

MIT's endowment swells, MIT prepares to send Reif to the moon

'Shrek 5' receives a budget of \$500 billion and will be rewritten to take place at MIT

By Dogecoin Stonks

MIT announced a giant increase in its endowment in fiscal year 2021, rising 420% from \$49 billion in 2020 to \$69 trillion in 2021. President L. Rafael Reif wrote in a letter to the MIT community that with its newly embiggened endowment, the Institute plans to fund a solo space trip for Reif, as well as pay DreamWorks Animation to have *Shrek 5* take place at MIT.

Of the endowment, about 99% are restricted funds, funds designated by the donor for a specific purpose, including salaries and wages, departments and research,

and loud construction projects to keep undergraduates awake at all hours.

The remaining one percent — a scant \$690 billion — constitutes MIT's unrestricted funds, which it may spend on anything.

Reif wrote in his letter, "This is a once-in-a-generation opportunity, and we must use the funds in a way that inspires big ideas and builds a stronger MIT at a time when the world needs breakthroughs in science more than ever." Therefore, \$500 million of the unrestricted funds will be put towards rewriting the upcoming

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The unrestricted funds resulting from MIT's endowment surge will be spent sending Reif to space and funding a Shrek 5 that takes place at MIT.

MIT Medical reports 88,473,838 negative COVID-19 tests during Fall 2021

Stuopid: 'You gotta pump those numbers up; those are rookie numbers'

By MITthew McMoneymoves

With the semester coming to a close, *The Shrech* spoke with MIT Medical about COVID-19 testing during Fall 2021, the rate of transmission at MIT, and the level of risk for the MIT community.

The Shrech was surprised to find that the positivity rate on campus was a healthy 0%, both overall and for each of the 17 weeks of testing during the semester. However, after some investigation, *The Shrech* found that each week, the number of test results reported was significantly

greater than the population on campus.

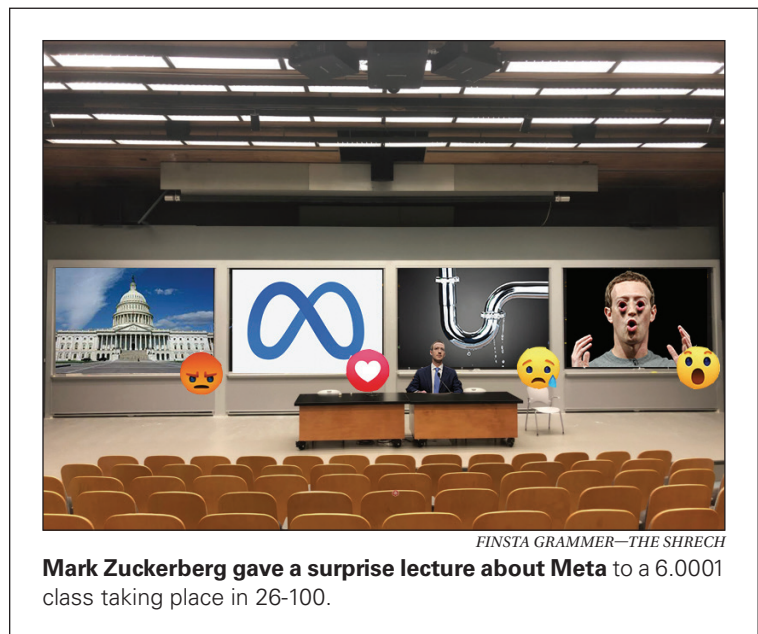
On average, MIT Medical's dashboard reported the results of around 5.2 million COVID-19 tests per week, when the expected number of weekly tests — given the campus population and testing

cadence for students and staff — is actually around 33,000. The largest number of positive COVID-19 tests in a week was 83 for the week of 11/28-12/4, translating to a 0.25% positivity rate for 33,000 tests; however, MIT Medical reported that 5,204,352 tests took place that

week, resulting in a 0% positivity rate after rounding.

For the entire school year, the number of positive COVID-19 tests was 487, compared to 8,473,838 negative COVID-19 tests.

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Mark Zuckerberg gave a surprise lecture about Meta to a 6.0001 class taking place in 26-100.

Zuckerberg to teach "Intro to the Metaverse" seminar

Meta CEO crashes 6.0001 lecture to promote new course

By Finsta Grammer
INFLUENCER

In an unabashed attempt to recruit even more course 6s, Mark Zuckerberg, CEO of Facebook Meta announced yesterday that he would be leading a seminar to answer that burning question everyone has: What the XEA-12 is the Metaverse??? "Introduction to the Metaverse: How My Great Idea Will Change the World and Make Me Richer" will be a course 6-9 joint class, with the listing 6.9420.

What's more, in a surprise move to generate excitement for his course, Zuckerberg also crashed 6.0001 and did a preview of his first seminar. The student response was mixed; some called it enlightening, while others were more confused than before. Reportedly, he showed a presentation and spoke

about his inspiration and plans for the Metaverse, but he kept going off on tangents about how Capitol Hill is wrong, Meta is not evil, and Facebook is not contributing to the fall of democracy, but humans are doing that to themselves. He also mentioned needing to "stop leaks by any means necessary." It is unclear whether he was referring to his shower or his employees.

He then opened up for a Q&A. One student asked Zuckerberg if he planned on trapping people in the Metaverse and then using their bodies as batteries, or if he would just probe their brains for personal data to sell. Zuckerberg declined to comment, but mentioned that human batteries would be a novel source of renewable energy. Another student pointed out the similarities to The Oasis from the book *Ready Player One*, then asked if Zuckerberg

should really be focused on making an escapist virtual world while the real world is on its way to being as apocalyptic as the one in the book. Zuckerberg answered, "Totally! Hiding from your problems is always the best answer!"

The Shrech interviewed a few students after class to hear their takes. "The lecture was interesting, but Zuckerberg was a little weird," one student said. "I sat in the front row, and he, like, didn't blink the entire class."

"Are we in the Metaverse right now?" another student wondered. "Like, how would we know? What if Zuckerberg is trying to show us the truth and lead us into the light? How can we be sure of our existence?" he added before wandering off to continue his existential crisis elsewhere.

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Lord Farquaad.

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New coronavirus strain is all butterflies and rainbows. COVID, p. 19

EAST SWAMPUS

MIT delays renovations to redesign swamp blueprints. COMING, p. 2023



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For kidnapping my firstborn. REWARD MONEY, p. \$420,420,420

XD

It stands for XTRA DYSFUNCTIONAL. RAWR, p. 69

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WEATHER

Swampy weather swamps students

By Super Smash Bros Mouth

Once upon a time there was a lovely princess. But she had an enchantment upon her of a fearful sort which could only be broken by love's first kiss. She was locked away in a castle guarded by a terrible fire-breathing dragon. Many brave knights had attempted to free her from this dreadful prison, but none prevailed. She waited in the dragon's keep in the highest room of the tallest tower for her true love and true love's first kiss. Like that's ever gonna happen. What a load of — Somebody once told me the world is gonna roll me. I ain't the

sharpest tool in the shed. She was looking kind of dumb with her finger and her thumb in the shape of an "L" on her forehead. Well, the years start coming and they don't stop coming. Fed to the rules, and I hit the ground running. Didn't make sense not to live for fun. Your brain gets smart, but your head gets dumb. So much to do, so much to see. So what's wrong with taking the back streets? You'll never know if you don't go. You'll never shine if you don't glow. Hey now, you're an all-star, get your game on, go play. Hey now, you're a rock star, get the show on, get paid. And all that glitters is —

Extended Forecast

Today: Snowgres on the way. High around -200°K and low around 56°K. Winds might turn you into an ogress. Wait. Why do you care? Get outta my swamp!
Tonight: Champagne wishes and caviar dreams.
Tomorrow: Mostly swampy. High around 23.232323°K and low around 9999999°K.
Saturday: Swampy with a chance of meatballs. Grab your torch and pitchforks!
Sunday: Adequate precipitation to feed seasonally flooded rivers and high water tables and to collect in slow-draining depressions.



Situation for Noon Eastern Time, Decemday, Thursber 9, 2021

Gigaquiz to be administered to determine interim president while Reif is in space

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ing *Shrek 5* so it takes place at MIT, Reif concluded.

"As much as necessary" of the remaining \$689.5 billion will be spent on an all-inclusive vacation to space for Reif. A leaked draft of Reif's letter also mentioned using an undisclosed amount of unrestricted funds to renovate East Campus into Shrek's swamp, but this mention was omitted in the final letter sent to the MIT community.

These uses for the funds were primarily based on recommendations from Task Force 2021 and Beyond. The over 150 members of MIT's staff, students, and faculty constituting the task force carefully read and considered thousands of proposals from community members, brainstormed their own ideas on how to improve MIT, and found that the most commonly reoccurring suggestions were to "make *Shrek 5*" and "a space mission."

When *The Shrech* asked why he thought the endowment grew so much, Executive Vice President and Treasurer Glen Shor said that when MIT promised "to make *Shrek 5* happen," donations from alumni skyrocketed, in addition to contributions from a few notable donors, whose identities Shor declined to expose. "Let's just say a few names we saw rhymed with Melon Usk, Beff

Jezos, and Gill Bates."

With a budget of half a billion dollars, *Shrek 5* will be one of the most expensive movies ever made. In order to access this budget, DreamWorks must first rewrite the script such that the film is set at MIT. While more details on the plot of the film cannot be shared yet, it is believed that Tim the Beaver will make an appearance in a supporting role, and possible working titles include *Shrek Pi-ve*, *Shrek Chemistry*, and *Shrek and the Legend of the Five Rings*.

Reif wrote in his letter that MIT's primary goal for investing in *Shrek 5* is to "inspire younger generations to pursue science and research," and to premiere the film at the Cannes Film Festival and "avenge the first *Shrek* film," which failed to earn the Palme d'Or in 2001.

Reif added that he is also hopeful the Institute will have the opportunity to continue collaborating with DreamWorks on a sixth *Shrek* movie. "We'd love to have a movie set entirely at the new Stephen A. Schwarzman College of Computing; we could call it *Shrek Course Six*."

As for the donations being used to fund a voyage to space for Reif, Shor estimates that the Institute will need at least \$33 billion for expenses such as the design and construction of a suitable spacecraft, bedazzled space suits for every occasion, and the ex-

ecution of a comprehensive itinerary that includes 19 meals per week of dehydrated dining hall food and duct taping an MIT pennant to the moon before Harvard can get to it first.

The purpose of the trip is to commemorate Reif's tenth anniversary as president of MIT, but because MIT will likely require another year to complete the necessary preparations for the launch, the project is currently called Athena II. During preparations, the Department of Aeronautics and Astronautics will be required to suspend all other activities and assign all faculty, researchers, post-docs, students, staff, and UROPs to facilitate different aspects of Reif's journey.

The spacecraft is expected to be launched from the basement of the Stata Center and will land, upon return, inside the Media Lab, so that both buildings are destroyed and MIT has the opportunity to "re-design and rebuild two of the biggest eyesores on campus," Shor told *The Shrech*.

Once launched, the trip is expected to span the length of one Independent Activities Period. To determine who will serve as interim president during that time, a gigaquiz consisting of one problem set question from every course at MIT will be administered, and the highest performer on the quiz will be selected. All are eligible to participate in the gigaquiz.

Solution to MIT Atlas

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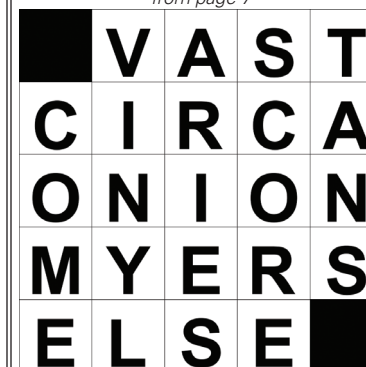
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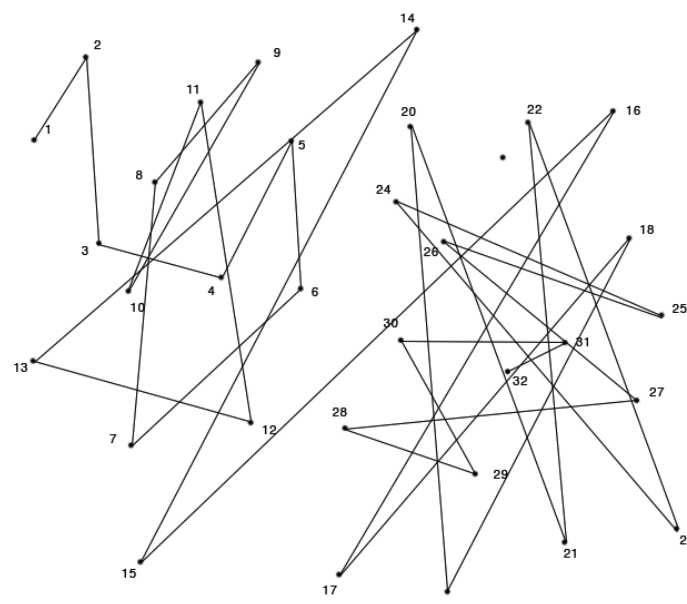
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Solution to Connect the dots :)

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Did you just waste 10 minutes on this meaningless scribble? Good. Fuck you.

Sigma Chi is honored with the 2022 Pulitzer Prize for Criticism

The Pulitzer Prize Board has preemptively announced the winner of the 2022 Pulitzer Prize for Criticism as MIT's Alpha Theta chapter of Sigma Chi.

The prize is being awarded to Sigma Chi for "lively, witty, robust, zestful, fresh, delightful, eclectic, vivid, exuberant, ambitious, imaginative, eloquent, enlightening, trenchant, shrewd, and savvy criticism of other deeply flawed fraternities and sororities at MIT."

This extraordinary step was taken after the board was made aware of Sigma Chi's work at MIT Sigma Kappa's Late Night, an annual philanthropy event involving performances from student groups.

During their performance,

members of Sigma Chi offered a piercing analysis on the flaws of MIT Greek life, poking fun at the sheep-like behavior of MIT sorority members following COVID-19 policies.

Helen of Troy said in an interview with *The Shrech* that Sigma Chi also "smartly demonstrated how MIT Greek life perpetuates toxic masculinity" through its sharp commentary.

Event organizers pulled Sigma Chi from the stage when some Greek life organizations were unable to accept constructive criticism.

Sigma Chi has since sent apology letters to MIT Greek life organizations, leading the Pulitzer Board to question awarding them the prize.

Dr. Shrimp Puerto Rico, professor of journalism at Columbia University, said in an interview that they were "shocked and disappointed" upon hearing that Sigma Chi had sent these letters.

However, Dr. Puerto Rico also said that they were "relieved" upon learning that the apology letters were double-spaced and only half a page long.

"This conveyed to the board that Sigma Chi does stand by its truth-telling, and we unanimously decided to announce the award," Puerto Rico said.

This is the only time the Prize for Criticism winner has been announced before its corresponding year since the prize was first awarded in 1970.

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KOOKIE KITCHEN

Giant Gingerbread Man

HuMONGOus holiday spirit, brought to you by molasses and eggs

By Vic Frankenstein
THE MUFFIN MAN

If you were looking for the perfect gift to bring to your friend's potluck Christmas dinner, this is it. Not only will a fierce warrior spirit come out of just flour, sugar, and milk, you can show your friends how truly despicable it is to make guests of a Christmas dinner bring food as well. Guaranteed to destroy a castle drawbridge and subsequently drown in a moat!

A perfect holiday craft for kids who always wanted to give life to a being that never wanted it, as well as a lesson in being HUUUUUUGE. I've always loved creating a monster that terrorizes the town over the holidays so my neighbors can get a taste of their own medicine.

A few quick tips on how to make the perfect Mongo, because I'm sure you want to keep scrolling just to find the recipe:

- Make sure to work in an ice-cold basement, otherwise your dough will decompose and begin to rot.
- Make sure to demonize your own creation from the moment it gains consciousness. This gives it a burning hatred for the world and a will to destroy everything in sight.

- Don't be afraid to add more spices than specified. It adds extra damage when fighting white people.

- Ingredients:**
- 10 tablespoons (2/3 cup; 145g) unsalted butter, softened to room temperature
 - 3/4 cup (150g) packed light or dark brown sugar
 - 2/3 cup (160ml) unsulfured molasses
 - 1 large egg, at room temperature
 - 1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract
 - 3 and 1/2 cups (438g) all-purpose flour (spooned and leveled)
 - 1 teaspoon baking soda
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
 - 1 tablespoon ground ginger (yes, 1 full tablespoon!)
 - 1 tablespoon ground cinnamon
 - 1/2 teaspoon ground allspice
 - 1/2 teaspoon ground cloves
 - optional: easy cookie icing or royal icing
- Instructions:**

1. In a large bowl, using a hand-held mixer or stand mixer fitted with a paddle attachment, beat the butter for 1 minute on medium speed until completely smooth and creamy. Add the brown sugar and molasses and beat on medium-high speed until combined and creamy-looking. Scrape down the sides

and bottom of the bowl as needed. Next, beat in egg and vanilla on high speed for 2 full minutes. Scrape down the sides and bottom of the bowl as needed. The butter may separate; that's okay.

2. In a separate bowl, whisk the flour, baking soda, salt, ginger, cinnamon, allspice, and cloves together until combined. On low speed, slowly mix into the wet ingredients until combined. The cookie dough will be quite thick and slightly sticky. Divide dough in half, and place each onto a large piece of plastic wrap. Wrap each up tightly, and pat down to create a disc shape. Chill discs for at least 3 hours and up to 3 days. Chilling is mandatory for this cookie dough. I always chill mine overnight.
3. Preheat oven to 350°F (177°C). Line 2-3 large baking sheets with parchment paper or silicone baking mats. Set aside.
4. Remove 1 disc of chilled cookie dough from the refrigerator. Generously flour a work surface, as well as your hands and the rolling pin. Roll out the disc until 1/4-inch thick. Tips for rolling — the dough may crack and be crumbly as you roll. What's helpful is picking it up and rotating it as you go. Additionally, you can use

your fingers to help meld the cracking edges back together. The first few rolls are always the hardest since the dough is so stiff, but re-rolling the scraps is much easier. Cut into shapes. Place shapes 1 inch apart on prepared baking sheets. Re-roll dough scraps until all the dough is shaped. Repeat with the remaining disc of dough.

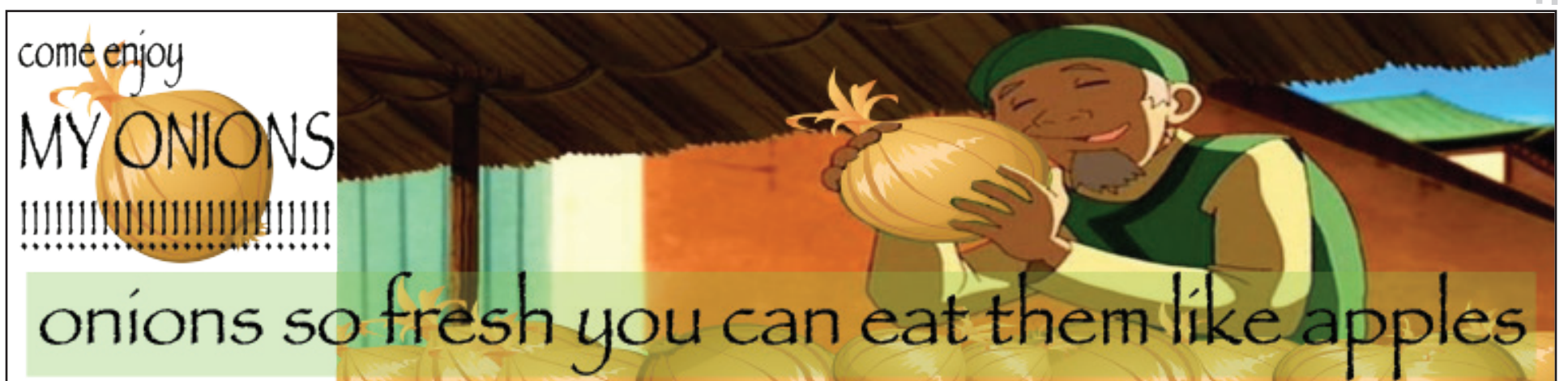
5. Bake cookies for about 9-10 minutes. If your cookie cutters are smaller than 4 inches, bake for about 8 minutes. If your cookie cutters are larger than 4 inches, bake for about 11 minutes. My oven has hot spots, and yours may too, so be sure to rotate the pan once during bake time. Keep in mind that the longer the cookies bake, the harder and crunchier they'll be. For soft gingerbread cookies, follow my suggested bake times.
 6. Allow cookies to cool for 5 minutes on the cookie sheet. Transfer to the cooling rack to cool completely. Once completely cool, decorate as desired.
 7. Cookies stay fresh covered at room temperature for up to 1 week.
- Warning: may only make regular-sized gingerbread men if not mixed with enough confidence or for the listed time of 25 hours. Happy holidays!

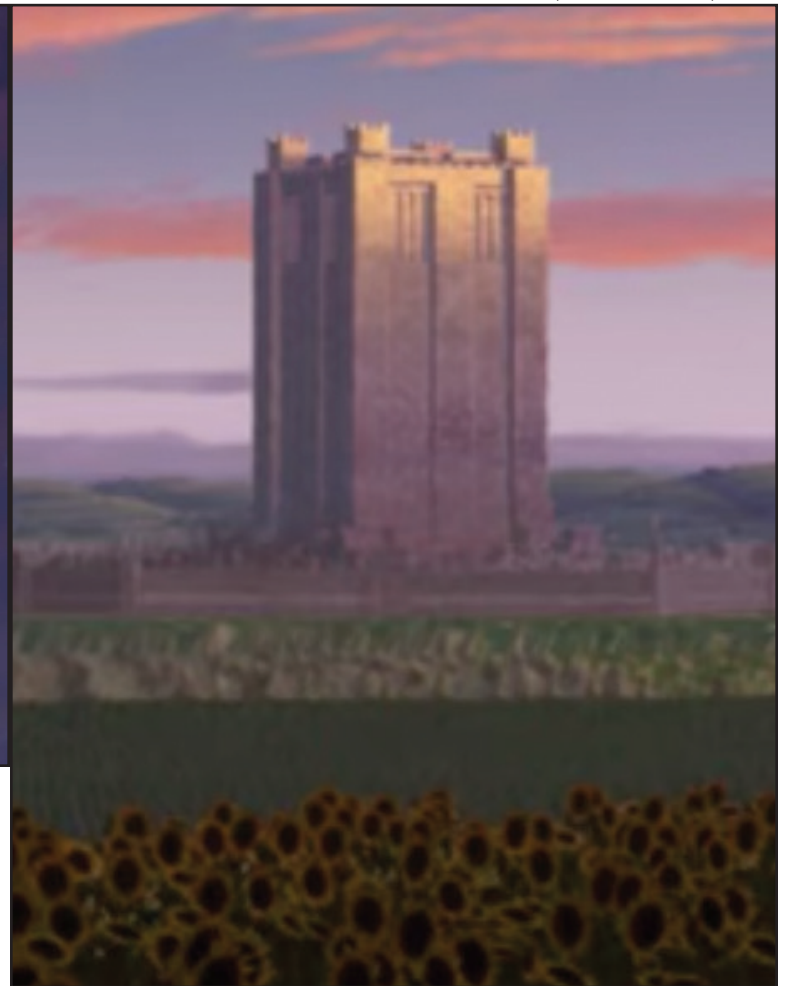


SCARED SHITLESS VILLAGER—THE SHRECH

Gingerbread: no ginger at all, and not bread, but a living, breathing monster

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ARCHITECTURE COMPETITION BURNS BRIDGES

A global architectural competition was held Saturday. Buildings from Far Far Away, Duloc, and even the onion fields were submitted to be judged for the prizes of: Most Excessive, Most Boho-Chic, and Best Compensation. The winners were given absolutely no monetary prize, which resulted in multiple wars being declared.



DOOR REVIEW

Counter-clockwise, from upper right

- Building 4 Door facing Killian Court: 69/420. Why is this door so hard to open???



- Rear Building 34 Door: 4/10. Come here around class time and you'll see the poor souls clawing at the door, hoping someone will free them from the brisk outside weather into the building. If only it had a card reader...



- Building 56 Outfinite Door: π / 10. This door in Building 56 causes love-hate contrast. When you arrive, you badge to enter, then you remain enchanted watching the life of all the small creatures that live there. There are bunnies, birds, and squirrels that steal food from the bird feeder hidden in the bush. The result is that the door closes again. It always happens that while you contemplate, someone behind you thinks that you are waiting for somebody else to open the door because your pass is not valid.



- Lobby 10 Doors: 2/10. They don't do the one thing doors are supposed to do, which is open. However, they keep the tourists out and it's fun to watch people try to open the doors even when signs are posted saying "doors do not open."



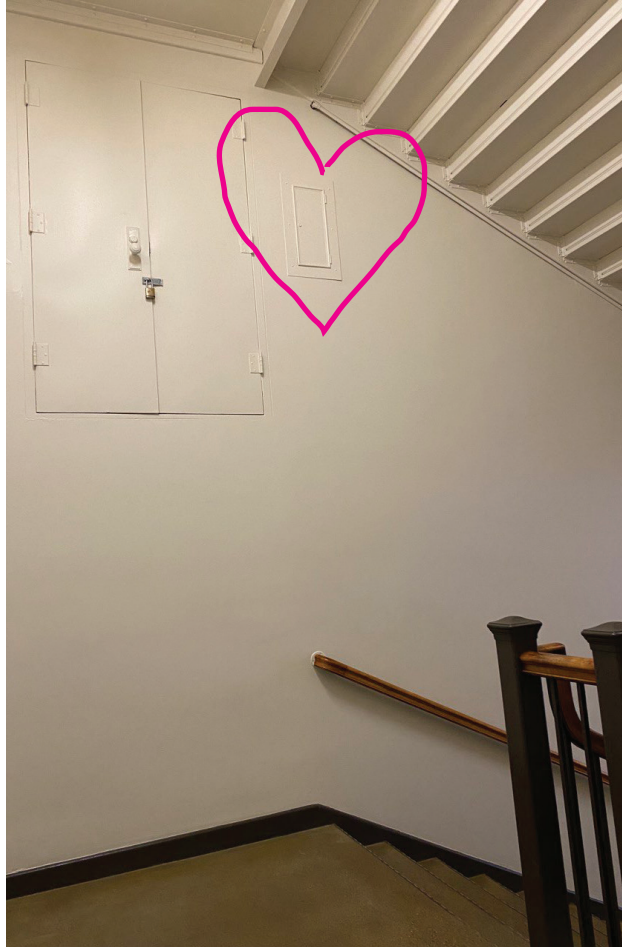
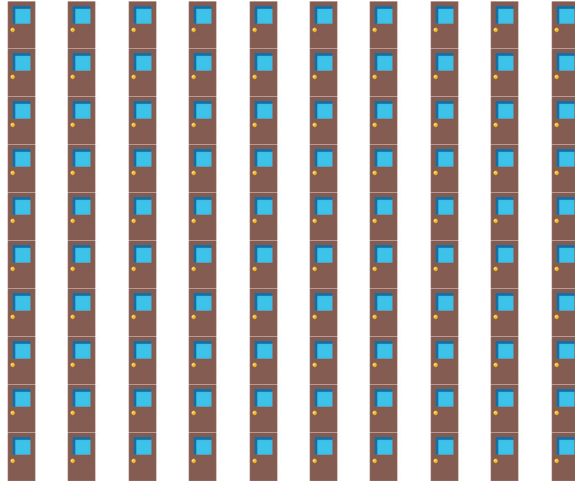
- Building 24 Music Lab Door: 3/10. Halfway through the semester the card reader started rejecting me. Yes, I do hold a grudge.



- Door outside Building 24: 9/10. Very cute shed door, never used it nor do I need to but it's adorable.



- Tiny stairwell wall door: Clearly the Best door on MIT's campus. 100/10.



KNIGHTLINESS

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Unnamed competitor kills at masculinity competition

Lord Fuckwad, too scared to retrieve his own princess, organized the event

By Duloc Citizen #3
COMRADE

Yesterday, Lord Fuckwad held a tournament to find the strongest man in Duloc. This show of toxic masculinity quickly became a free-for-all when, in an unexpected turn of events, a green-skinned competitor arrived.

Since his identity remains unknown, we will refer to him as the Grinch for the remainder of this article. The Grinch started by interrupting the tournament in a truly unladylike fashion along with a sidekick, hereafter referred to as The Grey Stuff. His presence easily scattered all the knights gathered at the tournament, and the goal of the contest promptly changed from fighting each other to killing him.

The Grinch asked everyone to share a beer with him, stupidly forgetting that most viewers were un-

derage. However, being cornered into a beer barrel, he expertly maneuvered the barrel to knock over several knights with liquid pressure. He subsequently secured a weapon from one of the fallen knights while The Grey Stuff steamrolled at least seven knights using a beer barrel like a hamster wheel.

Moving into the boxing ring, the Grinch managed to remove both horses present with just a roar. Two knights were smashed by the Grinch's enormous arms while a third was tripped in one fell swoop. Another knight who attempted to spear the Grinch from behind was headbutted with extreme violence by The Grey Stuff. Per advice from the audience, the Grinch used a chair to fully decapitate another knight.

The next two were met with a swift kick to the face, grueling body slam, concussion via vertical head

smack to the ground, and the experience of flight combined with a kick to the noggin from The Grey Stuff. It was a truly impressive show of the male urge to destroy and kill.

The home crowd was easily wooed by this clearly superior competitor and quickly began cheering for him. Even after all my years in sports journalism, I have never seen someone win over a crowd with such ease. Every knight who attempted to sneak up on the Grinch was met with a surprise of his own.

Due to the complete wipeout of knights in Duloc, all future tournaments appear to be canceled. *The Shrech* was unable to schedule an interview with the Grinch since we do not actually know who he is and are also incompetent journalists. The Grinch is expected to return in three days with the princess.



PRISON SKETCH ARTIST—THE SHRECH

Affectionately named the Grinch and The Grey Stuff, these two nameless stuntmen quickly captured the hearts of Dulocians everywhere.

Lord Fuckwad had organized the competition to find a knight to retrieve Princess Fiona from a castle. Because he was clearly not

masculine enough to take on the challenge himself, it must be asked whether Princess Fiona will actually accept his marriage proposal.

BLORTS SPITZ

Decemday, Thursber 2

- **Men's Basketball** ate up the Duloc Dribblers 100000-0, and left not a single crumb — no they didn't.
- **Wikipedia Speedrun** slayed the Swamp Studyers 0-1234.
- **Hopscotch** ended the Swamp Steppers 5000-0.

Decemday, Saturber 4

- **Women's Minecraft Speedrun** got shrekt against Awman College 17:38-0.
- **Flag Frisbee** flopped against the Duloc Diskers 4-0.
- **Spelling Bee** pogged against the Duloc Dictionaries.

Decemday, Sunber 5

- **Duck Duck Goose** served against the Duloc Ducks 6-9.
- **Rocket League** obliterated the Duloc Drivers 189.54-189.53.
- **Geoguesser** popped off against Buston Oniversity 10-4.

Decemday, Tuesber 7

- **Drag Race** murdered the Swamp Stars 100-0.
- **Go Fish** got shafted by the Duloc Dealers 3-4.

Decemday, Wednesber 8

- **Rap Battle** eviscerated the Swamp Shittalkers 420-0.
- **Fortnite** killed the Swamp Shooters' entire family 3-0.
- **League of Legends** ate shit against Varhard University 0-2.

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MIT to open Michelin star restaurants in Lobdell Dining

La Ratatouille, Cookie's Chimichanga Corner, and Shinkansen Bullet Train soon available on student center's second floor

By Bibi Box

Two new retail dining vendors, La Ratatouille and Cookie's Chimichanga Corner, will open in the Lobdell Dining Hall in the Stratton Student Center during Independent Activities Period. Previous second-floor dining staples, Shinkansen Bullet Train and the frozen yogurt robot, will also be returning to the student center next month.

Both La Ratatouille and Cookie's Chimichanga Corner have Michelin stars; La Ratatouille has three and Cookie's Chimichanga Corner has two. The restaurants will replace the vendors currently in Lobdell dining — BibimBox, Carolicious, and Las Palmas — which were selected through the Commonwealth Kitchen Launchpad, a non-profit food business incubator. The three vendors are now leaving the student center due to too much competition from LaVerde's Market, which has monopolized the student center dining scene by being the only restaurant open on weekends.

La Ratatouille and Cookie's Chimichanga Corner were selected through the Not Commoners

Wealthy Kitchen Launchpad, after MIT Dining chose to completely disregard students' concerns over the high prices of the food from the Commonwealth Kitchen Launchpad vendors.

Director of MIT Dining Mark Hayes said in an interview with *The Shrech* that in a survey organized by the Undergraduate Association, high costs were the main complaint students cited about the three vendors, but "that's positive feedback for us. If all the dining options in the student center are too expensive, students will think the costs of our meal plans are reasonable."

New Vassar resident Froshy Frosh '25, who has yet to use a single swipe this semester, told *The Shrech*, "I have never been to the second floor of the student center, but I do have a whole separate GCAL for all the free food events on campus."

Hayes added that MIT Dining incorporated other aspects of student feedback in its decision, "We noticed that many students missed Anna's Taqueria, which left the student center this semester, so we reached out to Cookie's Chimi-

changa Corner, which will hopefully satisfy students' burrito cravings."

Cookie's Chimichanga Corner, owned and operated by ogre resistance chef Cookie from *Shrek Forever After*, catapults chimichangas at students for the low price of \$690 per foot-long chimichanga.

Additionally, MIT chose to open La Ratatouille in the student center in order to "give the students a positive role model," Hayes told *The Shrech*. La Ratatouille will exclusively serve \$420 ratatouille to encourage students to eat their vegetables.

Students will have the option to pool their dining dollars together in order to afford a meal from either eatery.

In addition to the two new vendors, Shinkansen Bullet Train and the frozen yogurt robot will be returning to the student center, due to high demand from students.

Hayes told *The Shrech*, "We wish we didn't have to include options that are both affordable and appetizing, but Shinkansen and the froyo robot were the only replacements that could tolerate the noise from stud 5."

Terry Yaki '22, who lives in Next House, told *The Shrech*, "I'm overjoyed Shinkansen is back. I no longer have to spend three hours in the dining line daily waiting for stir fry."

As for the froyo robot, Brian Freeze '23 said in an interview with *The Shrech*, "The stale granola from that machine just hits different."



GORDON RAMSAY—THE SHRECH

Cookie and Remy scope out their new three-star spot on the stud's second story.

Elon Musk tweets about his unconfirmed seminar on his plan for colonizing Mars

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Not to be outdone, this morning Elon Musk tweeted that he would be teaching a seminar at MIT en-

titled "My Plan for Colonizing Mars (and Why I'm Better Than Mark Zuckerberg, Jeff Bezos and Other Billionaires)." The registrar's office was unavailable to comment, as this

was the first time they had heard about it too. Elon Musk has since returned to tweeting about whatever crosses his mind and messing with the stock market while he's at it.

Stuopid implemented a gaslight, gatekeep, girlboss strategy to avoid doing job

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When *The Shrech* asked about this discrepancy, MIT Medical Director Cecilia Stuopid '90 simply said, "You gotta pump those numbers up; those are rookie numbers."

The Shrech asked Stuopid what she meant by this, and she further clarified, "We implemented a gaslight, gatekeep, girlboss strategy in order to reduce the positivity rate of COVID-19 on campus."

Apparently, when students submitted their tests, even when they tested negative, MIT Medical indicated on Atlas that the results were inconclusive or that tests were not successfully submitted, causing students to believe that they were not properly testing and needed to test again. Thus, students were literally gatekept from

entering campus buildings unless they repeatedly submitted tests until the number of negative tests was "pumped up."

"I realized that by doing this, we could make people believe that the positivity rate on campus was 0%, which makes my job a lot easier — thus, the girlboss part of our strategy," Stuopid told *The Shrech*.

The Shrech asked Stuopid whether she understood that the results reported by MIT Medical clearly did not accurately reflect the transmission of or level of risk resulting from COVID-19 on campus. Stuopid declined to comment.

The Shrech also asked whether the fall policies of face covering, regular testing, and daily attestation would be loosened next semester, given the reported 0% positivity rate. Stuopid said, "No <3."

Twitch streamers adopt ogre language

A relatively unknown Twitch streamer was unexpectedly raided by fans of a meme channel on Monday. To the fans' surprise, the streamer was in the process of creating a language, live on camera. The premise of the language was to incorporate the word "ogre" into as many words as possible, inspired by the already overused "It's all ogre now" meme.

The fans quickly caught on, adapting words that are most commonly used among the gaming community. "Pogres is like

poggers, but ogre, and brogre is your bro, but if he were an ogre," said @daddyshrek over a Zoom call. The streamer, who has suddenly shot to international fame, is struggling to come to terms with what happened. He posted, "I feel like I may have opened Pandora's box. I don't even like Shrek that much!"

The linguistics department of MIT responded by praising the publicity for what constitutes language, shocking many around the world. Throngs on Twitter harassed the department account,

both in support of and in anger against the new ogre language.

Over the past few days, parents of high school-aged students had to rediscover how to communicate with their children, who suddenly and immediately began speaking in only ogre-fied words. A chogre, for example, is a choker necklace. Dogre replaced the long reigning "doggo."

As mass chaos flooded the internet, meme historians reveled in securing the next twenty years of their tenure research.

—Rogre Onion



MOJO JOJO—THE SHRECH

After 33 years of service to the community, MIT's very own Blossom, Bubbles, and Buttercup are parting ways.

MIT triumvirate to part ways after over 30 years of collusion

The MIT triumvirate — consisting of once-Chancellor Cindy Barnhart PhD '88, sitting-College-of-Computing-Dean Dan Huttenlocher PhD '88, and soon-to-be-RPI President Marty Schmidt PhD '88 — will soon disband, after 33 years of service to the Institute.

Having all received their PhDs from MIT in 1988, Cindy, Dan, and Marty rose among the ranks to occupy three of the most influential positions at the Institute: Chancellor, Dean of the Stephen A. Schwarzman College of Computing, and Provost.

The most iconic party of three since the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and the Powerpuff girls, Cindy, Dan, and Marty reshaped the Institute by putting the heart in MindHandHeart, throwing one billion dollars at a beep boop beep school, and just generally making sure everything was working.

Now that Cindy is on sabbatical after stepping down from her role as chancellor, Dan is on the cusp of ascending to the throne of the Dean of the College of

Computing, and Marty is ditching MIT to become president of his original homeslice, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, the tireless troika is moving on to new eras in their lives.

As the last remaining vertex of the triangle at MIT, Dan said in an interview with *The Shrech* that though he will "deeply" miss the company of his colleagues, he hopes to continue "imbuing" the spirit of the triad within MIT, especially now that he may exercise influence over the more than 40% of undergraduates who will be students in the College of Computing.

To commemorate the trio's disbandment, a celebration will be held in every room on campus, with a single individually packaged serving of food in each room in order to encourage physical distancing as every member of the MIT community whose life was touched by the Cindy-Dan-Marty triptych celebrates and bids farewell to the exiting yet enduring threesome.

—Trinity Trilogity