

# MIT CLUB OF SOUTH TEXAS



April 2005

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## “MIT At Home - 3: Nanotubes to Space”

Tuesday, April 19, 2005

RSVP before April 14

Cocktails-Social Hour 5:30pm

Presentations 6:30pm

Dinner after Presentations

University of Houston-Hilton

4800 Calhoun Street

(713) 741-2500

[Click here for directions](#)

In our third seminar presentation we will explore topics from the small to the large, nanotubes to space. This program will consist of **local MIT alumni speakers** covering the full span of the industry from discovery and development to financing to delivery of the product.

**David Karohl** will describe recent advances in the production and utilization of small diameter carbon nanotubes.

**J. M. (Mark) Jernigan** will discuss “Human Systems Research and Technology for NASA's Exploration Program”.

**Nazareth Bedrossian** will tell us about Faster Better Cheaper Projects. This is the new paradigm for aerospace projects as a way of performing science missions reliably on shorter schedules and smaller budgets resulting in mutually exclusive camps of advocates and critics.

Join us for this exciting program on Tuesday, April 19, 2004 at the University of Houston Hilton. The program starts with a social hour from 5:30 to 6:30 (cash bar). The presentations will start at 6:30, with dinner and discussions to follow.

Please RSVP via [SmartTrans™](#) before 11 pm CDT, April 13<sup>rd</sup> or by mail via coupon on page 3 before April 14  
<https://alum.mit.edu/smarTrans/user/Register.dyn?eventID=2294&groupID=151>

-Alan Cisar

## Origins of Man Lecture at Houston Museum of Natural Science April 23, 2005 1-4 pm

The MIT Club of South Texas is very pleased to present a special lecture by Dr. Dirk Van Tuerenhout, Curator of Anthropology at the Houston Museum of Natural Sciences (HMNS), on the Origins of Man. For many months Dr. Van Tuerenhout has been traveling to and working in Ethiopia to develop and plan an upcoming HMNS special exhibition on early man. One highlight of the upcoming exhibition is a

planned visit to Houston by the famous "Lucy" skeleton. This will be a rare treat for Houstonians because Lucy is not often permitted to travel out of Ethiopia. Dr. Van Tuerenhout will give us a fascinating lecture on the origins of man, recent anthropological finds, current research developments on the origin of man, and a preview of the upcoming exhibition. Refreshments will be available starting at 1 pm in a private room at the museum. Dr. van Tuerenhout will begin speaking at 2 pm and will allow plenty of time for questions. Refreshments will be available again after the event. If you are not currently an HMNS member, this would be a great time to join! We hope you can join us for this unique event and we look forward to seeing you at the Museum.

Please RSVP via [SmartTrans™](#) before 11 pm CDT, April 20<sup>th</sup> or by mail via coupon on page 3 before April 20.  
<https://alum.mit.edu/smarTrans/user/Register.dyn?eventID=2295&groupID=151>

NOTE: In addition to purchasing tickets to this Club event, you must make arrangements for entrance admission to the Houston Museum of Natural Sciences via their website, [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org), or the day of the event at the box office (advance purchase via the HMNS website is highly recommended). -Ken Bryan and David Johnston

## 2005 Club Membership Drive

It's time once again, time for the annual MIT Club of South Texas membership drive. The MIT Club of South Texas invites you to join or renew your membership for 2005. Membership in the club runs coincident with the calendar year, which means that those members who paid their dues before October 1, 2004 need to renew now for 2005. Membership is open to all MIT alumni and alumnae, as well as current undergraduate and graduate students and their parents. Your dues in the local club are used to pay for mailing announcements and the newsletter, sponsor events for local high school students accepted at the Institute, award prizes at local science fairs, and improve local science and math education through our Leadership in Education Program (LEAP). Although we do benefit from some administrative assistance from the Institute, the MIT Club of South Texas does not receive funding from MIT or from the Alumni/ae Association. Check the website to sign up:  
<http://alumweb.mit.edu/clubs/s-texas/membership.htm>

Last year was one of our best membership years ever for our local club, and we'd like to make next year another winner. Join today to get the maximum benefit from your membership! - Yezmin Acle

**The MIT Enterprise Forum of Texas  
Invites You To A Flagship Presentation:  
The State of Venture Capital:  
What's Hot, What's Not &  
Lessons Learned from the Last Decade**

**Wednesday, April 20, 2005**

**5:00pm**

**Renaissance Houston Hotel – Greenway Plaza  
Greenway Ballroom  
6 East Greenway Plaza**

Philip A. Tuttle - General Partner, Davis Tuttle

- 27 years of venture capital management experience

John Jagers – General Partner, Sevin Rosen Funds

- Sevin Rosen Funds since 1988, currently serves as administrative and managing general partner.

Agenda:

5:00 – 6:00 pm Cocktail Buffet & Networking (CASH BAR)

6:00 – 7:15 pm Presentation

Cost: \$30 MITEF Members & MIT Alumni registering by April 15th

Registration: **MIT Alumni Club of South Texas**

**Registration:** For Alumni Rate contact Dale Wilkins via email at [dale@amchouston.com](mailto:dale@amchouston.com) or at 713-839-1757

**MIT Alum On Shuttle Return-To-Flight  
Mission – May 2005**

When the Space Shuttle returns to flight, it will do so with MIT Alum Wendy B. Lawrence '88 (Capt., USN) serving as Mission Specialist. STS-114 is currently scheduled to launch in May, 2005 for a trip to the International Space Station. Astronaut Eileen Collins will command STS-114, assisted on the flight deck by Pilot James Kelly. Since 2001, they have been preparing for the flight alongside Mission Specialists Soichi Noguchi of the Japanese Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA) and Stephen Robinson. NASA Astronauts Andrew Thomas and Charles Camarda will also serve as mission specialists. Wendy Lawrence previously flew aboard STS-67 in 1995, STS-86 in 1997, and STS-91 in 1998. (from NASA Press Release H03-360, dated 11-07-03).

**Annual Board Elections**

2005 MIT Club of South Texas Board Elections will take place at the May 3, 2005 monthly meeting: 7pm, Hunan Chef Restaurant, 1020 Antoine, @I-10, next to Ikea, just outside Loop 610. Alumni interested in volunteering in Club activities should contact Anwer Hussain:

[stexasclubpres@alum.mit.edu](mailto:stexasclubpres@alum.mit.edu)

**Upcoming Events:**

Tuesday, April 19, 2005: "MIT At Home - 3: Nanotubes to Space"

Wednesday, April 20, 2005: The MIT Enterprise Forum of Texas: The State of Venture Capital:

Saturday, April 23, 2005: Origins of Man Lecture at Houston Museum of Natural Science

Tuesday, May 3, 2005: Annual Board Elections

Saturday, May 14, 2005: International Dining Club, Details TBA

Thursday, May 26, 2005: Homeland Security Panel Discussion 2, Details TBA

Saturday, June 4, 2005: Annual Club Planning Meeting

**Dues Paid Members for 2005 (as of March 31, 2005)**

**Benefactor**

Dorflinger, Glen  
Israel, Sharon  
Hussain, S. Anwer  
Moore, Joe  
Westby, Tim  
Williams, Curtis

**Sustaining**

Dailey, James  
Johnson, Michael  
Turner, R. Gregory

**Patron**

Bair, R. Stanley  
Baker, Marvin  
Bunde, Merle  
Callender, William  
Chan, Eric  
Cisar, Alan  
Cisar, Marilyn Taggi  
Closmann, Phil  
Filak, George  
Flowers, Daniel  
Friedberg, Jeff  
Gabel, Morris  
Grossweiler, Phillip  
Johnston, David  
Kashiwagi, Brian  
Lait, Robert  
Lantner, Janet  
Markham, Janet

McClanahan, David  
Murdoch, Stephen  
Mutchler, M. Lynne  
Nakamura, Stacey

**Regular**

Acle, Yezmin  
Altrichter, Diana  
Aron, Jeffrey  
Bae, Jung  
Belt, Barbara  
Bobbitt, John  
Bommer, Arno  
Ceyhan, Ismail  
Chan, Jennifer  
Chrzanowski, Michael  
Chu, Ping S.  
Costello, David  
Costello, Lisa  
Cutler, Scott  
Dawson, Stephen  
DeWitt, Robert D  
D'Angelo, John  
Dudek, David  
Godbold, Gilbert  
Goepfert, George  
Goldsmith, Andrew  
Goodwill, David  
Harnsberger, Don  
Hayes, Alethea Morris  
Heger, Wendy  
Hollowell, James

Holden Jr., James  
Idleburg, Carol  
Jarchow, Craig  
Jefferson, Patrick  
Kellett, John  
Kendall, Bryan  
Knudsen, Chris  
Lantner, Gary  
Lindsey, Christine  
Luke, C. T.  
Lutostanski, John  
Marple, Stanley  
Marshall, Peter  
Maul, Michael  
Merz, Shane  
Meyers, M. Douglas  
Myers, Jeff  
Nakata, Ryuichi  
Norvik, Johan  
Patten, Rich  
Payne, Houston  
Peaceman, Donald  
Reinhard, John  
Ricards, Harold  
Schweizer, Richard  
Singer, Arnold  
Srinivasan, Sundry  
Standley, Pamela  
Starkschall, George  
Tang, Sunny  
Tescluba, Michele  
Thaller, David

Tomlinson, Peter  
Triebe, Carl  
Tschupp, Ed  
Tubman, Kenneth  
Vallejo, Ramon  
Vargas, Herman  
Victorio, Tom  
Wagner, Jeanette  
Waldron, Robert  
Wang, Dean  
White, R. Winslow  
Wolpert, Michelle  
Zuteck, Michael

**Recent Graduates**

Berger, Stephanie  
Cividanes, Alberto  
Dona, Luca  
Fantozzi, Esme  
Gerez, David  
Jamroz, Przemek  
Jorgensen, James  
Quintana, Mauricio  
Sarkar, Ananya  
Sodhani, Vikas

**Parents - Regular**

Fisher, Charles B  
Wu, Peter & Annie

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Please sign me up as a **Member** of the **MIT Club of South Texas** for Calendar Year **2005**:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class & Course: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

**Preferred Announcement Service – In addition to our regular monthly Newsletter**, Please specify your preferred contact method for **special members-only events** and **event reminders**. (Your use of Email helps the Club control operating costs – Your Email address will be held confidential):

E-mail : \_\_\_\_\_  US Postal Service  
 FAX: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Please circle preferred fax receive times: Day Evening Overnight No Preference

Benefactor, \$200+  Sustaining, \$100+  Patron, \$50+  Regular, \$25  Recent Grad ('00-'05), \$5  
 Parent (per household), \$25  
Extra Contribution to Leadership In Education: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make check payable to **MIT Club of South Texas** and return to:

**Stacey Nakamura**  
**16100 Space Center Blvd #201**  
**Houston, TX 77062**

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	Dinner and Presentation	Presentation Only
2005 Dues-Paid Members & Guests	_____ @ \$29.00 / person	_____ @ \$8.00 / person
Non-Member	_____ @ \$37.00 / person	_____ @ \$13.00 / person

\_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Day Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make check payable to **MIT Club of South Texas**, and return to:

**Alan Cisar**  
**15603 Juniper Hollow Way**  
**Cypress, Texas 77433**

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**Origins of Man Lecture at Houston Museum of Natural Science**

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	Presentation
2005 Dues-Paid Members & Guests	_____ @ \$5.00 / Adult _____ @ \$3.00 / Child
Non-Member	_____ @ \$7.00 / Adult _____ @ \$5.00 / Child
	_____ Amount Enclosed

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Day Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make check payable to **MIT Club of South Texas**, and return to:

**David Johnston**  
**522 Kickerillo Drive**  
**Houston, TX 77079-7415**

## Alumni Questionnaire – Please Complete And Return With Any Coupon

	Toast to IAP	Rioja International Dining Club	Maritime Museum
<b>I Attended</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>I Did Not Attend</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>If you attended, rate event from 5 (very satisfied) to 1</b>	5 4 3 2 1	5 4 3 2 1	5 4 3 2 1
<b>If you did not attend, please indicate reason:</b>			
<b>Event did not interest me</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Interested but had previous commitment</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Did not know about event</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Did not find out about event in time</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Other (please state below)</b>			

I prefer to receive Club information (circle all that apply):    Email    Newsletter    Postcard    Website

Other comments (also please include any ideas for future Club events and/or if you are interested in volunteering to help plan and manage events):