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Me playing 'me' in the made for TV movie about my tenure at the Harbus.

A Farewell: Let's Share Some Memories over a FroYo, Or Maybe A Whole Meal of Food

BY ADAM WEBER (OJ)
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As outgoing Editor-In-Chief of this fine publication, I'm granted one last perk (and quite possibly the first!): to say a 'farewell' and reflect on surviving the past year or so in the bowels of Gallatin E, where many a long Friday afternoon was spent dotting the "i"s, crossing the "t"s (at least a majority of them), and making sure our accomplished Sports Editor didn't try to squeeze another picture of a rugby teammate's bare ass into the social spread of next week's edition.

I'm not sure where I came out in the end, but one

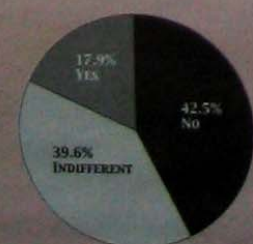
thing's for sure: I didn't start with much. Having minimal to no prior newspaper experience, I was admittedly in way over my head coming into the role of Editor-In-Chief February of last year. Luckily, I had ample support in the form of a fantastic outgoing Editor-In-Chief and enough No-Doz to kill a small horse. And things got better with time! This year I was fortunate to have a great General Manager in Ann Spilker, a wonderful Assistant General Manager in Towne Williams, an outstanding Advertising Director in Emily Ahman, and an enthusiastic group of RCs (especially new Editor-

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HBS Students React to New Dean Appointment

Question 1: Were you SURPRISED with the appointment of Jay Light as Dean of Harvard Business School?

Question 2: Are you PLEASED with the appointment of Jay Light as Dean of Harvard Business School?



Total Respondents: 374

HBS Appoints New Dean

Jay Light was appointed the new Dean last week. Light, a 35 year veteran of HBS, has been acting Dean since last August. The appointment was greeted enthusiastically by professors, who rose in standing ovation at the announcement. However, students were more cautious (see poll results below and Letters to the Editor on page 2). Light is likely to face several challenges in his term as Dean, including increasing collaboration with other Harvard schools, increasing globalization of management education and the expansion of the Allston campus.



Noam Chomsky Discusses U.S. Relations with Israeli

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Four hundred people packed into Spangler Auditorium last week to hear the legendary left-wing intellectual, Noam Chomsky. Another 200 had to be turned away and there were a large numbers of protestors and supporters outside the hall. The HBS Business, Industry and Government Club hosted Professor Chomsky, who has been a professor of Linguistics at MIT for 50 years and has spoken at HBS several times during this time.

Chomsky is credited with the creation of the theory of generative grammar, often considered to be the most significant contribution to the field of theoretical linguistics in the 20th century. However, Chomsky is best known for his political activism and is considered to be

the leading intellectual figure within the left wing of American politics and an outspoken critic



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of U.S. foreign policy. His views on Israel are often contrasted with HLS Professor Alan Der-showitz, who spoke at HBS last November.

Chomsky began by describing the history of U.S. interest in the Middle East and Israel. In 1945 President Eisenhower described this as the "strategically most important region of the world." Chomsky believes "the reason for this is very simple - the world's major energy reserves. And not only are they valuable because of the enormous profit that comes from them, but control gives a veto power over others." According to him, it is against this context that US-Israel relations developed, since Israel was the most reliably pro-Western state in the Middle East.

He went on to describe the events in the region in the 1950s -1970s which reinforced the U.S.-Israel relationship. By 1976 recognition of Palestinian rights had raised international attention and the UN Security

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Business Plans for China Dominate Competition

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China is one of the most intensely discussed countries in most business conversations today and has found its way into almost every RC course. It is not surprising therefore that the winning business plans for both the traditional and social enterprise ('concept' phase) tracks were targeted to Chinese communities.

The HBS Business Plan Contest Awards Ceremony was held on April 25 in Burden Auditorium. Five finalist teams from the traditional track and three finalist teams from the social enterprise track competed for prizes in excess of \$50,000. This year the social enterprise track was expanded to include not only ECs but Harvard University Reynolds Fellows, who are graduate students at KSG, GSE, and HSPH focused on social entrepreneurship, and Harvard students enrolled in the Social Enterprise Collaboratory course at KSG. Due to the expansion, two sub-tracks were created within the social enterprise track - a concept phase and a pilot phase. Concept phase teams included those that were in the early stages of development, while pilot phase teams had begun pilot or test operations in some form and/or raised some initial capital or revenues.

The three winning teams, traditional track "8baonice", social enterprise track's concept phase "Yashmere", and the social enterprise track's pilot



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phase "Mountains for Miracles", were top among fifty-nine teams in total. Students started the official process in January and initially competed in the Business Plan Contest on April 1, "Super Saturday." Over seventy judges listened to teams pitch their ideas through a power point presentation, accompanied by a full business plan.

The traditional track winner, Tingting Zhong, received the Dubilier Prize, \$10,000 cash and \$10,000 accounting and legal services. Four runners-up received the Satchu-Burgstone Entrepreneurship Award, receiving \$5,000 cash and \$5,000 accounting and legal services. The Peter M. Sacerdote Prize was awarded to the winning and runner up teams of the social enterprise track, with the winners from both the concept and pilot

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