

MIT MICRONICLE

Summer 2020



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Phi Sigma Kappa National Awards 2020

- Risk Management
- Member Experience
- Scholarship

Chapter GPA 4.61

- Academic Honor Roll
- 4th of 26 fraternities
- Record Chapter GPA

Chapter Size

- Seniors 16
- Juniors 20
- Sophomores 16
- Freshmen* 19

71

*Freshmen live on campus.

Residing at Chapter

- Pre-COVID 41
- Post-COVID 0

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Perseverance and strength in the face of adversity

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President



Jan Wojcik '21

It has certainly been a most interesting semester for the undergraduates of Phi Sigma Kappa. I did not expect to navigate the intricacies of a pandemic during my time as President. Despite the challenges we faced, we were still able to achieve a lot thanks to the dedication and hard work of all of our brothers. I am proud of the perseverance and strength everyone showed in the face of adversity.

The Fall started off strong with our exceptionally skilled Rush Chairmen Zachary Roberts '21 and Abram Turner '21 bringing in another large class of 20 pledges and at the end of the Fall, with the help of our legendary chapter advisor Joe McMahon '85, our Inductor Ivan Shestopalov '21 was able to run a great Initiation Ceremony. President Brandon Motes '21 was a great role model for the new pledge class and led the chapter into one of its strongest semesters yet. The Phi Sig brothers continued their strong academic streak, having a 4.61 average GPA. Compared to the Interfraternity Council (IFC) of 4.43, this placed our chapter 4th overall out of 26 fraternities. In addition to our scholastic strengths, Phi Sig is home to 37 talented Varsity athletes across 9 different sports, of which 5 are captains and 3 are captains-elect. We also continued our strong commitment to philanthropy and community service with events such as Cradles to Crayons being organized by our Philanthropy Chairman Anthony Troupe '21, as well as our brothers' continued involvement with Camp Kesem at MIT.

The Spring semester definitely carried over the strong momentum of the Fall. The focus on house improvements and cleanliness from the previous Vice President spilled over with the knocking down of a connecting wall between a storage room

and Myles, expanding it from a double to a triple and a Spring Work Weekend that made the house spotless for the new semester lead by Branden Morioka '21, along with many very important physical plant projects being pursued related to heating and plumbing. Great changes to the infrastructure on which we rely on to host events was organized by Social Chairmen Mohamed Mohamed '22, Robert Cancio '23 and Robert Silvestri '20. Despite not having time in the semester to fully organize everyone's favorite alumni dinners, our Secretary Alula Hunsen '21 proved to be an expert of prose, winning the house three awards at the Phi Sig General Convention.

The advent of the Corona virus Pandemic and the subsequent shutdown and removal of students from campus a week after the announcement was a monumental event that knocked every brother's world upside down. Student leaders were able to convince the administration to change the grading to Pass/No Record as well as implement different changes to make MIT be less stressful now that it was fully remote. MIT recently announced that only Seniors and students with significant exceptions would be invited back to campus in the Fall, translating to campus running at 40% capacity. Additionally it was decided that fraternity, sorority, and independent living group houses would remain closed for the fall. IFC has worked with the MIT administration on the solutions it has come up with thus far, and will continue to push for the fraternity community like potentially letting Seniors live in their FSILGs in the Spring. The biggest problem that the IFC is debating right



Virtual Chapter Meeting on Zoom.

Chapter Officers

	Fall 2019
President	Brandon Motes '21
Vice President	Jan Wojcik '21
Secretary	Ethan Lietch '22
Treasurer	Henry Martin '21
Sentinel	Abram Turner '21
Inductor	Ivan Shestopalov '21
Rush Chairman	Zachary Roberts '21

Spring 2020	Fall 2020
Jan Wojcik '21	Orrie Page '22
Branden Morioka '21	Ethan Lietch '22
Alula Hunsen '21	Sam Boshar '23
Orrie Page '22	Suraj Srinivasan '22
Henry Martin '21	Andrew Shao '22
Ivan Shestopalov '21	Ahmad Salman '22
Zachary Roberts '21	Nick Aiello '22

now is the structure of Rush in the 2020-2021 year. The tentative plan is to push back in person Rush proper to the Spring, while holding virtual information events for members to meet chapters during the semester. In terms of Phi Sig operations, we have tried our best to make the best of the situation. Weekly virtual house meetings continued into the semester via Zoom as well as monthly social events hosted by Mohamed, playing games such as Jackbox or watching movies together. We were able to successfully hold elections for the Fall semester and am confident leaving the fraternity in the capable leadership of Orrie Page '22 and his retinue.

Vice President



Branden Morioka '21

For work weekend this past semester, Brothers gave the house a much needed deep cleaning. We oiled the dining room walls, scrubbed the walls in the house, shampooed the carpets, and added a protective finish to the hardwood floors. We also installed a security camera system, reworked the sound system in the basement and built 3 free-standing lofts to provide additional beds. As our brotherhood expands and we need more beds, we also hired a contractor to convert Myles from a double to a triple. The contractor tore down the wall between Myles and the closet area, expanding the living area for an extra loft.

At the beginning of the semester, the annex was without heat for 2 weeks, while we worked to replace our 20+ year old boiler located in Sway Spa. We coordinated with Damela plumbing, who replaced the boiler and hauled the old one away. Once that was fixed, an even bigger problem arose. The drains in the house were running slow and backing up. We hired Roto-Rooter to snake and jet our drains. However, they ended up puncturing the wall of our main sewage line, getting their hose stuck. They terminated the job right there, and we were stuck with a hose and a hole in our pipe. We worked with MIT and FCI to hire a contractor to excavate out the stuck hose and replace the cracked section of pipe. The excavation took place right outside the back kitchen door.

When the undergraduates were notified to vacate campus, we were given short notice. The brothers boxed up their stuff and stored it in the dining room. We are now coordinating brother's retrieval of stuff with the semester approaching.

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Secretary



Alula Hunsen '21

Our semester in the secretary's department got off to a great start! We got one alumni dinner under our belts, and reorganized our mail/package sorting system

to accommodate new arrivals in the house. A great idea for our upcoming virtual semester, to continue the tradition of dinners, would be alumni meet-and-greets local to certain cities where there might be a lot of undergraduates, e.g. SF, Boston, NYC, or virtual/zoom link-ups for meals. In addition to this, a big part of my responsibilities this semester was applying for awards, which paid off well! We won 3 awards from national this year which was awesome; looking forward to our chapter receiving more much-deserved recognition.



Converting Myles from a double to a triple by removing the wall separating it from the 4th hall closet.

Treasurer



Orrie Page '22

Considering the drastically subpar circumstances, the Phi Sig undergrads are doing surprisingly well fiscally speaking. Things started to go awry in the very beginning of the second semester when, during a party that was over capacity, the plumbing in the house broke. The severity of this problem became obvious immediately because somehow at that exact moment, every single girl at the party decided they had to pee. The clog, which was made primarily of paper towels, was expensive to remove, and as Brandon's report mentions, resulted in pretty extensive excavation work out back.

The other major issue was obviously the pandemic. Initially it looked like the undergrads were going to have to dip into our savings pretty substantially so that we could offer at least some sort of refund to brothers, but MIT stepped in and gave us almost \$100,000 with which we gave prorated refunds to every brother living in the house and on campus. Thanks to this reimbursement we are actually sitting quite comfortably and are in a position where we will almost certainly not need to charge brothers anything in this coming fall semester—a luxury many other fraternities do not have right now.

Budget Highlights

Total Budget	\$ 480 K
Rent	\$ 235 K
Utilities	\$ 54 K
Commissary	\$ 52 K
Physical Plant	\$ 40 K
Rush	\$ 37 K
National	\$ 20 K
Inductor	\$ 11 K
Social	\$ 7 K
Retreats	\$ 4 K
Housebill	\$9,300/year

“ MIT plans to have the formal Rush during the spring [2021] semester. ”

Brothers rushing around Boston. Left to right: Nick Mannhardt '22, Orrie Page '22, Jack Capper '22, Andrew Shao '22, Suraj Srinivasan '22, Aman Sanger '22, Nick Aiello '22. Horizontal: Ben Gruber '20.

Sentinel



Henry Martin '21

In our shortened semester, we made some strides in the Commissary Department. With the large amount of brothers in the house we were able to add another person to each cook team in order to make it easier to cook for the growing brotherhood. We also upgraded some smaller gear in the kitchen. Hopefully when we all come together and are able in the house again we can continue to improve our kitchen to serve great meals in the house.

Inductor



Ivan Shestopalov '21

Running for about three months from the end of Rush to November and with events nearly every weekend, the Initiation process was a hectic time for all in the house. Joining me as Assistant Inductors were '22s

Ethan Lietch and Nick Aiello, who proved invaluable in helping set up and run events. I would also like to sincerely thank our previous Inductor Matt Johnston '20 for advising this year's process, and Joe McMahon '85, who not only lent his wisdom remotely, but also took the time to come up to Boston and assist with the Initiation ceremony in person. In the spring, we were unfortunately unable to finish speeches before we were kicked off campus, but we plan to finish virtually in the fall.

Rush Chairman



Zachary Roberts '21

Rush was a major success this year, as we extended 23 bids and 20 accepted! The house was extremely happy and proud of the 19 pledges that were introduced to the house, with one unfortunately dropping out of the pledge process. The 3 bids we lost consisted of two that were accepted with another fraternity and one that opted to keep his place in his floor culture. We noticed with this year as opposed to past years that dorm floor culture is becoming increasingly important for the rushees.

For the second straight year, we went under budget. The budget was \$35K and we spent \$32K, a decrease from last year's \$33K and 2017's \$38.5K. Reducing the use of Uber significantly reduced the spending. Due to a rain-out on Monday of Rush, we saved money with a new event Boda Borg (indoor obstacle course) as opposed to our usual Beach Trip which was a sensation among the brothers and rushees. Junior Rush Chairman Abram Turner '21 also negotiated a better contract with our Invite-only Boat Cruise.

The house was in pristine condition for House Tours thanks to the Work Week efforts of VP Jan Wojcik '21. We kept our traditional schedule of jaunts highlighted by Paintball, Battle Canoes, and Comedy Night with Mike's Pastries. Battle Canoes has been such a success that we have seen the rise of copycat events from other fraternities, but no one does it like Phi Sig! Our food events were also fantastic this year thanks to brothers Cole Legg '20, Robert Silvestri '20, and alumnus Eric Wong '19 who stopped by to help our chefs.

Rush concluded with an all-you-can-eat meal at Yamato Japanese Restaurant in Back Bay. Several rushees pledged there conditional on daring brothers to eat enough sushi! Thanks to David Poberejsky '20, Tyler Moroso '20, Nick Aiello '22, and Andrew Shao '22 for biting the bullets. Overall, Rush was very successful due to the great efforts from all of the brothers!

This upcoming Rush will be a lot different than we're accustomed to. Usually Rush begins in the spring with Campus Preview Weekend, but with that cancelled we promoted Phi Sig on Instagram, showcasing the house, brotherhood, and what it means to be a Phi Sig in all its glory.

Barring further interruptions by the pandemic, MIT plans to have the formal Rush during the spring semester. However, the IFC plans to promote greek life in any way they can during the fall semester, which will likely include zoom calls, info sessions, and fraternity showcases to get the underclassmen excited about the prospect of joining a fraternity. For Phi Sig, that means we'll have to figure out ways to market our fraternity to the underclassmen online. With so much up in the air right now as far as guidelines for what the fall will look like, the plan right now is to promote Phi Sig on our FaceBook page, Instagram, and hold Zoom events/chats with brothers and prospective members to get them interested in Phi Sig. In the hope that everything begins to normalize come the spring, the plan for the formal spring Rush is very similar to our typical fall Rush, but with nothing confirmed everything is subject to change.

Social Chairman

Mo Mohamed '22



The social semester in the spring was nothing short of fireeeee! The semester started off with the annual Superbowl party. Wings were made by Robert Silvestri '20 for all of the brothers. The first party was a hit that included new infrastructure updates like new lighting systems and a new DJ Mixing board. The Miami nightlife theme popped off the house. With COVID coming in strong and fighting our constitutional right of having parties we resorted to small brothers-only events until MIT asked all events to cease. Seniors were given a proper send off with a fast put together Canes party. During the final days the brothers used the bromicon funds to propel their own remote events that scattered the house. On the final day, the house rallied behind Silvestri and his speaker at 2am to a modified Seven Nation Army chant for Jeremy Corbyn followed by a McDonald's run.

SENIOR CORNER

Near-term plans of the 2020 graduating class...

Ben Gruber Boston MA, will be consulting at Chartwell Consulting, helping factories improve their production lines. g.bed.email@gmail.com

Tim Lepiae-Arthur graduating with a degree in mathematics.

Jared Tramontano New York NY, will be working at a credit hedge fund. 951-870-0981

David Poberejsky Houston TX, will be working in commodities trading at Macquarie. dpoberejsky@gmail.com

Albert Go Charleston SC, will be working as a mechanical engineer at Boeing. albertgo@alum.mit.edu

Tyler Moroso Cupertino CA, will be working at Apple as an OS developer. tlmoroso55@gmail.com

Wilbur Li Fort Leonard Wood MO then to NYC to complete an officer training course for the United States Army. li.wilbur@gmail.com

Cole Legg Boston MA, will be doing management consulting at Accenture. colelegg@alum.mit.edu

Isaac Perper Cambridge MA, will be doing an internship. isaac.perper@gmail.com

Theo Sechopoulos Boston MA, will be completing his master's degree at MIT. th.sechopoulos@gmail.com

Ivan Jutamulla Boston MA, will be completing his master's degree at MIT, then plans on working as a machine learning/software engineer. jutamuliaivan@gmail.com

Eric Chen Boston MA, will be completing his master's degree at MIT then hopes to get into robotics and industrial engineering. echen9898@gmail.com

Matthew Johnston will be working as a software engineer for Okra Solar and hopes to continue to work in the energy/sustainability space. matthewlarash@gmail.com

Though COVID cut it short we were able to safely get in a semester's worth of partying.



Ben

Tim



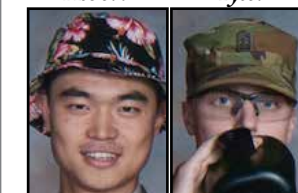
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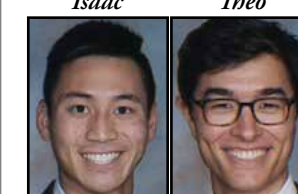
Wilbur

Cole



Isaac

Theo



Ivan

Eric



Matthew



MEET THE CLASS OF 2023

Omicron is proud to present our newest batch of brothers! To make things more interesting each brother wrote the introduction for the next. Here they are, grammatical errors and all.



1 Chris Noga

Chris is from the **Bay Area, CA**. He's majoring in 15-2, but debating whether to be a big boy and double major in 6-14, as well. A fun fact about Chris: the family was convinced Chris

died during initiation because of a certain novel, misleading technology known as location tracking. Rather, and quite on the contrary, Chris was actually battling the bitter cold of initiation by curling up in bed and getting mad at his phone for its lack of service while desperately trying to illegally stream The Mandalorian.



2 Allen Huang

Allen is from the **San Diego, CA**, and is majoring in 6-3.

Fun fact: he loves bananas and eggplants, but he will pass on that melon. Fruit aside, he really loves chocolate cake.



3 Michael Lu

Michael "Litty Ling" Lu is a course 6-2 hailing from sunny **Great Neck, NY**. In his own words he truly stands out from the crowd for "excelling at being mediocre" and his greatest

dream is to graduate from MIT with a solid B-average, no higher, for this would be a "total simp move." When he's not seal-clubbing 12-year-olds in online chess, he can be found getting himself off with FaceBook chat bots he's programmed to imitate himself, because a real man needs no stimulation other than the manly messages he once sent to his high school girlfriend at 3 am.



4 Joe Ward

From **Naperville, IL**, Joe Ward is probably the forgotten child of George S. Patton and John Cena when they met in a bar that only served moonshine. Joe plans to major in Course 15, commis-

sion as a 2nd Lt. in the army through ROTC, and eventually become president. Amazingly, his ambitions are higher than his testosterone levels, which, according to legend and my personal experience, can cause any prepubescent teenager in a 1 mile radius to finish puberty immediately and develop regions of pubic hair akin to the densest regions of the Amazon Rainforest.



5 Vincent Wang

Vincent Wang is from the suburbs of **Seattle, WA**. He's double majoring in math and physics (18 and 8) with a minor in theater. He's a competitive sea kayaker and notably can do

significantly fewer pushups than fellow pledge class member Joseph Ward.



6 McKinley Polen

McKinley is a sophomore from **Los Altos, CA** majoring in 6-3. Other than being a Phi Sig, McKinley spends his time running for the MIT track team and would rather be playing

video games than doing P-sets.



7 Sam Boshar

Sam Boshar is an aspiring 6-3 or 6-9, from **Andover, MA**. When he's not writing sick code, he can be seen grinding as part of MIT's lightweight crew team. Interestingly enough, Sam is

part seal.



8 Daniel Papacica

Danny Papacica, known endearingly as papa-pusher for his deadly backhand, is a Cali boy (**Carmel, CA**) born and raised and a smashing member of the MIT tennis team. When he is not stealing hearts with his dashing looks or taming wild dogs with his whispers, Danny is busy mastering holy trinity of majors: computer science, economics and data science (6-14).



9 Josh Sohn

Smash enthusiast and elite fencer, Josh "my son" Sohn is based out of **Irvine, CA**. He's majoring in 2 and has a knack for threatening you with a knife. So beware...



10 Giorgi Kldiashvili

Giorgi Kldiashvili, known to his friends as "GIORGI," hails from **Tbilisi, GEORGIA**. He is majoring in 6-3. Do not bother this man in the morning, as he is a force to be reckoned with.



11 Rick Ono

Rick Ono is from **West Roxbury, MA**. Majoring in 6-9, he generally spends more time on his hands than on his feet. There are also some rumors that he single-handedly defeated seven other men as a child.



12 Daniel Saavedra

Although Danny is from **Madrid, ESPAÑA**, you can find him pumping iron at the crack of dawn training to become the next Captain America with Navy ROTC. During the wee hours of the night, however, you might catch a glimpse of him on his favorite couch in the Chapter Room - but steer clear! You wouldn't want to disturb him.



13 Jeremiah Budiman

Jeremiah is from **Plano, TX** and is majoring in course 6-3. He's got the face of a baby and the body of a man, there's no one quite like Budiman.



15 Robert Cancio

Rob Cancio studies both course 7 and 15-1. He rows, enjoys mu-

sic, and loves to hang out with friends. A fun fact about Rob is that if you ever have a conversation with him he'll probably mention that he's from **Miami Beach** at least twice.



16 Alex Weller

Goofy, exciting, and kind. Alex is a happy-go-lucky course 18 wiz from **Portland, OR** who loves balls, specifically soccer balls. He is the type of individual who goes out of his way to help others even when he is burdened by his own dilemmas. One of his favorite activities off the soccer field is cooking.



17 John Flynn

John Flynn: the mysterious man from the woods of **Ashburn, VA**. He is majoring in 6-3, 6-2, 18, 2, 1, 6-1, or 8 or heptamajoring. Other than dicing people up on the pitch John is renowned for his walking speed and quick, decisive choices based on little more than gut feeling.



18 Adam Snowdon

Adam is little brother of both junior Jack Snowdon and sophomore Omaha native Peter Novoa. He grew up in the beautiful DC suburb **Lorton, VA**, the second of four boys. At MIT, this athlete plays as a center mid fielder for both the Varsity and Phi Sig IM soccer teams. Mr. Snowdon has never made an excuse in his life, you'll find him at every event, workout, or impromptu adventure, even after he decided to break his foot. Adam has declared course 6-9



19 Paarth Desai

Paarth, better known as Gupta, is an aspiring space scientist and pioneer who hails from the suburbs of **Atlanta, GA**. In his free time, Paarth saves goals for the engineers soccer team and advocates for self medication.



20 Derek Shen

Derek Shen, our final pledge of 2019 hails from **Boston, MA**, and is planning on majoring in both 6-14 and 15-1. A well known jokester, Derek made some of our brothers solve a 7 part riddle to find him during the pledge process.

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He’s
seal-clubbing
12-year-olds
in online
chess.
”

Pledge class serenades Alpha Phi. Left to right: Allen, Sam, Alex, John, Giorgi, Chris, Rick, Rob, Joe, Paarth, Daniel S, Nikita, Michael, Derek, Jeremiah, Daniel P, Adam, Josh, McKinley.



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Varsity Soccer

Ivan Jutamulia '20 *
 Isaac Perper '20
 Theo Sechopoulos '20
 Loukas Carayannopoulos '21 **
 Jack Snowdon '21
 Peter Novoa '22
 Adam Snowdon '23
 Paarth Desai '23
 Alex Weiler '23
 John Flynn '23

Varsity Heavyweight Rowing

Orrie Page '22 *
 Nick Mannhardt '22
 Max Von Franque '22
 Nate Cruz Walma '22
 Robert Cancio '23
 Chris Noga '23

Varsity Baseball

Matthew Johnston '20 *
 Jared Tramontano '20
 Casey Bussone '21
 Zachary Roberts '21
 Nick Aiello '22
 Ben Burke '22

* Captain
 ** Captain-Elect

PHI SIG ATHLETICS

This year Phi Sig was home to a whopping 37 varsity athletes playing 9 different sports, 5 of which had Phi Sig captains.

Varsity Soccer by Loukas Carayannopoulos '21
 This past year, the men's soccer team finished with a record of 7-5-6 and made it to the **quarter finals of the conference tournament.** Despite a lackluster season overall, Phi Sigs contributed by scoring more than half of the team's goals. Freshman Alex Weiler '23 led the team with 5 goals.

Varsity Heavyweight Rowing by Orrie Page '22
 While it lasted the heavies had a great year! **We won the Head of the Charles for the first time in school history,** and did it with a boat that included 3 Phi Sigs! Last May we also sent a boat to nationals where we ended up taking 4th place. The cancelation of our Spring season was obviously disappointing, but if we look on the bright side: nobody from our top 8 is graduating so we should be just as competitive next year, and our boat-house was being renovated this Spring anyway, so we're actually missing what would have been a logistical nightmare of a season.

Varsity Baseball
 Although the baseball season was cut short by the



pandemic, Phi Sigs made their impact felt in the team's three games played. Junior Casey Bussone took the mound on opening day and threw nearly 5 shutout innings against #11 UMass Boston before handing the ball to senior Jared Tramontano, who would get the win in his first appearance in almost two years after spending the previous spring semester working. In what turned out to be his final collegiate game, senior Matt Johnston tied the NCAA record by hitting four home runs in a single game at Nichols. Sophomore Nick Aiello and junior Zach Roberts got off to hot starts



at the plate, and sophomore pitcher Ben Burke is in position for a big junior year.

Varsity Tennis by Albert Go '20
 This year, I was privileged to be one of the captains of the Men's Tennis Team. We had four really good recruits come in, two of which ended up becoming brothers of Phi Sig. Michael Zhao '21, Derek Shen '23, Daniel Papacica '23, and myself represented 4 of the 6 starters in the singles and doubles lineup. All of us were looking forward to the season, but unfortunately it was cut short. Nonetheless, I know that the Men's Tennis Team is in good hands with Derek, Daniel, and Michael (the new captain) leading the team. I'm excited to see all of them excel in the Spring.



Varsity Lightweight Rowing by Jan Wojcik '21
 The season for the Lightweight men this year was one of great progress despite the short time we had. We received the fastest freshman class ever, with our 1V Head of the Charles line up being almost entirely freshman. Although we lost a coxswain and one of our fastest juniors, we made up for it by having some awesome walk-ons. Rick and Sam have both made excellent teammates and everyone enjoys their presence on the team. Our yearly training trip to Florida was very fun and I was very humbled to be elected as one of the captains of the team after IAP. I am pretty bummed out that the season got cancelled, but I am very hopefully for the talent that we have and that we will be able to come back stronger than ever.

Varsity Squash
 Phi Sig had two players play on the ladder for the Varsity Squash team, helping the team to another winning season and a **16th place national finish, the best in years for MIT.** Both Aman Sanger '22 and Henry Martin '21 were selected to compete at the Individual Nationals this season, both for the second straight season.

Varsity Track by McKinley Polen '23
 I had a great track season, along with Andrew and Jeremiah. In my first season running the 60m dash I set the **freshman and varsity records** with a time of 6.96. Andrew also had a wonderful season, qualifying for NCAA nationals in the 4x400 relay.

Varsity Sailing by Ivan Shestopalov '21
 As with many other sports, MIT sailing was cut short this previous semester, with only a handful of regattas sailed in the spring of 2020. After an unusually warm winter, practices began again on February 19th without the even needing to break up the ice with coach boats, and while the pansy crew team was still jerking chains indoors, we were attempting to keep ourselves and our FJs from icing over with Charles River water. Unfortunately, the arrival of Corona virus in Boston heralded the end of our - and everyone else's - season, and we were not able to challenge for the national championship for the second year in a row since winning the whole deal in 2018 (for those unaware, **MIT holds the record for the most collegiate sailing national championships won.**) With most spring and summer regattas being cancelled or postponed indefinitely, offseason sailing ended up restricted to pleasure boating and Virtual Regatta championships, but we are all hoping for a speedy return of MIT sports despite the best efforts of MIT administration to the contrary.

Club Gymnastics
 Brothers Andy Dienes '21 and Tuomas Oikarinen '21 are prominent members of the MIT Club Gymnastics Team, a team now a decade old after falling from varsity status. The team is an inclusive space for former and budding gymnasts to train new skills and prepare for year-round competitions in a professional environment with athletes who are passionate about the sport. The MIT team is particularly renowned within the club gymnastics community for our professionalism and organization; MIT gymnastics training facilities host many other community teams (such as Cambridge Community Gymnastics, Special Olympics training, and neighboring universities), as well as frequently hosting the annual Northeastern Regional competition. The team holds numerous awards from NAIGC (the national governing body of club gymnastics), both for our performance at competitions and miscellaneous accolades pertaining to our commitment to the sport and ability to grow new talent. Andy joined in his first semester at MIT after eight years of ballet training and primarily trains the rings, floor, and vault events, medaling at Nationals in the Developmental division on the rings in his first season. He has contributed to the success of

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 Albert Go '20 *
 Michael Zhao '21 **
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 Derek Shen '23

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 Henry Martin '21 **
 Aman Sanger '22
 Vincent Wang '23

Varsity Track
 Andrew Shao '22
 Jeremiah Budiman '23
 McKinley Polen '23

Varsity Sailing
 Ivan Shestopalov '21

Varsity Lacrosse
 Michael Heibert '21

Club Gymnastics
 Andy Dienes '21
 Tuomas Oikarinen '21

Club Wrestling
 Joe Ward '23

* Captain
 ** Captain-Elect

Baseball: Matthew Johnston '20.
Tennis: Albert Go '20.
Crew: MIT Heavies on the medal stand after winning the Head of the Charles. Rob Cancio '23 on far left, Orrie Page '22 third from left, Max von Franque '22 second from right.

IM Soccer - A League

Ivan Jutamulia '20
David Poberejsky '20
Theo Sechopoulos '20
Robert Silvestri '20
Zachary Roberts '21
Ben Burke '22
Nate Cruz Walma '22
Peter Novoa '22

IM Hockey - D League

Albert Go '20
Cole Legg '20
Brandon Motes '21
Tuomas Oikarinen '21
Anthony Troupe '21
Jan Wojcik '21
Ben Burke '22
Ethan Leitch '22
Mohamed Mohamed '22
Peter Novoa '22
Orrie Page '22
Robert Silvestri '22

IM Dodgeball

Ivan Jutamulia '20
Alula Hunsen '21
Henry Martin '21
Brandon Motes '21
Zachary Roberts '21
Anthony Troupe '21
Ben Burke '22
Nick Aiello '22
Jack Capper '22
Orrie Page '22

IM Basketball

Theo Sechopoulos '20
Robert Silvestri '20
Matt Johnston '20
Ivan Jutamulia '20
Cole Legg '20
David Poberejsky '20
Henry Martin '21
Anthony Troupe '21
Zachary Roberts '21
Ben Burke '22
Nick Aiello '22
Peter Novoa '22
Orrie Page '22
Ahmad Salman '22

IM Badminton

Robert Silvestri '20
Alula Hunsen '21
Zachary Roberts '21
Ben Burke '22
Andrew Shao '22

the team by teaching beginner classes and holding executive positions such as Social Chair and Meet Coordinator. Tuomas, also joining in his freshman year at the behest of Andy, has a background adjacent to parkour and tricking. He is an avid trainer and competitor, medaling at regionals and other competitions. He takes particularly to the Floor, Vault, and High Bar events. Junior year Tuomas held the executive position of Treasurer, and in his senior year Tuomas was elected President of the Men's team. Andy and Tuomas, being a similar caliber of gymnast, push each other in the gym and during competitions, and both feel the rivalry makes them stronger athletes. Andy frequently takes a small scoring edge in the rings, pommel horse, and vault due to crisp form and tight lines developed during his years in ballet. Tuomas, using his explosive jumps and magical leathery skin that apparently never rips, takes a corresponding edge in the floor, high bar, and parallel bars. Andy would like the reader to be aware that Tuomas's superior explosive floor skills derives only from his comparatively miniature size.

Club Wrestling

Joe Ward '23
I'm Joseph Ward, I entered MIT as a freshman this past academic year, pledging Phi Sig in the process. I also competed with MIT's club wrestling team. The team performed well at club and Division III tournaments throughout the season, culminating with a strong performance at the regional club competition. As a result several wrestlers, including myself, **qualified for the national club championship**, which we were unfortunately unable to attend due to COVID. We also saw the retirement of two longtime coaches who helped us transition from a varsity team to a club.

Intramurals

Under the leadership of IM Chair Ben Burke, Phi Sig had a strong year in the IM arena. The Soccer team took home **another A league title**, our fourth title in the last 5 seasons, and our hockey team was even undefeated for the beginning of the season! Yes the hockey team was still in the D league and yes they ended the season with a losing record, but hey: temporarily undefeated is temporarily undefeated.

Brothers slacking during work week. Left to right: Michael Heibert '21, Andy Dienes '21, Jack Capper '22, Tyler Moroso '20. Philanthropy volunteers at Cradles to Crayons. Left to right: Anthony Troupe '21, Henry Martin '21, Matthew Johnston '20, Tyler Moroso '20, Brandon Motes '21, Ben Burke '22, Ethan Leitch '22, Zach Roberts '21

