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President Provost Forum sparks debate, new ideas

By Ryan Kamphuis
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

With rumors about the future plans of the university spreading like wildfire and student questions regarding the actions of administration beginning to pile up, it was time for the Student Government Association (SGA) to hold their semesterly President and Provost Open Forum. Students and faculty converged upon the McCormick Tribune Campus Center Ballroom during the lunch hour of Tuesday, April 10 to engage the President and Provost of the University in an afternoon of questions and answers regarding everything from university policy to future plans to curriculum changes to commencement.

The event was well-attended by university faculty and student leaders. Moderated by members of SGA's executive board, questions to the President and Provost were taken from attendees of the event and through an online form ran for those who were watching the online stream of the event.

After an initial opening statement delivered by the President and Provost, the floor was opened for student questions. An early question topic that brought forth considerable discussion was the upcoming moves that many university offices were going to need to make due to the recent news that Main Building was sinking into the ground. A student expressed concern that with all the movement that was required, the Office of Campus Life may have to move out of the MTCC. This rumor was quickly dispelled by Dean of Students Katie Murphy-Stetz. Murphy-Stetz said that the Office of Campus Life will be staying in the MTCC throughout these moves, and it was never even considered to move it out of the

MTCC. Provost Alan Cramb also explained that the university was using this opportunity to move all of the university offices that deal directly with students into the MTCC, creating what he called a, "one stop shop," for student affairs. Murphy-Stetz also confirmed that throughout all of these office movements, student organizations such as SGA, UB, TechNews, and others would not be losing their spaces in the Office of Campus Life.

An early question that seemed to catch both the President and the Provost off guard was a student's inquiry as to why no African-Americans were members of the IIT Hall of Fame. The student argued that many African-American IIT students were trailblazers in their fields, who made many positive changes both at IIT and in the professional world, and deserved to be in the Hall of Fame. President John Anderson explained that he didn't know why no African-Americans were members of the Hall of Fame, and in fact, he didn't know what must be done to add people to the IIT Hall of Fame. Cramb explained that even though no African-Americans were members of the Hall of Fame, many had recently won awards given out by the University to alumni. Cramb said that this may be a sign that it is time to update the process by which people are added to the IIT Hall of Fame.

A topic that received thorough discussion was making IIT friendlier for commuter students. A student expressed concern over how commuter students were often left out of university activities. He talked about how student organization meetings and campus events were often in the evening, making it difficult for commuter students to attend. Murphy-Stetz responded to this question, highlighting the new commuter lounge in The Bog and the availability of guest suites on weekends as steps

the school is taking to make life as a commuter student easier. The Provost also used this opportunity to say that it is his goal to have all IIT students living on campus in order to foster a better university community.

Also discussed were IIT's recent efforts to establish an interdisciplinary degree program. Anderson explained that although an interdisciplinary degree program can be very advantageous for some students, it poses a risk because many employers don't know what it means. Cramb explained that IIT had an interdisciplinary degree program in the past, and that the school is looking to bring back this program in the right fashion so that it is respected by industry and other universities.

Another issue brought up was IIT's recent efforts to establish a foreign language program. When asked about the state of the program and the lack of courses, Anderson frankly replied that he didn't understand why IIT doesn't have a comprehensive language program. Anderson commented that IIT needs more language courses which augment the diversity present at IIT. He also said that while the recent introduction of Spanish language courses is excellent, much more progress needs to be made. Cramb then took the floor, explaining that a priority he has regarding language programs is ensuring that any language courses at IIT not only teach language, but also culture. He explained that this ensures that IIT students are balanced individuals, and that this takes advantage of the diversity of the student body at IIT.

The President then began to discuss plans to construct a modern athletics facility to augment the existing facilities available in Keating Hall. Anderson explained that the main priority on the university's radar was to build an "Innovation Center" on campus, and

their second priority was to build a new athletics facility. The President elaborated, saying that this proposed facility would probably be a fieldhouse, and would be located across 31st street from Keating. Anderson concluded his remarks on Keating by saying that the only thing holding the school back from beginning construction was that they are currently looking for a \$35 million to \$40 million donation to pay for the facility, and that this new facility would begin to take shape within the next 10 years.

A topic that created heated discussion was the university administration's recent ban on hookahs. An online question was posed regarding the administration's view towards hookahs. President Anderson gave the floor to Provost Cramb on this issue, who gave a very heated response. Cramb seemed exasperated as he expressed his confusion over what scenario made it acceptable to discuss whether it should be allowed for people to communally smoke and, by doing so, kill themselves over time. He explained that Illinois and Chicago law made it illegal for people to smoke hookahs, or anything for that matter, indoors and inside university dormitories. Cramb also expressed his desire to see no smoking on campus, explaining that students have a right to not have to breathe secondhand smoke. Dean Murphy-Stetz ended the discussion on the new hookah policy by saying that it would be easier for all parties involved if those who wished to smoke hookah went to off-campus hookah bars to do so. She said that by doing this the university wouldn't have to hound those smoking, and those smoking wouldn't have to deal with administration trying to stop them.

One of the final topics discussed was the upcoming move of the Stuart School of Business into IIT Tower and back onto Main Campus. President Anderson explained that the entire Stuart School, except for its part-time graduate program, was moving into IIT Tower. The goal of doing this, said Anderson, was to expand Stuart School enrollment to approximately 400 students, turning it into one of the largest colleges at IIT. Cramb took an opportunity to express his excitement regarding the Stuart School move, saying that with the move, the school was taking an opportunity to update and redo their curriculum, making it modern and competitive. Cramb ecstatically described how much of a game-changer this was, and how excited everyone in administration is, about the potential of this new curriculum and of the move.

As the final concluding comments were made and people began to leave the Ballroom, it was clear that the overall experience of the Forum was a good one. While the environment of the Forum was tense at some points while controversial topics were being discussed, the forum was always able to move onto lighter discussion afterwards. The common theme of the afternoon seemed to be the future of student life and the future of IIT's curriculum. Many apt questions were asked and answered regarding these issues, which could lead to further exploration on how to improve aspects of these issues. This exploration will most likely lead to a more focused discussion on these topics at the President and Provost forum next semester, and more detailed answers being able to be provided to students regarding these topics.



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GLAM IIT presents Pride Week

By Hannah Larson
ASSISTANT EDITOR

You might think this story belongs in TechNews' Campus section. But it doesn't.

As some of you may know, this week kicks off GLAM's (Gays, Lesbians, Allies, and More!) Annual Pride Week.

The (obligatory) schedule of events is as follows:

Tuesday, April 17

Free Tie Dye
Morton Park
12 p.m. to 2 p.m.
"The Bro Code" Screening with Feminists United

Life Sciences Auditorium

7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

With free food!

Wednesday, April 18

Transgender Speaker: Ian Harvie

MTCC Welcome Center

7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

With free food!

Thursday, April 19

Let's Talk About Sex, Baby

Perlstein Hall 109

7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

With free food!

Friday, April 20

Day of Silence Activities

Free rainbow cake & snacks in OCL

12 p.m. to 2 p.m.

"The Laramie Project" Screening

Wishnick Auditorium

6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

GLAM is very excited to bring this to campus again, though I have become a little disheartened by the amount of people who have declined my invitation to this event on Facebook, I try not to take it personally, but GLAM works hard on Pride Week, and it's sad to see students not want to participate in something so inclusive. It also seems as though this event has become less and less prominent on campus. So I'm trying to change that with an "open letter" of sorts.

Today's events will be fun, I don't know how else to explain it. It's been a tradition to do tie-dye at the beginning of Pride Week, and then proudly display our colors on Day of Silence on that Friday.

Tonight's event is a joint sponsorship between GLAM and Feminists United, a screening of "The Bro Code." A documentary that "takes aim at the forces in male culture that condition boys and men to dehumanize and disrespect women," according to information that is available on Media Education Foundation's website. Please keep in mind these are the filmmaker's words, not mine. But if you're interested in dispelling this rumor, or curious about exactly what this documentary is about, stop on by tomorrow. Though this is not specifically related to the LGBTQ community, but it's a great way to show two groups coming together, with a common cause (as cheesy as that sounds) to co-sponsor an event.

The keynote event of the week is a speaking engagement on Wes infused with comedy by Ian Harvie. Harvie identifies as a

MONDAY 4/16
FREE TIE-DYE
MORTON PARK
12PM - 2PM

TUESDAY 4/17
THE BRO CODE MOVIE SCREENING
WITH FEMINISTS UNITED
LIFE SCIENCES AUDITORIUM
7PM - 9PM

WEDNESDAY 4/18
TRANSGENDER SPEAKER: IAN HARVIE
MTCC WELCOME CENTER
7:30PM - 9:30PM

THURSDAY 4/19
LET'S TALK ABOUT SEX BABY
PERLSTEIN HALL 109
7:30PM - 9PM

FRIDAY 4/20
DAY OF SILENCE
11AM - 5PM
FREE RAINBOW CAKE & SNACKS IN OCL
THE LARAMIE PROJECT MOVIE SCREENING
WISHNICK AUDITORIUM 6:30PM - 9PM
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female-to-male (FTM) transgendered individual, and is the first and only FTM professional comedian in the world. He was worked with Margaret Cho, and has numerous comedic accolades, though it will be hard to compete with Dave Coulier, a.k.a. Joey from "Full House" coming this Saturday. I'm so excited to bring this "edu-tainment" to campus to help bring awareness to the transgendered community on campus.

There is a lack of education on campus, though the actions are not as prominent, I feel it's a step in the right direction to bring more diversity to campus, as well as more education about the transgender community. I encourage all students who have a shred of support in their bodies to come to this fabulous event, plus we're having fancy food, what's better than free food? Last year, we had a similar event, and it was severely lacking in attendance from the IIT community. I'd love to have a full house for this event to show IIT's support.

Thursday's event is, "Let's Talk About Sex, Baby," a sex-education and masturbation

workshop to show off our sex positivity! These events are always popular, and of course, free food.

Friday, campus will be bursting with LGBTQ pride from GLAM, resident advisors, and Office of Campus Life (OCL). There will be stations all over campus handing out duct tape and information about Day of Silence, free rainbow cake (as per tradition) and other goodies in OCL at noon. In the evening, we all be sponsoring a showing of "The Laramie Project" a heart-wrenching true story of a hate crime against a gay teen at 6:30 p.m. in Wishnick Auditorium.

Aside from all from of these fantastic advertisements that you've read through, this is my call for everyone on campus to participate in these events, eat the free food we've generously provided, as well as promote pro-LGBTQ actions on campus. As far as LGBTQ-friendly, I feel we are an accepting campus, but we need to be louder with our support.

Apologies for the clichés, but what else am I supposed to say? It's okay to be gay!

URJiit: the sleeping giant awakens

By Chris Roberts
COPY EDITOR & LAYOUT EDITOR

The Undergraduate Research Journal of Illinois Institute of Technology (URJiit) is releasing a preview of its premier issue this week. The preview will feature abstracts from research conducted by IIT undergrads over the past academic year. The full premier issue will be printed in the fall semester, allowing time for summer researchers to submit their work, and will contain full articles and information about undergraduate research at IIT.

This marks the first official printed publication from URJiit, and I, for one, would like to stress the following: "It's about time!"

URJiit is a student-run organization that was born at the conclusion of an IPRO from 2010.

Things were looking up at the end of the IPRO; then URJiit went idle. Most people involved became busy with other things, some graduated, and a few simply lost interest.

Eventually, there were less than a handful of students keeping the organization alive.

That was the tallest hurdle in creating the publication: maintaining the necessary support and enthusiasm. Since none of us wanted the journal to be a simple, home-made pamphlet, we waited until we had the numbers to produce a proper publication. Over the course of this academic year, URJiit has managed to attract enough support to get it back on its feet and moving forward.

Now comes the hard sell: no matter how excited and involved any group of students are, eventually, they will have to graduate and move on, creating a vacuum. In many cas-

es, this vacuum swallows organizations just as they were shining; ask anybody from the SGA Senate who has to re-approve dormant student organizations.

URJiit needs students to help keep up the momentum that has been gained. Every facet of the organization could use more hands: editing, design, peer review, and administrative.

More importantly, it needs people so that it will no longer rely on a handful of brave souls to keep it alive.

Speaking of which, I would like to personally thank Ciaran Shaughnessy, Nicole Valio, fellow journalism major Mike Purdy (The few, the proud, the Humanities), and everyone else who helped to shape URJiit from an idea into a glorious, copy edited, semigloss reality. Let's keep it up, folks!

No Holds Barred competition draws IIT climbers

By Dan Zweig
TECHNEWS WRITER

On Saturday March 3rd four climbers competed in a regional rock climbing competition representing IIT and the IIT Rock Climbing Club. Brian Lynch, Anahi Tapia, Brandyn Osborne, and Dan Zweig went to Vertical Endeavors in Warrenville, IL, to compete with hundreds of climbers in a four hour climbing event titled 'No Holds Barred'. Dan Zweig competed in the advanced level and Brian, Anahi, and Brandyn in the intermediate level.

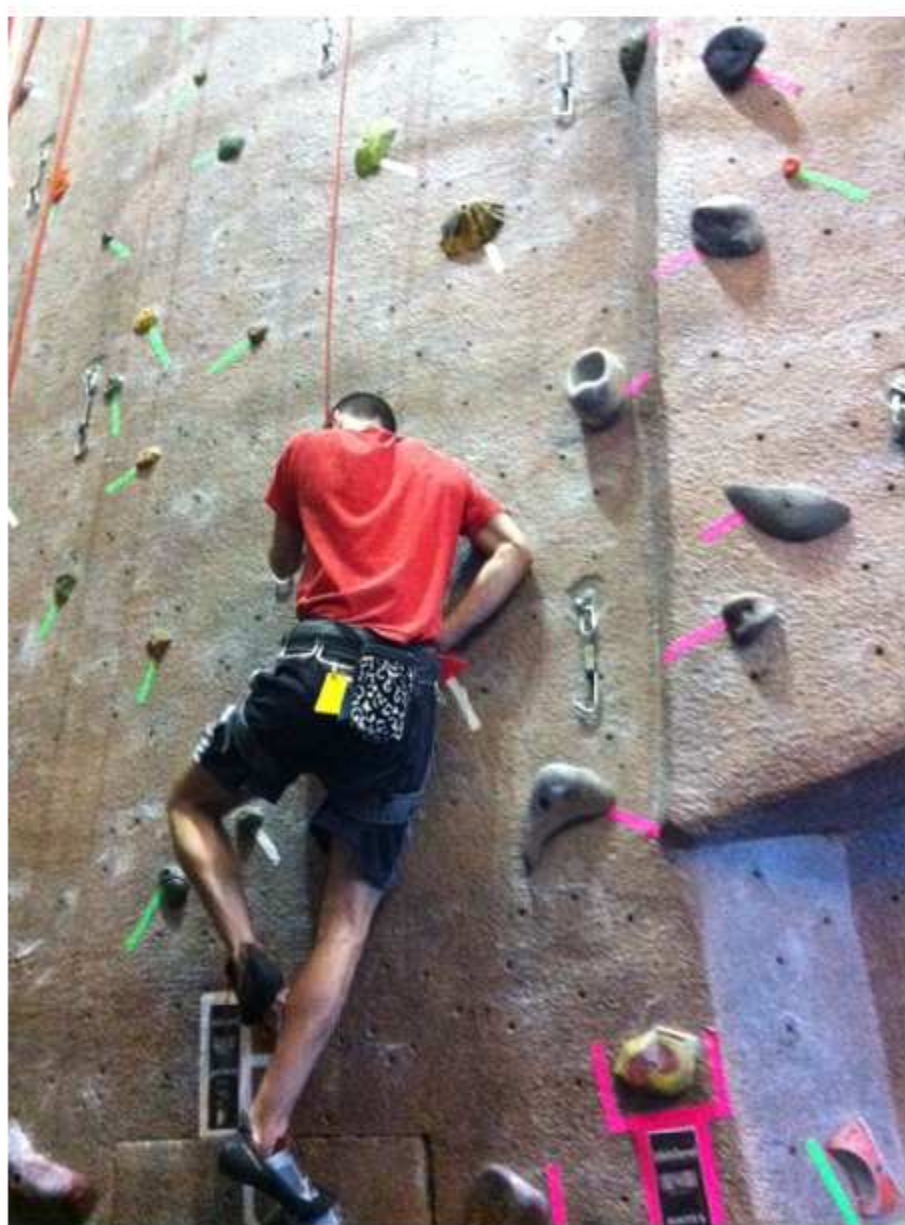
After four hours of almost constant climbing scores were tallied and we celebrated when we discovered Lynch had won 2nd in his division, Male Intermediate, and brought home the prize of a brand new Gri-gri, a climbing device for belaying climbers and repelling.

The four hour event ended with the finalists from the Male and Female Advanced and Open division lead climbing nearly impossible routes, with a sea of competitors and spectators watching from below. Overall the event was a great learning experience, watching much more advanced climbers from the area demonstrate years of practice and dedication

to the sport. The overall winner, Male Open division, was Greg Padovani, who trains at a local gym in Chicago called Hidden Peak, and won overall in the 4 hour trials as well as the final lead climbing competition where he made it within the final 3 moves of finishing a route that most route setters thought was impossible.

All four IIT students are excited to compete again next year, and plan on training more beforehand to better prepare themselves for the competition. All four believe they have a very good shot at being finalists in the advanced division next year with a little practice and proper preparation. Other members are encouraged to attend as well next year and hopefully more students from IIT will be excited to support the climbers in this competitive environment.

This event was a great precursor to the Red River Gorge trip the club is taking over Spring Break, where they will spend 5 days in Kentucky, hiking and climbing with other members of the IIT Rock Climbing Club. The Red River Gorge Trip will demonstrate the other realm of rock climbing, where teamwork and the outdoors become more important than time and performance. If you have questions or comments email iitclimbing@gmail.com or find IIT Rock Climbing on Facebook.



Photos courtesy of IIT Rock Climbing Club

Electronic waste recycling collects over 10,000 pounds

By Brock Auerbach-Lynn
TECHNEWS WRITER

IIT and the Office of Campus Energy & Sustainability (OCES) hosted three electronic waste recycling collection days throughout March and succeeded in collecting over 10,400 pounds of unwanted electronics.

Electronic waste includes any unwanted computers, phones, printers, copiers, cameras, fax machines or any other device with a plug. These devices often contain lead, mercury, and other dangerous substances that could harm human health and the environment if disposed of in a landfill or simply on the side of the road.

Despite these dangers, Americans throw away millions of tons of electronics every year. The problem is getting worse as our electronics are becoming obsolete faster,

which makes us buy more to serve new needs.

As of January 01, 2012, it was illegal to throw away electronics in Illinois. They were required to be recycled with a certified electronic waste recycler which would ensure that all electronic pieces are recycled in a safe and environmentally benign manner.

In an effort to comply with this new law and provide an easy means of doing something good for the environment, IIT held three electronic waste recycling collection days. The first two days, on March 14 and 15, were geared towards the IIT Community with drop-off locations in the Hub, MTCC and the Tower as well as at IIT's Downtown Campus.

The Downtown Campus event was the first ever event of this nature at this location and was organized by the student group Net Impact. The March 31st event was geared towards the community at large and 31 people from as

far south as Hyde Park to as far north as Lakeview came to drop off their unwanted electronics.

IIT partnered with certified electronics waste recycler Universal Recycling Technologies, which transported the collected electronics back to their sorting facility. All the electronics will be tested with those that are still functional being resold, those that have some useful parts being salvaged and those that are completely non-operable being recycled. All memory cards and hard drives are shredded. Universal Recycling Technologies recycles all the electronics within the U.S. so none of it gets shipped abroad.

The electronics collected also count as part of Recyclemania - the 8 week recycling competition going on from February 05 - March 31. Electronics is a separate category from general recyclables and we're hoping our e-waste numbers will put us top in the state.

Due to the success of these three

electronic waste recycling collection days, the Office of Campus Energy & Sustainability is looking at making them a regular thing every semester that will serve both the IIT Community and the general public. Currently, all IIT departments can get their e-waste collected by putting in a work order with facilities.

A special thank to the volunteers Elizabeth Mauban, Nicole Glick, Matthew Maule, Kendall Granberry, Emily Bardsley, Frances Patterson, and Leroy Kennedy, whose help was invaluable in these events running smoothly.

To learn more about recycling and sustainability at IIT, come to IIT's April Sustainability Event, on April 19 at noon in the MTCC Ballroom where the Office of Campus Energy & Sustainability along with WISER will recap the progress towards meeting our 2020 Sustainability Goals as well as discussing IIT's energy future.



Photos by Elizabeth Mauban and Sebastien Magnan

American Cancer Society's Relay for Life speeds to IIT this Friday

By Melanie Koto
SPORTS EDITOR

For the first time in IIT history, students, faculty, staff, alumni, and members of the surrounding community will come together to participate in a Relay for Life event. The event, which will happen on Friday, April 20 on the Quad from 6 p.m. to 12 a.m., is one of the most successful fundraising events in the world, coordinated through the American Cancer Society.

Team members take turns in the Relay, where at least one team member must walk, jog or run around the track throughout the duration of the event. Teams fundraise prior to the event and on site, with all money going to the American Cancer Society's mission to fund research, Road to Recovery, Hope Lodge, and other programs for those who are, or have been, affected by cancer.

Relay for Life started in May of 1985, when Dr. Gordy Klatt, a Tacoma colorectal surgeon, wanted to enhance the income of his local American Cancer Society office and to show support for all of his patients who had battled cancer. He decided to personally raise money for the fight by doing something he enjoyed - running marathons.

Dr. Klatt spent a grueling 24 hours circling the track at Baker Stadium at the University of Puget Sound in Tacoma. He ran for more than 83 miles. That first year, nearly 300 of Dr. Klatt's friends, family, and patients watched as he ran and walked the course. Throughout the night, friends donated \$25 to run or walk with Dr. Klatt for 30 minutes. His efforts raised \$27,000 to fight cancer. (source www.relayforlife.org, "What is Relay for Life?")



In 1985 one man made a huge leap in helping to fund the American Cancer Society's mission to make the lives of those battling cancer a little easier, a little more comfortable, and a little more hopeful. Now, more than 20 years later, members of the IIT community have the same chance to make ground breaking strides to help support the American Cancer Society and make a long lasting tradition at IIT.

Please visit www.relayforlife.org or contact Melanie Koto at mkoto@hawk.iit.edu for more information or to be-

come involved. Ways to get involved include:

- Signing up as a participant, survivor or caregiver
- Donating to a friend who's participating or to IIT's event in general
- Purchasing a Luminaria to celebrate or remember a friend or family member who has endured the fight against cancer

Even though the event is three days away, it is not too late to participate!



Images courtesy of Relay for Life

Service Learning Theme Community Student Profiles

By Utsav Gandhi & Anita Thomas
CAMPUS EDITOR & TECHNEWS WRITER

IIT is participating in the national OneShirt competition. Anita Thomas, the RA of the Service Learning community in MSV, is working with Lynne Meyer, director of Service Learning and Spiritual Life, to encourage IIT students and Chicago residents to donate their unwanted articles of clothing instead of throwing them out and overcrowding landfills.

From April 1 until April 21, anyone can donate clothing, shoes, coats, etc. to any of the following finalized drop off locations:

MSV center lounge, SSV front desks, Gunsaulus Hall lounge, Office of Campus Life, and IIT Tower security desk.

On April 27, all donations will be weighed and then donated to God's Closet at First Trinity Lutheran Church.

The Office of Service Learning is also recommending students opting for on campus housing next year to choose the Service Learning theme community.

Below are six profiles of students who have spent the last academic year in that same community and highly recommend it.



Name: Weitong Wang
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Comment on the importance of service in your life: Community service is a source of learning new things, meeting new people and gaining valuable experiences. It makes my life colorful.

How do you integrate service into your academics? Service is actually a way for me to relax from intense academic works.

Comment on how it has been living on the Service Learning floor: I really appreciate the overwhelming opportunity to have access to volunteering and service experiences. I am very lucky to live on this floor and am eager to live on such a floor in the future.

obstacle, but an unspoken responsibility among all the students. Personally, I saw it as a way to provide opportunities for deserving individuals who didn't have the resources to provide this service for themselves. As a volunteer mentor and tutor at Hesus House, a homeless shelter based in Aurora, I was able to obtain a glimpse of the life of people who have fallen on hard times and who just need a hand to get back on their feet. It showed me that service isn't something that you have to do, but it should regularly be a part of your life because of the valuable insight and positive impact that you're making on the lives of others."



Name: Carolyn Boswell
Major: Mechanical Engineer
Year: Sophomore
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"Service is very important in my life; it helps me stay in touch with the needs and wants of people that I will continue to serve with my future doctorates in mechanical engineering. I integrate service into my academics by evaluating and then attempting to solve daily problems people undergo. I then try to find ways to incorporate these solutions into the mechanical engineering field, such as using alternative resources and discovering new building materials for car manufacturing. Living on the service community floor has been greatly beneficial to both my academic and social life."



Name: Shafaq Imtiaz
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Year: Junior
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"Working with, and for, people in any community I live in has been an important aspect of my life since my first neighborhood litter-picking expedition in the third grade. Since then, I have realized the many advantages of being involved in community efforts. As I grew older, helping my community went from a localized definition of neighborhood as community to the global community at large. Working with school children, I became aware of the importance of supplying our children and peers with positive role models and mentors. The human experience is a shared one, a common one. When people are made aware that there are others who have been through, are going through, or just are empathetic towards their individual struggles and experiences, they are less likely to lose hope or feel alone, and more likely to ask and get the advice that they need. Living on the service learning floor has been an enjoyable experience since I have been able to meet people who want to give back to their community just like me, and do so for a variety of reasons and in a variety of ways. We can all learn a lot from each other, and represent endless perspectives. I highly recommend it!"

Name: Anita Thomas (pictured to the left)
Major: Applied Mathematics
Year: Junior
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"The inspiration behind my volunteerism stems from two sources. First, my mom is an occupational therapist. She has an incredible gift of patience, creativity, and empathy which she successfully passed down to her children. I can only hope to help people to the capacity that my mom has throughout her career. Second, I sincerely appreciate genuine help from others and I hope that I evoke the same gratitude in others through service."

Why do you serve? My success sets a standard for the next generation. My dedication to community service is my way of ensuring that kids today are prepared to fulfill that standard. I derive a sense of personal satisfaction from continuing a legacy of strength and success.



Name: Jing Li
Major: Accounting
Year: Senior
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Comment on the importance of service in your life: It is an important part because the meaning of life is about giving back to others.

How do you integrate service into your academics? Doing service work in free time is a good way to relax from busy study.

Comment on how it has been living on the Service Learning floor: I am sure that I will miss everyone on my floor and all the activities when I leave.



Name: Christopher Stovall
Major: Aerospace Engineering
Year: Sophomore
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"Service means a world of difference to not only me, but to the people that you impact by providing it. All throughout high school, community service was stressed as a mandatory graduation requirement, which meant doing it was a task. However, after experiencing what it means to give back, it no longer became an



Person You Should Know: Keith Bowman

By Gokul Butail
TECHNEWS WRITER

The students of the Mechanical, Materials, and Aerospace Engineering (MMAE) department at IIT seem to be more excited, interactive, and expressive than ever before. One can attribute this to the new chair of the department, Professor Keith J. Bowman, who joined IIT in fall 2011.

Professor Bowman came to IIT from Purdue University, after serving as the Head of the Purdue School of Materials Engineering. He began as an assistant professor at Purdue University in 1988 after receiving degrees from Case Western Reserve University (B.S. 1981, M.S. 1983) and the University of Michigan (Ph.D. 1987). At Purdue, he was promoted to associate professor in 1992, and professor in

1996. His awards at Purdue University include receiving the MSE Best Teaching Award in 1992 and 1995, and Purdue's highest teaching award, the Charles Murphy Undergraduate Teaching Award, in 1995. In 2003 Bowman's name was added to the Purdue Book of Great Teachers. In 2007 he received the Purdue College of Engineering Mentoring Award, and he became a Professor of Engineering Education (by courtesy).

Bowman also served as a visiting professor and received Alexander von Humboldt stipends for research at the Technical University of Darmstadt, Germany in 1996 and again in 2002. He served as a visiting professor at the University of New South Wales in Sydney, Australia in 2003. From 1996 to 2004 he served as graduate program chair of the Purdue

School of Materials Engineering (MSE) during a substantial retooling of the program to more strongly emphasize doctoral degrees. In 2005-06 he served a one-year appointment as Interim Head of MSE and in 2007 was named Head of the Purdue School of Materials Engineering. He was also named a Fellow of the American Ceramic Society in 2000 and has held several division and society-wide positions.

Bowman has developed steadily growing activities in engineering education research with efforts in development of curricular materials for K-12 and beginning assessment approaches for engineering education, as well as documenting trends for gender, racial, and ethnic diversity in engineering colleges. He has developed and co-developed six undergraduate and six graduate courses, and has been strongly engaged in two revisions of the Purdue MSE

undergraduate curriculum. He has given plenary, invited, and contributed research presentations in sixteen countries and has international collaborations that include colleagues in Germany and Australia. One of the latest feathers added to his cap was investiture as the Duchossois Leadership Professor at IIT.

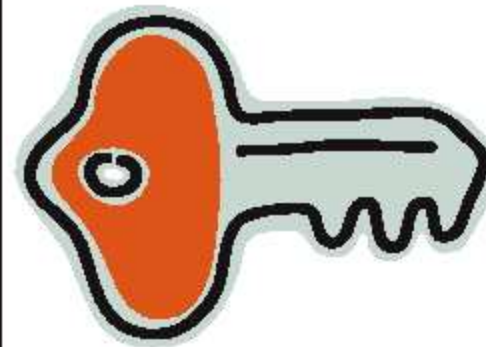
One of Professor Bowman's key aims as the MMAE Chair has been encouraging interaction amongst students and faculty. He follows something that he calls an "open door" policy and is always willing to hear and solve student problems. Along with the student organizations of the MMAE department, he has planned an MMAE department forum, which will take place in the MTCC Auditorium on April 19, 2012. MMAE Students are strongly encouraged to attend.

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End of the semester announcements:



Student organizations with offices in the Campus Life suite must have turned in their keys by **4:00 p.m. Monday, May 7, 2012** and your office must be empty.

Watch your Student Organization email over the next few weeks for information about **Re-Registering** your student organization. Remember, you **MUST** register by August 15th in order to receive information on time about Fall programming.



Finance board funding received in APRIL can only be used for the FALL semester. But remember—Campus Life is here over the summer to help plan and get you ready for the Fall semester. Contact your advisor today!

Are you skilled at **MARKETING**?! If so, Campus Life is looking for you. We are looking for a student worker (4-8 hours a week) to help with our marketing. Contact Alex.Garrett@iit.edu if you are interested.



End of Semester Events:

- April 17—Transition Workshop, 1 PM, Ephraim Room
- April 20—Day of Silence, 1 PM, Campus Life Suite
- April 26—Public Speaking Workshop, 1 PM, Ephraim Room
- April 26—National Pretzel Day, 11 AM, Campus Life Suite
- April 30—May 4: Stress Free Zone, Various Locations

Tricia Berryhill, Coordinator, Organizations # - G
Ryan Miller, Director, Organizations H - M
Alex Garrett, Coordinator, Organizations N - Z



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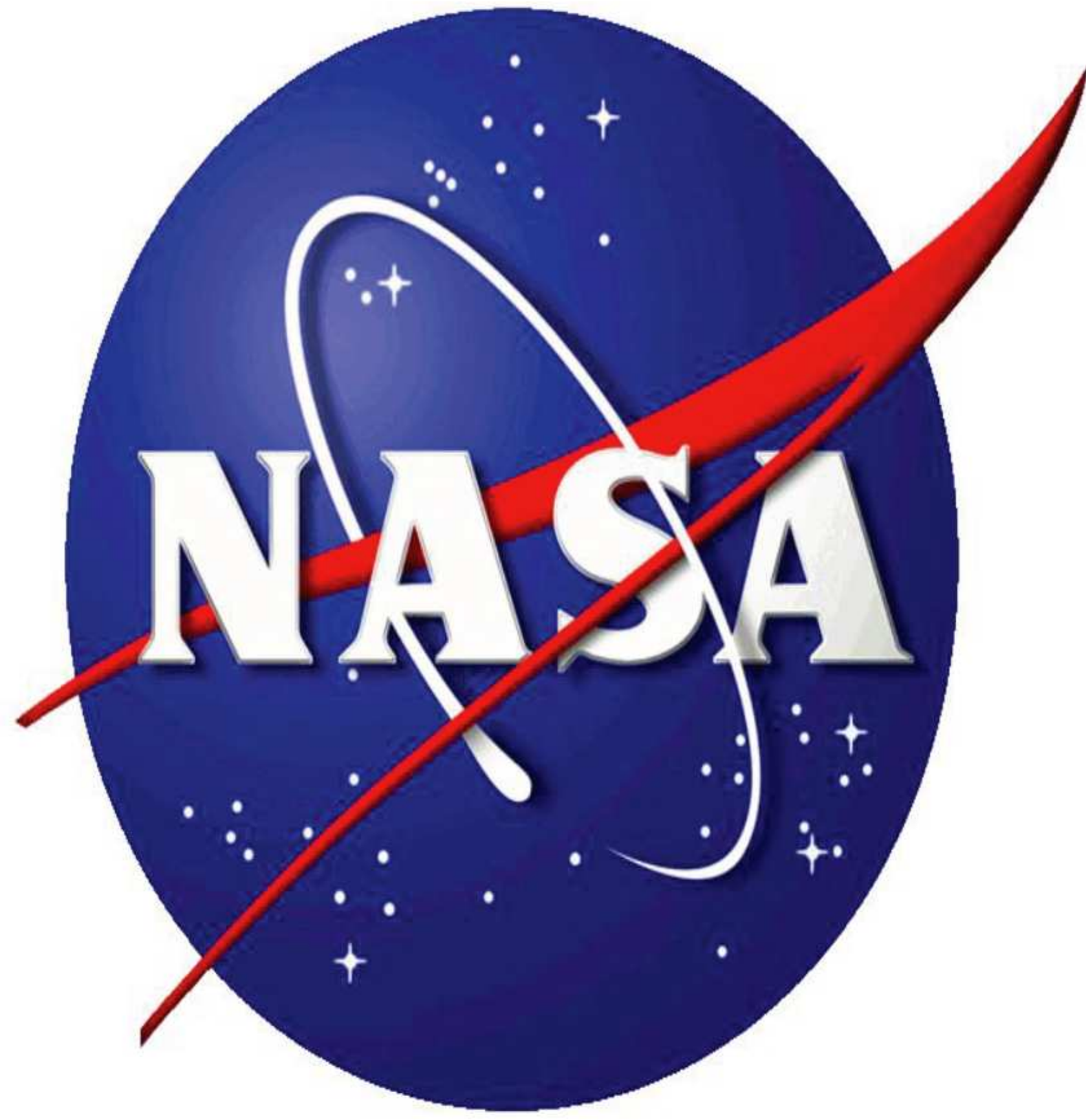


GRAD SALUTE 2012



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Career Management Center

Student Spotlight: Co-op Experience



**Did you miss the first session?
Now's your chance!**

Wednesday April 18th
1:00pm-1:45pm
Engineering 1
Auditorium
Room 104

Ever wanted to work at NASA?

Join NASA Co-op student Elena Buhay to learn about what opportunities you can apply for at NASA and what it's like to do a Co-op! Oh, and eat some PIZZA!

Not an aerospace engineer?

Don't worry; there are lots of opportunities!!

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IIT Office of Campus Energy and Sustainability

ENERGY

THE PATH FORWARD

Join us for a summary on sustainable events and progress for this academic year.

Joseph Clair will also present the results of university dialogue and our push forward into the new year and beyond

Hamid Arastoopour will connect WISER direction and explain integration with university objectives

THIS Thursday, April 19
12 pm to 1:30 pm
MTCC Ballroom

Interested in attending?
RSVP to campussustainability@iit.edu



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Spring Formal 2012: Until The World Ends



Dean of Students encourages student feedback on campus religious climate

By Utsav Gandhi
CAMPUS EDITOR

A few days ago, the Office of the Dean of Students sent students a link to an important survey which is being conducted by the University in conjunction with the Interfaith Youth Core (IFYC) about student perceptions of the university's spiritual and religious climate. This survey is meant to explore the ways that campus climate affects student experiences and development while in college. They are hoping

to hear from students who represent a wide spectrum of worldviews, including religious and non-religious perspectives. To access the survey please copy and paste the following link to your internet browser's address bar:

<http://studentvoice.com/p/?uuid=0b769555cb164a0b972702067da8ad7b>

Recognizing that student time is limited, in appreciation of student efforts, they will be offering students the opportunity to enter a raffle in exchange for completing the survey. The raffle prize is a gift certificate for lunch for two at the Pritzker Club at IIT. If you have any questions about this project, please feel free to

contact them at: dos@iit.edu.

The IFYC report says, "National research on college students in the last decade has documented student interest in and commitment to exploring spiritual issues of significance and the remarkable potential of the college years to enhance positive spiritual qualities. Such efforts promise to bring a new, holistic approach to postsecondary education and prepare students for leadership and engagement with the religiously diverse world beyond campus. Integrating interfaith and spiritual initiatives in higher education, however, is complicated by the realities of religious and worldview diversity,

as well as the contentious discourse around religious diversity currently prevailing in American public life. Given these realities, there is a need to assess both the campus climate and the outcomes of emerging programming. The Campus Religious and Spiritual Climate Survey (CRSCS) is an assessment tool designed to assist campus leaders as they navigate the challenges and possibilities that religious and worldview diversity bring to higher education institutions. The survey gauges college students' perceptions of key climate dimensions and profiles attitudes and behaviors related to interfaith engagement."

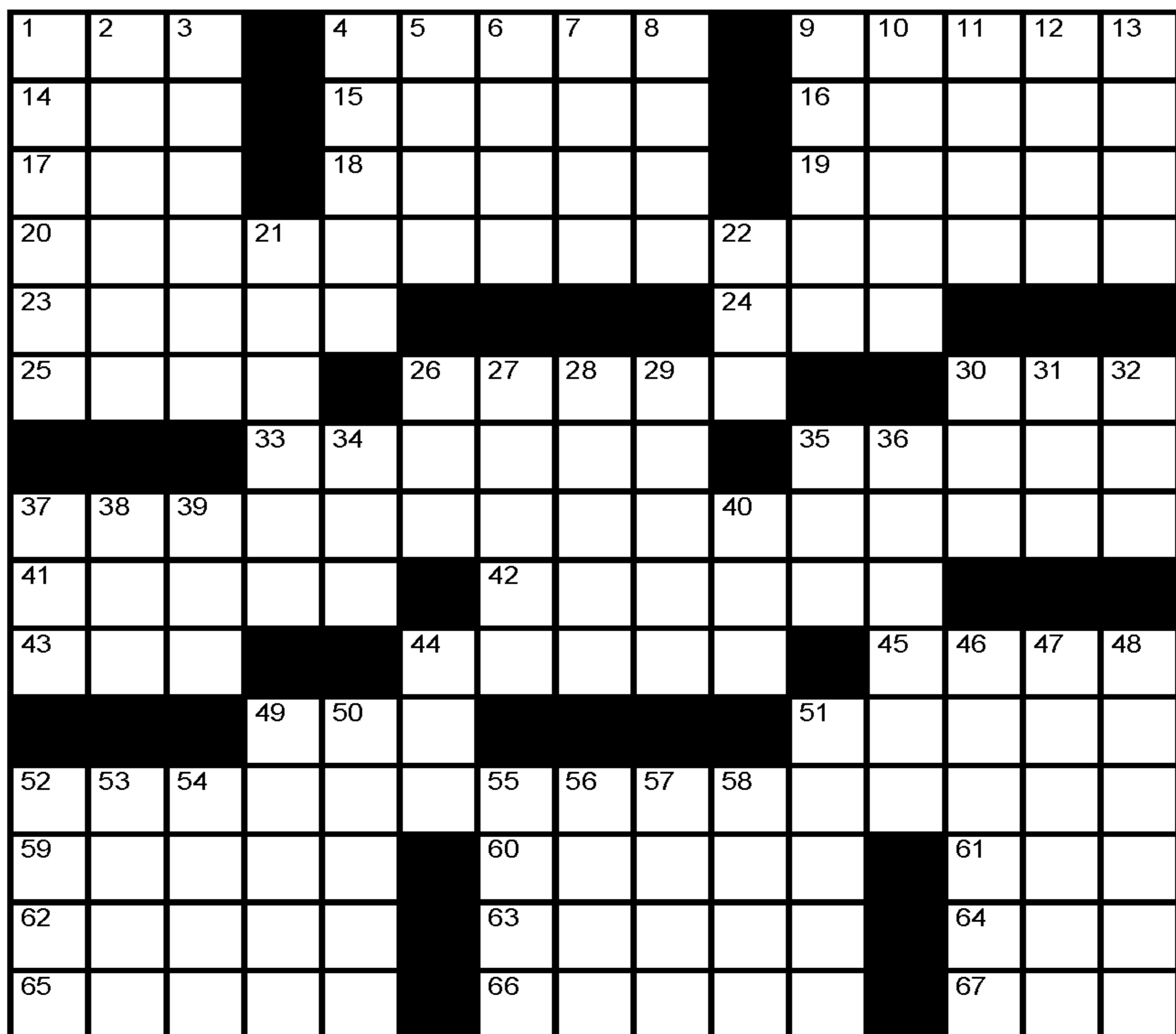
- How do students perceive various spiritual and religious facets of campus life?
- Do students perceive campus as a safe space for diverse religious and non-religious identities, beliefs, and practices?
- What are the most positive aspects of campus climate? What areas of campus climate present challenges or opportunities for improvement?
- How are students engaging in curricular and co-curricular initiatives, particularly those that relate to interfaith action, dialogue, and service on campus?
- How do students respond to and interact with others representing different worldviews?
- What are students' attitudes toward diverse worldviews? How do they perceive their own capacities to effectively engage religious and worldview pluralism?
- To what extent are students committed to their spiritual, religious, or non-religious worldview?
- What changes or transformations do students perceive in themselves during their years in college?
- How do dimensions of the religious and spiritual campus climate influence students' attitudes and behaviors?

ASME-IIT chapter visits Caterpillar Plant in Aurora, IL



At The Library

By Myles Mellor and Sally York



Across

1. Measure
4. Belt the ____
9. Iota
14. Old NOW cause
15. Come from behind
16. Certain student
17. Deck (out)
18. Succeed
19. Bad loan
20. "Audition" et al.
23. Jack
24. Thumbs down
25. "The ____ of Night" (old soap)
26. Ever, old style
30. Start of a giggle
33. Echo
35. Thirst
37. Gardner tomes
41. Monastic officer
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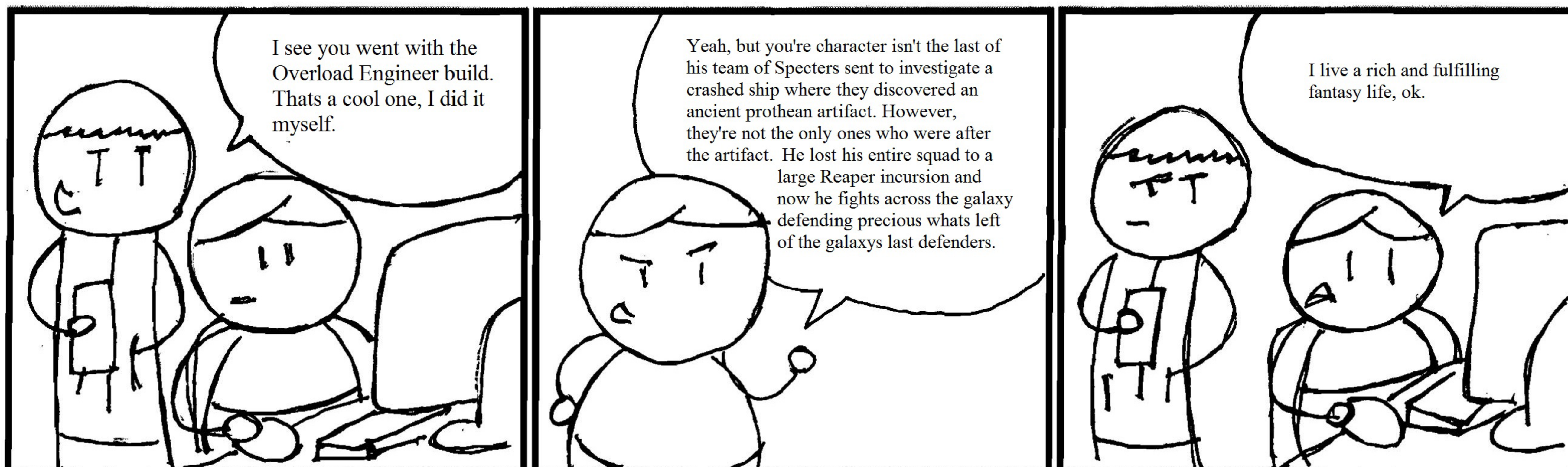
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27. Long-tailed primate
28. Detroit's county
29. Befuddled
30. Skater Babilonia
31. "____ Time transfigured me": Yeats
32. Dash widths
34. Suffix with pamphlet
35. Survey choice
36. Decorative plant
37. Car ad abbr.
38. Samovar
39. Van Winkle
40. Little 'un
44. Vereen
46. Prayer
47. Mock
48. Sonnet section
49. Son of Jacob
50. Takes off
51. Lifeless, old-style
52. Cookers
53. Utter
54. Eastern music
55. Prefix with plane
56. Break in the action
57. Series opener?
58. Greek letters

The First Day of the Rest of My Life

By Adin Goings
ART EDITOR



Intramural classes, tournaments will continue until finals

By Jennifer Agosto
STAFF WRITER

As the spring semester comes to an end, there are still a few events to try and get involved in. Zumba classes will continue through May 1. Classes will be held Tuesdays from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. in one of the west racquetball courts. Salsa will be on Mondays from 7p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the MTCC Ballroom and will continue through April 30.

Vigorous Vinyasa, a form of yoga, will be held in one of the west racquetball courts on Wednesdays from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and continue through April 18.

Our final event of the semester will be the dodgeball tournament and it will be held Thursday April 26. The tournament will begin at 7 p.m. at Keating Sports Center. It will be a 6 vs. 6 match-up with a maximum of 7 members per team. The registration deadline for this tournament will be April 25 at 6 p.m. You may register online at www.illinoistechathletics.com. This tournament is a great

way to relieve stress before finals and is open to all IIT, Vandercook, and Shimer students.

Over the summer, Keating will be open for students' general use, but no classes or tournaments will be held. Check the website for updated summer hours (http://www.illinoistechathletics.com/f/General_Hours.php).

Starting next fall classes will resume and will include Salsa, Zumba, and Yoga. Tournaments to look forward to will be flag football, basketball, soccer (both indoor and outdoor), ultimate frisbee, and much more. Some students have expressed interest in additional

classes such as strength training and kickboxing and these are being taken into consideration.

If you would like to see a particular tournament or class at Keating next year, please be sure to check out the Intramurals and Recreation Facebook page at www.facebook.com/iitintramuralsandrec and make note of your interest on the wall. There is sure to be more classes to be chosen based on the interests of our students. Keating Sports Center wishes all students good luck on their final exams and a wonderful summer break.



Photos by Jennifer Agosto

Water Polo spring season in full swing

By Billy Bafia
TECHNEWS WRITER

The club water polo team is back in action for the Spring 2012 semester. After a short break during the swim season, water polo kicked it off with their first game against the University of Chicago on Sunday, April 1 with a victory of 15 to 8. Overall the match went very well with a lot of good plays, but the team is still a bit rusty. Top scorers in the game were Matt O'Rourke, Igor Gryniv, Billy Bafia and Tomasz Chojnacki with 5, 4, 2 and 2 goals respectively.

The game went very well with new comers Brian Shaw, Roman Gallais, Nate Hurst and Johnny Broek really making an effort in the water. Johnny continues his water polo

playing with us after graduating and playing at the University of Iowa. He has brought a tremendous amount of knowledge and skill to the rest of the team. Brian and Nate now continue to enjoy the sport on the club team after many years of playing in high school. Roman, on the other hand, has never played the game before and has caught on quickly these past few weeks proving himself as a dedicated member.

The water polo team's next game is on Sunday, April 15 at 3:00 p.m. against the Southwest Master's Team and Sunday, April 22 at 3:00 p.m. also against the Southwest Master's Team. The team meets for practices Tuesday and Thursday nights from 9:00 to 11:00 p.m. Anyone is welcome to come and try it out. If you have any questions, you may contact Billy Bafia at wbafia@hawk.iit.edu.



Photo by Billy Bafia

Athlete Spotlight : Luis Montoya



Name: Luis Montoya

Year: Senior

Major: Architecture

Sport: Baseball

Position: Pitcher

Favorite thing about your sport: You always get another pitch to redeem yourself.

Pre-game ritual: Sitting on the bench alone and zoning in for the game.

Favorite thing you've done on Campus since you came to IIT: Playing Fungo Golf on the baseball field

Best tip for anyone who wants to be great at your sport: Don't over think, just play the game the way its supposed to be played.

BORED? NOT ANYMORE.

UNIVERSITY SOCIAL CALENDAR



THURSDAY, APRIL 19

PHOTOSHOP TUTORIAL

7:00-9:00pm @ SIEGEL HALL (236)

Sponsored by Snapshot (Photography club at IIT)

OMEGA DELTA'S ANNUAL COMEDY SHOW

7:30-11:00pm @ MTCC BALLROOM

Bring your School ID for Entry- Food and Beverages will be provided!

FRIDAY, APRIL 20

THE REBIRTH, AN AFRICAN PARTY BY ASO IIT

8:30pm-1am @ THE BOG

CARIBBEAN VISIONARIES POKER NIGHT

9:00pm-12:45am @ THE BOG

First 50 REGISTRANTS will make the tournament- Register at <http://tinyurl.com/CV-Poker>

RELAY FOR LIFE

6pm-6am @ THE GREEK QUAD

SATURDAY, APRIL 21

IIT 4TH ANNUAL BIG EVENT!

9:00am-2:00pm @ VARIOUS LOCATIONS

Questions? email service@iit.edu- Sign up today: <http://tinyurl.com/BigEvent2012>

SUNDAY, APRIL 22

TEAM SKILLS REGATTA

11:00am-2:00pm @ LIFE SCIENCE AUDITORIUM

To register, visit: <http://tinyurl.com/TeamSkills2012> or call 312-567-6473

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ONE DAY ON EARTH (GLOBAL SCREENING)

4:00pm @ MTCC AUDITORIUM

You must register for this event, and can do so at <http://tinyurl.com/onedayonearthIIT>

Sponsored by Lights, Camera, Action!!! (Chicago Movie Club @ IIT)

ESW- IIT GARDEN PLANT DAY

10:00am-2:00pm @ APE Lot (QUAD)

Sponsored by Engineers for a Sustainable World

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TRASH TO TREASURE CLOTHING CHALLENGE

ONGOING UNTIL APRIL 21

Clothing may be dropped off at: MSV center lounge, SSV front desks, Gunsaulus Hall lounge, Office of Campus Life, IIT Tower security desk, 10 West 35th Street