As Lew Collens prepares to give his final commencement address on May 12, we look back at his career at the university and, in particular, the 17 years he has served as president. In addition to reviewing IIT’s academic, enrollment and financial milestones achieved during Collens tenure, we will share some thoughts and insights from various members of the university community about the legacy that he leaves behind.

Prior to joining IIT, Collens, 68, practiced law in Chicago and Washington, D.C., and was co-founder and chairman of BAR/BRI Educational Publishing Company. Collens served as a Law and Humanities Fellow at Harvard Law School and taught corporate and securities law at IIT’s Chicago-Kent College of Law. He was named dean of the law school in 1974 and was appointed president of IIT in 1990.

Collens announced his plans to retire last September at the end of this academic year. In his announcement, he reflected on what it has meant to him serving as IIT President. “Serving as president for the past [17] years at a university as historically distinguished as IIT has been intellectually challenging, professionally rewarding, and a great personal privilege. I am in awe of the men and women I have come to know at IIT who dedicate their lives to the education of tomorrow’s doers, thinkers, visionaries, and leaders.”

These are just a few key academic milestones the university achieved during his presidency:

- Largest doctoral program in Math and Science Teacher Education launched
- New programs and the expansion of innovative co-curricular offerings:
  - Ph.D. Design Program
  - Biomedical Engineering
  - Entrepreneurship (EnPRO) Program
  - Financial Markets Program
  - Leadership Academy
  - Multiple centers and institutes founded:
    - Center for Synchrotron Radiation Research and Instrumentation (CSREI)
    - Knapp Entrepreneurship Center
    - Institute for Science, Law, and Technology
    - Institute on Biotechnology and the Human Future
    - Institute for Energy and Sustainability
    - Medical Imaging Research Center (MIRC)
    - Center for Medical Management and Technology
- A collaboration between IIT and the University of Chicago helped establish the Center for Integrative Neuroscience and Neuroengineering (CINN). In addition, the Center for Professional Development (CPD) was founded to coordinate and offer technology-oriented education and training for working professionals. But the groundbreaking Interprofessional Projects (IPRO) program tops the list of academic milestones at IIT.

“While the mantra of the IPRO Program is ‘It takes a team’, it also takes strong and effective leadership that inspires high performance teamwork. In my mind, President Collens has demonstrated such leadership as the sustaining champion for the interprofessional concept since its inception in 1995. In addition, through the collective efforts of faculty and staff under his leadership, he has truly ‘transformed lives and invented the future’ for the IIT community,” said Thomas Jacobs, director of Interprofessional Studies & the IPRO Program.

“As I reflect on his impact on our institution over the past seventeen years, I am reminded of the quotation by George Bernard Shaw, made famous by Robert Kennedy during his campaign for the presidency 40 years ago in 1967-68 (when I was a freshman at IIT), namely: ‘Some men see things as they are and say why - I dream things that never were and say why not.’ It is rewarding to observe how the IPRO course continues to be woven ever more strongly through the academic fabric of the university. The legions of students, faculty and staff that have been energized by this concept called ‘IPRO’ now have the gift of lasting memories and experiences that enrich our lives for years to come,” Jacobs said.

Collens successfully led the largest fundraising campaign in IIT history, which included two gifts of $60 million each from Robert Pritzker and Robert Galvin, retired CEO, Motorola, Inc. At the time, they were the largest individual gifts ever made to an Illinois university. IIT’s endowment grew from $55 million to $100 million and a key element of this growth was the sale of a significant portion of its research arm, IIT Research Institute, to Alion Science and Technology Corp. (a for-profit, employee owned spin-off of the IIT Research Institute). “Lew Collens is responsible for bringing $400 million in private gifts (and still counting!) to IIT during his presidency. He is an extraordinary fundraiser, and IIT has been the grateful beneficiary. I have learned a great deal about fundraising from Lew over the years, and I have been honored to support his efforts,” said Betty Hughes, Vice President of Institutional Advancement.

While many have praised the often-difficult decisions the university has made over the years under Collens’ leadership, some feel one particular decision has had a lasting effect. “He [Collens] inherited a really stark financial situation and steered IIT through some really difficult times. However, eliminating the bachelor degrees in biology, chemistry and physics in 1995 was an extremely poor decision that, 12 years later, is still being repercussions,” said Prof. Peter Lykos of the Bio, Chem and Physical Sciences departments.

According to a Chicago Sun-Times article published in 1995, the Board of Trustees approved a plan that eliminated undergraduate majors in biology, history, chemistry, physics, biology, mathematics, business and design. The decision to cut these degree programs was based on the university’s attempts to save money and focus its strengths on engineering and architecture. Also part of the university’s cost-cutting efforts at that time was the elimination of 50 staff and 30 teaching positions.

Student enrollment has greatly improved during Collens’ presidency and IIT is now considered amongst the most selective schools in the country. Last semester, IIT welcomed its largest freshmen class in the university’s history. And many believe the improvements to IIT’s historic Mies van der Rohe main campus have been a hallmark of Collens’ presidency. He is credited with initiating the development of the new University Technology Park At IIT (UTP) to provide opportunities for students and faculty to work directly with technology entrepreneurs. UTP, which already has 14 start up companies housed in the complex, will ultimately grow to 1.5 million square feet of office and research space dedicated to technology and research based companies.

Collens also championed the restoration of Mies’ iconic S. R. Crown Hall and the addition of the first new buildings to the
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This only begins to scratch the surface of my misgivings with the IPRO program. Firstly, I found it very difficult to understand why I needed to take such a course. While I understand the need for people to learn how to work in groups, I especially don't understand our follower skills, I felt it slightly redundant. As a fourth-year student majoring in Architecture, a vast array of hard-learned time at this school has been spent working in group projects. In addition, I've worked in small teams throughout my college career. I've also taught me this skills. I still don't understand how we are to take a class that teaches what is reasonably commonplace in (most architectural situations, architects are lead in team situations, which is exactly what happened in our IPRO. As one would expect, we worked together very well.

Also, the idea of a specialized research program outside of the major course of study was very appealing. Of course, I still feel that researching projects should be eliminated altogether, it's just a structure that is similar to the structure of the architectural curriculum: the various "Special Projects" courses. Architecture students already have a hard time getting into an IPRO that is related to their project, why shouldn't a Special Project count towards that?

Finally, a matter of phrasing and nomenclature within the IPRO program. I found that the IPRO program had a very high number of judges and guests repeatedly inquired about "ethical issues" that we encountered. As a team. Initially, I thought that they were asking if anyone had embelished or stolen anything, or if we discovered any truly nasty practices going on in our industry. Also, they were really asking if we got along as a group. Once those few minutes of confusion were over, we were able to adequately answer judges' questions. However, this problem never should have occurred. Changing the meaning of a word to a function in a tightly controlled situation only confuses everyone involved.

I feel that I did in fact gain an amount of practical knowledge from the IPRO program, and can certainly serve as personal, managerial and conceptual skills in the program that still need to be ironed out. However, I would gladly and voluntarily take IPRO courses.

By Colin Emch-Wei

The Super Bowl. It's rare that I see people in the stands, and what the Pepsi machine is in the SSV South lounge makes the TV an inconvenience if you just want a little caffeine. The 16,000+ crowds also uncontrolably heat and cooling in each suite and apartment.

This is probably the boldest lie told on the SSV web site. Sure, the "control" exists, but they don't control anything. In the six-bedroom apartments, for example, there are two control one for each of three bedrooms. Say I like it cooler and my roommates like it warmer. I set my side of the apartment to cool, they set theirs to warm. Their warm air blows on my cold-steel thermostat. My cold air blows on their warm-steel thermostat. Since SSV is victim to the "either heat or cold" "on/off" that happens twice per week, whichever the school happens to be pumping in ends up ruling. If heat is the temperature du jour, their heat makes my ducts spit lukewarm air. This leads to a really hot living room, three warm bedrooms. If you move into SSV, don't think the numbers on your thermostat mean anything. You're limited by the coldest or warmest temperature of air IIT was pumping in.

"Thin-blinds for all suite and apartment windows"

There are horrible window coverings. From the ground, you can see into anyone's room. From the balconies, you can see into anyone below your room. In this building anyway, I'll go off on a tangent about windows while I'm here. SSV Windows don't open very far and they refuse to open just. Windows can't open any open SSV window. You'll probably see a bottle or something similar popping it open. The windows on the south side are open only because the heat is still on April, anyway.

"Complete furniture package in private and common areas"

That common area furniture is more trouble than it's worth. So many people steal the furniture for their own rooms that it's usually a weekly threat that "The entire floor will be charged" if the furniture doesn't return. The private furniture in the apartments is uncomfortable (i.e. the couches, the laity) and unmanageable, especially on the carpet. The beds are made of slats of wood that we're now figuring out break more easily than they should as they fall on the walls are shaped so awkwardly that only one real furniture arrangement is conducive to using all the space.

"Residence Life Program within the community staff on premises available for assistance 24 hours a day"

Aber Moreyra is very nice. She tried to get her best residents involved, as much as she could. I commended her for that. Considering it's her first year here.

"Five-floor lounge in each building plus two fifth-floor outdoor terraces offering panoramic views"

It's hard to look up a view. The floor tiles on the balcony leave black marks on your feet, especially if you want to be up there barefoot. You can't barbeque on the decks... Even if you're using a George Foreman barbeque. Child-proofing college students is a joke. Child-proofing college students is a joke. I commend her for that, especially to students about how the program was run. To be honest, I didn't completely understand what they were talking about so I decided to wait and see what was going on. My first realization of their repeated warnings came in the form of the dreaded "Learning Objectives Test". In this test, students are evaluated upon various fields of business, such as teamwork, ethics, and other such things. I've never seen such a waste of my academic time. Every question was either complete common sense or it was unanswerable in heavy-handed corporate double-speak that made it impossible to understand what was being asked. Somehow, I managed to score a "C".

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GLAM brings comedian Liam Sullivan to IIT

By Steve Henry
TECHNEWS WRITER

Flying in from Los Angeles, actor/comedian Liam Sullivan visited IIT on Wednesday, April 18 to perform his routine “A Liam Show”, a collection of short films, monologues, music videos and songs. Liam has gained recent popularity on YouTube from his comedic videos, the most popular of which is titled “Shoes”, where he plays a shoe obsessed teen named Kelly.

Liam brought in a huge crowd and big laughs, not only from IIT students and faculty, but from college students from all over the Chicago area who flocked to the HUB auditorium for the show. One visiting student was even spotted dressed up in a “Kelly” outfit.

The show featured several of Liam’s familiar videos as well as some work not found on the web. All the videos were well received by the audience. Towards the end of the performance, Liam emerged on stage dressed as Kelly, and sang a few songs live for the audience.

Following the hour long performance, “Kelly” stayed to meet with students for photos and autographs. Students crowded around, some waiting for over an hour for the opportunity to get a photo and have a few words with the performer.

The show was organized by campus club GLAM (Gays, Lesbians and More) and was the kickoff to their “Night of Noise” celebration, which included Liam’s performance, followed by a party in the BOG, attended by Liam and many of the students who came to the show.

The “Night of Noise” celebrated the end to GLAM’s participation in the “Day of Silence”, a national, student-led event to protest the oppression of LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender) youths. IIT students and staff gathered in the afternoon near Global Grounds in the MTCC, wearing matching shirts and duct taped mouths for a silent demonstration. For two hours, students sat, silently doing their homework, working on laptops, listening to Ipods, basically going about their usual business... except without a word being said.

Leaflets were distributed to passersby explaining the students’ voluntary silence as being symbolic of the silencing forced onto LGBT students and their allies across the country due to harassment and discrimination.

According to one of the student members of GLAM, the demonstration was “a great success. I think we made ourselves visible to a lot of the IIT community today, and we delivered a powerful message, that tolerance and acceptance towards everyone, regardless of sexual orientation, is a necessity, not only here at IIT, but at colleges and high schools across the country.”
**University Calendar**

- Being Your Best You: Communicating with Confidence & Being Comfortable in Social Situations
  Tues., May 1 | 12:50 - 1:45 p.m.
  MTCC, Executive Conference Room
- NanoEthics Bank Launch
  Tues., May 1 | 4 - 5 p.m.
  Kemper Room, second floor of Galvin Library
- Student Thanks to President Collens
  Tues., May 1 | 8:45 - 9:30 p.m.
  University Technology Park Atrium
- Second Annual Faculty Recognition Reception
  Wed., May 2 | 4 - 7 p.m.
  MTCC Prizker Center
- A Farewell Salute to Lew
  Thurs., May 3 | 12:15 - 3 p.m.
  Hermann Hall
- Physics Colloquium
  Thurs., May 3 | 3:35 p.m.
  LS 111
- Chemistry Colloquium
  Fri., May 4 | 10 a.m.
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- Industrial Programs Awards Dinner
  Fri., May 4 | 6 - 9 p.m.
  Hermann Hall Ballroom
- Galvin Library Open 24 Hours
  Sat., May 5 thru Thurs., May 10
  Galvin Library
- Graduate Program in Public Administration Open House
  Tues., May 8 | 6 - 7:30 p.m.
  565 West Adams Street,
  Chicago, IL 60610
- Architecture Open House
  Fri., May 11 | 5:30 - 8 p.m.
  Crown Hall
- Commencement
  Sat., May 12 | 11 a.m.
  Civic Opera House
  20 North Wacker Drive

### IIT Campus News Briefs

- **SGA Farewell to President Collens**
  Join the Student Government Association for a reception honoring President Collens on Thursday, May 3 at 4:45 p.m. in the University Technology Park Atrium. This opportunity to join students who will thank Lew for his service to IIT over the past 17 years. The last SGA Senate meeting of the semester will follow the reception, at 9:30 p.m. All members of the IIT community are welcome to attend.
- **Cooperative Education and Internship Programs Streamline Renewal Process**
  The Career Management Center’s Cooperative Education Program can now renew their co-op paperwork each semester and they are excited for those who are continuing outside-of-state employment to register for the program. To register online, co-op students will still need to submit their completed and signed Work Term Evaluation to the attention of their CMC Co-op Advisor, preferably in person or by mail. at: Paul Galvin Library – Upper Level (CMC), 35 W. 33rd Street, Chicago, IL 60616.
  Note that students registering for their first semester of co-op or for a one-semester internship must submit the necessary paperwork in person at the CMC. Instructions regarding all registration paperwork and procedures are available at this web site, http://www.cmc.iit.edu/downloadcenter.
- **Leadership Academy’s Sophomore Leadership Retreat**
  Leadership Academy is proud to sponsor its annual Sophomore Leadership Retreat aimed at developing leadership skills, building teamwork, and creating a strong sense of community among the sophomore class. This annual off-site retreat is designed exclusively for second year IIT students. The retreat will take place on Lake Geneva, Wisconsin from August 24 - 26 or September 7 - 9.
  Transportation, food, and lodging are included. This is one of the most unique and fun things to do during your college years! Register by May 12 at leadershipacademy.iit.edu.

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**University Calendar**

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main campus in 25 years – the McCormick Tribune Campus Center (MTCC) designed by Mies van der Rohe and the new residence hall, State Street Village designed by Helmut Jahn.

- Remaining true to the Miesian architecture of our Main Campus has been a major commitment of the revitalization plan,
  - a signature building of legendary architect Mies van der Rohe, is a particularly significant accomplishment of my presidency,” Collens said.

- “Lew was a dedicated attendee of our annual Sophomore Leadership Retreat. He always enjoyed the opportunity to connect with students, and especially this was the case in the past term’s use of the retreat. I saw my long-term opportunity to achieve with students in various events in the faculty staff versus student competitions that typically kicked-off the retreat weekend.

- While he was primarily there for the students, it was also clear that Lew liked to beat the students in the competitions. He literally lit up with joy and pride as our horsehorsesho champion one year, and then I saw the following year when genuine disappointment as he fell victim to the agony of defeat as he was unable to repeat as champion. Luckily, later in that day, Lew scored the winning shot in the volleyball competition with a thundering spike. All was then good with our esteemed president, ” said Bruce Fisher, director of the IIT Leadership Academy.

- “One of the moments that most stand out was during an interview [I conducted with Mr. Collens] a few years ago before I was writing for TechNews. The topic was one of those absolute favorites for university presidents - the university’s financial state.

- The interview was going pretty well, with basic questions and answers about how the university was doing with regards to enrollment, development, new construction, and other areas that affect finances. It was just as we were getting to a portion of the conversation where I was hoping for those nice one-liners and sound bites that challenge me and many others to not just comment about the problems we faced or propose grand solutions without following those solutions through to completion. Anyone can come up with solutions [ones] on their own. But it takes something special to challenge others to come up with the solutions themselves,” said Rich Duncan, a IIT Admissions Counselor.

- Collens’ impact on IIT will undoubtedly last long after he has gone. Despite the good and bad times and the highs and lows, he remained vigilant in his efforts as president to make IIT a better place than when he arrived. The entire IIT community wishes Lew well in his future endeavors.

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IPRO Day Results

Spring 07 IPRO Day Best in Track
Track 1
1. IPRO 306 Enhanced Psychology Research via Advanced Technology
2. IPRO 308 Developing an Artificial Pancreas
3. IPRO 318 Searching for Novel Drug Targets

Track 2
1. IPRO 315 Design of a Large-Scale Bridge Structure
2. Michigan Tech Blue Marble Security
3. IPRO 334 Resource Consumption Awareness in the Home

Track 3
1. IPRO 347 Developing a Microbrewery System
2. IPRO 336 Innovative Designs for Building Airflow, Sustainability and Fire Safety
3. IPRO 348 Design and Analysis of a 20 Megawatt Geothermal Power Plant

Track 4
1. IPRO 327 Sustainable Water Distribution System for Pignon, Haiti
2. IPRO 325 Developing Extremely Affordable Products for Rural Poor of the World
3. Michigan Tech Aqua Terra Tech

Track 5
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2. IPRO 309 Orthotics and Prosthetics Education and Training for Latin America and the US
3. IPRO 330 Dynamica nd Contemporary Science Fair Projects for Chicago Public Schools

Track 6
1. IPRO 319 Decision Making Tool for Warehouse Logistics Pricing
2. IPRO 321 Consumer Product Design and Performance Evaluation
3. Advanced Shipping Container Transport System Implementations

Spring 07 IPRO Day Presentation Winners
1. IPRO 332 Our Energy Future: Creating Multimedia Education Modules
2. IPRO 3330 Dynamic and Contemporary Science Fair Projects for Chicago Public Schools
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4. IPRO 315 Design of a Large-Scale Bridge Structure
5. IPRO 329 Simulations: Health Physics Computer Game Design

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1. IPRO 306 Enhanced Psychology Research via Advanced Technology
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4. IPRO 347 Developing a Microbrewery System
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EnPROs
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1. IPRO 325 Developing Extremely Affordable Products for Rural Poor of the World
2. IPRO 306 Enhanced Psychology Research via Advanced Technology
3. EnPRO 351 Solar Battery Hybrid Three-Wheel Rickshaw for India

2007 SOPHOMORE LEADERSHIP RETREAT

Exclusively for next year’s Sophomore Class!
Want to develop your leadership and team skills and have fun at the same time?
Join us at the Sophomore Leadership Retreat for IIT second year undergraduates and do the following activities:

- Team problem-solving challenges
- Rock-climbing
- Ropes courses (up high or on the ground)
- Sailing
- Kayaking
- Team building exercises,
- Listening to inspirational speakers

And at the end of the day, relax with your friends around the campfire.

Best of all, it’s FREE.

Details:
Location: Lake Geneva, Wisconsin
Dates: Attend one of two sessions.
1) August 24th - 26th
2) September 7th - 9th
Fee: None. Transportation, meals, and housing covered. $20 deposit, refunded to you at the start of camp.

Come Sign up! Register online at http://leadershipacademy.iit.edu/

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Summer Attractions

By Colin Emch-Wei

The summer is almost upon us, and with that season comes arguably the greatest influx of movies and music that occurs in the year. We’ve compiled a few notable releases that we’re looking forward to, and that you might also enjoy.

Movies

Shrek the Third: Everybody seems to love this green ogre dude from movies past. Dreamworks has apparently decided to prove that the third time is a charm and release another installment of this hit series. This time around, the story involves a cousin of Fiona who seems to have ties to some very important medieval goings-on. Hopefully, it’ll be just as good as the first two.

Pirates of the Caribbean: At World’s End: In another case of a movie studio seemingly squeezing everything it can out of a tried-and-true brand (at least going with something that works), Disney is releasing unto the world another swashbuckling adventure with Captain Jack Sparrow and company. In what seems to be an end-all rumble of pirates and Britons alike, all previous villains and some new ones come together for what should be a good time.

The Simpsons Movie: From the available trailers, I can’t tell what this movie is about. But I don’t care, because I and the millions of other “Simpsons” fans are finally being given what we want: a feature-length film.

Knocked Up: The director of the brilliance that was “40 Year Old Virgin” gives us something else to cheer about: a one-night stand that ends in a pregnancy that turns into a full-fledged relationship. “Knocked Up” looks heartwarming, hilarious, and generally great all-around.

In the tradition of sequels, except that this one was planned. For those of you that saw and loved “Night Watch” as we did, this is your chance to go nuts again at this extremely progressive Russian film. This latest installment seems to promise a much more intense view of the plight of the Night Watch, and the imagery just looks badass. Don’t miss this one.

Music

The Smashing Pumpkins – “Zeitgeist”: We and the rest of the world gasped in shock last year when Billy Corgan announced that the Pumpkins (or at least an abbreviated version) were reuniting and releasing a new album. No one’s sure how this blend of guitarist and drummer will turn out, but at least it’ll make for some awesome concerts.

Maroon 5 – “It Won’t Be Soon Before Long”: If you still can’t decide whether or not you love or hate this blues/alternative rock/pop group, give some time to listen to their latest album before making your decision. Maroon 5 seems to have grown a bit musically and may be able now to give something interesting to the music scene.

R. Kelly – “Double Up”: It’s not “Trapped in the Closet,” so we’re not quite sure what to do about this latest serious attempt by R. Kelly. Maybe this time, we won’t laugh quite so hard.

That about does it for TechNews’ summer picks. Take some quality time off from what you’ve done this past semester and try to unwind with some great arts & entertainment.

On the Cheap: Taco Burrito King

By Colin Emch-Wei

In keeping with our recent trend of Mexican eateries, the On the Cheap staff decided to bring you another cheap joint to appease your Latin epicurean needs. Behold, Taco Burrito King.

Don’t let the poorly conceived name turn you off. These fellows know how to make a burrito, a taco, and a slew of other Mexican foodstuffs. Taco Burrito King is a small-numbered chain of restaurants throughout Illinois and a few other states, with their closest location to IIT being right next to Greektown. It’s dressed very much like one would imagine a short-order restaurant to look like; there’s nothing too fancy here and the best seat in the house is the one near the window.

The cheesiness of Taco Burrito King is found not in their regular menu items, but in their almost-daily specials. On Monday through Friday, Taco Burrito King features one of their menu items at the price point of $3.99. What this typically means is that something like their combination plate (taco, quesadilla, and tamale) will have its price slashed in half. That, my friends, is a deal that can’t be beat.

Now, with that kind of pricing, the quality of the food comes into question. I can personally assure you that the food is not half bad, even actually pretty good. Everything was cooked to order, and the burrito that I had was packed with fresh vegetables. The filling was prepared very well and the taste was just fine. Other diners have vouched for the taste of their menu items. It’s almost important to mention that the items are quite large and fill you up without a problem. For the amount of quality food for the buck, Taco Burrito King gets our stamp of approval.
Across
1. Streetcar (4)
7. Escape (4)
10. Trendy (11)
11. Soya-bean curd (4)
12. Objectives (4)
13. Too (4)
15. Chooses (4)
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18. Filled pastry (3)
20. Employ (3)
21. Close to the ground (3)
23. Poetic term for field (5)
24. Armed combat (5)
26. State positively (4)
27. Corvey (5)
29. Trade (4)
31. Pairs (4)
32. Back of neck (4)
33. Tempo (4)
35. Sharply inclined (5)
37. Trapper’s target (4)
39. Noah’s boat (3)
41. Fine details, ... and outs (3)
42. Consumed (3)
43. Ballet step (3)
44. Feline (3)
45. Beret (3)
46. Trapper’s target (4)
47. Closing musical passage (4)
50. Highway fee (4)
52. Frog-like amphibian (4)
53. Unseat from power (4)
54. Chest (6-5)
55. Prophet (4)
56. Sea bird (4)

Down
1. Greek giant (5)
2. Gentle (7)
3. Handle roughly (4)
4. Pittsburgh’s river (4)
5. Infantryman (7)
6. Ring of light (4)
7. Lacking liss (4)
8. Recreation (7)
9. Fellow on (5)
14. Plant seed (3)
16. Church seat (3)
18. Synthetic (7)
19. Serious-minded (7)
22. Command (5)
25. Dextrous (5)
26. Sound booster (3)
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**NFL’s 2007 Draft Picks**

By Stephanie Herrera  
SPORTS EDITOR

This year’s 2007 NFL first round draft pick ended at a final time of around six hours. The longest history, which the commissioner had stated that was a record they hope to never break. First pick was given to the Oakland Raiders who picked JaMarcus Russell, 6’6”, 263 lb, quarter back from Louisiana State. It was no surprise that Russell would be the first quarter back selected, given that this wide framed QB shook off defenders left and right through out his season and threw 57 yards from his knees.

The next picks included Calvin Johnson, a shifty wide receiver from Georgia Tech, 6’4”, 237lbs, taken by the Detroit Lions. Joe Thomas, who opted to go on a fishing trip with his father instead of going to the Draft in Cleveland, was selected by Arizona, with their 3rd round pick. Chicago seems to be stacking their roster this year, filling in the blanks with replacement for Lance Briggs and Thomas Jones. 1st round pick. Defensive end Dan Buranin from Central Michigan was taken in the 2nd round. Tiny running back Garrett Wolfe from Central Michigan, who had an outstanding season this year, and Michael Okwo, inside linebacker from Stanford were selected for the 3rd round pick. Chicago seems to be stacking their roster this year, filling in the blanks with replacements for Lance Briggs and Thomas Jones.

Defensive end Gaines Adam was selected by Tampa Bay. Levi Brown, offensive tackle with another RBI by freshman, Ben Goldstrom. Hawks came back in game 2 ready to take the stage. It was an offensive competition in the 1st inning with a triple to bring in 2 batters. Andy Kungis added with a RBI double ending in the 1st inning with a triple to bring in 2 batters. The Scarlet Hawk’s held the Eagles scoreless until the 5th inning only giving up 4 runs and 8 hits. Ben Goldstrom ended the game with 1 RBI. Trevor Dickson, Garret Nielson and Patrick Ennes all collected RBI’s in the 5th inning, they sealed the deal in the 7th inning, they sealed the deal in the 7th inning, scoring 4 walked in runs, ending the game 3-6 with 2 RBI’s. Dustin Reznicek went 2-for-4 with 1 RBI and scoring twice. The Hawks ended one of their best games with 16 hits, 2 HR’s, which were triples.

**Baseball Update**

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Cardinal Stritch, Game 1, 5-7 Loss  
Andy Kungis assisted the team by going 2-4 along with his second consecutive home run game. Garrett Nielson added to the homerun stats, with his lead off hit in the 2nd inning. Despite the great offense the Hawks were unable to hold Cardinal Stritch defensively ending the game in a 5-7 loss.

Cardinal Stritch, Game 2, 14-10 Win  
Hawks came back in game 2 ready to play. It was an offensive competition in the 2nd round. Dustin Reznicek was 1-4 with an RBI. Andy Kungis picked up where he left off, dominating with 5-5 at bats and added to his homrern streak for the 3rd consecutive game. Andy added 3 RBI’s to the total. The bomber fell continued with back to back by Thomas Hotz and Patrick Ennes in the second inning. Defensively the Hawks stepped up. James Hodgkin added in a Cardinal Stritch battled to strikeouts in 4 innings.

Judson 13-1 Win  
Hawks gave Judson a sad ending to their season’s final game. The Hawks cut the bats from start to finish. Ryan Hauer started the rally in the 1st inning with a triple to bring in 2 batters. Ben Goldstrom added with a hit double adding to the 3rd inning, St. Dustin Reznicek, Garrett Nielson and Patrick Ennes all collected RBI’s in the 5th inning, adding to the growing score. Hawks held the Eagles scoreless until the bottom of the 5th inning when they let 1 run slip by. But the Hawks did let them get their hopes too high, before they answered back with another RBI by freshman, Ben Goldstrom.

**Health Tip of the Week**

http://exercise.lifetips.com/

“For lower body workouts to tone your butt at home start at the bottom of your flight of stairs. Step up with your left leg and kick your right leg back. Contract your right buttock when you do this. Then repeat with the right leg and left kick. Do these exercises for five minutes to tone the lower body.”

**Do You Know Sports?**

**Answer to last week’s question:** Wilson Alvarez, August 11, 1991

Who is 2000 Kellogg’s Rookie of the year? Hint: He was a defender for the Chicago Fire

A. Carlos Bocanegra  
B. Nick Garcia  
C. Bobby Convey  
D. Rusty Pierce

**Answer:** A. Carlos Bocanegra