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Letter from the Editor:

Welcome to IIT!

Illinois Tech is a pretty interesting place. We have the benefit of having a small local campus community, but we're also located in the middle of one of the largest cities in the United States. Our campus also provides many opportunities for IIT students to learn, both inside and outside the classroom. It's easy to say that the environment our school provides is a unique one.

IIT is a wonderfully unique place, and every student who takes the opportunity to get out and experience what it has to offer is guaranteed to have an excellent few years here.

TechNews is all about promoting

and supporting this IIT community.

TechNews, the student newspaper of Illinois Institute of Technology since 1928, began printing a summer issue in 2012 to serve incoming and returning students as a resource to help them learn about things happening on campus and around the city.

This issue has everything you need to catch up on campus life, things to look forward to, and some cool things to do in the city before classes get started soon in August.

New students will benefit greatly from checking out a few of the tips and suggestions offered within as well as learning about some IIT organizations. The information in this issue will also help

those returning for another year here at IIT. Hopefully, this issue will keep you up to date with new developments on campus and in the Chicago area.

So, on behalf of all of the staff here at TechNews, I'd like to welcome you to Illinois Tech. I hope your fall semester goes well, I hope you learn more about yourself, and I hope I get you see you around campus this semester! See you soon!

Sincerely,
Kori Bowns
Editor-in-Chief, TechNews

On risk and reward

Ryan Hynes

CHICAGO-KENT LAW '15

During her recent commencement address, Madame Christine Lagarde charged graduates to "take calculated risks." As Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund (IMF), Lagarde is no stranger to risk. Her professional success and career is a handbook on bucking tradition and challenging the status quo, and her recent standoff with Greek Prime Minister Alexis Tsipras over unpaid loan obligations is evidence that Lagarde is still not shy about risk.

Earlier this month, Tsipras, who campaigned on an anti-austerity platform, refused to make a relatively small 305 million euro payment due to the IMF, the first time a developed nation has done so. Rather than immediately defaulting on its obligations, Lagarde and the IMF have consolidated several of Greece's payments into a lump sum of 1.6 billion euros due at the end of the month. After Greece struggled to fund a roughly 400 million euro payment in April, the world is

watching, anxious that Greece will become the first developed country to default on its IMF obligations.

A default on IMF obligations would be a scary thing. Under the terms of its bailout package, a default to the IMF would be considered a default on all of Greece's Eurozone obligations, and would make all of Greece's European debts immediately due. Greece is already bankrupt and cannot fund these obligations; such an event would rattle international financial markets, severely weaken the euro, and threaten to plunge Europe back into recession. Yet in the face of all of this, Lagarde remains unflappably calm, confident that Greece will meet its obligations and reassuring those who think otherwise with a flash of her brilliant smile. Lagarde is clearly not just a proselytizer, but a practitioner of her own philosophy as well.

Risk in the traditional sense connotes interest rates on loans or return on investment, but personal risk, the type of risk Madame Lagarde was really getting at, is much more important. Personal risk begets personal

development, and stepping outside of our comfort zone allows us to not only learn more about the world, but ourselves as well.

IIT students who have taken calculated personal risks often find themselves where they could never have dreamt previously: as CEOs of successful companies, improv comedians shaking audiences with laughter, or as compassionate engineers bringing clean water to the third world. Personal risks have shaped and molded IIT students into a community of difference makers. Taking calculated risks is not easy. There are many sleepless nights, laughless crowds, and giant tropical insects along the way. Madame Lagarde herself has just taken perhaps the largest risk of her career, with the fates of Greece and the entire European economic community resting on the successful resolution of this debt crisis. But if Lagarde is any indication, the rewards of taking calculated risks are great, and lead to personal and professional growth and development. When the potential rewards are so great, then the only real risk is doing nothing at all.

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Do you 'love to dance?'

Lindsey Rice

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Love to Dance Collective (LTD) is a student organization that allows students to perform and express themselves through various forms of dance. Members of the group have assorted training and backgrounds, but are tied together by their passion for the art form. LTD is a fairly young student organization on campus, only entering its fifth semester this fall. They hold auditions each semester, as well as an Open Class, where any student can take a break from their studies, get a small workout while learning some choreography and having fun. Open Classes are a great way for students

to get involved with LTD, and dancers from all skill levels are encouraged to attend.

This year, LTD has been extended an offer to perform at Northwestern University's Think U Can Dance competition on October 24th to raise awareness for a foundation in China called Half the Sky Orphans. They also plan to hold their first showcase in the spring, along with some small performances throughout the year. A few of the events that LTD has performed at in the past include basketball games, IFest, Homecoming, and New Velocity's annual showcase. Check out their YouTube page to see some past performances at youtube.com/user/LTDdanceteam/videos.

LTD is looking for new performers

- students who share their passion for dance. Fall 2015 auditions will be held the second week of school. Interested dancers will learn and perform choreography taught by members of LTD. They will then have the option to perform a short piece of their own to express their unique style of dance and choreography.

"Whether you're a natural performer or someone who wants to break out of their shell and get out there, keep in mind... we are all part of this group because we Love To Dance" said LTD's Vice President, Wesley Lo.

Be sure to check LTD out at the student organization fair in August or email ltddanceteam@gmail.com for more information.

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