture out into the king of all reality shows, the real "Real World," it'll be our task to make ourselves distinctive. Being a replica of one's predecessors may suffice for NBC's Friday night lineup, but after college, the competition is a lot tougher.

Whether it is the Tuftonian ideal of "active citizenship" or the ability to write a coherent five-page paper, we Jumbos

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# Wasting away your summer days

The Daily's Jess Keiser spins the perfect soundtrack for the perfect summer vacation

The following is a list of the best songs the summer has to offer. From top 40 hits to newly-released but half-gotten cuts, the Daily collects the best tracks that have been floating around for the past couple of months for your perfect summer mixtape.

## 1. LCD Soundsystem — "Daft Punk Is Playing at My House"

Kicking off the mixtape with a barbaric yawp is LCD Soundsystem's "Daft Punk Is Playing at My House." A song that will have your insecure hipster friend cataloging obscure musical allusions in seconds flat (They cribbed that bassline from the Fall! Those are Suicide's synths!), "Daft Punk Is Playing at My House" unmasks the earnestness lurking behind the same friend's sneering music-geek facade with a tale of the French duo playing a set for ecstatic dorks. Did I mention there's a cowbell?

## 2. Amerie — "1 Thing"

Amerie's "1 Thing" is one of the more schizophrenic outings to rise to the top of the charts in recent memory. On the one hand, the song's clipped guitar notes and cascade of drum kit rattles sound like nostalgia for a lively, soulful past. On the other, Amerie's trilling, layered vocals remind listeners that this is no simple genre exercise but a forward-thinking — albeit backward-looking — pop gem.

## 3. Ciara ft. Ludacris — "Oh"

Another hit, but this one is as free from nostalgia as it is evacuated of warmth. Cut from the same block of ice as Usher's "Yeah" or even Kraftwerk's robot jams, "Oh" sounds as if it was recorded in a cave and then slowed down to an icicle's drip. Ludacris phoned in his verse from the other end of the cavern, but it only adds to the song's languid charm. The thought that people might actually be dancing to this, or — even better — grinding to it in slow motion, will get me through those hot summer months.

## 4. M.I.A. — "Sunshowers"

Believe the hype: critical-darling, genre-defier and next-big-thing M.I.A. is as good as everyone says she is. If you're still not sold, listen to "Sunshowers" on repeat until its wobbly cartoon noises imprint themselves onto the folds of your brain. But don't take it too lightly: a tale told by a

Sri Lankan refugee whose separatist father had to flee the country that invented suicide bombings, "Sunshowers" entangles itself in the sound and fury of 21st century politics and doesn't escape unscathed.

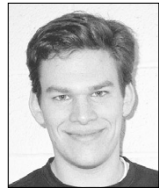
## 5. Lady Sovereign — "Random"

Played on pirate radio and weaned on England's pseudo-hip-hop grime culture, Sovereign is one of many shining beacons in a burgeoning movement that is indebted to everything from dancehall to post-punk. She's also 5'1", white and a teenager: all things that you wouldn't expect from the author of a song that has the audacity to send up Ludacris and Lil' John. This, plus the fact that "Random" includes a chorus that sounds like it was lifted from a miniaturized Bollywood musical, makes it the best hip-hop-song-that's-not-a-real-hip-hop song of the year.

## 6. New Order — "Waiting For the Sirens' Call"

New Order's latest album — from which this is the title track — consists largely of well-trod territory and already broken ground. Never mind: "Waiting For the Sirens' Call" will remind you why New Order are the greatest pop band ever. Incorporating everything from schmaltzy strings to emotive choruses to a hook that could catch the stone deaf, "Sirens' Call" might even stop you from putting on a

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BRETT WEINER | FORCE PERSPECTIVE

## Declaration of principles

As the school year comes to a close, relatives, family friends and adult casual acquaintances all ask the same loaded question: "So, Brett, what are you doing after you graduate?"

All the people in my parents' social circles know me as The Biology Major Who Goes To Tufts, so they expect me to name a medical school, mention a graduate program or at least say "working in a lab."

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Instead, I respond, "Going to L.A. to work as a production assistant." The result is always a look of shock that quickly transforms into a confused stare. Knowing that during commencement I will hear the what-are-your-plans question several thousand times, I've decided to stop explaining and instead stare blankly ahead and smile as if my response is completely logical.

But for a moment I'll drop the silent defense and clarify why I am going into the entertainment industry. I'm sure my parents are wondering why I made a choice to go into movies. Tufts isn't a school for media and it is even less of a school for film (though it has made great strides in those fields). Why would I go to a school full of economics and international

relations majors when I could have applied to NYU or USC?

It's very simple. When I went to college, I gave myself one goal. It is small in words, but large in importance. I set out to find my passion. The wide-eyed freshman Brett didn't really have a clue where he was going to go in life. Tufts allowed me to accomplish exactly what I wanted: to find something that inspires me to work.

When I look back with this career path in mind, I realize that the potential for me to be a filmmaker has always been a part of my personality. As a little kid I would imagine that I was a secret agent and run around the front yard, fully content in my fantasy even when I had no friends to join me. I would also create a massive backyard war between my noble G.I. Joes and the feared Cobra. Unlike the cartoon, Cobra usually won, mostly due to the fact that they had much better costumes.

These imagined ideas and stories stayed with me. As soon as I realized that

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TRAVELING LUSH

## Last call: time for some beer-soaked reflection

BY DENISE HO  
Senior Staff Writer

If you're a senior reading this during a particularly boring part of the Commencement ceremony, chances are that you've had more than enough to drink already after Senior Week. Or perhaps it's just me and a sign of my impending senility: I've yet to graduate and really start my life and I'm already starting to get old.

Over winter break I caught myself thinking about how much effort it took to get ready to go out and party. I was content with bumming around at home with family and movies. Given that summer and winter breaks had, up until then, always been a frenzy of late night reunions, my parents were understand-

ably a bit puzzled. Eventually they approached me, asking whether there was anything wrong or if my friends were simply all on holiday.

"No," I replied. "It's midnight and I really can't be bothered to leave the house now."

My dad still looked at me strangely, as if he thought I might be delirious and running a fever. My mom, on the other hand, gave me a look that said, "Finally, she's calming down." I became acutely aware of the empty silence resounding from my younger sister's room — her curfew wasn't for another half hour, after all. Assuming that she acquired the same party genes as I did, it meant that she was probably out having fun traipsing around the streets of Hong Kong. Whatever remnants of my younger self remained in my

body flared briefly with jealousy of her youthful energy. Sheesh. I was already turning into an old lady.

Yet the crazy years don't seem too long ago. I still remember my first rum and coke at L.A. Café, my first flaming lamborghini at Hardy's II back in high school (Hong Kong drinking age: 18). I can even recall my first drink ever: my grandfather had given me a sip of his beer and I remember revulsion sweeping through my body. I like to tell people that I was three-years-old at the time, but that's just because I just assume that all my earliest memories originate from around that point in time.

My, how far we've all come since our first drink, whether it was at the family

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## SUMMER MOVIE PREVIEW

## The Daily basks in the cool glow of bad summer blockbusters

Summer movie lineup is unoriginal but entertaining

BY DAVID CAVELL  
Daily Editorial Board

Like Michael Jackson and little boys, blockbuster films and the summer months go hand in hand. In fact, "summer movies" is a category all to itself, mostly involving high budgets and Will Smith. In preparation for the upcoming season, the Daily will handicap the field, previewing the most appealing of the bunch. If nothing else, enjoy the air conditioning.

**Madagascar** (May 27). These days it's not summer without Ben Stiller. In the first promising non-Pixar cartoon in a while, Stiller teams up with Chris Rock, David Schwimmer and Jada Pinkett Smith to voice a quartet of pampered zoo animals shipped off to the wilds of — you guessed it — Madagascar. There they are forced to interact with the native animals, one of whom is voiced by Sacha Baron Cohen (better known as Ali G). Ali G and Ben Stiller sharing screen time? If nothing else, it should be commended for novelty.

**Cinderella Man** (June 3). For those seeking a film about boxing, the Depression Era, and Russell Crowe, the release of this film will be a red-letter day. Directed by Ron Howard, who was paired with Crowe in "A Beautiful Mind," the film is generating an Oscar buzz. Think of this movie as a mix between "Seabiscuit" and "Million Dollar Baby." Million Dollar Seabiscuit?

**Mr. and Mrs. Smith** (June 10). You know that show "Cheaters" on the WB? The one where suspicious spouses hire a camera crew to secretly follow their cheating partners around and videotape the adulterers in the act? "Mr. and Mrs. Smith" is pretty much the same concept, albeit with a larger budget, as rumors have abounded that the film was the real reason behind the end of Brad Pitt's marriage to Jennifer Aniston. Pitt and Angelina Jolie play married contract killers hired to kill each other. Will we be able to tell exactly when Pitt decided, "You know, I enjoy making out with Angelina a little too much...?"

**Batman Begins** (June 17). After Micheal Keaton departed, campy disasters followed.



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(Clockwise from top left) Jessica Simpson stars in the film version of the much beloved hickfest, 'The Dukes of Hazzard.' Johnny Depp in new 'Chocolate Factory.' From the creators of 'Shrek' comes a safari adventure titled 'Madagascar.' Christian Bale puts on the bat mask.



DREAMWORKS ANIMATION SKG

Directed by Christopher Nolan, the man at the helm of such dark thrillers as "Memento," the film will hopefully be a return to the franchise's equally dark roots. Christian Bale ("American Psycho") has toiled in semi-obscure obscurity for too long while talentless clowns (see: Colin Farrell) have vaulted past him into stardom. Hopefully, this film will reverse both trends.

**War of the Worlds** (June 29). After a successful collaboration between Tom Cruise and Steven Spielberg produced 2002's summer hit "Minority Report," the duo team up for the second time. Whether it be Will Smith, Mel Gibson or now Tom Cruise, watching humans battle aliens as cities explode never grows

tiresome.

**The Wedding Crashers** (July 15). Vince Vaughn and Owen Wilson go around crashing weddings to pick up chicks. Nothing more needs to be said.

**Hustle & Flow** (July 15). The only indie film on the list follows a pimp trying to make it as a rapper in the Memphis hip-hop scene. A huge favorite at Sundance, it could provide a nice change of pace from big budget star-studded films.

**Charlie and the Chocolate Factory** (July 15). At this point, many people would pay to watch Johnny Depp eat a bowl of cereal. Thankfully, he'll be doing more than that here. Weirdness king Tim Burton directs the remake, and word on

the street is that the special effects are out of this world. Hopefully Depp manages to do for this film what he did for "Pirates of the Caribbean," making a good film great.

**Bad News Bears** (July 22). With the hilarity of "Bad Santa" in mind, Hollywood has realized any movie in which Billy Bob Thornton drunkenly cusses at young children is solid gold.

**The Brothers Grimm** (July 29). Monty Python alum Terry Gilliam is famous for writing and directing quirky high-budget flops. These failures include some of the most underappreciated films of the last 25 years, from "Time Bandits" (1981) to "12 Monkeys" (1995) to "Fear

and Loathing in Las Vegas" (1998). Starring Heath Ledger and Matt Damon as the famed fairy tale auteurs, "The Brothers Grimm" promises more of the same ... and that's probably a good thing.

**The Dukes of Hazzard** (August 5). Director/cowriter Jay Chandrasekhar, who directed and played Officer Thorny in "Super Troopers," promises to add an offbeat tinge to the familiar tale, as do Seann William Scott and Johnny Knoxville playing the Duke brothers. And Jessica Simpson wasn't just born to play Daisy Duke, she's been playing the part her entire life. And now she'll be wearing hot pants.

## TV ROUNDUP

## From re-runs to recaps: television regurgitates itself for the summer

BY KELLY RIZZETTA  
Daily Editorial Board

Television fans beware: the season of re-run hell is almost upon us.

That's right — while the rest of the Hill is preoccupied with teary goodbyes and wild last hurrahs, couch potatoes all over campus are preparing for a finale of a different kind. Every week, new promos advertise tantalizing teasers for season-ending cliffhangers, and TV fans stock up on "In Living Color" DVDs to sustain themselves through the long haul of summer hibernation.

But this year, the Daily will not let viewers quietly succumb to the tedium of infomercials and Lifetime movies. In an atmosphere ripe for reminiscing, let us now take a moment to look back on the highlights of the 2005 spring season with the first ever Midseason Emmy Awards.

Nostalgia was the name of the game this year with comeback performances and series remakes popping up on just about all of the major networks, including the prime-time returns of Tim Daly, Fran Drescher and

Candice Bergen. Unbelievably, VH1 managed to crank out yet another edition of "I Love the '90s," instantly relegating anyone over the age of 15 to antique status. John Stamos joined Lori Loughlin as the only two former "Full House" cast members to survive the post-show TV curse, only to have his ABC comedy "Jake In Progress" postponed indefinitely after a brief 38-day run.

But the real comeback queen — and the recipient of the Midseason Emmy for Best Resurrected Artist — goes to none other than the former "Baywatch" beauty herself, Pamela Anderson. Her FOX sitcom "Stacked" (co-starring another small screen relic, Christopher Lloyd) has only aired five episodes, but the fact that it stayed afloat this long is reason enough for recognition. In "Stacked," Anderson plays a party-girl-turned-librarian, proving that even if she was dumb enough to marry Tommy Lee, at least the chick can read.

But not every actress was out to prove something with her television work this spring. In fact, a couple of Hollywood's biggest and brightest stars made the plunge from silver screen to small screen with

some surprisingly delightful results. Halle Berry collaborated with "Barbershop" veteran Michael Ealy on a made-for-TV adaptation of "Their Eyes Were Watching God," while Sandra Oh shelved her Oscar-nominated film career to round out the cast of ABC's "Grey's Anatomy."

However, the runaway winner for Best Crossover Star has to be Edward Norton for his stint on the PBS miniseries, "Strange Days on Planet Earth." Who ever thought that the endearingly hapless sidekick from "Rounders" or the tempted priest of "Keeping the Faith" would find himself talking about global warming and species evolution on public television?

On the other hand, the competition for Worst Reality Series was not quite so easily monopolized. So many networks offered such astoundingly awful candidates that it was difficult to choose just one. "Survivor" was decidedly mediocre, and "The Contender" possessed few redeeming qualities. A drunken midjet riding a scooter was the highlight of VH1's latest "Surreal Life" incarnation, and despite the twist of including two hard-rockers in this season's

final 12, "American Idol" simply couldn't find the spark to help it reclaim its glory days. Donald Trump's inflated ego crossed the line when he tried to cram two seasons of "The Apprentice" into one year, adding that gimmicky "Book Smarts vs. Street Smarts" premise.

Ultimately, though, the WB's out-of-character foray into reality television trumped even the Donald. The network's competition show, "The Starlet," made a mockery of the genre — a real accomplishment given the nature of reality TV. The show's grand prize was to appear in an episode of a WB teeny-bopper melodrama. Enough said.

Last but certainly not least, the award for Best Ability to Put a Stranglehold on Ratings No Matter What Time of Year It Is results in a three-way tie between "CSI" (all fourteen versions), "Desperate Housewives," and "Everybody Loves Raymond." One is an evening soap, one is a medical/crime drama, and the other was a beloved family sitcom in its final season. Hey, it may not be logical, but at least the diversity will make the summer re-run season more bearable.

# 3Ps enjoyed a successful season highlighted by 'The Pillowman' and 'Newsies'

**THEATER**

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Brian Smith, brought a sunny enthusiasm to campus. An adaptation of the 1992 Disney film of the same name, the show entertained and amused audiences with its tale of newspaper-boy woe.

An adaptation of Martin McDonagh's Broadway play, "Pillowman" cleverly mixed comedy and tragedy. Directed by senior Dan Balkin, the show follows the police investigation of child murders eerily reminiscent of those in an author's short stories.

Maureen Donohue, president-elect of 3Ps, believes the shows produced by the many groups beneath the 3Ps umbrella this semester were diverse.

"We had a range. 'Woyzeck' and 'Newsies' are about as different as you can get," she said. Donohue and the group tried to choose shows that would interest both actors and audiences.

"We're trying to find shows that the actors want to do and get Tufts excited. We've been trying to get new people to shows, who don't necessarily spend all

their time in the theater," Donohue said.

The 3Ps spring minors, "Newsies" and "The Pillowman," were among the best audience draws according to Donohue. Other staples of Tufts theater enjoyed good attendance as well, including Bare Bodkin's annual 24-hour theater festival.

Bare Bodkin continued to bring student-written works to the stage in the fall with "Aria da Capo Prime," a work combining Edna St. Vincent Millay's "Aria da Capo" and two acts by senior Kate Burns. In the spring, Bare Bodkin sponsored "The Night Visitor," a play by senior Armen Nercessian, which brought the author's nightmares to life.

Eve Ensler's "The Vagina Monologues," directed by senior Christina Hanson, once again packed Cohen just in time for V-Day to educate and entertain. Rat-a-Tat, Tufts activist theater, brought "The Laramie Project," and Hillel sponsored "Kindertransport," which provided theater with a social context and message.

It was a year for comedy as well, with the newly formed group Major:

Undecided hosting its first feature show, "Death by Vending Machine," in the spring, while Cheap Sox continued to make audiences laugh with its witty brand of improv. Traveling Treasure Trunk continued to bring creative theater to local children, and the mimes of Hype! explored the genre outside the glass box.

Torn Ticket II, the musical theater organization, brought "A New Brain" in the fall, and "Children of Eden" in the spring, as well as "Tick, Tick ... BOOM!" and a jointly sponsored minor with 3Ps.

Next year's theater season looks equally promising for 3Ps and the organizations beneath its umbrella, with "The Wild Party," and Edward Albee's "A Delicate Balance" set to debut in the fall for Torn Ticket II and 3Ps, respectively. Donohue has found that the call of the theater and a promising new season often bring back alumni.

"We haven't had Hank Azaria or Peter Gallagher come back, but we're a close knit community, and I anticipate a lot [of alumni] coming back next year," Donohue said.



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'Parade,' directed by faculty member Barbara Grossman, explored the boundaries of musical theater.

# Petty, Santana highlight summer concerts

**CONCERTS**

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from West Texas, the up and coming Los Lonely Boys artfully combine the classic Tex-Mex fare of country, blues and rock with Latin rhythms, some hot guitar playing and Beatles-style pop melodies. Sure to be a hit. At the Tweeter Center, June 17.

**Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers with the Black Crowes:** Tom Petty was quoted in Rolling Stone saying: "Only a complete greedhead would charge \$150 for a concert ticket ... I was at one of our gigs recently and I was just stunned driving in that it cost \$30 to park your car ... You got to care about

the person you're dealing with." Thank God for Petty's philanthropy. Lawn seats are \$95. At the Tweeter Center on June 18.

**Ja Rule:** I don't really know where he's at right now in terms of his battle with 50 Cent, so if you go to his show, be careful. Touring in support of his latest release "Blood In My Eye," the small venue will provide an unusual chance to see Ja up close and personal. At Avalon on June 27.

**Dave Matthews Band:** You know you love them, just give in to the craving. At the Tweeter Center on July 9 and 10.

**The Melody Tent Festival:** New York has the Hamptons,

Chicago has ... Wisconsin and Boston has Cape Cod. Besides the scenic view and tasty sea breeze, every summer Cape Cod opens its very own Melody Tent, located in Hyannis. This year's circuit features such acts as the newly-wed Seal (6/15), Carole King (7/11), Liza Minnelli (7/16), and "the Gambler" Kenny Rogers (8/12). And don't let the name fool you — "Melody Tent" also features comedienne such as Dane Cook, Lewis Black, and Bill Cosby. June 11 to July 24.

For a complete list, go to *Teaparty Concerts*, <http://boston.cc.com>.

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## A selection of singles for the post-punk Marxist in us all

**MIXTAPE**  
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better New Order song.

### 7. The Futureheads — "Hounds of Love"

According to conventional wisdom, the Futureheads are an a cappella group stuck in a rock band's body. The truth is they're both. Making use of the plaintive "ooh-oohs" of Kate Bush's "Hounds of Love" (which I always took as her approximation of barking, although I could be wrong), the Futureheads make a past classic their own.

*It reminds me of a time when indie rock was made by snide assholes, and not by tousled artistes who puke their precious feelings all over the 'Garden State' soundtrack.*

### 8. Beck — "Girl"

Beck sounds even more aged and cracked on his latest album, "Guero," than he did on previous releases like "Mutations" or "Sea Change." "Girl," which is "Guero"'s second single, might be a return to Beck's cut-and-paste Dadaist roots, but it's hardly a rise to renewed relevancy; instead, it's a sad recapitulation of a better past. Why include it on the mixtape? Because it reminds me of a time when indie rock was made by snide assholes who wrote impenetrable lyrics and

cryptic music, and not by tousled artistes who puke their precious feelings all over the "Garden State" soundtrack. More songs about Scientology and serial killers, please!

### 9. Kelly Clarkson — "Since U Been Gone"

"Since U Been Gone" is the sound of every 16 year old white kid transcribing their scribbled journal into song. Unfortunately for them, the robots that write Kelly Clarkson's music kicked their collective ass. Does it matter? Nothing matters when Kelly lays on that chorus; it's the marriage of Ashlee Simpson's faux-rage and fabled garage band sincerity. Idle Americans everywhere must be wondering whether this is authentic manufactured pop or the reverse.

**10. Scritti Politti — "Hegemony"**  
Scritti Politti is not a new band, nor is "Hegemony" a new song. However, "Early," the album that includes "Hegemony," is a new collection of old songs by Scritti, all of which are worth hearing and loving. Page 672 of my official rock critic's manual tells me that, like the Beatles or Virgil, an artist is supposed to begin with throwaway pop before moving on to real art. Starting with the art and topping it with the pop, Scritti Politti took the opposite path. The band began as a socialist collective in a squalid flat, writing scraping post-punk anthems with a decidedly Marxist tilt before abandoning dour Das Kapital for melodic New Romantic sheen. "Hegemony" falls somewhere in the middle of this dialectic: part love-song, part capitalist critique.

## Art will abound on campus this summer

### GALLERY

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recently begun to incorporate other mediums, notably photography.

In addition to these exhibitions, the gallery hosted artist lectures on every other Wednesday afternoon and Thursday evening. Lecturers included McQuilkin, Mosley, Greenfield, Zucker, and many of the MFA candidates, as well as visiting artists. Guest artist Abigail Child screened her video, "Cake and Steak," an examination of the American nuclear family. Over the summer, the "Annual Juried Summer Exhibition" will feature exhibits by artists who work in Medford or Somerville.

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Currently on display at the Tufts University Art Gallery is the final of four MFA thesis exhibitions, which are shown each year at the gallery. Each artist is part of the joint graduate degree program of the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston and Tufts University. In this exhibition, the work takes the form of installations, paintings, photographs and new and mixed media art.



Karl Stirner's sculpture 'Barbara Series #2'

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## End of college means absence of safety net

**LUSH**  
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table, a frat party during freshman orientation or anywhere in between. According to the 2004 Tufts Alcohol and Drug Use Survey, over 80 percent of Tufts students classified themselves as drinkers: light, moderate, heavy or otherwise. Given these stats, most of us here today have probably had some pretty silly crazy fun nights out drinking with friends.

Many of us have probably been sick after drinking too much. At the very least, we have experience with taking care of friends and leading them back home safely. Many of us can point out blanks spots in our memories as well. I remember how my friend, Val, asked me over dinner the day after a night out whether my leg was alright. I looked at her completely baffled, and asked her what on earth she was talking about.

"Dude, you tripped and fell. You don't remember?"

Ah. So that's where that bruise came from.

By now I hope that most of us have learned from all of these

experiences. The past four years of college were probably the only four years of our lives during which we could drink to our hearts' content and not suffer any truly significant consequences. We may have been given warnings, even suspended, but TEMS is always minutes away on campus if anything happens. We have a tight group of friends on whom we rely on to safely deliver us home when we have one beer too many.

Whether my vision of the future is accurate, I have a feeling that we won't necessarily have those safeguards in the future. I feel like I'm entering a new stage where life won't be quite as easy on me if I make mistakes; close friends will not necessarily be there for me in whatever city I end up working in to ensure that I return home safely. City police will not be nearly as forgiving as TUPD if they find you "napping" on a sidewalk somewhere.

But on a more optimistic note, I don't think most of us have to worry that much about behaving badly once we graduate from studenthood. The Tufts

experience has taught us well, has helped us grow beyond drinking just for alcohol's novelty. Personally, I know my parents have also played a huge role in teaching me responsible drinking habits by practicing responsible drinking themselves.

Drinking, especially in American society, has often been said to be a rite of passage. Nothing is more telling of that than the drinking that occurs during college. I'd like to think that we have all learned enough over these four years to step out into the real world knowing how to drink responsibly and safely.

By no means do I suggest that we'll all be boring fogies as of 5 p.m. tonight. On the contrary, you should know the best places in Boston for a drink by now. Take your parents, heck, even your grandparents, out for a drink tonight with your friends.

Cheers and congratulations, everyone. Here's to my closest friends and all the Jumbos. You'd better call me up if you're ever in Hong Kong — we'll catch up over some drinks.

## Weiner proves not all biology majors go to medical school

**WEINER**  
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there were ways to communicate my fictive worlds, I started to think about different visceral media: videogames, comic books and films.

*At the screening of the short film I made as my senior project, I heard 50 audience members gasp. Seeing something I created have a direct and audible effect on a mass of people showed me the power of the medium.*

Fast-forward (an outdated term that will soon be replaced by the word "Step") to my second semester of junior year of college. I was sitting at the table in my apartment at three in the morning finishing a lab report. My housemate had just come back from a late night of laying out this fine publication and I took his entrance as an opportunity to procrastinate. I began to complain about my classes and workload. In response, he made a casual remark, almost under his breath, "You seemed much happier when you made short films last semester."

I was happier when I was making movies. After I realized this, schoolwork became a distraction from all my creative endeavors —

acting, humor writing, sketch comedy and filmmaking. It took someone else to point out where I should spend my time and what I want to do. Once the picture became clear to me, I decided to do as much as possible creatively and never look back.

When I go to Los Angeles and begin my career by making copies and reading scripts about Vatican-sponsored mercenaries, I will be driven forward by the end goal of sharing my imagination and creativity with anyone who wants it. I love movies because of the potential and possibilities to entertain. At the screening of the short film I made as my senior project, I heard 50 audience members gasp. Seeing something I created have a direct and audible effect on a mass of people showed me the power of the medium.

That's a power I want to use responsibly. When writing and directing, I consider myself an entertainer. I don't have higher pretensions of art, but my definition of entertainment may differ from notable Hollywood producers. What is not entertaining to me is cliché. Although explosions, fights and lowbrow humor have their place, I am also fascinated by the clever, the stylistic, the fantastic and the complexity of life.

Finding what I loved to do took me my collegiate career, but I've been one of the lucky ones. To those of you that don't have a passion, keep searching, you will find it one day. Don't be afraid to search everywhere and never stop looking. To those of you who know what you want to do, pursue it as best you can, make no excuses for chasing your passion and never look back. See you at the movies.

## Following the leader is the norm for networks

**WOLLY**  
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have the opportunity to truly distinguish ourselves in our post-graduate life. Our degree from a marquee institution will only carry us so far; after all, its not as if every Dick Wolf pilot ("Deadline") or Jerry Bruckheimer craptacular ("Skin") is bound for success. The Tufts experience has hopefully taught us to be individuals and not follow the herd mental-

ity. Be unique, be interesting, and you'll keep your audience's attention.

On a last note, I'd like to thank everyone at Tufts who has contributed to making the past three years on the Hill so memorable. I left SUNY-Binghamton after my freshman year — free HBO in the dorms and everything — for the windy wonderland of Tufts. Here I stayed, surviving without ESPN, and am fortunate to have

had amazing professors and great friends. Thanks to the E-Men and to the Daily staff for occupying the bulk of my time.

Finally, congratulations to my step-mom Val, who is graduating today from George Washington with a master's of fine arts in painting. Now that we're both free, we can watch cable together all day long.

Too bad there's nothing good on.

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What a long strange trip it's been. These four blissful years in our Tufts bubble are gently floating toward the inevitable pop. Soon, we'll have to get up before noon every day (except Saturday and Sunday). We'll have "responsibilities." We'll have children ... maybe someday. On the other hand, no more all-nighters to crank out 40-pagers before class. And for those of us not leaving for Tierra del Fuego, winters can only improve. So just in case you need reminding, before you leave, here are our four years in review.

At the dawn of our college experience, it was Sept. 11 that first brought us together. Since that long morning that stretched into a longer afternoon, our newborn selves stumbled into a changed world. The next night, thousands of students gathered for a silent candlelit procession.



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President Larry Bacow was as new to Tufts as the rest of us. He reached out to get to know the community, even inviting students to join him on his 6 a.m. runs in clear disregard of our nocturnal ways — and let's be honest, sheer laziness.

At the same time, Tufts lost its second in command, beloved Provost Sol Gittleman, renowned expert on Yiddish literature, baseball and other related topics. Gittleman announced that he would step down at the end of the year. Current Provost Jamshed Bharucha was selected in April to take Gittleman's place.

And whether he was our idol or our political nightmare, everyone was talking about former President Bill Clinton's appearance as the Issam M. Fares lecturer. Proving his oratorical skillz, Clinton tossed his prepared speech to respond directly to Fares' questions on Middle Eastern affairs.

Also on the matter of peace, students were thrilled to hear the South African Archbishop Desmond Tutu in Goddard Chapel, where Tutu delivered an enchanting smattering of thoughts.

The year in music incited competition for tickets to Billy Joel, which sold out online in under 15 minutes. Spring Fling's budget was shrunken after funds were diverted to help pay for Billy Joel's performance. Headliner moe. was the result.

Our sports teams emerged victorious — the softball and baseball teams won NESCAC championships. The football team ended the sea-

## 2001-2002



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son with a respectable 6-2 record.

But stormy campus politics kept the pundits at work. The Student Labor Action Movement (SLAM), lobbied for increased wages and better benefits for Tufts service workers.

SLAM leader Iris Halpern stayed in the public eye when she filed a sexual harassment complaint against the campus conservative magazine The Primary Source. The Source commented on "well-endowed SLAM members" and "oh-so-tight tank tops," and published a cartoon of a stacked female student. The Committee on Student Life dismissed the claims, citing freedom of the press.

The tables were turned when Source editor Sam Dangremond filed charges against three noted campus activists — Liz Monnin, Adam Carlis and Lou Esparza — alleging they assaulted him while he guarded the cannon. Minor punishments were meted out.

It was a feisty time. At the first Trustee Luncheon ever opened to the greater Tufts community, things nearly boiled over after students packed the room and used a question-and-answer session to barrage Trustee Chairman Nathan Gantcher on campus race relations.

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Meanwhile, the University embarked on a journey of self-discovery, more formally known as the Task Force on the Undergraduate Experience. The gears were put in motion to identify areas in which the University could improve.

## 2002-2003

Our second year at Tufts, things really started to hit the fan. World-famous annual tradition the Naked Quad Run brought trouble when debauched students wandered (or sprinted) past the dinner hosted by Bacow in the Gifford House. Several alcohol-induced injuries led University administrators to scrutinize the nude jog.

Bacow's distress led him to fire off an early-morning e-mail to students, writing, "The combination of consumption of alcohol with a mad dash through an icy, hilly campus at night cannot continue." (But nakedness, she will triumph.) Bacow also told us he was "sorely disappointed"

in our behavior, and we were sent to our dorm rooms without dinner.

The Greek system began to crumble when three houses were temporarily shut down for pulling out pledges' toenails. Just kidding, it was for hazing. Administrators publicly chastised fraternities and sororities for not contributing more to the campus community. In a P.R. Thermopylae, Greek students countered that their efforts were not adequately publicized and that they lacked administrative support.

But Tufts' administration had more holes in it than Swiss cheese. That year, Tufts lost its deans of admissions, engineering, the medical school, the nutrition school, the Sackler School and the dean of academic services and student affairs. Dean of the Colleges Charles Inouye also stepped down.

The year was marked by other notable absences, including both Fall Fest and Spring Fling. At the Senate office, someone had forgotten to carry the four and Fall Fest succumbed to the resulting budget shortfall. Spring Fling fell prey to April's not-so-gentle showers.

And when TCU President Melissa Carson resigned mid-term, the Senate discovered that it had no procedure to deal with such an eventuality. The position remained vacant for the rest of the year after Senate leaders decided no election was necessary, proving TCU presidents are just figureheads anyway.

Unprecedented situations continued to flummox senators when a TCU presidential candidate resigned post-nomination but pre-election. Chike Aguh emerged victorious from the procedural confusion and charges of backroom political machinations.



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The campus darkened after the death of junior Wendy Carman, whose off-campus apartment caught fire. Fire safety and off-campus housing came to the fore in the campus discourse, and Carman was remembered as a warm and caring friend.

That year, intellectual celebrities made Tufts their mecca, as students were treated to Howard Zinn, Kurt Vonnegut, Noam Chomsky and Philip Zimbardo. Campus was atwitter about alternative history, cognitive linguistics and psychological mind games.

The small but stalwart conservative community also embraced esoteric thinking but failed in its bid to gain Senate representation as a cultural minority. The student body quashed the proposed amendment in a campus-wide vote.

But activism was not limited to the right. As the country slouched inevitably toward war, students and professors joined forces in the Tufts Coalition to Oppose the War in Iraq (TCOWI). TCOWI proposed a moratorium on classes to mark the first day of the war, which failed when war coincided

with spring break.

And campus received George Bush Sr. as the annual Fares lecturer with a heady mixture of twitterpation and consternation. Gantcher was filled to bursting while protesters milled in their designated area on College Ave.

Both inside and outside, student protestors were running into trouble with authorities. Outside, police arrested protestors for escaping their pen. Inside, students whistled and heckled Bush and displayed an upside-down American flag with "F\*\*\* war" written on it.

Bush complimented protestors on the "eloquent" way they expressed themselves, and laughing students were on his side when the protestors were escorted out. One protestor, Liz Monnin, had her Alumni Association senior award revoked for allegedly making a vulgar gesture at Bush. That middle finger is a sure-fire way to rile The Man.

In positive news, however, the football team actually won the Homecoming game for the first time in 10 years, defeating the sorry Bates Bobcats 27-0.



## 2003-2004

Junior year was a rebuilding year. Some of us were too immersed in life in Amsterdam or Paris to notice Tufts' day-to-day happenings. Others carried on, lucky not to miss the winter's record lows and the new pay-for-printing policy. At least they got to riot when the Red Sox lost.

Due to special permission from the surrounding community, the Gantcher Center was finally put to use for social programming and Fall Fest was officially replaced by Fall Ball.

After more than a year of navel-gazing, Tufts produced the Task Force's final report, which called for a need-blind admission policy and movement toward a residential college system, among other findings. Work toward these goals has been glacial, it seems.

A small committee of students and administrators, meanwhile, put their heads together to reform the Naked Quad Run. This year's NQR incurred fewer injuries under the watchful gaze of police

and student volunteers. The event was redubbed by some the "Nighttime Quad Reception" and the administration shut down the legendary West Hall pre-party, attempting to compensate us with hot chocolate and donuts. In one unbroken tradition, drunken townies still videotaped us running naked.

And Tufts' administration began to regenerate its lost limbs by gaining new deans of engineering and undergraduate admissions. Dashing political science professor Jim Glaser assumed the newly-revamped position of Dean of Undergraduate Education.

After sophomore year's troubles in the Greek system, Todd Sullivan took on the Pyrrhic position of Tufts' first director of Greek life. Three fraternities were put on disciplinary restrictions; students cried foul in the name of the campus social life.

The football team continued its winning streak from the previous year by once more vanquishing its opponent in the Homecoming game.

Less heartening though more emotional, the Red Sox lost their chance to compete in the World Series. Distraught students could not help but riot. Six TUPD cruisers and a prisoner transport vehicle were required to disband the mob.

The Medford/Somerville campus endured two great tragedies that year. Sophomore Alex Mendell, a TCU senator active in many campus groups shocked his many friends by taking his own life in September. In January, the campus was shocked again when senior Peter Vabulas collapsed behind Miller Hill on his way home from class and died of a heart condition.

In the campus agora, the nature of obscenity was at issue when Tufts Republicans complained that the University-sponsored "Sex on the Hill" fair promoted a "degraded view of sexuality." Who knew flavored lube was so controversial? The debate attracted local and national media coverage.



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Another fair, Tufts' first-ever Culture Fest, sparked no such debate. Hordes of students packed the campus center to sample the international food, music and dance.

After a two-year winning streak of former presidents, the Fares Lecture failed to present a speaker our junior year. But campus was graced that year with ice cream guru Ben Cohen of Ben & Jerry's and famed director Spike Lee.

SLAM held true to its cause of better-

ing working conditions for Tufts' service staff. SLAM activists held large-scale protests during the visit of potential students and their families during April Open House.

The campus community sadly noted the passing of Trustee John Dowling, whose generosity contributed to the effort to raise the Dowling student services building. He is remembered as a dedicated and enthusiastic alumnus of the University.



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## 2004-2005

That fall, it was pell-mell helter-skelter election frenzy. Liberals put their hopes in the frigid-faced Frenchman, John Kerry. Conservatives put theirs in the Texan messiah, George W. Bush. Polls were dead even.

Students joined to combine their two favorite pastimes — politics and drinking — by sponsoring a "Kegs for Kerry" fundraiser. Our thirst for punditry was slaked by mock debates, faculty panels, and war in the campus editorial pages. Bush won reelection.

But even if not everyone was dancing a jig over that outcome, we could all rally when the impossible happened and the Red Sox won the World Series. With students spirits' dampened by the win, there were no riots, but one kid

punched a cop.

Another epic battle this year was in the matter of freezing snow bullets versus Tufts students. Walking surfaces alternated between knee-deep powder, frozen slush and treacherous ice luges. The siege let up in April, just in time for finals.

This year's lecture circuit brought Senator Hillary Clinton for the Fares lecture, who made us nostalgic for slick Willy. Five thousand bodies packed Gantcher for the yearly rite.

Morgan Spurlock, director and star of "Supersize Me," delivered an amusing lecture on how eating too much fast food makes you fat. Spurlock recounted his one-month experience eating only McDonald's food, which one doctor

begged him to quit after comparing his liver to pâté.

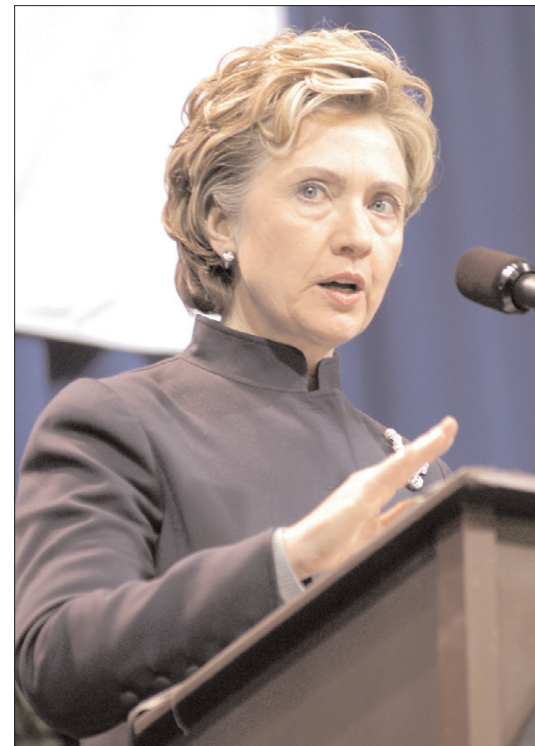
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Greeks couldn't get a break this year. Tufts administrators forbade two fraternities from serving alcohol at any social event. Delta Tau Delta was closed and put on probation until 2007 after a pledge mishap. Nearing the end of Zeta Psi's two-year probation period, the brothers slipped up and got caught with a keg.

Topics related to homosexuality were on everyone's lips this year. Clamor arose when the Tufts Republicans co-sponsored a panel on the health risks of homosexuality, at which one panelist claimed, "there is no such thing as gay people."

The campus debate concluded over the Red Cross' policy of not taking blood donations from men who have had sex with men. The Leonard Carmichael Society, which sponsors blood drives on campus, sent a petition to the Red Cross asking it to reexamine its policy.

This year, Health Services released the results of its "Alcohol and Drug Survey," cataloging for the first time students' mind-altering habits. Eighty-three percent of students reported having suffered hangovers, 71 percent had vomited in private, while 32 percent had



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vomited in public.

Forty-three percent of upperclassmen had used marijuana, or "the mother herb." Fourteen percent of students said they had done something they regretted while using drugs, which altogether doesn't seem too bad.

And finally, construction began on Sophia Gordon Hall, and will be finished exactly one year too late for us.

So there you have it. Surely we neglected the best party in the past four years, the best concert, the best whatever, but that's really for you to remember. And if you can't remember that, ask your friends.



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## EDITORIAL

## Keep the Greeks

The year that is drawing to a close has been a difficult one for fraternities and sororities at Tufts, with a series of high-profile Greek disciplinary problems leading many on the Hill (including those in Dowling and Ballou) to question the value of Greeks on campus. While troubles on Professors Row and beyond are certainly not to be excused, this campus would do well to remember the value that fraternities and sororities add to Tufts. Many students, faculty, and administrators should not be so quick to point at Greeks as the cause for problems that are endemic to the campus as a whole, not simply the fraternity and sorority houses.

First and foremost, however, should be the realization that Greeks do bear some responsibility for the tribulations that now rest on their doorsteps. They are the ones who choose to have parties where liquor laws are wantonly disregarded, leading to walk-home injuries, fights and noise disturbances. Fraternity brothers who use their membership as a carte blanche to start fights and show a lack of respect towards women are just now reaping the seeds they have sown over years of brotherhood. Perhaps most sig-

nificantly, some fraternities and sororities on campus perpetuate an "us versus them" attitude of elitism that makes it especially difficult for the remainder of campus to come to their defense in times of crisis.

Nevertheless, in the furor to implicate fraternities for everything from underage drinking to understudying, Jumbos have lost sight of what fraternities contribute to this campus. On Halloween, Greeks opened up their houses to local children for "Halloween on the Hill," giving community members the opportunity to have some fun on campus. This past semester saw efforts by Greeks to raise money for women's heart disease, throw a bash to raise awareness for Crohn's Disease, and walk for breast cancer. The Greek system is not, contrary to popular belief, about constant partying; we would do well to remember the community service to which most Greeks are committed. Greeks don't just give beer; they give back.

Many also forget that the problems on Professor's Row this semester are not exclusive to the fraternity and sorority system: underage drinking, hazing, sexu-

al improprieties and racial tensions exist all over campus. While this is not an excuse for these things to be practiced anywhere on the Hill, it should serve to put the current woes in proper perspective. Many who are quick to point the finger at fraternities and sororities for alleged hazing, for instance, seem to forget that many of the same activities occur with regular frequency within sports teams, clubs, and other groups. Dealing with the fraternities and sororities without looking at the larger nature of the problem will be both ineffective and unfair.

One of the main assets that Tufts offers to potential and current students is a campus community: although Tufts is very close to Boston, the University offers students plenty of things to do without hopping on the red line. Fraternities are an integral part of this campus and its social life, a fact that administrators and students would do well to bear in mind when contemplating their future. Keeping Greeks on campus and in good shape may not be an easy task, but the dividends paid by a robust fraternity and sorority system are well worth the effort.



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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## On the Daily's AACT editorial

The members of AACT would like to thank the Daily for its recognition of Asian American Studies (AAS) as a worthy cause. We would, however, like to clarify a few potentially misleading points made in the editorial published on Friday, April 29.

The editorial states that "an aspiring political scientist may desire a great deal of knowledge about the rapidly growing and changing nations of the Asian continent." Again and again, we have distinguished Asian American Studies from Asian Studies. These are two distinct disciplines with different methodologies and areas of focus — a basic fact that seems to be misunderstood in the first reason cited by the Daily.

The editorial asks us "to remember that the addition of more AAS (as well as other ethnic studies) will benefit students of all ethnic and cultural groups." We have not forgotten. We have long declared that *everyone* — of all races — will benefit from AAS, as it would contribute to a more complete and accurate understanding of America and the world. We are glad that African American and Latino/a Studies are already part of Tufts, but Asian American Studies remains neglected as a crucial piece of history.

The editorial argues "an increase in faculty would provide the Jumbo Asian communities with positive role models and culturally relevant mentors." AACT has consistently demanded that Asian Americanist professors not be confused with Asian American faculty. While we appreciate and need minority faculty on campus, what we are demanding is

appropriately trained scholars specializing in AAS.

Finally, the editors advise AACT to "broaden its appeal and seek to work with Jumbos of all stripes." Let it be known that "Jumbos of all stripes" were part of the protest. AACT has worked with and continues to work with students across race, gender, and sexuality. With increased and accurate representation of this issue, we hope the appeal of AAS will spread even further.

Thomas Chen '04  
and the members of AACT

## To President Bacow concerning the Anti-Hate Rally

*EDITOR'S NOTE: On May 2, President Bacow sent an e-mail to the student body concerning an alleged hate crime. The following day, there was an anti-hate rally which addressed the incident (see page 3). Below is a response to President Bacow's e-mail from a Tufts student.*

President Bacow,

Thank you for your words. I value your concern for the safety and well-being of all members of the Tufts community. I also value your dedication to developing the Tufts endowment, and I respect the time and energy you put into meeting with trustees like the one you saw this afternoon. I'm sure you heard what a powerful event the rally this afternoon was. Students, deans and faculty spoke about the impor-

tance of modeling global attitudes here on campus. You would have been proud.

Among the most passionate speeches we heard was that of a professor in the history department whose name I didn't recognize. He echoed statements that had already been made, statements about silence not meaning neutrality; about the importance of taking responsibility for what's going on around us. What sent ralliers into an enthusiastic roar, however, was when he shouted: "You need to raise your voices and tell the grown-ups who think they rule this school—" well, he was drowned out by cheers at that point, but I gather it was something along the lines of "to take action."

The fact of the matter is, President Bacow, that you DO control Tufts. The students have the power to yell and write and fight and learn, but only the administration has the power to punish the perpetrators. You can punish them in a thoughtful way, in a way that forces them to think about what they have done while letting the rest of us—many of us, if the past is any indication, capable of committing similar crimes in the future—see what will happen if we do so.

In the future, I hope to proudly donate to an alma mater whose administration is invested in understanding and protecting the health and safety of our diverse world. I can safely say, however, that I will be MUCH prouder to donate to a school whose administration is equally invested in protecting the health and safety of its own students against crimes of hate and ignorance.

Hilary Lustick  
Class of 2005

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### Proud to be a Jumbo

Yup, you are all done. After four years of all-nighters, naked quad runs and walking up and down the hill, you are all ready to get into the “real world.” I’m sure most of you out there are asking yourselves, “What am I going to do with myself now that I’m done with college?” My advice to the class of 2005 is to do what you have been doing for the past four years: be a Tufts Jumbo in the real world.

A couple of months ago, I interviewed President Bacow about his views on active citizenship at Tufts and asked him for his definition of the term. He replied, “Active citizenship is playing an active part in your community, whatever community that might be, whether it is your professional, neighborhood or school community.” In these few words, President Bacow encapsulated one of the concepts Tufts University strives to teach its students — how to become active citizens in their community.

For the past four years, as a member of the Tufts community, you have been a Jumbo. You have worn the brown and blue proudly and have not only learned about international relations, economics, biology or political science, but have acquired the skills needed to become better members of the community.

Take these concepts into the real world and show your Jumbo pride. Remember that summer of your sophomore year, when you scrambled to find that perfect summer internship and had to settle for working at your local retail store instead? Well, when you get into the big corporate and non-profit worlds, show your Tufts pride. Make internships and opportunities openly available to Tufts students. Make it easier for future students who are going to be in the same position you were in.

Also give back in the traditional sense and make a financial donation to Tufts. As many of you know, money is what makes the world go ‘round. At Tufts, with our medium school size and modest endowment, we are often held back by financial constraints. Play a part in getting rid of the money limitations that plague Tufts by giving back financially. Everyone giving a little can turn into a lot of people getting a lot of good.

Be a part of Tufts Career Network. The Career Network is a valuable opportunity to stay connected to the Tufts community. Be available to students who have questions about a job, career, or major. Remember you were once in that same position — curious about the “real world” and asking a million questions to anyone who would answer.

Take part in the Tufts admissions process. One of the greatest things about Tufts is its broad network of students, alumni, faculty and staff from all around the globe. The student body is geographically diverse because of a system of dedicated alumni all around the world who facilitate alumni interviews. Become an alumni interviewer. Spread the Tufts word to the next generations of Tufts students and tell them about your experience at Tufts.

Last but not least, be proud of being a graduate of Tufts University, a world class university dedicated to academic excellence, active citizenship and a global perspective. Whenever you hear someone say,

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## John Paul II’s final message

BY JACK GRIMES

As the world absorbs the election of Benedict XVI as pope, pundits continue to ask whether the new pontiff will continue the message of his predecessor. But just what was the message of John Paul II to the world, if it can be summed up in a single theme? It is a mistake to think only in political terms of “conservative” or “liberal,” weighing this or that policy. His message was at a much deeper level than policy. It was the undercurrent of his papacy, stretching from his first days confronting Communist Poland to his last days standing firm before the ravages of illness and death. It was a message deceptively simple but profoundly revolutionary. It was this: “Every. Person. Matters.”

There is a temptation to scoff at that message. It sounds too simplistic, even

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childish. How deep is it to say “everybody’s special?” Not very, if all that is meant is some vapid sentimentality. Nor is the forced finding of “specialness” where there really is none — a practice so ruthlessly mocked by the satirists of South Park — worthy of attention. Yet that message, if maturely held and well-argued, is relevant to nearly every human conflict in which we find ourselves.

Consider the questions it could address: Are workers to be considered mere faceless tokens in economic calculations, or do we protect each one from suffering too much at the cold hand of the market? Is the opposite sex to be treated as prey — stalked and captured for our personal pleasure — or do we respect each one and seek their good ahead of our own? Are children to be feared as intrusions and nuisances, extinguished like a disease, or do we welcome each one into life with love and care? In times of war, do our enemies become mere expendable animals to

whom we can do whatever we wish, or does each one retain his human right to decency despite his crimes? Should our elderly, our disabled and our poor be told to fend for themselves or get out of the way, or should each one — each and every one — be given the chance to live his life to the fullest he is able?

The answer all depends on what you make of the claim “every person matters.” That claim touches nearly every area of human existence for it is not just about how a person should be treated, but what a human being *is*. Whenever you ask whether something “matters” you are asking what is its meaning — what is it for, what is its value?

There are only two ways anything can possess value. It can either be valuable for some other purpose or it can be simply valuable in itself, valuable regardless of what comes of it. We call that which is valued for something else a “means.” We call the thing for which a means is

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## Active citizenship on campus and beyond

BY LOUIS ESPARZA

A few weeks ago I learned that Radix — the journal of liberal and radical thought — bit the dust. A sad event indeed, especially since I helped found that organization during my stint at Tufts.

Radix was one among many organizations that I was involved with, but it also played a special role. Radix has its roots in the lesbian and gay rights movement in 2000. The Tufts Christian Fellowship (TCF) had denied a student a senior leadership position because she identified as a lesbian. The Tufts Community Union Judiciary revoked their privileges as a student organization for violating the Tufts non-discrimination policy. Under intense pressure from right wing and libertarian organizations that believed non-discrimination policies should be abolished because they limit free association, the Committee on Student Life overturned the

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decision and reinstated TCF.

That fall, a coalition of students called the Tufts Students Against Discrimination (TSAD) conducted a series of rallies, banner-hangs and teach-ins that culminated in the November sit-in at Bendetson Hall. About 20 of us occupied the building for two days, resulting in the President affirming a student’s right to believe in their own identity.

During this time, many of us felt that the campus media outlets were decidedly biased against us. The poor media coverage of these events became our inspiration to create an alternative media source, and Radix was born.

During its four-year tenure at Tufts, Radix covered issues related to globalization, feminism, over-consumption, racism, identity politics, jingoism, environmentalism, direct democracy, prison reform and the anti-war movement. Perhaps one of the journal’s highlights was of its coverage of the protests against George H.W. Bush’s Fares Lecture in February of 2003. The Tufts Alumni Association accused a Senior Award recipient of giving the President “the finger” — an accusation that they used as

an excuse to revoke her Senior Award. Radix published a picture of the one person who did flip off the President and it was not the accused.

Radix’s legacy is not clear, but its unceremonious departure from the media fray defines the exit of a social movement just as much as its presence in the past helped to define campus social movements.

Radix was not the first of its kind. As long as the University keeps admitting creative parvenus, it will most certainly not be the last. I expect to see another leftist magazine at Tufts in the near future. Tufts, of course, has always been infested with the radical element. Their activity peaks and troughs, as if to give the campus a chance to catch its breath before the next torrent.

Besides my involvement with the media, the rest of my time at Tufts was a race against the clock. You only get four years before it is time to pack up and move on, so I tried to institutionalize activism as much as I could.

I was always concerned with softening declines in activism by supporting the

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## By what standard can we measure the value of human beings?



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valued an "end." Money is the best example. We don't desire dollars for their own value, but for the things they can buy us. Money is just the means to the end of purchasing.

Yet purchasing is not valued for itself either — we don't buy things for the sake of buying, but because they help us or make us happy. Purchasing is a means as well, a means to survival or happiness. Since we don't desire happiness for something else beyond it — we just want to be happy — happiness is not a means at all but is an end in itself. Money matters, ultimately, for happiness. Happiness simply matters for itself.

What do humans matter for? Men, women, children — are they valuable only for something else (the state, the economy, scientific progress, etc.) or are they simply valuable in and of themselves? Are they a means or an end? The old saying goes, "don't use people and love things, use things and love people." If people are means, we use them to get the things we value. If people are ends, we love each person for just what they are. John Paul II argued strongly that a human being, each and every one, was an end in himself. No one, poor or rich, could be considered a pawn, either of the State or the free market. No one, whether old or disabled, foreign or unborn, could be rejected as a "drain" on society. The Pope taught that every person has value that he could never lose and that no one could take away.

Such a teaching is not unique, of course. Kant is famous for developing a religion-less ethics with the central axiom, "treat every person never simply as a means, but always at the same time as an end." The difference, however, between the pope and the philosopher arises when one asks, "Where did the inherent value of a human person come from?" *Why does every person matter?*

Kant was unclear in answering this, but philosophers after him came to the conclusion that "value" is something people just will into existence. Money is again a useful example. A dollar bill is, essentially, a green scrap of paper with scribbles on it. What makes it so much more than that is our will, our decision to

regard it as a means of currency. We've defined it to have value, and so it does. Lately, people have thought our human value has come about the same way.

Creating our own value was an exciting new idea. People felt free to define themselves, free of old traditions and particularly free of religion. Yet for all the talk of freedom, trying to give ourselves value has given us burdens never dreamt of before.

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When one has to decide where one's value comes from, the whole meaning of life is at stake. There is tremendous pressure in coming up with what will let you say, "This is what makes me worth something." Students often use their grades as measures of their worth. We many times seek our value in being wanted and desired by a mate. Careers have become the most common definition — the more we succeed, the more we are worth.

When times are good, that might work. But if good grades are what make me matter, what happens when I fail? If I have built my kingdom upon a job title, when I lose it I become a pauper. If you have based your self-worth in the love of a boyfriend, what happens when he leaves? By your own standard, you are literally worthless. Even if we are free to define our own value, when we fail to live up to it we are imprisoned by our own definition. To whom can we run when our own standard condemns us as failures, and the meaning we sought for our life has crumbled all around us?

If we all define our own value, what stops someone from defining the value of others? Or a group of people from determining the value of another group? That is what men did under the banners of Nazism and Communism, determining the value of "undesirables" to be zero. John Paul II grew up in the shadow of those two horrors, which led him to

seek the source of human value outside of ourselves. Inherent human dignity could not be built on the shifting sands of human opinion, but only on the solid rock of divine truth.

Look again at money. To be more accurate, "we" do not define the value of money. The federal government, an entity existing outside us as citizens, has declared the greenback's value. Our opinion does not change that truth. We can crumple, spit on, even rip that dollar in half and its value cannot change. No matter what we think of it or do to it, as long as there is a Fed to recognize it, a dollar's worth remains \$1. Yet the dollars do not define themselves.

Human value, John Paul II taught, is rooted in God in an analogous way. Humans are inherently valuable not for what they can do but for what they are. Humans are, the Church teaches, "the only creature on earth that God willed for itself." God created men and women for no other purpose than to share his divine life. Not to fulfill some need of God's but to receive from God the gift of happiness he desired to give. Each person is not a tool, but an end. Each one is because God willed her to be. Because it is the infinite God who wants each person to exist, each one's value is infinite. No matter who they are or what they have done, no matter what any earthly power may say, each man, woman, and child is infinitely valuable for as long as there is a God to recognize them — that is, forever.

That is the heart of the message John Paul II proclaimed to a world that had forgotten it. When his words failed him, he spoke with his own body, showing that even great sickness cannot steal the worth from a life God has created.

Pope Benedict is already adding words of his own: "Only when we meet the living God in Christ do we know what life is. We are not some casual and meaningless product of evolution. Each of us is the result of a thought of God. Each of us is willed, each of us is loved, each of us is necessary." I think he will continue that message. He will continue to address us, we who live in an age where at both ends of life, human worth is being forgotten. And he will continue to make us wonder, "Is it true?"

## Alum on activism at Tufts

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organizations that harbor active citizens: Oxfam Cafe, Crafts House, the University College, etc. Institutions like these help maintain continuity when burnout sets in or when the ownership society is on the march.

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As an Omidyar Scholar I co-authored a booklet — Working by Consensus — to promote direct democracy in student and community organizations. It wasn't very much, but it was

something. Today I am heartened that most of my Tufts friends with whom I still keep in contact find a way to bridge their career paths with their passions as active citizens. Many of us are connected to the Tufts Progressive Alumni Network (TPAN) through which we maintain our connection to our alma mater.

TPAN serves as a networking resource, a place for campus social movements to tap for alumni support and a sense of historical continuity and occasionally (when we can find the time) a programmatic event. We put active citizenship at the center of what we do.

This is the challenge that we all face as graduates: to continue to be active citizens in our communities. Adjusting to a new community after being uprooted from campus is not always a smooth transition to make, but it is a necessary one. Radix may only live in the University archives, but those of us who worked on it are just getting warmed up.

It takes time and energy to build a better future. If you took the time out of your busy campus life to do it, you can almost certainly find the time to do it afterwards. Good luck and Godspeed.

## Alums should stay involved

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"Tufts? What's that?" Answer, "It's where I went to college. It's a great place, right outside Boston, where I had a great time, met some great people and broadened my horizons."

Spread the Tufts name so it can be known not only in academic circles and the tri-state area, but all around the globe. The nature of Tufts' reputation is a reflection of how you, soon-to-be alumni, portray it in the outside world.

The premise of my column this semester centered on the idea of "Social Entrepreneurship," innovative ways in which opportunistic individuals can bring together their individual needs with the needs of the community to better both simultaneously.

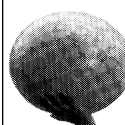
So when you graduate today, be a social entrepreneur for Tufts. If Tufts' image is good, not only will you benefit, but Tufts will too.

Congratulations to the class of 2005 for making it this far. Remember your time here in Medford, Massachusetts and be proud to be a Jumbo.

Bill Nave saved these



kids from drowning, but he's not a lifeguard.



Verleeta Wooten found several new stars, but she's not an astronomer.

And Ivan Neal put out a lot of fires, but he's not a firefighter.



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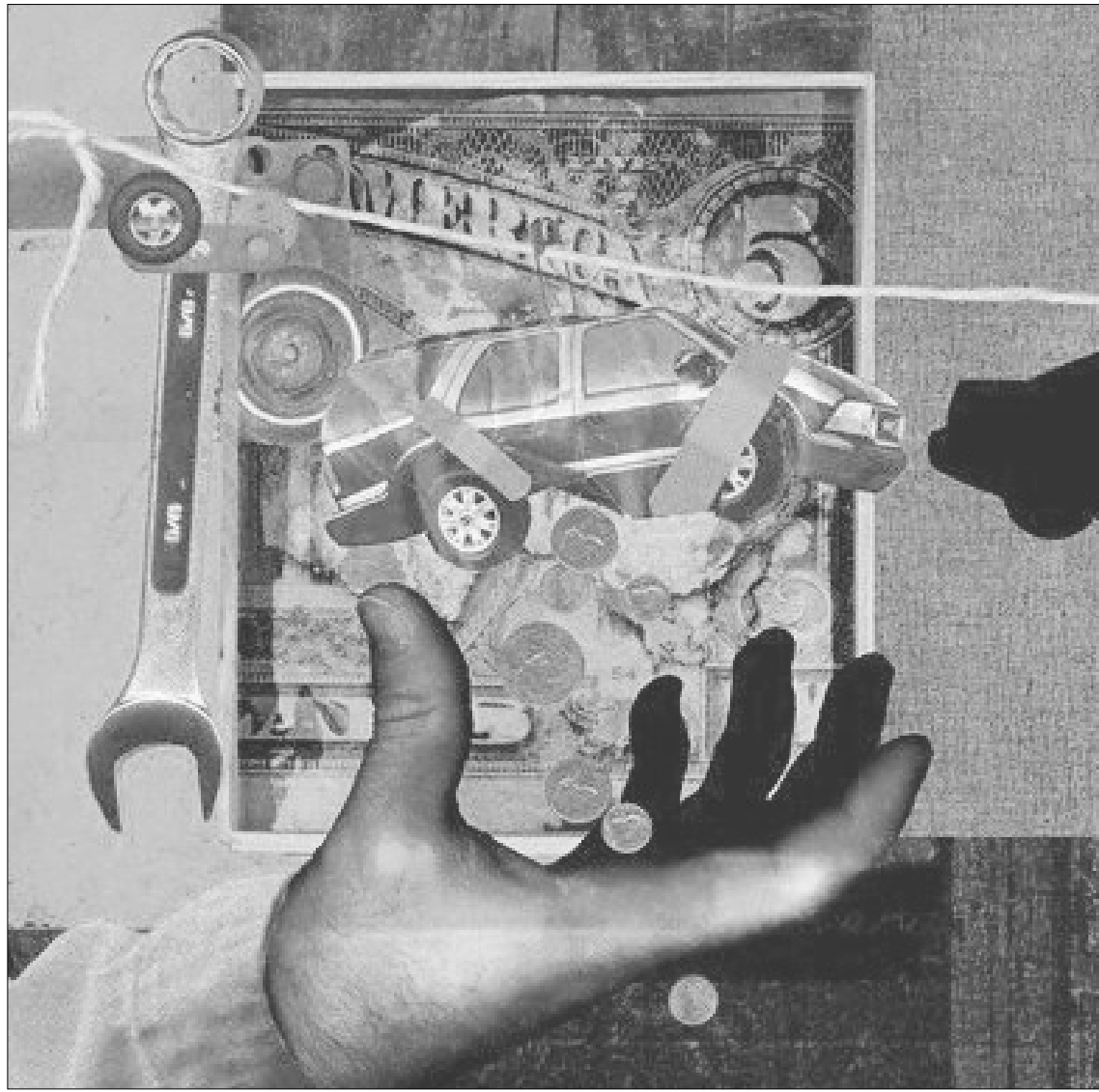
## Problems with Bush's energy bill abound

BY AARON BANKS

That's it? That's all you got? Gas prices are averaging \$2.28, nine of the 10 hottest years on record have occurred since 1995, and what does President Bush offer in his energy bill? He proposes building oil refineries on old military bases, eliminations of some of those messy regulations that keep us from throwing up nuclear plants, and suggestions of drilling in the Alaska National Wildlife Refuge. Karl Rove and Tom Delay must have written this "Gigli" of an energy bill on the back of a napkin during one of Delay's free flights to Korea.

The centerpiece of this plan is pathetic. Building oil refineries on old military bases will take years and does not come close to solving the real problem. America uses oil as if it comes from Idaho, costs nothing, and is good for the planet. Offering to build refineries — years from now — is a political gimmick designed to distract attention from high gas prices. Worse, it is yet another Bush proposal that will be paid for with more deficit spending. However, let us imagine for a second that this energy bill becomes law and that Dubya convinces communities across America to refashion themselves in the image of the less attractive parts of New Jersey. The result: even more consumption of foreign oil, only now we would be refining the Saudi crude.

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freshman out of Intro Economics to explain that if we increase the size of the tax credit (instead of ending it), more people will buy hybrids, oil consumption will drop, and so will prices. But apparently common sense, as well as the buck, stops at the door of the Oval Office.

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As Americans, we solve our problems through ingenuity, meaning we must invent our way out of this energy crisis. To do so requires a real commitment from our leaders. Apparently though, the Bush administration is so anti-science that they would rather continue writing checks to Fundamentalist Dictators than make a real investment in energy research.

America deserves an energy policy that is built on more than shoddy ideas and hot 'n heavy hand-holding with the Crown Prince of Saudi Arabia. I urge you to write your Senators and President Bush and tell them we want an Energy Bill that is forward thinking, rewards lower fuel consumption, funds important research, actually mentions alternative energy and doesn't coddle oil-rich autocrats.

As for the President's plan to scrap some of the regulations on nuclear plants, I ask you this: if the next nuclear plant were proposed for Medford, would you want more or less checks, inspections, regulations and due diligence? George Bush's

answer: less.

One of the few good ideas in the plan is to extend the tax credit for hybrid car owners to those who purchase cars with new, clean(er) diesel technology. Unfortunately, the credit that already exists is scheduled

to be phased out after 2006, making Bush's attempt at an eco-friendly energy proposal look pretty empty. After all, why would we want to encourage people to drive cars that use up to two-thirds less gas than conventional cars? I could pull a

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would like to thank its current and former staff  
in the Class of 2005.

We wish you luck in your future endeavors.



# Top Ten in sports

## Top Ten Tufts Sports Stories of 2004-2005

**10.** This year saw a veritable baby boom on the Tufts sports scene. From football to softball to hockey, it was the year of the freshmen, with rookies like Danielle Lopez, Erica Bailey, Adam Arsenaunt, Bianca Spinoso and Greg O'Connell taking the NESCAC by storm.

**9.** The athletics complex underwent a change this year, as Bello Field was christened as the new turf home for the lacrosse teams and field hockey team.

**8.** New coach Tina McDavitt breathed new life into the field hockey program, turning the team around and taking the Jumbos to a 10-6 mark and NESCAC playoff victory.

**7.** With a trio of All-Americans and a stacked roster, the men's lacrosse team set the bar high this year, with hopes of the team's first NESCAC championship and a NCAA playoff berth. It wasn't meant to be, though, as the team ran into a high-flying Wesleyan squad in the first round of the playoffs.

**6.** By his own admission, it took an attitude change for Reggie Stovell to become the basketball player he was capable of being. But after he turned his mentality around, he showed the NESCAC what he could do, averaging a double-double per game, even hitting 20 points and 20 rebounds in one game, and winning NESCAC first team honors.

**5.** Stovell wasn't the only guy on the basketball team to step up. An entire young team made one of the more shocking turnarounds in recent Tufts history. After winning just two home games last year and only eight games altogether, coach Sheldon's team pulled off a 180 degree turn as the Jumbos went 16-10 and made it to the conference semifinals.

**4.** Not many people around campus are avid followers of the Tufts crew teams, but this spring the women's crew team turned heads by qualifying for the national championships. It was the first time in the history of the program that this has been accomplished.

**3.** In his 24th year coaching at Tufts, Connie Putnam led the men's cross country team to a sixth-place finish at Nationals, the program's best-ever placing. Sophomore Josh Kennedy placed 32nd and earned All-American honors.

**2.** Senior slugger Courtney Bongiolatti's 14 home runs set a new Tufts single-season record, smashing Lis Drake's mark of nine. Bongiolatti also tied Drake's career mark with 32. Her explosive bat earned her the NESCAC Player of the Year award.

**1.** Only a few weeks after senior track star Nate Brigham broke the school record in the 5000-meter run with a time of 14:31.39, his teammate, junior Matt Lacey, ran a blistering 14:19.37 to smash the record again and rank him second in the nation in the 5K in Div. III. The two distance-running stars have been hitting blistering times all year, and finally get to take on the rest of the nation on May 26 at the NCAA championships.

—by David Pomerantz  
and Jessica Genniger



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## Top Ten Pro Sports Stories of 2004-2005

**10.** Roy Williams finally got his piece of the pie. After 17 seasons, 16 NCAA tournament berths, and two losses in the National title game, the winningest active coach in college basketball got to fill in the last piece of the puzzle this March when he led his alma mater UNC to the national championship.

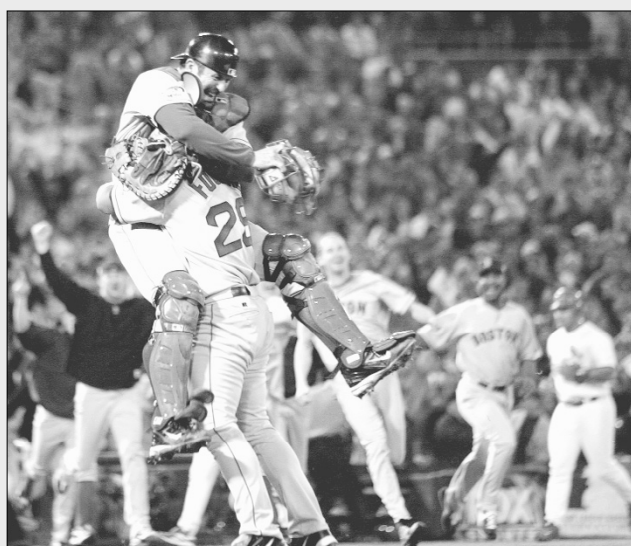
**9.** After 45 years, the nation's capital finally has baseball again. The Montreal Expos moved to Washington D.C. and became the Nationals. Through press time, the Nationals were drawing over 32 thousand fans per game, as compared with the under 10 thousand that Montreal drew last season.

**8.** After the Kobe-Shaw drama occupied

every NBA story for weeks, Los Angeles made the decision to go with Kobe and ship the big man to Miami. As the Lakers play golf and the Heat prepares for the NBA finals, L.A. owner Jerry Buss might be smacking himself.

**7.** As good as some Americans were in Athens this summer (Paul Hamm, Michael Phelps), that's how miserable the U.S. basketball team was. The Dream Team got flat-out showed up, finishing with a disappointing bronze medal.

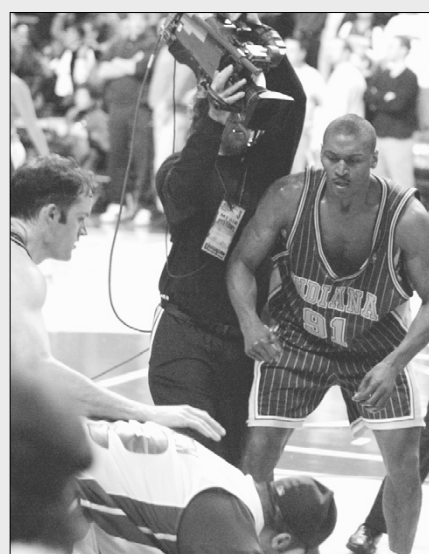
**6.** He's got to lose eventually, right? Maybe not. Lance Armstrong won his sixth consecutive Tour de France last summer, continuing to inspire the country and setting off a frenzy of yellow-bracelet wearing.



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**5.** Dynasty is a big word in the sporting world, but three Super Bowls in four years in the revenue-sharing age of the NFL might just do the trick. Belichick and Brady and company simply know how to win.

**4.** The NBA's reputation has been called into question as of late, and things spiraled out of control with the Pistons/Pacers brawl that sent Ron Artest charging into the stands on Nov. 19, resulting in a season-long suspension from

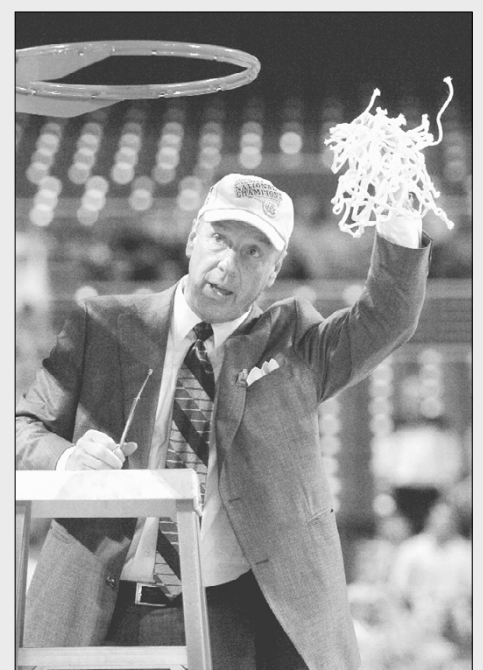


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commissioner David Stern. The event highlights a startling trend of the blurring of the line between the stands and the action.

**3.** After a long, drawn-out battle between the players union and the owners over salary issues, the NHL season was officially canceled on Feb. 16. The cancellation marks the first time one of the four major North American sports has missed an entire season due to a labor dispute. Considering the number of Americans who are currently interested in hockey, it's possible that no one cares anyways.

**2.** The BALCO scandal. Canseco's book. Congressional hearings. This year, America's been more concerned with what baseball players do in the locker room



PATRICK SCHNEIDER/KRT

than on the field, and for good reason. With reputations in jeopardy and the future of baseball at stake, steroids hit the MLB hard this year.

**1.** If you couldn't guess this one, you've been in a coma for the past eight months. In dramatic, come-from-behind fashion, the Red Sox reversed their 86-year-old curse and sent the Babe back to his grave, lifting a pall from the Boston sports scene and reinvigorating the greatest rivalry in sports.

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# Fall and winter recap

## FALL

### Football

The Jumbos lost three games by a margin of four points or less in a season of nail-biting finishes. The team finished 2-6, plagued by injuries throughout the year on both sides of the ball, but especially on the offensive line. By the end of the season, 12 players required surgery.

The one highlight was a 10-3 upset of Amherst on Oct. 30. The Lord Jeffs had a record of 5-0 going into the game, and Tufts was just 1-4, but a stifling defense held the Jeffs to only a field goal. The defense was solid for much of the season, but the offense never got on track, averaging only 9.4 points per game.

Freshman linebacker Adam Arsenault was named NESCAC Defensive Rookie of the Year, joining sophomore linebacker Chris Decembrele, senior offensive lineman Dave Hatch, senior defensive tackle Chris Lawrence and senior wide receiver Kevin Holland to receive All-NESCAC honors.

### Field Hockey

Under the leadership of first-year head coach Tina McDavitt, the Tufts field hockey team bounded out of the gate in 2004 towards its best season in years. McDavitt turned a 5-10 2003 record on its head, steering the Jumbos to a 10-6 mark, 5-4 against NESCAC opponents, and the program's first postseason win since 2000. A breakout season for senior tri-captain Dana Panzer led the Jumbos offensively, as the forward set a new school record with 33 points, combining 12 goals with nine assists to anchor the Jumbos' offense.

A 3-0 defeat at the hands of Williams ended Tufts' 2004 season and hopes of a NESCAC title. In a single season, McDavitt has breathed new life into the program, and a strong core of underclassmen will form the nucleus of the 2005 squad.

### Men's Cross Country

By all measurements, the men's cross country team was the most successful team at Tufts this year. The squad ended the best season in Tufts cross-country history by finishing No. 6 in the nation at the NCAA Div. III championships at Eau Claire, Wisconsin on Nov. 20. Sophomore Josh Kennedy led the pack for Tufts and won All-American honors in the race.

A week before, the team had won the New England Div. III championships, beating out a field of 38 other schools, and the week before that, it won the ECAC championships. Naturally, the team also won the NESCAC championships the week before that. It was the second straight year that Tufts had won the region's cross country "Triple Crown" by sweeping New England, ECACs, and NESCACs.

Coach Connie Putnam won New England Coach of the Year honors for the team's performance. Kennedy and junior Matt Lacey won All-NESCAC first team honors. Seniors Brian McNamara and Nate Brigham were named to the second team.

### Women's Cross Country

The women's cross country team placed sixth out of 41 teams at the New England Championships, finishing just seven points short of a team NCAA Nationals berth. It would have been the team's first NCAA berth since 1999.

Still, the sixth place finish was a big improvement for a team that had placed ninth out of 35 teams the year before. The team also improved on last year's eighth place finish at ECACs by coming in fourth at the event this year.

The squad was led by junior Becca Ades, whose No. 13 finish at Regionals merited a trip to Nationals, where she finished 118th in the nation.

### Men's Soccer

As is typical of young squads, the men's soccer team had consistency problems throughout the season. At times, the team showed flashes of brilliance and, considering their youth, the Jumbos' 8-6-1 record (4-5 NESCAC) was definitely an achievement and sign of a renewal of the program.

The season began with a series of high notes, as Tufts defeated conference rival Colby at home and then tied MIT, 1-1, at a time when the Engineers were the No. 8 team in New England. For the next three weeks, however, the Jumbos were unable to string together consecutive wins, as the team defeated its non-league opponents

but was unable to find success in the all-important NESCAC games. Tufts put together a late-season rally, defeating Wesleyan and Conn. College in the last two games to snatch the No. 7 seed in the playoffs. The Jumbos faced off against No. 2 seed Middlebury in what would seem to be an impossible upset, but Tufts took the Panthers to overtime before losing on a heartbreaker 55 seconds into the extra period.

The team graduates only three seniors this year, none of whom were starting field players.

### Women's Soccer

A dramatic mid-season turnaround marked the 2004 women's soccer season, as the Jumbos turned a 0-2-2 start into a third-place NESCAC ranking with wins in eight of its last regular-season nine games. Seven graduating seniors formed the core of the squad, providing leadership for a freshman class that was able to contribute both offensively, with the eight points of Martha Furtek, and defensively, with the strong play of Joelle Emery at the back position.

The team lost four games by two goals or less, including two one-goal losses. The Jumbos' season came to an end in the first round of the NESCAC tournament, when they were upset by sixth-seeded Williams in a 1-0 loss.

### Volleyball

The volleyball team had one of the best seasons in its 24-year history, going 28-6 (9-1 NESCAC) and finishing second in the conference. The Jumbos were ranked third in New England, but failed to earn an NCAA Tournament bid after losing in the NESCAC Championship 3-0 to Williams College, who defeated the Jumbos all three times the two met.

The highlights of the season for the Jumbos were two victories against Amherst, a team that had beaten the Jumbos 12 matches in a row coming into this year. In the NESCAC Tournament Semifinal, the Jumbos took a 2-0 lead on the Lord Jeffs, but lost the next two games and then fell down 10-6 in the deciding fifth game. On the verge of elimination, the Jumbos rallied to claim the victory.

## WINTER

### Ice Hockey

A .500 season can be looked at in a number of ways, but in the context of Tufts' ice hockey, this year was a definite success. Coming off an 8-15-1 campaign with only four NESCAC wins in 2003, the 2004 mark of 12-12-1 (8-10-1 NESCAC) showed that the program is beginning to make serious strides. The team made the playoffs but lost in the first round to Trinity, 9-2. The Bantams were the No. 3 ranked team in the nation at

the time.

The high point of the season came on Jan. 21, when the Jumbos upset Colby, one of the top twenty teams in the country. Tufts won 4-1 behind the strength of freshman James Kalec's incredible 60-save night, which broke a 49 year old record. The next game, the team tied Bowdoin, another nationally ranked team, 3-3. Tufts went 6-3-1 in its last 10 conference games to make the playoffs. Junior Matt McCarthy led the team with 29 points. Freshman two-sport standout Greg O'Connell came off a solid soccer season to record 28 points, and senior Jason Boudrow surpassed 150 career points and led the team with 20 assists.

### Men's Basketball

The Jumbos had their best season since

1999-2000, finishing 16-10 (7-2 NESCAC). After earning the second seed in the NESCAC Tournament, the Jumbos could not overcome Bates' defense in their semifinal match and lost the game 60-54 to end the season.

The low-scoring output was uncharacteristic of a Jumbo squad that scored a NESCAC best 81.7 points per game. On Jan. 6, the team dumped 116 points on UMass-Boston. The highlight of the season was a 93-81 victory over No. 22 Trinity on Feb. 11 in front of a packed Cousens Gym. Senior tri-captain Reggie Stovell led the way in that one with 21 points and 20 rebounds. He was a presence for the Jumbos all season, scoring 18.2 points and grabbing 10.2 rebounds per game.

### Women's Basketball

A 14-10 final record and a disappointing 61-37 loss to Bates in the first round of the NESCAC tournament overshadowed the trend of improvement that has characterized the women's basketball program since coach Carla Berube took the helm three years ago. The 2004-2005 Jumbos jumped out to their most successful start in over a decade, winning seven of their first eight games. However, an injury that sidelined junior point guard Julia Verplank threw off the Jumbos' offensive rhythm and sent the team into a seven-game slide. Stronger competition in the team's second-half schedule pitted Tufts against some of the best Div. III has to offer, and the Jumbos struggled to produce offensively.

Despite regaining its balance to win six of its last eight regular-season games, the team had lost the early-season momentum and fell to the Bobcats in the first-round tournament game.

### Men's Track and Field

In what has become a tradition in recent years, the dominating distance runners outpaced competition while the team failed to earn points in the sprints throughout the indoor season. The shaky balance wasn't helped by bouts of injuries and illness, but thanks to the record-breaking performances of the distance runners, the distance-medley (DMR) relay team, and a superstar jumper, the Jumbos overcame their obstacles and emerged successful.

Sophomore Fred Jones continued his record of jumping excellence, placing second in the long jump at Nationals despite under-achieving in the triple jump. Senior Nate Brigham finished eighth in the 5K and



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the school record-breaking DMR team also placed eighth at Nationals. All the athletes who made the trip to Nationals came back to the Hill as All-Americans, a remarkable feat. The Jumbos suffered the season's biggest disappointment at the New England Div. III Championships, where they were upset by hard-sprinting Williams.

### Women's Indoor Track and Field

A mix of dominating freshman and veteran runners led the way to a successful indoor 2004-4005 season for the women's track team. The Jumbos sent four more runners to the NCAA Championships than in 2003-2004 and returned five All-Americans.

For the second consecutive year, the team finished second behind Williams at the New England Div. III Championships. At the All New England Championships, the distance-medley relay team set a new school record and added their names to a list for Nationals, while the 4x800 meter relay team broke a school record set the previous week. At the NCAA Championships, sophomore Sarah Crispin earned All-American status in the 800m, as did the 4x400 relay team, which finished sixth.

### Men's Swimming and Diving

Under interim coach Adam Hoyt, the men's swimming and diving team continued its tradition of excellence in 2004-2005, compiling a 7-1 dual-conference record, setting eight new school records, and producing 11 National B qualifying swimmers. Individually, six swimmers racked up All-NESCAC honors at the league championships and two swimmers competed in Nationals.

Juniors Brett Baker and Jon Godsey competed in Nationals in February and brought their season-long dominance to the national stage. Baker earned All-American honorable mention status for his 1:42.12 in the 200m freestyle. Godsey's finish in the 100 backstroke was good enough for 17th place overall.

### Women's Swimming and Diving

Despite losing several strong members after the 2003-2004 season, the women's swimming and diving team went 5-2 and finished sixth at the NESCAC Championships, a meet where six school records were broken. The Jumbos went undefeated at Hamilton Pool this season largely due to a strong effort by the freshmen.

Leading the class of 2008 was freshman Bianca Spinosa, who was the only member of the team to qualify for Nationals after a standout season in which she set four school records and earned All-NESCAC honors. Despite failing to advance to the final rounds in any of her events at Nationals, earning the right to be there was a remarkable feat for a freshman. The Jumbos were lead by quad-captain seniors Suzy Ascoli, Sarah Ferranti, Kate Sweeney and Erica Weitz.

—compiled by David Pomerantz, Jessica Genninger and Liz Hoffmann



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## SOFTBALL

## Team Hard-ly had a chance against Williams



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Freshman pitcher Heather Kleinberger pitched a four-hit, one-run complete game to defeat Springfield on Apr. 14.

BY LIZ HOFFMAN  
Daily Editorial Board

An all-star freshman class, the returning NESCAC Player of the Year, a near-untouchable league winning streak, and an offensive explosion that seemed to turn out big hits on command were not enough. What looked to be the most promising season in years came to an end for the Tufts softball team on Sunday, May 15 as they fell 9-0 to Williams in the championship game of the NESCAC tournament.

The Ephs picked up their second consecutive league title as the Jumbos saw their chance at a banner fade away at the hands of a no-hitter from Williams junior Clara Hard in her second shutout of the day.

The loss put an end to Tufts' 27-8 season much sooner than expected, as the Jumbos' season-long domination had looked to put them in contention for a national berth. The win gave the Ephs their second NESCAC championship, coinciding with the move of former Tufts coach Kris Herman, who led the Jumbos to their first three NESCAC championships before taking over as the head coach at Williams.

The Ephs came out slamming, knocking in five runs on six hits in the first inning, including back-to-back home runs from junior Christine Williams and sophomore Katelyn Knox. The Williams lineup ripped fourteen hits off Tufts junior Julia Brenta, who fell to 7-1 with her first loss of the year.

The Tufts bats were uncharacteristically silent. Throughout the year, the Jumbo offense has carried the team, leading the league in team batting average, slugging percentage, on-base percentage, home runs, total bases, RBIs and runs scored, and, until Sunday's game, hits.

But Hard silenced the Jumbos for her second win of the day after shutting out Tufts 2-0 in Sunday morning's second-round game. The junior's 0.70 ERA and 15 wins are league-bests, and she added three more with her sweep of the tournament.

"We just didn't hit," coach Cheryl Milligan said. "I give a lot of credit to Clara [Hard] — she pitched a great game. We got frustrated early and our bats just didn't come around like we're used to them doing."

Tufts reached the tournament

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## SOFTBALL PROFILES

## Seniors Bongiolatti, Smith anchor Jumbos in final season

BY BIANCA SPINOSA  
Daily Staff Writer

The Tufts softball team will lose only two players from the 2005 squad next year, and the underclassmen-heavy roster bodes well for 2006. Those two graduating players, however, have a resume that includes All-American status, two NESCAC Player of the Year awards, All-NESCAC honors, and a host of individual records.

The leadership and talent of senior co-captains Courtney Bongiolatti and Katie Smith was a driving force throughout the spring, leading the Jumbos to their 27-8 finish and season-long dominance over NESCAC opponents. The only seniors on a roster that featured six rookies, Bongiolatti and Smith anchored a formidable infield, playing shortstop and first base respectively, and an explosive lineup, batting third and fifth respectively for most of the season. The two were able to

motivate and mobilize the raw talent of a strong freshman class.

"Both players left their mark in terms of how a team works," coach Cheryl Milligan said. "We were such a young team, so it was the captains' job to get the freshmen to not play like freshmen and for them to have played so well is amazing and a great testament to [the captains'] leadership. They gave the freshman all the experience and confidence they could."

Smith also commented on the youth of the team and how many players stepped up to the collegiate level of play despite inexperience.

"No matter what their role, everyone put their heart into what they wanted to do," Smith said. "Sometimes it was all freshmen on the field with Courtney and me. We had a lot of unexpected talent, even from the upperclassmen."

Bongiolatti and Smith have been driving forces on the team since they were freshmen on the 2001 NESCAC championship team and have grown into the leadership roles that they held this season.

"Talent-wise, they came in as good [as they are now], but their ability to lead the team has been learned," Milligan said. "I told them 'this is your team and the team will go as far as you take them.'"

Bongiolatti had a record-breaking season at every turn, bringing anticipation to every at-bat. Her offensive numbers were among the league's best, taking the top spot in home runs (14), RBIs (45), and slugging percentage (.869), and ranking in the top five in batting percentage (.374), hits (40), and runs scored (26). She earned first team All-American status (she is the first Tufts softball player to do so), first team New England honors, and first All-NESCAC team. Bongiolatti has preserved her season in the Tufts record books, setting a new single-season home run record with 14, besting the previous record by five. Only three NESCAC players in the history of the league have hit more home



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Senior Katie Smith followed up on last year's NESCAC Player of the Year award with another solid season, batting .339.

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## Jumbos bring home three NESCAC awards

Senior co-captain Courtney Bongiolatti became the fifth Jumbo in as many years to be named NESCAC Player of the Year on Thursday. Joining her on the awards list were freshman Rookie of the Year Danielle Lopez and NESCAC Coach of the Year Cheryl Milligan. Tufts took three of the four annual awards as Williams junior Clara Hard nabbed Pitcher of the Year.

Bongiolatti remained the favorite for the top award throughout most of the season as she led the league in nearly every offensive category. Her 14 home runs, 45 RBIs, 93 total bases, and .869 slugging percentage were conference bests, and she ranked in the top five in batting average (.374), hits (40), and runs scored (26). Her explosive bat set a new Tufts single-season home run record and tied the career home run count of 32, set by Lis Drake, the 2003 NESCAC Player of the Year, from 2000-2003.

Joining Bongiolatti on the first all-NESCAC team and taking home Rookie of the Year honors was freshman second baseman Danielle Lopez. Batting .379 and slugging .655, Lopez's name appears within the top five in nearly every conference-wide offensive category. Her 44 hits were a league best, she was second in home runs (8) and total bases (76), third in runs scored (26), and fourth in RBIs (27). In the field, Lopez filled the second base position vacated by Deana Davidian (LA '04) and started every game for the Jumbos.

The Jumbos' third selection to the first team All-NESCAC was freshman catcher Megan Cusick, whose presence behind the plate has been a focal point for the Tufts infield all season. Boasting a team-high .990 fielding percentage, Cusick led the league's catchers in runners picked off with three, and has caught six runners stealing.

Tufts coach Cheryl Milligan took home NESCAC Coach of the Year honors. Milligan continued to build the Tufts program in her second season at the head spot and led the Jumbos to their highest regular-season win total in recent years. A former Jumbo, Milligan played every inning in her four years at



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Courtney Bogiolatti

shortstop and her accomplishments as a player are now translating into a successful coaching run. Milligan wrestled the award away from former Tufts coach Kris Herman, now at Williams, who has taken the gold for the past four years.

The Jumbos also fielded two players in the second team All-NESCAC, including freshman pitcher Erica Bailey, whose 1.58 ERA was a team low. When not on the mound, Bailey filled in as a designated hitter, propelling the Jumbos' offense with a .337 batting average and eight home runs. Senior Katie Smith, last year's NESCAC Player of the Year, also received second-team honors based on her .339 batting average and 37 hits.

The freshmen presence on the post-season awards list is a good sign for next year's squad, and as Milligan continues to solidify her position at the helm of the program, the 2006 Jumbos will look to continue their consistency and dominance.

—by Liz Hoffman

## MEN'S LACROSSE

# Wesleyan ends laxers' season for the second year

BY DAVID POMERANTZ  
Daily Editorial Board

The Jumbos' dream of a NESCAC championship was suffocated by an avalanche of first-half goals in Tufts' first-round game against Wesleyan on May 1. Tufts' second-half comeback was not enough, and the Cardinals won 9-7 to eliminate the Jumbos. Tufts finished its season with a mark of 9-6 (5-5 NESCAC).

Wesleyan was also responsible for knocking the Jumbos out of last year's tournament in another heartbreaker that featured a Cardinal game-winner with only seconds left.

This year's playoff game was a virtual replay of when the teams played four days earlier. In both games, Wesleyan entered the locker room at half time with a 7-1 lead, led by the jaw-dropping play of sophomore goalie Charlie Congleton. In both games, the Cardinals managed to stave off ferocious second-half comebacks to hang on to the lead.

Wesleyan ran a tightly-packed zone to stop the Jumbo attack, and Tufts coach Mike Daly recognized its success, as well as Congleton's outstanding play.

"I'd like to say we were shooting poorly," Tufts coach Mike Daly said, "but we must recognize the effort and play of their defense and the fact that Wesleyan was undefeated with Congleton in net until the NESCAC championship game."

As a result of the loss, Tufts was knocked out of contention for the NCAA

championships. Wesleyan would go on to upset Amherst in the NESCAC semifinals before falling to Middlebury 9-5 in the finals. The Cardinals still gained an at-large bid to the national tournament.

As of press time, both Wesleyan and Middlebury were still alive and preparing for a rematch in the NCAA quarterfinals on May 18.

"It's crushing to finish the season like that," sophomore long-stick midfielder Brett Holm said. "The way we under-achieved is very frustrating and disappointing."

Underachieving is the word almost all the Jumbos use to describe their season. Heading into the spring, Tufts boasted an All-American at attack, midfield, and defense, and a roster of supporting talent that other teams could only envy and fear, if Tufts was anywhere on the schedule.

Things were rolling along as planned in the early going as Tufts jumped out to a 4-0 record against non-conference teams. Mar. 30 marked the first big test, as Tufts took on conference foe and fellow top-twenty team Amherst College.

That was the game in which the Jumbos demonstrated what they should have been capable of all year. Tufts crushed the Lord Jeffs, 9-2, in a lopsided blowout. At one point after that win, the Jumbos were ranked as the No. 3 team in the country.

The game, however, may have taken just as great a toll on Tufts as it did on



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Junior Casey D'Annolfo rips a lunging shot during Tufts' 9-2 defeat of Trinity on Apr. 2.

Amherst. All-American senior attackman and defending NESCAC Player of the Year Bryan Griffin went down in the second half with a torn meniscus. He would miss the next four games with the injury, during which time the Jumbos lost their first three games of the season.

Things would only get worse, as junior defenseman Ave Cook, one of the team's other two All-Americans, suffered a hamstring injury on Apr. 6 in an 8-5 loss to Bowdoin. Even when Griffin returned for an Apr. 16 win over Colby, it

was clear that the team was still not playing up to expectations.

"Obviously, a couple of injuries hurt us," senior co-captain Devin Clarke said. "When it came down to it though, it wasn't that. It was just the build up of a lot of little things. Once we started in that rut, we could never get out."

After the first Wesleyan loss, a 10-9 heartbreaker on Apr. 27, the team faced the once-seemingly absurd prospect of

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## MEN'S LACROSSE

## Clarke wins NESCAC Player of the Year

BY DAVID POMERANTZ  
Daily Editorial Board

Despite a disappointing first-round playoff loss, there was no shortage of individual accolades for the men's lacrosse team this spring. Senior midfielder and co-captain Devin Clarke was named NESCAC Co-Player of the Year, splitting the award with Amherst sophomore attackman Derek Cherney.

Clarke led a group of five Tufts players who were honored by the NESCAC. Only Middlebury had more award-winners, with six. Clarke's co-captain and classmate Bryan Griffin was the other player named to the All-NESCAC first team. Sophomore Brett Holm earned second team long-stick midfielder honors, junior defenseman Ave Cook earned second team honors, and junior midfielder Rory Doucette was named to the second team as a "specialty player" for his success in the faceoff circle.

Clarke led the Jumbos with 28 goals, also tallying eight assists for a total of 36 points. Late in the season, he was consistently the go-to guy for the Jumbos. His ability to score in the clutch was

highlighted in an Apr. 27 loss to Wesleyan. With Tufts down 7-1 at the half, Clarke scored four fourth-quarter goals to pull the Jumbos within one goal of winning, and had five on the day. One game later, he would score four goals against Conn. College to ensure Tufts' playoff berth, including the game-winning rip 1:17 into overtime.

"Obviously it's a great honor to have, but at the same time, it's really bittersweet," Clarke said, referring to the team's disappointing finish. "Overall it was a great four years for me — this season was just a disappointing one."

According to coach Mike Daly and the entire team, Clarke's leadership abilities bound the team together.

"Last year, Devin received a unanimous vote for captain and he exceeded everything we asked of him," Daly said. "He is everything I hope Tufts and our lacrosse program [are] about. He is hard working, dependable, personable, and tough as hell." "Oh, and he is one of the best lacrosse players in the country," Daly added, lest anyone overlook his accomplishments on

the field. Clarke's teammates heap on similar praise.

"Devin was the heart and soul of this team," Holm said. "He carried the team on his back. It's tough to carry 40 guys on your back, but Devin did. For a role model, everyone on the team looks to Devin. When we need a goal, everyone's looking to Devin."

"He's just a great player, a great guy and a great friend. I've never played with anyone like him," Holm continued.

Junior attackman Mike O'Brien echoed Holm's sentiments more succinctly:

"Devo's just the man."

In winning the award, Clarke followed in the footsteps of Griffin, who has taken home the prize in each of the last two years. Despite missing significant time this season with a torn meniscus, Griffin still led the Jumbos in points, scoring 51 points on 22 goals and 29 assists, while missing all or most of five games.

Griffin is Tufts' all-time leading scorer with 235 points. Both Clarke and Griffin were pre-season All-Americans.

Cook was the team's third All-American, and he too suffered from injury this season. The transfer from Bates suffered a hamstring injury in the team's Apr. 6 loss to Bowdoin, and remained unhealthy for the remainder of the season, playing only in limited man-down situations.

Still, Cook's gritty, bruising defensive play was recognized by the conference in the second team honor. His abilities were on display in Tufts' most impressive win of the season, a 9-2 drubbing of Amherst on Mar. 30. Cook, along with the rest of the Tufts defense, held Cherney to a single goal, shutting down the powerful Amherst offense.

Holm won the second team honor as a sophomore, one of only three honored in the conference. He was a fearless defender throughout the year and used his athleticism and speed to contribute on the

## MEN'S LACROSSE

## Griffin's illustrious career finally comes to a close

BY CHRIS MUNSEY  
Senior Staff Writer

In 2002, a freshman attackman made a big impression in his first game as a Jumbo, scoring three goals with two assists in a 19-7 win over MIT. Four years and 230 points later, Bryan Griffin is graduating as Tufts' all-time leading scorer and one of the best players in the school's history.

"Bryan has been a pleasure to coach for four years," coach Mike Daly said. "He has worked extremely hard to earn the recognition he has and will receive."

Recognition of Griffin's play came from the beginning of his career. Following his freshman season, he was named the New England Div. III and NESCAC Rookie of the Year. That year he led Tufts with 30 goals and added 14 assists.

At the end of a sophomore year that saw him tie Tufts' single-season scoring record with 41 goals and 23 assists, Griffin was named NESCAC Player of the Year. By this time, the rest of the country was starting to take notice, and Griffin was named to the 2003 STX/USILA All-America Honorable Mention team.

In the NESCAC playoffs that year, Griffin showed his toughness when he broke his thumb in the semi-final game against Wesleyan and still scored four goals, including the game-winner with three minutes to go in the game. He had already scored the game-winner in the opening-round game against Bowdoin, and he returned in the final to score two more goals despite the injured thumb. Griffin calls the playoffs that year his best lacrosse memory at Tufts.

"It was the only year we made it to the NESCAC Finals too," Griffin said. "It felt great to help take Tufts to a level it had never been."

Griffin again garnered multiple honors his junior year, a sea-

son in which he shattered the single-season scoring record with 76 points. He was named NESCAC and New England Player of the Year and a second team All-American.

Griffin's success is a testament not only to his great talent, but also to his work ethic. When Daly recruited him out of West Islip High School on Long Island, NY, he was not sure how good Griffin would become.

"Based on his abilities we had seen up until then, we were not sure [how good Griffin would become]," Daly said. "But having spoken at length with his high school coach, who unequivocally pointed to his character and work ethic, we felt pretty good about him."

Griffin displayed this work ethic at Tufts, spending endless hours watching film and lifting

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in the weight room to improve his game.

"I improved a great deal [during my time at Tufts]," Griffin said. "I gained about twenty pounds and learned how to deal with a lot of different defensive looks being thrown at me each game. My body adjusted to being beaten on every game and I learned how to pace myself through an entire season."

Griffin's passing also improved markedly over his four years at Tufts, and he eventually set the school's all-time assists record.

"I reached the level of play that I did because the kids around me got better every

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Senior co-captain Devin Clarke added to his already impressive resume this season. The All-American midfielder was the NESCAC Co-Player of the Year, in addition to leading the team with 28 goals.

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BASEBALL

# Jumbos knocked out of playoffs

BY JESSICA GENNINGER  
Daily Editorial Board

Like many of the Tufts spring sports teams this year, the baseball team began its season with high expectations and the necessary arsenal of talent to carry it through the postseason, but it ultimately fell short. After losing only two games to NESCAC East opponents in the regular season, the other half of the league proved to be more difficult as Tufts lost to Amherst 5-3 and Wesleyan 5-4 in the NESCAC tournament, ending the Jumbos' season.

The Jumbos' loss to Amherst on Friday, May 13 pitted them against Wesleyan (12-23-1) in an elimination game the next day. Wesleyan, who finished the regular season ranked second in the NESCAC West, knocked out the Jumbos, who were second in the NESCAC East behind Trinity. Tufts finished its season 23-11.

Wesleyan's victory was fueled by an eighth-inning offensive rally in which the Cardinals scored four runs. Sophomore starter Derek Rice pitched six outstanding innings for the Jumbos, dueling with Wesleyan's Will Gordon for five innings.

Gordon surrendered three earned runs on four hits and three walks, striking out seven. At one point Rice retired 10 consecutive batters, having given up only one hit entering the seventh. The Cardinals scored their first run in the seventh when Jeff Maier doubled, advanced to third on a fly ball, and then was balked home on a pickoff attempt.

The Jumbos gave Rice early run support, scoring in the second inning when sophomore third baseman Kyle Backstrom singled

and advanced to second on an error before scoring. The Jumbos tacked on more runs in the sixth on three walks, a two-run single by Backstrom, and an RBI single by senior captain Bob Kenny.

In the eighth, Rice walked a batter and gave up an RBI double before being replaced by sophomore Aaron Narva. Narva then walked Jesse Leavitt, and Dan Poniatowski reached first on a bunt single. An RBI single by Anthony Gray narrowed the gap, leaving Tufts with a close 4-3 lead. Junior Erik Johanson replaced Narva and a two-run single by Maier put the Cardinals up 5-4.

"We had the game, we just didn't make some pitches," coach John Casey said. "I think some people didn't perform the way they were capable of performing, but we should have hit [Wesleyan's pitchers]. Mistakes get highlighted in the playoffs."

Tufts went down quietly in the ninth as Wesleyan reliever Andre Sternberg retired three batters in quick succession. The victory was a definite upset for the Cardinals, bringing their record to 12-23-1 overall. Wesleyan had been 1-2 against Tufts in the regular season.

Narva was handed his first loss of the season, dropping his record to 2-1.

Entering Saturday's game, the closer had a 1.66 ERA and a team-high six saves in his 19 appearances. Having only allowed four earned runs in 21.6 innings pitched and posting 25 strikeouts and 13 walks in the regular season, Narva has been a dependable bullpen workhorse this season.

Friday's game matched the Jumbos against Amherst (21-6-1), a more formidable opponent

who went on to win the NESCAC Tournament on May 15 against Trinity. The Lord Jeffs will advance to the NCAA Tournament.

The Lord Jeffs, ranked first in the NESCAC West, handed sophomore ace Ben Simon his first loss of the year, dropping his record to 5-1.

Amherst junior Zach Schonberger blasted a three-run home run, his seventh this season and 15th of his career, in the third inning. Schonberger's shot brought the score to 4-0.

Freshman Adam Telian took over for Simon on the mound after three innings and tossed four innings in which he gave up one run on three hits. Senior Jeremy Davis threw one scoreless inning of relief.

"Our pitching was fine, it was their hitting [that won the game for Amherst]," Telian said. "We completely underestimated their hitting. They had a lot of hitters that were just unstoppable. We didn't come out as prepared as we could have, but we had a good amount of guys on base. We just struggled to get them in."

The Lord Jeffs' pitchers managed to get themselves out of trouble whenever the Jumbos challenged. Amherst junior starter Joe Vladeck pitched six scoreless innings before giving up a two-run single to junior right fielder Jim O'Leary.

Tufts sparked a rally when Backstrom knocked in a run with a single in the ninth, but reliever Chris Edgar struck out the tying run to pick up his second save.

"Our play was good enough to beat some of the teams we've played in the past," Telian said. "But it wasn't good enough to beat Wesleyan or Amherst. We could have done a lot better than we did."

The regular season featured consistent pitching and both sophomore Brian McDavitt and senior Greg Hickey earned NESCAC Player of the Week awards for their offensive contributions.

"I thought overall it was a good season," Casey said. "We just didn't make a couple of plays [in the postseason] and that's what happens in playoff baseball — everything's highlighted. We're still a young team. [Senior captain and catcher] Bob Kenny had a great playoff [season], he certainly showed our young kids how to play."

According to Telian, the way the season ended was disappointing, considering the Jumbos' success during the regular season.

"It was a complete shock to everyone on the team and in the program," he said.

BASEBALL



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Senior Jeremy Davis led a young pitching staff to a successful season. Davis went 2-1 in 15 appearances with a 1.44 ERA.

## Senior anchors pitching staff

BY TOM SPERA  
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The Jumbos finished the regular season strong with a 23-9 overall record and a 10-2 record in NESCAC play. Although Tufts put up impressive numbers at the plate, much of the team's success can be attributed to the Jumbos' pitching staff, which carried the team at various times throughout the season. Eight of the 11 pitchers on the staff are freshmen and sophomores and have been anchored by the veteran leadership of senior Jeremy Davis.

Davis, a right-hander hailing from Little Falls, NY was among the top two Jumbos in ERA with a 1.54 in 13 appearances. Davis started three games and recorded one save on the season. He was also used as a situational long reliever this season, which gave the Jumbos reliable pitching when the starters needed support.

"He really stepped up for us, especially this year," coach John Casey said. "He's done exactly what we've expected him to do and has been a team guy for us. He's accepted an important role for us and has played admirably."

Davis' versatility out of the bullpen has been a huge asset to the team this year.

"He's the type of guy we can throw into any situation and know that he'll produce," Casey said. "He's capable of starting a game and throwing a one-hitter

like he did earlier in the season or he can come in for us from the bullpen and pull off long innings of relief when a guy is struggling on the mound."

Although his numbers on the field have helped the Jumbos pull off key victories during his four-year career on the diamond, his value as a leader to the young pitching staff on and off the field has been as great an asset to the team, especially this season.

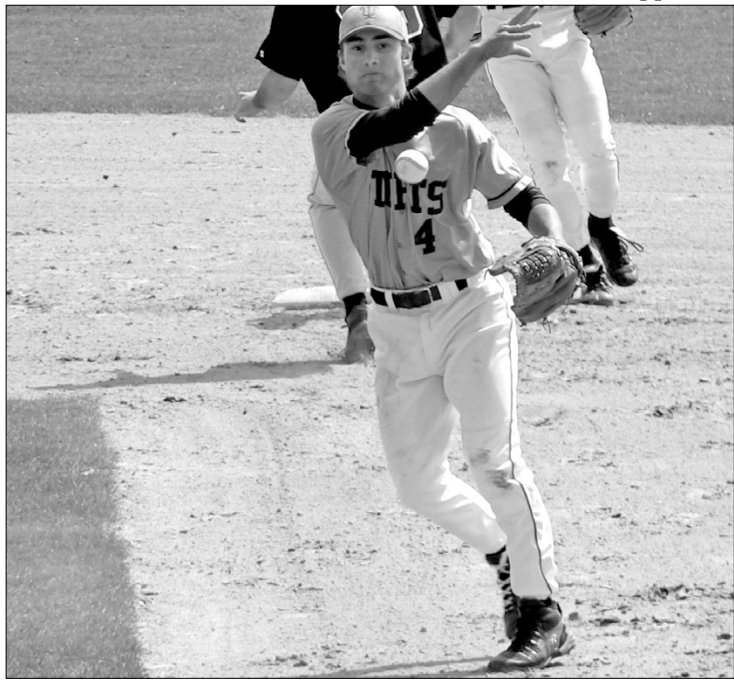
Long before the season started, Davis, along with his fellow senior teammates and coaches, spent time meeting and assessing the team for the upcoming season.

"[Davis] is the leader of the staff without a doubt, and has been almost like an assistant coach for us," Casey said. "He took a lot of young guys under his wing at the beginning of the season who weren't used to the system and was instrumental in getting them where they need to be for us to win."

The Jumbos came into the season with high expectations from their talented but inexperienced pitching staff. But it was Davis' leadership that helped the younger pitchers mesh their talents with the pitching system.

"Coming up in the pitching system at Tufts is not easy," senior captain and catcher Bob Kenny said. "There are a lot of new things you have to learn all at once. It takes someone like

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MIKE SPARANDARA/TUFTS DAILY

Sophomore second baseman Brian Casey turns a double play against Wesleyan on Apr. 10.

# First varsity boat to compete in Div. III Nationals for the first time

BY MIKE DEBARTOLO  
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The women's crew program at Tufts soared to new heights in 2005, as the team was recently selected for an at-large bid to the Div. III NCAA Championships for the first time since the tournament's creation in 1997.

The race will take place May 27-29 in Sacramento, California, and Tufts will be among only eight schools participating in the race.

"This is the biggest thing to happen to this program in a long time," coach Gary Caldwell said. "Being selected as one of the top eight teams in Div. III is a big deal."

The rowers were equally as excited. "I was inexplicably happy," said senior co-captain Ashley Korb, who will be in the sixth seat on the boat. "After four years rowing here, and all the work that our boat has put in over the past year, the announce-

ment was just fitting."

"We really were excited because we are still getting used to beating all these teams we thought were faster than us," added senior co-captain Loi Sessions, the boat's seventh seat. "The last two weeks, we have beaten many boats we lost to earlier in the season."

During the ECAC Championships on May 7-8, the Jumbos defeated Ithaca, a perennial powerhouse, and went on to finish in second place. At the New England Championships, Tufts won its heat and placed sixth overall, beating Mount Holyoke, to whom they had lost just a week before.

Caldwell has been very happy with the improvement of the team over the course of the season.

"We got off to a bit of a slow start this season," Caldwell said. "We were



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The women's crew will be competing at nationals on May 27-29 for the first time in the history of the program.

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## WOMEN'S TENNIS

## Amherst is unbeatable in playoffs

BY ANDREW BAULD  
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The women's tennis team headed into the NESCAC championship as defending co-champions, splitting the 2004 title with Williams. This time around, however, the Jumbos would have to be satisfied with a solid second place finish, as they were unable to overcome the sizeable hurdle that Amherst, the 2005 champion, has presented all season long.

"Amherst is a tough team," coach Doug Eng said. "A couple matches in singles were tough to win, just tough match-ups. The doubles were [up for grabs] but we didn't get them."

The tournament, held at Middlebury College, featured a field of 11 competing teams from the conference. Amherst took first place with a total score of 31, followed closely by the Jumbos with 23 points. Middlebury finished in third, followed by Williams, Trinity, Colby, Connecticut College, Bowdoin, Bates, Hamilton and Wesleyan. The tournament featured five rounds of singles and doubles play divided into A, B and C brackets, with an additional D bracket in the singles. The strategy proposed by Eng for the day was simple, yet proved to be

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Sophomore Jen Lutten will be competing at nationals in singles play as the No. 5 seed in the nation. She will also compete in doubles play with classmate Kylyn Deary.

## Host of awards, honors mark careers of senior co-captains

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runs in a single season.

Bongioli credits her offensive output to her coach.

"Coach Milligan took my hitting to a whole new level," she said. "I literally doubled my home runs [from last year]."

Fellow co-captain Katie Smith has also left her mark on Jumbo softball, following a spectacular junior season with a solid senior year. Smith was consistent at the plate, with a .339 batting average, and has scored 23 runs and knocked in 20 runs on 37 hits. She hit four home runs, including a key two-run shot in Tufts' semifinal win over Trinity. She was also strong on the field at the crucial first base position, with 245 putouts and five double plays, the highest on the team. For her contributions this season, Smith was named to the second team All-NESCAC team.

Smith and Bongioli are friends on and off the field, which has helped them as captains and as players.

"Katie Smith is my best friend and the best player to have out on the field," Bongioli said. "She tells me what I need to hear and is a huge support on this team."

Their different personalities have allowed them to relate to

different players on the team and to handle any issue that presented itself.

"Our personalities are really different, but I'm really happy we could become good friends through softball," Smith said. "We have a balance between us that has helped us be better captains. We weren't too nice or too mean and we kept each other going."

Despite the loss of these two players, Milligan has a lot to look forward to in the breakout season of her freshman class. The Class of 2008 includes the NESCAC Rookie of the Year Danielle Lopez and two selections to All-Conference Teams as catcher Megan Cusick got first team honors while pitcher and designated hitter Erica Bailey nabbed second-team status. With the leadership provided by Bongioli and Smith, this year's rookies were able to make the transition to college softball and look to anchor the program through the next three years.

Even though next year's roster holds plenty of promise, Milligan will miss the tremendous talent and leadership of her senior captains.

"I will miss them a lot — they are truly two unique individuals," Milligan said. "This might be the first time I cry at the team dinner."

## MEN'S TENNIS

## Coach Watson retiring after 24-year career

BY WILL BENDETSON  
Daily Staff Writer

It was a Friday night in Maine, and 12 members of Tufts' men's tennis team were staying at a local hotel. They had just lost two matches in row, including a tough loss to MIT two days earlier and a shelling at the hands of Bowdoin a few hours before.

Many coaches would have screamed about the team's poor performance; others might throw their hands up in the air and given up.

*In addition to his winning record, the coach had a profound influence on his players.*

Coach Jim Watson did neither. He spoke in a soft tone with an echo of experience and said that tomorrow is a must-win, but to let the party go on for tonight. The next day Tufts recorded a resounding 5-2 victory against Colby. Perhaps it is the high expectations and trust that Watson has for his players that result in the superlatives each of them use when asked to describe their coach.

"Simply put, it was an honor to play for such a man," senior co-captain Rifat Perahya said. "He taught us how to win on and off the court. There are very few men like him. He was a man of few words, but when he spoke he meant it and everybody listened."

The 2005 season marks the end of Watson's 24-year career at Tufts. In 1981 Watson, a native of Costa Rica, replaced Richard Shapiro as the head coach of both the men's and women's tennis teams. Prior to Tufts, Watson, who graduated from Pan American University in 1962, had coached at Missouri and Drake. In his first season, he led the Jumbos to an 8-2 record and the New England Div. III championship in 1982. Under his guidance, the men's team has gained six NCAA Tournament berths since

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## MEN'S TENNIS

## Injuries to top players kept tennis team from gelling

BY WILL BENDETSON  
Daily Staff Writer

Their season began with a five-hour roller-coaster ride of a match. Early on, the men's tennis team's chances of victory looked strong. They won an early singles match, but Bates came back to win the middle part of the match, taking a 3-1 lead, meaning that the Jumbos needed to capture the final three matches for a victory. In the end, the team came up just short.

The match would turn out to be a microcosm of the season as a whole for a team that finished 6-7. There were many times throughout the season when it seemed the Jumbos were ready to overcome injuries and inconsistency to make the playoffs, yet they always came short against the top brass of the NESCAC.

Whether the Jumbos admit it nor not, the injuries to senior co-captains Rifat Perahya and Adam Yates along with Ben Alexander missing almost the entire season had a tremendous effect. For one, it was often too difficult for them to game-plan due to placement inconsistency. The injuries also had a psychological effect on the rest of the team.

Still, the team developed an ability to quickly put losses behind them. After a difficult NESCAC tournament in which the Jumbos finished seventh out of a field of 11, the Jumbos played Babson on Apr. 26 in non-league competition and pulled out a 5-2 win. Yates led the way with a two set victory in the No. 1 spot.

Two days later, Tufts closed out its season on a loss, dropping the final match to Williams, 6-1. The only Tufts winner was sophomore Sean McCooley, who took a super tie-breaker 10-4 to win at No. 5 singles.

The Jumbos struggled all year against more difficult competition. They often circled big matches on the calendar weeks in advance, including Middlebury, Bowdoin, Williams, Amherst and Trinity.

Each was supposed to be a defining moment, one in which the Jumbos could make a statement and show that their victories against non-league competition and weaker NESCAC competition such as Connecticut College were not the peak of their ability.

"We had a lot of high expectations coming in," sophomore Sean McCooley said. "Seeing that it was Rifat's and Adam's last year and we were unable to



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Junior Paul Roberts will captain next year's tennis squad.

win those matches, it is obviously disappointing."

There is not one single factor that explains the Jumbos' difficulties in "those big matches." At various points, the team struggled to deliver strong first serves and make aggressive returns. Subsequently, the Jumbos were often chasing opponents' shots all over the court instead of trying to hit winners.

"It is impossible to isolate any one thing when you look at it," said junior Paul Roberts, who will captain next year's squad. "I mean for me it was not having the big serve, for Yates it was not having a backhand, and for Fleder it was a deficiency in the speed department."

"Additionally, these struggles always seemed to occur at different points during the season, almost like a comedy"

Roberts, however, was in the spotlight in one of the Jumbos' most thrilling moments of the season.

The junior handed one of Amherst's top players, Lenny Lepner, his first loss of

the season. In another match, he led the No. 18 player in the country by a score of 5-1 at one point.

"I put a deep scare into that kid and it was a tremendous feeling," Roberts said.

With his ever-competitive nature, the future captain cannot wait until the leaves turn green next spring, and he certainly has an ambitious agenda.

"I am already looking forward to revamping the practice schedule, making workouts more intense, and having a strong character team again next year."

Roberts will have a tough act to follow considering the chemistry that developed between this year's players.

"We lost matches, but when we think back on the season, what I am going to remember most is our trip to California during spring break, the night we spent at a hotel in the woods of Maine, and those long trips to Williamstown," McCooley said.

"These moments reflect the true character of our team."



## WOMEN'S LACROSSE

## No. 4 Amherst proves too much for Jumbos in first round

BY MATT SCHULTZE  
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Tufts women's lacrosse season ended on May Day with a disheartening 15-5 loss to Amherst in the NESCAC playoffs. The Jumbos ended the season with an 8-7 record, going 4-5 in NESCAC play.

The IWLCA, which ranks women's lacrosse teams, placed Tufts at No. 16 at the end of the season after not putting the Jumbos on the list for most of the season. Despite the poor finish, the ranking is a testament to the team's development during the season.

"I thought the team improved defensively throughout the season," coach Carol Rappoli said. "[We became] one of the best in the conference."

The Jumbos forced 193 turnovers, which was more than NESCAC champion Middlebury.

The loss to Amherst was disappointing for the Jumbos considering that they had nearly beaten the Lord Jeffs the week before, 8-7. In that game, they had overcome a 5-1 second-half deficit. But it was not to be, as in both games the No. 4 team in

the country proved too much for the Jumbos.

On Saturday, Amherst was knocked out of the national tournament by No. 13 Washington and Lee.

Despite the Amherst loss, the Jumbos' year can't be written off as unsuccessful. Tufts made it to the NESCAC tournament and secured key conference wins over Connecticut College, Trinity, Wesleyan, and Bates. The Jumbos also lost three very close conference games, one to Bowdoin 7-6, to Colby 8-7 and the 8-7 heartbreaker to Amherst.

"The low of the season was losing the Colby game," senior co-captain Meg Doughty said. "The high of the season was redeeming ourselves and winning at Wesleyan [the following week]."

The record itself doesn't speak for the individual accomplishments of the players, of which there was no shortage for the Jumbos.

"We had many quality performers on the team," Rappoli said. "Meg Doughty led the attack in goals, and [sophomore] Lauren Murphy became a great two-way player, third in scoring and a super

defender as well."

Doughty scored 35 goals on the season, and Murphy had 28 and was second in causing turnovers.

Another key player was junior Dena Miller, who was second on the team in shots and also led in assists. The season was an important milestone year for Miller as she scored her 100th career goal at Trinity on April 9, becoming the 17th Jumbo to accomplish the feat.

Defensively, the Jumbos relied on senior Laura Herman.

"[Herman] is probably the best defender in the league," Rappoli said. "[She has] the ability to shut down any opponent."

Herman was named to the All-NESCAC first team at defense, the only Tufts player to achieve that accomplishment. Murphy was named an All-NESCAC second-teamer at midfield.

Senior goalie Dana Panzer was another important contributor, and according to Rappoli the goalkeeping improved throughout the season due to Panzer's efforts. Panzer played 700 of the 900 minutes of the season and allowed 105 goals, as compared to the 150 allowed by opponents.

Despite the individual accomplishments, Rappoli credits the overall team effort as being most notable.

"We had many quality performers on the team," she said. "But the team deserves credit as a whole."

The tough, scrappy defense of Herman and Panzer and the tenacious offensive presence of Doughty, Miller and Murphy were aided by the unsung heroes of the attack and midfield.

"In team sports it's always a team effort, individuals don't win games," Doughty said. "But the effort is sometimes inspired by individuals and Lauren Herman, Lauren Murphy and Dana Panzer all stepped up this season and took it upon themselves to be those individuals that inspired everyone else to step up as well."

With Doughty, Griffin, Panzer and Herman graduating, the team is losing several important contributors. But Rappoli isn't worried.

"I think next year's team will be strong," she said. "We'll pick up where we left off, ranked No. 16 in the nation. We will have a very good nucleus of players coming back and a good group of first years coming in."

## WOMEN'S LACROSSE PROFILES

## Foursome graduates after dominating careers

BY ALEX BLOOM  
Daily Editorial Board

At Tufts, sports are more than just wins and losses, practices and workouts. And for Megan Doughty, Jen Griffin, Lauren Herman and Dana Panzer, lacrosse has been a part of daily life for the past four years. The four seniors will now graduate and leave behind the times spent playing lacrosse with teammates and coaches.

"They are all unique and will be missed but always will be part of our Jumbos lacrosse family," coach Carol Rappoli said.

The four girls have helped shape the team for the last few seasons. Doughty and Griffin served as captains this season and Herman was recently named to the All-NESCAC first team on defense. Panzer had a successful season as the team's goalkeeper, a position she'd never played before.

Megan Doughty, a sociology major from Brunswick, Maine, has spent four years playing on the attack for Coach Rappoli. The co-captain's 44 points this season led the Jumbos in scoring and established Doughty as an offensive force. Prior to this season, she only had 43 career points.

"I play lacrosse each season in

order to be a part of a team," Doughty said. "I love being an athlete, I love the challenge, I love the actual sport — it's incredibly fun to play — and I love to compete."

Doughty was a key presence on the field this season. She tallied three goals in a tough 11-9 loss to St. Mary's and also scored three goals against Colby in a 9-8 loss. Her teammates describe her as a team player whose love for the game is evident in her play. Doughty plans to travel abroad and possibly coach lacrosse in England.

"She's one of the finest all-around players I have coached," Rappoli said. "She came into her own as a junior, becoming a scoring threat and playing great defense as a midfielder."

Lauren Herman is as solid a defender as any in the NESCAC. She led a tough defensive squad that kept teams under 10 goals in 10 of the 15 Jumbos' games this season.

"Playing lacrosse was a great experience for me this year," Herman said. "I got to come back and be dominant on the field while creating friendships that will last forever."

Herman took last season off after playing her freshman and sophomore years, but returned



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Senior Megan Doughty takes a shot during Tufts' 11-4 loss to Williams on Apr. 23. Doughty led the women's lacrosse team in goals and points with 35 and 44, respectively.

this season without missing a beat. The Philadelphia, Pa. native, who will graduate with an economics degree, had her top moment of the season when she

shut down Trinity's Beatrice Grady, holding the NESCAC's leading scorer to only two goals. Herman also held Williams' Rachel Barr, another of the

league's top scorers, to only two goals in an 11-4 loss. She said she hopes to continue playing

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## SAILING

## Wind, stiff competition prevent sailors from qualifying for Nationals

BY KYLYN DEARY  
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After a series of close finishes, the sailing team's season met an unfortunate end as the Jumbos just missed qualifying for post-season competition. The team was expected to qualify for at least one of the three national championships this season that are being held in Austin, Texas.

The last possibility for Tufts to earn a spot at Nationals came on May 7-8 at the New England Dinghy Championships. The team finished seventh in the field of 18 teams that were represented.

On the first day, four races in each of the two divisions were completed. The conditions were extremely windy as gusts of up to 25 mph affected the sailors and boats, which were eventually recalled due to the high winds. The second day of the competition also featured windy conditions, but all the races were completed. Brown, Harvard, Yale, and Dartmouth

were the four teams from the region to qualify for co-ed Nationals.

Junior Dave Siegal and classmate Bryan Prior sailed for the Jumbos in the A division. The pair sailed in a total of 10 races to pull out a sixth-place finish.

"The conditions were really windy and that affected us like it did with every other team," Prior said. "We just didn't use it to our advantage."

In the B division, juniors Zander Kirkland, Jeffrey Cruise and Prior raced along with freshman Kaity Storck and finished eighth.

The first possible chance for the women's sailing team to qualify for Nationals came on April 24 at the New England Championships, where the Jumbos finished seventh in a field of 13 teams.

Racing for the Jumbos in the A division and finishing seventh was senior captain Lindsay Shanholt, sophomore crew members Jen Giroux and

Gretchen Curtis, and freshman Meredith Ginley.

Tufts placed fourth in the B division, but this was not enough for the Jumbos to move up in the final standings. Storck skippered the boat, and classmate Lyndsey Gibbons-Neff and sophomore Emily Randall also represented Tufts. The competition in the regatta was fierce, as the final standings came down to the very last heats. Only the top five teams receive a bid to Nationals.

"I think that we sailed our best and we're all happy with how well we finished," Shanholt said. "Obviously we're disappointed about not getting top five, but we knew qualifying for Nationals would be tough. Personally, I'm sad because it's my last shot at making nationals. The rest of our team will be around next year, as I'm the only senior graduating."

The next opportunity for the Jumbos to put themselves on a list to Austin came at

the co-ed New England sailing championships, held from April 30-May 1. The team finished fourth, but only the top three teams earned a spot at Nationals. Dartmouth, Yale and Harvard were the three teams to finish above Tufts.

Last year the Jumbos qualified for the North American Dinghy Championships and took 11th out of 18 teams. Prior and Siegal both were members of the qualifying team.

Final rankings for this season have not yet been released, but Tufts sits currently at No. 7 in the nation. This ranking is expected to drop due to the fact that the Jumbos did not qualify to compete in Austin.

"Obviously we are disappointed in not making an appearance in any of the national tournaments," coach Ken Legler said. "We had our chances and competed hard all season. We beat some of the best teams in the country, so we can't be completely disappointed."

## WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD

## Jumbos battle bad weather to place sixth at New Englands

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Battling rough weather conditions, the women's track and field team placed sixth in the New England Div. III outdoor championships, held on May 6-7

at Bates. The Jumbos managed to secure some top finishes, but the difficulty of performing in the inclement weather took its toll.

Finishing with 45 points, the team fell to top-ranked Williams College by a wide margin. Williams finished first with 198

points scored. Out of the 29 teams participating, only eight finished with 40 points or more. Williams's dominance may be slightly exaggerated, as coach Kristen Morwick opted to not run athletes in certain events due to the weather and final exams.

"This past weekend we had probably a third of the team compete due to conflicts with finals," Morwick explained. "We really didn't have any great performances due to the weather and exams."

The weather certainly affected the team's performance. During the meet, the team was pelted with rain in cold temperatures and high winds. Due to the conditions, the running events were hand-timed.

The Jumbos' 4x800 meter relay, which won at the NESCAC Championship meet, did not run. The 4x400 squad, who also finished with a victory at NESCAC's, came in a disappointing twelfth out of thirteen teams. The 4x100 relay was able to secure fifth place, scoring points for the team in the process. Explaining the disappointing finishes of the relay teams, Morwick cites injury problems.

"We've had some key injuries this spring," Morwick said. "Jill Warner has been out with some bad migraines and was told she could not compete. Jill is one of our top sprinters, so it has really hurt our chances in the 4x100

and 4x400 for nationals. Laura Walls also has been hurt with shin splints. She is one of our top middle-to-long-distance runners. It's been a really tough spring in terms of injuries."

Sophomore Sarah Crispin had the strongest individual finish for the Jumbos in the running events. She ran the 800 in 2:19.40, which was good enough for fourth place. In the 200, freshman Kaleigh Fitzpatrick continued the success she has had all season, finishing fifth in a time of 26.4.

Junior Rachel Bloom also managed to score points for the team, placing seventh in the 400 in a time of 60.0. Sophomore Kate Makai finished sixth in the 600 hurdles, clearing the course in 1:07.6. In the heptathlon, sophomore Margaret Clary grabbed fourth place.

The meet did not mark the end of the season. Several Jumbos competed in the All-New England Championships on May 13-14, which featured Div. I, II, and III competition. The team finished tied for eighteenth place.

Most recently, the Jumbos competed at the ECAC championships on May 19-20, but results were not available for press time. The team next competes at nationals on May 26-28 in Wartburg, Iowa.

Looking back on the season, the women's track team enjoyed limited success.

"We have had a really tough spring in terms of both weather and injuries," Morwick explained. "It has rained hard three weekends in a row. It is impossible to get good performances under those conditions, especially in the technical events. Up at Bates we had 50 mile-per-hour winds. It was a disaster. We are going to have to rely on the next two weekends to try and get some people into nationals."

Despite the difficulties, the Jumbos' record still boasts accomplishments. With a young team, they were able to finish in second place during the NESCAC championships. Furthermore, the Jumbos gained 11 spots on the All-NESCAC team for their competition at NESCAC's.

Bloom earned a spot for her second-place finish in the 100 and 200, as well as her participation on the 4x100 relay team. Freshman Catherine Beck and Crispin, who finished third and first in the 1,500, respectively, both received All-NESCAC honors and ran in the 4x800.

Sophomore Mackenzie Rawcliffe earned her spot by finishing third in the 100-meter hurdles. The entire 4x100 and 4x800 teams were honored with All-NESCAC recognition. The members included Fitzpatrick, sophomore Jess Mactas, Makai, senior tri-captain Katie Sheedy and freshman Anna Shih.



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Sarah Crispin finished fourth in the 800-meter run at the New England Div. III championships.

## The Year's Best in Tufts Athletics

## MALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR: FRED JONES, TRACK AND FIELD

In only two years of competition at the college level, sophomore Fred Jones has quickly established himself as not only one of the best Div. III athletes in New England, but in the nation as well. The superstar jumper anchors a solid track and field program and has returned from all of his appearances in NCAA Competition as an All-American.

Jones' marks in the Tufts record books should last long after he leaves Medford. This winter, Jones erased a 55-year-old Tufts record in the long jump and now holds the school records for the indoor long jump and triple jump as well as for the outdoor triple jump.

At the indoor Nationals this winter, Jones leapt to a second-place finish in the long jump competition, tying his career-best mark of 23'9" and finishing just one inch behind the winner. He also competed in the triple jump, just missing the finals. At the meet, he was recognized as the NCAA New England athlete of the year and rein-



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forced his reputation as one of the nation's best.

Last year at indoor Nationals, Jones finished sixth in the triple jump as a freshman. He has brought home All-American status both years. The sophomore has

already provisionally qualified for the 2005 outdoor Nationals in both the long jump and the triple jump. He'll get a chance to better his already sterling record on May 26-28 in Wartburg, Iowa.



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## COACH OF THE YEAR: BOB SHELDON, BASKETBALL

In the 2003-2004 season, the basketball team was woeful. It finished 8-17 with only two conference victories and just two home court victories. As a function of that finish, most fans had pretty slim hopes for this year's team, which featured basically the same roster.

Then, before you knew it, the team was winning, and winning big. Coach Bob Sheldon's young team became an offensive juggernaut, knocking down threes and dumping the ball down low to big man Reggie Stovell. The team outbounded and outscored oppo-

nents all season long and finished with a 16-10 record (7-2 NESCAC), the best Tufts finish since the 1999-2000 season. The team's impressive turnaround from last year is even more an accomplishment for Sheldon, considering the team's youth — only Stovell and guards Drew Kaklamanos and Jesse Belodoff are graduating. Ultimately, the team lost in the semifinals of the NESCAC playoffs, bowing out to Bates, 60-54. Still, the turnaround from last year is staggering, and a lot of the credit deserves to go to Sheldon.

## FEMALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR: COURTNEY BONGIOLATTI, SOFTBALL



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Courtney Bongiolatti, the shortstop and senior co-captain of the softball team, hit the ball at a staggering rate this year, leading her team to the NESCAC finals and a successful 27-8 record (7-1 NESCAC East). She hit a school record 14 home runs, smashing the previous mark of 9, which had been held by Lis Drake. Only three players in the history of the NESCAC have hit more home runs in a single season. In addition, Bongiolatti tied Drake's career home run record when she hit her 31st and 32nd on Apr. 30th against Colby.

In addition to the homers, Bongiolatti also led the league in RBIs with 45, slugging (.869) and total bases (93). She also ranked among the league's top five in hits (40), runs scored (26) and batting average (.374).

During one two-week stretch from Apr. 14 to Apr. 30, Bongiolatti hit a staggering nine home runs in 11 games. This year she became the first Tufts softball player ever to earn first team All-American status. Not surprisingly, the New Jersey native also won NESCAC Player of the Year.

## ROOKIE OF THE YEAR: DANIELLE LOPEZ, SOFTBALL

Tufts featured one of the most impressive freshman classes in recent history this year. In the fall, Adam Arsenault, a linebacker on the football team, was one of the team leaders in tackles and was named NESCAC Rookie of the Year. In the winter, swimmer Bianca Spinosa was the only Jumbo to qualify for Nationals. Greg O'Connell started on the soccer team and finished second in scoring on the hockey team, and this spring, teammates Megan Cusick and Erica Bailey both earned all-NESCAC honors

as a catcher and pitcher, respectively.

While their performances were remarkable, the softball team's second baseman, Danielle Lopez, led the field. Lopez was named the NESCAC Rookie of the Year, and for good reason. The Danvers, Mass. native smacked a league-best 44 hits and was second to teammate Bongiolatti with eight home runs and 76 total bases. The rookie was also third in runs scored (26), and fourth in RBIs (27). In the field, Lopez started every game for the Jumbos.

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## A few pointers

I love the Philadelphia sports teams. I always will. I will live and die on every single game and I will complain bitterly about our teams even when they win titles. I'm a sports fan from Philadelphia and that's what we do. Hall of famer Mike Schmidt once said that "Philadelphia is the only city where you can experience the thrill of victory and the agony of reading about it the next day."

Well I'm not in Philadelphia anymore, sadly. Nine months of the year I'm in Boston. And now, after one full school year, I've made a few adjustments and picked up on a few problems with this city's sports scene. Boston, this is my advice to you, direct from Philly.

First, I've had to make a few changes. It's so strange and new to be around teams that don't suck (Philadelphia speak). Sure we have the Eagles. But it took them three tries just to make it past the NFC Championship.

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## MEN'S TRACK AND FIELD

## Brigham, Lacey and Jones head to Nationals

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Most members of the Tufts track and field team have ended their season as the championship post-season has progressed. For three Tufts athletes, however, the season is not yet over.

Senior Nate Brigham, junior Matt Lacey and sophomore Fred Jones still have one meet in which to compete, perhaps the most important of their track careers. All three have automatically qualified for the National Div. III Championship meet in Wartburg, Iowa on May 26.

Brigham is rounding out his running career at Tufts, having set several school records along the way. On April 8 at the Hillside Relays at Tufts, Brigham smashed the previous school record in the 5000 meter run by nearly 20 seconds, running a time of 14:31.39. It was Tufts' first outdoor meet at home in five years due to poor track conditions.

The track resurfacing project began a year and a half ago, and was completed in time for this year's outdoor season. During the first meet the track had seen in five years, the weather was perfect for outdoor distance running, and Brigham's mark was good enough to be the top 5000 time in the nation.

Lacey would run an even faster time later on in the season. He started out the season strong and has only improved as the year progressed. He placed second in the 5,000 at Hillside Relays in a strong time of 14:34.04 that was overshadowed by Brigham's mastery on the course. At the Penn Relays on April 28, however,

Lacey would not be outrun. He ran a blistering time of 14:19.37, finishing seventh in a field that included athletes from Div. I schools. The time is good enough to rank him at second overall in Div. III.

Brigham also ran well at the event, automatically qualifying for Nationals with a time of 30:14.09 seconds in the 10,000. He broke his own school record with that time, resetting the record he had broken at Hillside Relays three weeks before.

Lacey then one-upped his teammate again, setting a personal record in the 10K at the IC4A meet in Princeton. Lacey ran a time of 30:04.62, good enough for third in the nation and the school record.

In addition to Lacey's individual accomplishments, he led the team to a first place finish at the NESCAC championship meet at Colby on April 30. Lacey won the 10K easily, lapping most of the field, but also helped Tufts net an extra two points for the team in the event when he came up on teammate senior Michael Don as he lapped him. Lacey started yelling at Don to urge him on and slowed his own pace to help Don finish in fourth, rather than the sixth place in which he was running.

"It wasn't about time for me out there," Lacey said at the time. "I just wanted [the team] to win."

Sophomore Chad Uy is one of the many Tufts runners who admire Brigham and Lacey's prowess this season.

"It's pretty inspirational to see all those records being broken," he said, "It makes me want to go out there and run.

They make it look so easy. They make it seem like anyone can do just as well."

Jones also had a big year, translating his success in the indoor field events to the outdoors. Jones provisionally qualified for Nationals in two events, the long jump and the triple jump. He is currently twelfth and sixteenth in the nation, respectively. The top 16 marks are invited to compete at Nationals. Jones jumped a mark of 7.17 meters in the long jump at the George Davis Invitational at UMass Lowell. In the triple jump, he marked 14.34 at the NESCAC championships.

Tufts finished second at NESCACs this year behind Williams. The Jumbos overcame injuries to several athletes. Williams has won the meet 12 of the past 13 years, and the Ephs were strong once again at NESCACs. Middlebury made Tufts sweat it out for second place, but the Jumbos triumphed by 9.5 points.

Some Tufts athletes are on the outside of the National picture looking in, trying to solidify a berth to the championship meet. Junior Jason Galvin has performed extremely well this year in the throwing events, especially the hammer, his specialty.

"I thought I would have a good year, but I didn't think I would get so many throws in," he said.

Galvin provisionally qualified for Nationals at the IC4A meet, but is ranked 23rd in the nation. As of press time, Galvin still had one more meet to try and qualify for Nationals; the ECAC championship was held on May 19-20 in Springfield, Mass.

"I'm feeling good. I PRed the past few weeks," he said last week.

## MEN'S TRACK PROFILE

## Brigham leaves Tufts after four stellar years

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You may have missed one of the most prolific runners in Tufts history graduate today, because Nate Brigham's gown probably hid his lanky figure. If that's the case, then you missed the anchor of the Tufts' track and field team for four years.

Over four years, Brigham broke three Tufts records, is in the top 10 of several other events, and went to Nationals

nine times.

And while Brigham may complete his Tufts academic career when he walks across the stage today, his Tufts athletic career still has one weekend left. Brigham's last race comes next weekend in Wartburg, Iowa at the NCAA Div. III National meet. He will run the 5000 and 10,000 meter races.

Brigham and junior Matt Lacey are the first two athletes in Tufts' track history to qualify for Nationals in two different

events. Brigham ran a time of 14:31.39 in the Hillside Relays at Tufts on Apr. 8 in the 5,000, breaking the school record in the event. Later in the month, he ran a 30:14.09 in the 10,000 at Penn Relays.

Brigham's last appearance at Nationals is the end of his four year story with Tufts athletics. Recruited out of high school, Brigham chose Tufts because he thought the program had potential.

"It was an up and coming team," Brigham said. "It seemed like we had a real chance to do some damage on the New England scene. I also liked the balance between academics and athletics."

During Brigham's freshman year, however, he had trouble balancing academics and athletics.

"I just wanted to run," he said. "Balancing is something you get better at over time."

As time passed his grades and his running improved. During Brigham's sophomore year, he finished 11th at Nationals in the Cross Country season.

"It was one of the greatest races I've ever ran," Brigham said. After that, though, Brigham fell into a rut with his races at Nationals.

"I had a bad streak of National performances. I got out there, and didn't run well for five Nationals in a row," he said.

During the rut, Brigham said he found it hard to remember why he ran in the first place. Things turned around at a national meet this winter where Brigham finished eighth in the 5K and found his drive again. Now, Brigham is ready to prove himself on the National stage once more.

Brigham's last trip to Nationals is a culmination of four years of progress. Head coach Connie Putnam said, "He's been constantly getting better. His freshman year he basically was

a 31 minute 10K guy."

Brigham said he credits part of his progress to Putnam and the rest of the coaching staff's help.

"Overall my relationship with Connie has been really good," he said, "I know he'd do anything for me."

Along with Putnam, Brigham's teammates have helped his development.

"Tufts cross country and track and field have been like a family to me," he said, "We live together, we eat together, everything."

Especially with this year's emergence of Lacey's prowess, Brigham has used his teammates to help step his own running up a notch. "It's been great to have someone who could push me," he said.

Brigham's teammates have used his running to help their own races.

"He's served as the spark plug for the distance group," Putnam said. The coach also said that Brigham's ability to lead is beneficial for the team, since it takes the pressure off the other runners.

"He handled the leadership role fantastically," Putnam said.

"Nate's basically been my leader for three years now," Lacey said. "He's the guy I tried to train and run with when I first came in as a freshman. He's been the man of the team for three years."

After Tufts, Brigham said he plans on pursuing a future in education. As far as his running career goes, his next goal is the marathon. There are sponsored teams that he could run for, but he said that they would involve a serious commitment.

For now, Brigham said he has his sights set on one last Nationals performance.

"I'm really excited about this year's Nationals," he said. "I haven't had my best race yet, and now I've got the experience to not go out and panic."

## ANDREW BAULD |

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## The Tennis Universe

Go to ESPN.com. Go ahead. Do it. Now, on the left with the sports headlines you'll notice one you've probably never seen before, six down, right below "Motorsports." Click it. Don't worry, it's painless, click it. There ya go. Welcome to the world of tennis.

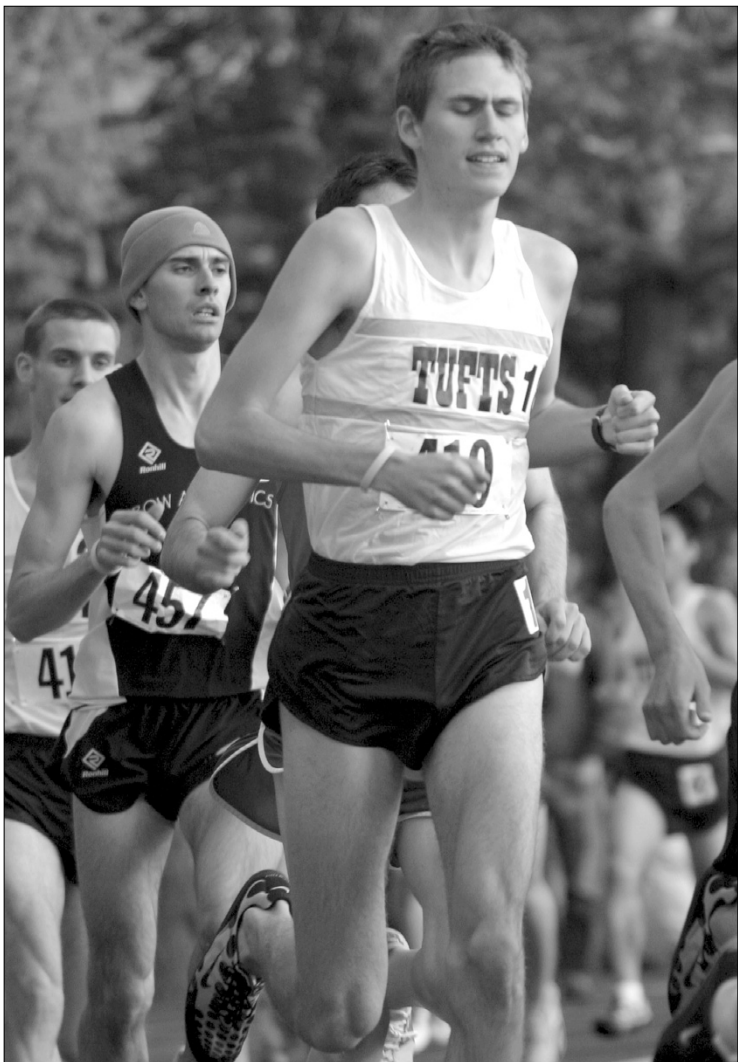
I know you usually don't see past the "MLB," "NBA" and "NFL" links, but think of this as an adventure, an insight into a sport that extends beyond the border of the old US of A, where the No. 1 player in the world actually had to play someone from (gulp) another continent to gain that ranking and truly be the best in the world. And to top it all off, you don't just get a men's No. 1, but a women's No. 1 as well! That's a two-for-one deal that can't be beat.

Tennis has never been able to grab a foothold in this country, as you can see from its status below "Motorsports." It's always been seen as the preppy, boring sport, linked with the likes of cricket and polo. But it has its own excitement. It's got its own thrills. Sure, a home run is great, but how about a blazing 153 mph serve?

You want to talk about gutsy performances? Kirk Gibson's

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Nate Brigham went to the NCAA championships nine times in his four year career here. He competes on the national stage for the final time on May 26-28.

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## These Magic Moments

The NBA playoffs this year have been unlike any other. There have been moments of glory, moments of devastation and moments that will make this postseason one for the ages. Like Radmanovic's hair. Commencement is a time for reflection, so I have compiled my favorite NBA Playoffs moments from this special 2005 season. I think I am getting misty already.

I will start with the hometown Celtics, Boston's new lovable losers. It has to be a little disheartening that you played a Pacers team without Ron Artest or a healthy Jermaine O'Neal and still lost three home games, including a 27 point Game 7 drubbing. So much for the ghosts of the Fleet Center.

At least we all saw Paul Pierce blow a gasket at the end of Game 6, when he inexplicably swiped at Anthony Johnson and nearly cost his team the series. I thought Pierce might have acted a little selfishly when he stomped off the court, tore off his jersey and swung it around his head at the crowd like a madman. Of course now I realize he was trying to save the team the humiliation of Game 7. The best moment, though, had to have been Kendrick Perkins' look of sheer terror after being selected to take Pierce's free throws. "You want me to do what?" That was classic.

As for Philadelphia and Detroit, I feel like that series has been over for months now. Is anyone sure they played? All I remember is Samuel Dalembert playing out of his mind and his funny French accent. I think that's all I've got here. I could go on, but I have been told that my "Kyle Korver looks like Ashton Kutcher" jokes are "so yesterday."

The biggest snoozefest of the first round was undoubtedly the Nets-Heat

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## Bauld introduces Tufts to the wide world of tennis

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walk off home run in Game 1 of the 1988 World Series was inspirational, but what about Pete Sampras' performance in the 1996 U.S. Open Quarterfinals? After losing his coach to brain cancer earlier in the year, Sampras gutted out a grueling four-hour and nine-minute match, vomiting twice on the court, but managing to pull out the win after saving a match point and dealing up a second-serve ace.

The Yankees and Celtics might define dynasty, but the exploits of Pistol Pete and his record 14 Grand Slam victories are just as impressive. And he did it all by his lonesome. Tennis also has the honor of remaining one of the few sports that has yet to be tarnished by scandal this year. But let's go over some of the logistics of the forgotten sport.

Instead of one season-ending championship, tennis has the Grand Slams, and unlike every other sport except golf, you get four tournaments instead of one boring one. Although there is a championship to determine the number one player of the men and women, that's like the conference championships of NCAA basketball; the Slams are March Madness, just all summer long.

First up is the Australian Open in January. The Aussie Open is a tough one, definitely the least popular, and since it's shown at three in the morning over here, most people forget about it. Then the

season really kicks off in May with the French Open. Held on the clay of Roland Garros, the French is like the NBA Finals: gritty, dirty, and always a good show.

Then you've got Wimbledon in England between June and July; the timeless championship; think World Series, just in white polos and tennis skirts. Finally comes the Super Bowl of the tennis world in August and September: The U.S. Open, held in New York. This is the Slam that Never Sleeps and the only tournament featuring play during both day and night. So now that you're summer plans are set, we need to know just who will be competing.

If you're going to enjoy tennis, you need to know whom you're rooting for or against. Let's go over some of the big names. The men's side features a growing number of young guns like American Andy Roddick, Swiss-born and No. 1 in the world Roger Federer and upstart Spaniard Rafael Nadal. But the old guys are still kicking, too, with the likes of the venerable American Andre Agassi and Australia's Lleyton Hewitt, tennis' version of John Rocker.

But my personal favorite is the Limey, Tim Henman. Hailing from England, he holds the dubious distinction of being quite possibly the best tennis player never to have won a Grand Slam. He's made his way to the semi-finals of Wimbledon several times, but always comes up short. Maybe it's the Red Sox

side of my personality, but you gotta love the underdog.

The women's side features Americans Serena and Venus Williams and Lindsay Davenport, as well as the Belgian Mighty Mouse, Justine Henin-Hardenne. She stands just over 5'5", but her powerful backhand has led her to three Grand Slam victories in the last two years. The last few seasons have also featured a Russian Revolution, with an explosion of talent emerging from behind the old Iron Curtain, including Maria Sharapova, Elena Dementieva, and Nadia Petrova. And unlike the WNBA, I promise, the WTA will not bore you to sleep.

What makes tennis so unique is that it is truly one of the few non-team sports that remain competitive and interesting (sadly golf does not meet that last requirement). With tennis it's just you and your opponent. No coach to help you, no teammates to support you. You are the pitcher and catcher, the quarterback, the point guard, and the goalie all rolled into one. Any mistake made is yours and yours alone, but so are the victories. It may take a while, but once you begin to get tennis, you'll be hooked. And hopefully after you've expanded your own sports universe with tennis, you can move on to something more obscure, like that link a few below "Tennis" on ESPN.com. Something called "NHL."

## Four outgoing seniors anchored team during season

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lacrosse in adult leagues while pursuing a career as a financial analyst.

"[Her All-NESCAC award] says a lot about her skills and how important she was to our team," Doughty said. "Her speed, aggression, tenacity and competitive spirit were all needed and invaluable to our team."

Dana Panzer played two seasons for the lacrosse team, first as a midfielder in her junior year and then as the team's goalie this season. Panzer picked up the position easily because of her athleticism. Panzer, who hails from Sayville, New York, was also a standout field hockey player for Tufts in the fall, breaking that team's single season scoring record with 33 points. She will graduate with a degree in economics.

"She played the most difficult position on the field," Rappoli said. "Panzer is a raw athlete who improved her

play every week."

Panzer worked as goalie and recorded double-digit saves against Williams and Colby this season. Her four second-half saves against Trinity helped the Jumbos tally an important win.

"Panzer definitely adds a lot of comic relief to this team, but also knows when its time to work," Griffin said. "She works hard every day at practice and is so dedicated to everything she does."

Griffin, the team's other captain this season along with Doughty, was a solid contributor and a team leader. Griffin had 17 of her 44 career points this season, helping the team to an 8-7 record and a playoff berth.

"I love this team more than anything. It's definitely the girls that make me show up to practice everyday," Griffin said. "But also putting on a tufts uniform before every game is one of the most rewarding moments ever."

Injuries slowed her down in her Tufts career, but the Northborough, Mass.

native was an important part of the team's success, scoring four goals and adding an assist in an 18-5 win over Bridgewater State.

"She is more of a finesse player, a set-up player," Rappoli said. "Griffin is a hard worker, always supporting her teammates."

Griffin said she hopes to move on to play in adult leagues and possibly coach lacrosse in California. The economics major, like her other teammates, will sincerely miss playing sports at Tufts. After the playoff loss to Amherst, she started to cry, realizing her lacrosse career was coming to an end.

"In the locker room, I refused to take off my uniform, knowing it was the last time I would ever wear it," Griffin said. "The greatest achievement at Tufts for me is completing the four years of lacrosse with the most amazing and talented group of lacrosse players I have ever known. Playing sports in college is an irreplaceable experience. Nothing compares."

## Luten, Deary to continue play in NCAA action

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effective.

"I wanted a more laid back approach and to play hard without expectations," Eng said. "It seems we play better that way. Our goal was a top three finish."

Playing in the singles A round was sophomore Jen Luten. Following a bye in the first round, Luten defeated Bowdoin's A player 6-4, 6-4, and crushed Connecticut College's A player 6-0, 6-3, before losing to Amherst in three sets, 2-6, 6-3, 5-7.

In the B singles, both sophomore Klynn Deary and senior tri-captain Jennifer Lejb received first round byes. Deary went out in the Quarterfinals to Middlebury's B player 1-6, 1-6, while Lejb fought her way through several difficult matches to reach the finals, before losing to Amherst's B 0-6, 6-2, 2-6.

In the C singles senior tri-captain Trina Spear also received a first round bye, but fell to Amherst in the Semifinals 4-6, 2-6. But sophomore Stephanie Ruley, who began in the first round with no bye, managed to defeat Amherst's second C player 4-6, 7-6 (2), 6-1, before losing in the finals to yet another Amherst opponent, going down 4-6, 0-6.

"Amherst has always been a strong team," Lejb said. "They

recruit great players and have a solid tennis program. I think they might spend a lot of time practicing the problem areas that other teams have, exposing weaknesses in matches."

The Tufts doubles squads also made successful runs in the tournament, with both the No. 1 team of Luten and Deary and the No. 2 team of Lejb and Pisheva making it to the final rounds, where both teams lost 5-8 to the doubles teams from Amherst. The No. 3 doubles team of senior Ashley Weisman and junior Rebecca Bram lost a hard-fought match in the semifinals to Middlebury 7-9.

"[Ruley] and [Luten] had great runs in singles," Eng said. "Luten lost 7-5 in the third set to an Amherst opponent who was playing on top of her game. We played great doubles, which was a great lead-in for the NCAA [Tournament]."

Following the NESCAC Championships, the Jumbos competed in the NCAA Team Tournament. Following a sweep of rival Wellesley College 5-0 in the Regional First Round, Tufts returned to its fifth straight Northeast final. The team was determined to improve upon its performance last year, when it lost in the finals, but Amherst once again stood in the way, ending the Jumbos' season 5-1.

"We were very confident after NESCACs and we wanted revenge against Wellesley," Eng said. "Blanking them was nice. The key to Amherst was doubles. We [thought] they [were] more vulnerable there than singles."

Although doubles has been the weak link of the team most of the season, the squad showed they were beginning to come to form with close matches in all three doubles matchups. Both No. 1 duo Luten and Deary and No. 2 team Lejb and Pisheva lost 6-8 in their respective matches, and the No. 3 team of Bram and Weisman took their match to a tie-breaker, losing 9-8 (7-2).

"Amherst might win the nationals," Deary said. "Doubles remains the problem, especially stringing two wins together in a row."

Tufts finished its team season with a record of 9-6, but for Deary and Luten, their play continues as they head to Kalamazoo, Michigan, as Luten will compete in the NCAA Singles Championships, along with Deary in the Doubles Championships. Both look forward to the match, and are confident of success.

"I couldn't be more excited," said Deary, a Mich. native. "This will be basically my home court, my friends and family will be there. I know we can win our first few rounds."

## Injuries to Griffin, Cook slowed down Jumbos' season

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missing the playoffs altogether. Still, the Jumbos came through in the last game of the year, notching an impressive overtime victory over Connecticut College on the strength of Clarke's four goals, including the winner 1:17 into overtime.

Down the stretch, Clarke was the go-to guy for the Jumbos, tallying nine goals in the final two regular season games of the season. He would go on to be named NESCAC co-player of the year along with Amherst sophomore Derek Cherney.

"Looking back, I think how we ended up was disappointing because we definitely had the talent," Clarke said. "I'm disappointed we couldn't win a few games down the stretch that mattered most."

Still, the lacrosse program's recent ascendance to national prominence doesn't look like it's subject to change.

The team will graduate Clarke, Griffin, midfielder Jordan Guynn, defenseman Joe Mead, and goalies Andy Starr and Luke Chicco, but

has a deep well of talent and a promising freshman class.

"Our expectations will remain high," Daly said. "We will continue to put pressure on ourselves to compete in the top five schools in country. We want the pressure of high expectations and we will meet those expectations."

Midfielder and face-off phenom Rory Doucette will captain the team in his final year. Daly's recruiting record speaks for itself, and players still find positives to take out of a seemingly disappointing season.

"Our finish was very disappointing — we had much higher goals," junior attackman Mike O'Brien said. "But our freshmen are all coming along well, and next year we'll have a ton of seniors so hopefully the leadership will be there too."

"We all learned a lot about being a team," Holm said. "We'll have a huge chip on our shoulder to prove that Tufts lacrosse is not a group of underachieving guys but a group of overachieving guys."



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How many times have you seen college graduations play out in movies? Not many, if any at all, right? Movies take us to fantasy lands, and places audiences want to be. College graduations are not where people want to be, mainly because of the uncertainty that lies ahead.

Coming out of high school, we knew our deal, and we knew that the foreseeable future was there for the taking, filled with a multitude of possibilities but still having a framework surrounding it: college.

This "rite of passage" which brings us together today looks a bit murkier through the windshield. I have my wipers on full blast, but the fog is yet to be lifted.

But you know what I say to all of that? Who cares.

Over our Tufts careers, we have gained quite the education about how to live for the moment. Four professional sports championships in as many years will do that to a region. So why should a college graduation be any different?

I, like many of my compatriots, am not as gainfully employed as I would like to be leaving here today. Sure, the future would be well-positioned if I had a real job (besides waiting tables) to look forward to, but such is not the case. So while graduation is supposed to be a "first day of the rest of your life" moment, I prefer to think of it simply as a day to celebrate what we have seen and done in our time as Jumbos.

When George Foreman hung up his boxing gloves, do you think he knew he would be making millions on a Lean Mean Grilling Machine?

Do you think Paul Newman knew he would gain a new generation of fans mainly because his face was on salad dressing?

The clichéd point is that the future, whether it has been "started" yet or not, holds a ton of possibilities. And today is not the day to agonize over what those may be. Take a look at the people around you. Think about that time you painted the cannon, or made fun of the kids who were painting the cannon. Think of the time you had a few too many and climbed on top of Jumbo. This is the last time you'll be around most of these people; talk to one of those faces you never met, it will probably feel good.

"I thought this was a sports column?" you're asking. What happened to the inane quips that made up "Some Kind of Wonderful" all year? Well, I'm going to recall some goofy stuff that made my stay in Mehlah/Suhmvull so enjoyable for you now, such as:

— My roommate, Steve Cincotta, taking a pitching-machine fastball directly off the chest out of the hand of Greg Hickey. Point-blank range. Just one of the many classic moments from that freshman year JV baseball season.

— The other football coaches making me do an impression of our defensive coordinator, Coach Walsh, in front of the team before the Amherst game that year. At least I made one contribution.

— One of my buddies, who shall remain nameless, dominating 10 Krispy Kremes in one sitting. This is the same man who would go on to wrap a hot dog with a Krispy Kreme and go to work. Bravo, anonymous eater.

— Sitting on this very quad during freshman orientation, during Larry Bacow's first address as Tufts president, and all I could think about was how many dips and pull-ups I would be able to do in the football fitness testing that was to follow that day. I can't remember how many I did, but I do remember being paralyzed by those thoughts. I was not yet, as I have been promoting, living in the moment.

— Pledging DU. It may have been dubbed Delta "Oops I pledged the wrong fraternity" by us, but in the end, my college

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## Bloom imparts some Philly advice to Boston sports fans

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You may have heard of the team that beat them. The New England Patriots. I have to be honest. I can't stand that team. If the Eagles have too much personality with guys like the recently released Freddie Mitchell and the recently whiny Terrell Owens (he has to feed his children), the Patriots don't have enough. Bill Belichick can't possibly be as boring as he sounds every week, can he? I've seen undertakers with more personality.

And while they may win all the time, they don't have any fun. They haven't had any fun since Lonie Paxton made snow angels in the end zone against the Raiders. It's all business for this team. They need to live a little.

Also, you fans are so jaded from decades of the Red Sox losing that it has spilled over to other sports. After the Super Bowl (once I finished grieving in my room) I walked around campus and it was like a graveyard. Have a little fun. Celebrate a big win. Get rowdy. Enjoy it when Super Bowl championships come, because someday they'll stop (hopefully next year in the Philly-NE rematch).

I can't admit to liking anything about the Celtics. As long as they play the Sixers, they will provoke my ire. But they are the most successful team of all time in the NBA and they have a great young nucleus. However, Boston, stop denying it. Nobody likes Antoine Walker. Just get rid of him. He's not worth it. Even The

Truth can't handle Antoine (although you can't handle The Truth). And I'm a little disappointed in the lack of NBA fans in this town. That needs to change.

Baseball is far and away this city's strength. I went to my first Red Sox game two weeks ago with my brother. The atmosphere around the stadium is electric. He compared the scene around the stadium to Wrigley Field. I don't think you can make comparisons. Fenway Park stands alone as the ultimate baseball experience. So what if you can't find tickets? (That's the reason I didn't go down sooner.) So what if prices are through the roof? I wouldn't trade it.

My brother and I walked into the stadium behind home plate and he immediately said that he finally understood why other people complain about not being close to the field. At Veterans Stadium, there used to be no such thing as close to the field. But at Fenway, there are no bad seats.

We moved from our grandstand seats that we bought off scalpers to the right field side behind the Pesky pole. And sitting in the sun watching Manny drive a home run over the Monster against the A's was fantastic. Following "Take Me Out To The Ballgame" with "Sweet Caroline" is also a nice touch.

Of course, Foulke blew a three-run lead in the top of the ninth, putting the team down by a run. My brother and I had to check and make sure we weren't still in Philadelphia, because that kind of thing is the norm for the Phillies. But we

exercised our Philadelphia charm by heckling nearby Octavio Dotel in the bullpen, reminding him of the walk-off he gave up the night before.

Sure enough, Dotel delivered again. We started a "Tek" chant, and the captain made it happen to give the team its second straight walkoff victory. When I first arrived at Tufts, it took me a few games to figure out who Tek was. And now I know all the words to "Dirty Water."

When it comes to Red Sox baseball, don't change a thing. The stadium's great, the owners care about winning and "the idiots" deliver. They're fun to watch and it's simply a great organization.

Wait, you can change one thing. Get rid of Terry Francona. Although he does have a lot of good managerial qualities. After all, he's the only manager in the league who has absolutely no influence on wins or losses and only a few distinguished baseball minds are capable of such a feat. And obviously having Francona in the dugout works. Go figure.

The passion in this city for sports is fantastic and I hope that never changes. Watching the Sox win their first World Series wasn't just magical for Boston fans, but for baseball, and I feel privileged to have celebrated here at Tufts.

So while this city may lack cheesesteaks and hoagies, a loyal throng of disgruntled fans, and a general appreciation for the immortal John Kruk, I think I will be able to manage for another three years. Well, as long as the Eagles can beat the Pats next year.

Doucette will be  
captain next year

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offensive end as well. He finished with seven goals and two assists on just 15 shots.

"It's a great honor to be mentioned in such a good league," Holm said. "We played against a lot of good players, and it's very flattering, and also a reflection on our entire team."

Doucette, who earned second-team specialty player honors, will be a key component on next year's team. He was a face-off phenom for the Jumbos, winning 58 percent of the time. He also led the Jumbos with 81 ground balls.

"If there was an unsung hero award, he'd get it," O'Brien said. "He does everything on the field, winning faceoffs and playing great defense. He's definitely one of the most valuable players on the team."

Doucette's scrappiness was evident at all times, as the junior could be seen checking opponents at just about any point in the game.

"He does a little bit of everything for us and I would trust Rory to play any position on the field," Daly said. "He is a lacrosse player, not a specialist or a one-dimensional player," he said, in reference to the title of the award that Doucette won.

After the season ended, Doucette was named the captain for 2006. He will lead a corps of 12 returning seniors who hope to push the Jumbos over the top for the team's first NESCAC championship. Middlebury has won the conference title every year since the introduction of the tournament in 2001.

Griffin plans to pursue professional  
career in lacrosse after graduation

## GRIFFIN

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year," Griffin said. "It's a lot easier to look good when you have other guys working hard to become the best lacrosse players possible."

"I also became a student of the game, taking every opportunity to study Div. I films, their schemes, players and moves," Griffin said. "Learning my opponents' tendencies through films helped me a lot also. I basically spent more time watching film than I did sleeping."

This past season, Griffin was hampered by a knee injury that kept him out of three games and limited his minutes in another. When on the field he was as productive as ever, scoring 22 goals with 29 assists. The season featured several special moments for Griffin, such as his four goals and five assists in a victory over Bates in the last home game of his collegiate career.

The most memorable moment of the year came on March 18 in a game against Endicott, when he became the school's all-time leading scorer. He finished his career with 134 goals and 101 assists for 235 points.

"I was happy for myself and my teammates because as much as it is a reflection on my own performance, it's a reflection of the guys I've played next to for the past four years," Griffin said. "If I played on a different team, I would not have been nearly as successful."

During his freshman year, Griffin

said he considered leaving Tufts and transferring to another school.

"My first year here was very hard for me," Griffin said. "I doubted whether I could make it academically and whether or not I was the right fit for the team."

Fortunately for the Jumbos' fans, Griffin decided to stay at Tufts. He said that his relationship with Daly was one of the most important factors in his staying.

"Coach Daly turned out to be one of the most positive influences in my life and got me to stick around through my freshman season," Griffin said. "I haven't had the most positive male role models my entire life but he assured me that if I stayed around, I would not regret it. Obviously, I stuck around and made some of the greatest friends anyone could ever have. Plus, Coach Daly has been an unbelievable influence and a father-type figure for me whenever I was going through hard times."

Griffin will pursue a professional career after graduation, and has already contacted the general manager of an indoor team interested in drafting him.

"I'd like to see where I stand against the best players in the world," Griffin said. "Hopefully I can extend my lacrosse career a few more years while working and surfing out in Southern California somewhere. I've been waiting for this moment for a long time so I'm in no rush."

## Davis sacrificed starting role to help team as reliever

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Davis to get everyone on the same page and pick up the slack if anyone is having trouble. He [Davis] helped them adapt right away."

The Jumbo pitching staff came out strong early in the season. After Lopez and Davis, two sophomores and a freshman, rounded off the team's top five leaders in ERA. Sophomores Aaron Narva and Derek Rice finished closely behind, with ERAs of 1.66 and 2.13 respectively, while freshman Adam Telian finished with a 2.13 ERA. Rice and fellow sophomore Ben Simon led the team in wins with five.

"Early on in the season the younger guys were having some trouble getting used to playing in the system," Davis said. "But after our trip down south, they started picking things up pretty quickly

and started pitching strong."

Davis said he attributes much of his success as well as the accomplishments of the younger pitchers on the staff to the work the Jumbos' catchers put in every day in practice and in game situations. When Davis is not out on the mound during game time, it is the catchers like Kenny who pick up the load of leading their younger pitchers.

"Our catching staff has done a lot to help the younger guys be successful," Davis said. "They'll do the little things like taking frequent mound visits to make sure they are focused and have their heads in the games."

Perhaps the strongest exemplification of Davis' leadership and commitment to the team came in the beginning of the season when Casey asked him to take on a different team role. Davis, who had served as a starting pitcher throughout

his career at Tufts, was asked to give up the starting position to pitch as a long reliever. Davis took on the new role without any complaints.

"He'll do anything for the team and accept any role to help us win," Kenny said. "He's a competitor that we can rely on to be there for us at any time and he kept us afloat when our offense hasn't been at the top of its game."

The transition forced Davis to take on a more vigorous pitching routine, working on his arm strength to prepare to potentially pitch every game. Davis jumped on the opportunity to be able to pitch on a daily basis.

"Moving from a starter to reliever made me get my arm strength up," Davis said. "But it's easier knowing that I'd have the opportunity to pitch a lot more. If I have the opportunity to help the team on the mound, I'll take it."

## Watson was a role model for humility

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1994. Last season, the Jumbos earned their third consecutive berth in the NCAA Tournament and were No. 22 in the final 2004 ITA Div. III rankings.

Watson's accomplishments were also recognized by the league when he earned two New England Coach of the Year awards with the men's team (1989 and 1994) and two with the women's team (1989 and 2000).

In 2003, Doug Eng took over the helm as women's head tennis coach, but in his 23 seasons as the women's coach, Watson led the team to a 169-101 record, five New England titles and four NCAA Tournament berths.

In addition to his winning record, the coach had a profound influence on his players. This was best exemplified when Perahya won what was probably the biggest match of his Jumbo career against MIT in the regionals two years ago. As Perahya's sportsmanship left much to be desired, Watson scolded him for his classlessness and did not even comment on his major victory.

"I look back now and that is the defining 'Coach Watson moment' for me," Perahya said. "Here I was, this jubilant 20 year old thinking he is the best after winning this match, and Watson blasts me for not being a gentleman. It was a moment I will never forget."

Watson believes that humility is still more important, a contrast to the at-all-cost mentality prevalent in college sports today. He was often the last one remaining on the tennis court after matches, picking up balls,

loading his car with equipment, and even having time for a few questions.

Watson's humility never ceased, even after his most significant career accomplishment, his 200th career win.

"We had to tie him with balloons to the chair so we could sing to him," junior Paul Roberts said.

According to players, Watson is the type of coach who understands when a player misses a match for academic purposes. He is not one to deliver self-righteous lectures about team commitment and priority, and his advice is taken as gospel among his players.

"He has been in every situation before," Perahya said. "It's amazing when you think about it."

When sophomore Geoff Loh missed what may have been the biggest match of the season against Amherst due to a molecular biology test, his teammates were critical, but Watson did not even attempt to talk Loh out of his decision.

"He has got to do what he has got to do," Watson said. "You have to give Geoff a tremendous amount of credit."

"Wow, 30 years on the courts, I can remember when they built them," Watson said after his final match. "I have seen a lot out there."

"He taught us to be winners in life. There are no words that can really describe his impact," Perahya said. "He was almost a teacher first and a coach second, and for that my teammates improved as human beings. In 10 years we are not going to remember who won and lost what match, but his life lessons are certain to help us beyond the confines of a tennis court."

## Williams hurler throws two shutouts

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final on wins over Middlebury in the first round and Trinity in the consolation round after being dealt a loss by Williams in between the victories. On Friday, the Jumbos overcame unseasonable weather conditions to defeat the Panthers 2-0. Despite a solid showing from Middlebury senior pitcher Megan McCarthy and a strong wind that blew several long shots short into the gloves of Middlebury outfielders, the Tufts offense was able to capitalize.

Two hits from senior co-captain Courtney Bongiolatti contributed to both runs, as she scored one after reaching base and batted in the other. A leadoff triple down the right field line in the fourth inning put Bongiolatti in perfect position for a sacrifice fly to center from freshman Erica Bailey. In the sixth, freshman Danielle Lopez, the NESCAC Rookie of the Year, ripped her second single of the game and was knocked in by a Bongiolatti double.

The weather only got worse on Saturday, and the day's games were cancelled due to the rain. Rescheduled for Sunday and moved to Wheaton College, the second round was not as lucky for the Jumbos. Despite just four hits and six strikeouts from Bailey, Tufts was shutout by Hard and notched only one hit, a long single from Bongiolatti. Both Eph runs in the bottom of the sixth were unearned. The rally was sparked by singles from freshman Kristen Lemons and junior Alana Frost, and the runs scored on a Bongiolatti

error.

The loss sent Tufts to the consolation round for a matchup against Trinity with a trip to the final on the line. The Jumbos needed a win to stay in the tournament, and that's exactly what they produced. The Bantams took an early 1-0 lead in the third, but Tufts sophomore Alaina Thiel, two for three on the day, evened the score with her first home run of the season, a deep shot to left-center.

With the game knotted at one heading into the seventh inning, the Jumbos found their offensive rhythm as senior co-captain Katie Smith followed a two-run single from Bailey with a two-run homer to put Tufts up by four. Trinity had a chance to turn the game around in the bottom of the inning as they loaded the bases, but junior pinch runner Dena Raffa was thrown out at the plate trying to squeeze another run out of a one-run single by senior Paige Blumer. Junior Sarah Conroy picked up the win for the Jumbos, fanning seven Bantams to improve to 9-1 on the season.

While the abrupt end to the season was a disappointment, Milligan emphasized the team's phenomenal accomplishments throughout the year.

"We took six rookies and put them on the field with two seniors and a sophomore, and we had a great season," Milligan said. "It's a tough way for the seniors to go out, but they've left a mark on an extremely talented group of underclassmen who have three great seasons left."

## Team's core group of talented seniors come full-circle during last season

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reasonably competitive at first, but we weren't doing well enough to merit consideration for Nationals. But at the last two races especially we've been improving our time a lot."

It is hard for the team to pinpoint exactly what has sparked the change.

"There are so many variables," Sessions said. "One thing I know is that we have gotten more effective at high ratings. We go down the race course at say, 36 or 37 strokes per minute when other people may be at 35. So what's been happening is we have been the fastest crew off the start."

"We're rowing the beginning at high ratings and we do it well so by the time everyone settles into the stroke rating they will have for the entire race, we're ahead."

Despite depth throughout the three varsity boats this season, the Jumbos' second boat will not be making the trip. The NCAA Selection Committee chooses the top six teams and two at-large boats. The entire Tufts team, including the second boat, could have earned a bid, but just missed earning a spot, probably having been edged out by Colby.

"The second boat really needed to perform well last weekend," Sessions said. "Unfortunately they just didn't get the chance because the second boat races were cancelled due to wind."

"We were just really upset that the second boat didn't get the chance to prove themselves one last time," Sessions added. "They've been having a great year, so given the chance, there was a real shot they would have done well enough to

warrant a team bid."

The Jumbos hope the two weeks they have to prepare will shave off some seconds.

"A lot can happen in two weeks," Korb said. "So I am quite optimistic about our chances in Sacramento. Our boat knows how to deliver, and if we race our race, we will be pleased with the results."

Caldwell's expectations for the race are also high, given that the Jumbos have made such strides in the past few weeks. One major obstacle will be overcoming Trinity, the best team in Div. III by most measures.

"We know we are capable of a lot because we beat Ithaca," Caldwell said. "Trinity is very strong though — they're undefeated and it will be a tall order to beat them, but after that it is wide open."

In order to finish near the top, the Jumbos will need to continue to get high quality performances from the senior class, which Caldwell credits as one of the major reasons for the program's success this spring.

"We have ten seniors and they've been successful all the way through their careers," Caldwell said. "They've been extraordinary and served as guideposts for what it takes to be successful and they leave a great legacy."

Lizzie Martin, who will sit in the stroke seat, and Katherine Lindy, who will sit in the bow seat, are the two other seniors racing later in the month. Sessions and Korb sit in the seven and six seats, respectively.

"Many of the nine seniors have been here all four years," Sessions added. "They are all really looked

up to. So there are multiple people setting the bar high in terms of work ethic, motivation, etc."

"Every senior on the team this year, regardless of their boat, provided a tremendous amount of leadership and all were role models for the underclassmen," Korb agreed.

This successful season marks a point of closure for the seniors, coming full-circle from the program's successful run during their freshman year.

The other members of the boat include sophomore Kristine Shoemaker in the five seat, junior Martha Dietz in the four seat, junior Daniela Fairchild in the three seat, junior Heidi Hauenstein in the two seat, and freshman Alison Ungerleider as the coxswain.

After Nationals, the team will attend the Henley Regatta in England on June 17-19.

## Whelan recounts great moments

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career has been a more ... interesting ... place because of it.

— Living in West Hall sophomore year. I'm sure everyone has their favorite Naked Quad Run moments from their four years, but having our own room on the first floor made that a night that will not soon be forgotten.

There are so many more. I have to let go of Tufts, but it won't be easy. I'll miss all of you at the Daily. Being the only senior on the sports staff this year was an honor. But you guys will definitely be alright without me. You may even be better/more productive.

Thanks to my family as well. Much of the fun has been reading this column all year, but they've had the online version. How much better does my picture make the reading experience? I thought so.

As one rather destructive stoner said in the immortal "Don't Tell Mom the Babysitter's Dead" as he shoots plates thrown into the air, "The dishes are done maaan!!!"

Yes, indeed, the dishes of four years of college life are done. But don't smash them. You have a Tufts degree, seniors. Don't forget that.

In the words of Terrance Mann, "Peace, love, dope. Now get the hell outta here!!"

## This year's NBA playoffs were full of drama and falls

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series. The Nets might as well have been the 65th seed in the NCAA tournament. If you want some quick-hitting analysis, I can break down the reason for the sweep in this series in four syllables. Scal-a-brine. Somehow, Ralph Malph could not pull his weight in this series. Shocking to see his team go.

Thankfully, Washington and Chicago was a good series in the East. There was the incredible finish at the end of Game 5, where Jannero Pargo and the Bulls erased a 10-point lead in less than a minute. Jannero Pargo? Where did this guy come from? Was Mike Penberthy in the game too? And then to one-up the incredible, Gilbert Arenas drills the game-winning shot as time expires.

The Wiz went on to win the series (thanks in part to Chris Duhon trying to catch the inbound pass with his back) and printed "we made the second round" t-shirts. Those will be a nice memento after they get sandblasted by the Heat. Even with an injured Shaq, the Wiz struggled. Shaq said of his condition: "I've been playing like Erick Dampier". Ouch.

Switching to the West, there was not much juice to either the Sacramento/Seattle series or the San Antonio/Denver series. Denver edged the Spurs in Game 1, but they very graciously

rolled over and lost the next four games. Sacramento continued their descent, losing to the Sonics in five. Luckily, the Kings ineptitude was overshadowed by an even bigger disaster, Vladimir Radmonovic's hair. Hey Vlad, Serena Williams called and ... well, nevermind.

In the second round matchup between the Sonics and Spurs, the best part has been the love fest between Ray Allen and Bruce Bowen. It is reassuring that in this day of ghetto culture and gangsta rap, NBA players still call each other "sissies." Bruce Bowen must have made fun of "He Got Game" to deserve that one. At least we are seeing a lot of "expletive deleted's" from Ray during dead balls. My ability to lip-read profanity has gone up tenfold thanks to this series.

Getting back to the last two first-round matchups, Memphis and Phoenix was the West's version of Miami and New Jersey. The only saving grace was when Jason Williams lost it after getting swept in Game 4 and stole a reporter's pen. Williams shouted at the writer following the game, refusing to return the pen. "You ain't writin' nothin' homeboy!" Sometimes you cannot make it up.

Finally, the best series of the first round had to be Dallas and Houston. This had all the makings of a classic seven game series. Dallas came back after losing the first two games at home. Shawn Bradley became Tracy McGrady's personal

Frederic Weis after being dunked on rodeo-style. Devin Harris inexplicably forgot how to play basketball. The drama triangle between Van Gundy, the league and Avery Johnson. Who does Dallas have to thank for their incredible comeback? Keith Van Horn's ankle, of course. As soon as he went down in Game 3 this team started playing championship basketball. If I were Avery Johnson I would send Del Harris up to Van Horn's hotel room with a crowbar. Maybe another "accident" would keep this team rolling.

But the absolute best moment of the Playoffs has to go to Avery Johnson and his unbelievable fall in Game 1 of the second-round series against Phoenix. Johnson stepped onto the court to argue with an official, and went down in slow motion, flailing his arms as he hit the court. It was bad enough that Dallas was being blown out, but the fall was the icing on the cake. Avery immediately got up and screamed at the officials, desperately trying to get thrown out of the game before anyone could realize what the hell just happened. It was Hands down the best playoffs moment I have seen in years. And that includes Van Gundy hanging like a dog off Alonzo Mourning's leg.

It has been a memorable May so far. Hopefully it will heat up even more as we move into June, where champions, not sissies, are born.