



MIT CLUB OF SOUTH TEXAS

November 2007 Newsletter

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MIT Webcast 2007-1: NanoTech - It's a Small World !

Thursday Nov 15, 2007

5:30pm Cocktails / Networking

6:30pm Webcast from Cambridge

8:00pm Q&A with Local MIT Alumni

Hearty, Robust Appetizers

Cash Bar

Nominal Parking Garage Fee \$6

University of Houston – Hilton

(just minutes from Downtown)

4800 Calhoun Street

University Drive – Entrance One

Houston, TX 77204-3028

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The MIT Club of South Texas is pleased to announce the MIT Webcast "It's a Small World": the MIT Alumni Association, in conjunction with regional Clubs, will conduct a webcast and reception for alumni in Cambridge and around the world. The broadcast, entitled "It's a Small World", will include a panel of three MIT faculty members, from a variety of disciplines and research areas, discussing the various aspects of nanotechnology and the ways in which MIT is paving the way in the field of nano. The panel presentation will be webcast from Cambridge to cities around the world.

**MIT Faculty Speakers – WebCast from Cambridge
(6:30 – 8:00pm)**

The MIT website <http://alum.mit.edu/broadcasts> will continue to be updated with related information such as specific presentation titles, pre-event "homework" for alumni, links to MIT nanotechnology websites and bios for each panelist.

[Markus Buehler](#), Esther and Harold E. Edgerton Assistant Professor, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering

General topic: "...bones at the nano level..."

[Karen Gleason '82, SM '82](#), Alexander and I. Michael Kasser Professor of Chemical Engineering Department of Chemical Engineering, Associate Director, Institute for Soldier Nanotechnologies

General topic: "...soldier nanotechnologies..."

[John Kassakian '65, EE '67, SM '67, SCD '73](#), Director of the Laboratory for Electromagnetic and Electronic Systems (LEES) and Professor, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science

General topic: "...nano innovations in electricity ..."

In addition to the MIT faculty members, we have arranged for several local MIT Alumni who are working in the nanotechnology field to serve as panelists during the 8:00pm Q&A portion of the program.

**Local Houston Area MIT Alumni – Q&A Session
(8:00 – 8:30pm)**

David Karohl, SB '85, SM '86

Director of Business Development.

Carbon Nanotechnologies Inc

<http://www.cnanotech.com>

[Michael Wong](#), SM '97, PhD '00

Associate Professor in Chemical Engineering

Assistant Professor in Chemistry (Joint Appointment)

Catalysis and Nanomaterials Group

Rice University

RSVP by 11pm CST, Nov 11, 2007 via [SmarTrans™](#)

See our website mithouston.org to signup using [SmarTrans™](#)

2007 Dues Paid Members & Guests: \$25

Children of 2007 Members: \$17

MIT Enterprise Forum Members & Guests: \$25

Non Members & Guests: \$30

Early Bird Special: RSVP by 11pm CST, Nov 4 and get a \$5 discount:

2007 Dues Paid Members & Guests: \$20

Children of 2007 Members: \$12

MIT Enterprise Forum Members & Guests: \$20

Non Members: \$25

Questions? Contact Maya Malevich or Stacey Nakamura

- Maya Malevich

- Stacey Nakamura

2007-2008 Board Meetings

Anyone interested is welcome at the monthly board meetings, generally held on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm. For more information, please contact Ramon San Pedro, stexasclubpres@alum.mit.edu W: (281) 897-1013

Oct All MIT Happy Hour

In Beautiful Clear Lake

Saturday, Oct 27, 2007

3:00pm – 6:00pm

Cash Bar

BJ's Restaurant and Pizzeria

515 W Bay Area Blvd

Webster, TX

(281) 316-3037

[Map](#)

About once a year we have a happy hour down in Clear Lake on a Saturday afternoon and October is a perfect time. Come join us at BJ's Restaurant and Pizzeria for a lazy Saturday afternoon. If the weather is good, we'll migrate to the patio! Check our website for a list of Clear Lake area restaurants that you may want to dine at after the happy hour! (we will have handouts at the happy hour)

-*Shambhavi Kadam*

-*Dan DiLorenzo*

-*Jim Culver*

November *InterClub Happy Hour

Wednesday, Nov 7, 2007

6:00pm – 9:00pm

Cash Bar

Volcano Bar

2349 Bissonnet St

(between Kirby and Greenbriar)

Houston, TX 77005

[Map](#)

(713) 526-5282

It's our turn to host an *InterClub event and we are pleased to announce that the November *InterClub Happy Hour will be at the Volcano Bar in the north Rice Village area. If you have not yet visited the Volcano, you are in for a treat: the decor is "eclectic-funky-polynesian" and there is an excellent beverage selection (the Volcano's hallmark beverage is a frozen screwdriver). Food service is available. We will have a special area reserved for our event - The Volcano's covered patio! Coincidentally, November should provide excellent happy hour patio weather.

We've had great turnouts at InterClub events this year (30 to 100 guests with about 10-20 MIT Alumni at each event) - stop by and have a great time socializing and networking! Hope to see you there and don't forget to bring your business cards!

**The Houston InterClub is an informal "nexus" of Houston Ivy+ Alumni groups: Babson College, Cal Berkeley, Columbia, Cornell, U of Chicago, Harvard, MIT, Northwestern, Princeton, Richmond University, Smith, Stanford, Vassar, Wellesley, and Yale.*

-*Dan DiLorenzo*

-*Jim Culver*

-*Shambhavi Kadam*

Local Alumnus Receives George B. Morgan '20 Award

The George B. Morgan '20 Award was established in 1979 to recognize sustained excellence in all aspects of Educational Council activity. Houston area alumnus **James L. Knoedler '61, SM '62**, received the George B. Morgan '20 award this year. An Educational Counselor since 1979, James has served as vice chair of the Houston area since 1999. As of this year, a total of 163 alumni have received this award. In addition to James, three other South Texas alumni have received this award: Sid F. Atlas '43, C. Ed Rinehart '63, and Arnold M. Singer '48. Congratulations to James!

-*Ed Rinehart*

2007-2008 Educational Counselors !

The MIT Educational Council, composed of a network of alumni members called Educational Counselors (ECs) and an on-campus staff, works with the Office of Admissions to recruit the best and brightest students for MIT's freshman class. The Club of South Texas salutes our 2007-2008 Educational Counselor volunteers!

Denise Chan
Lisa Costello
Alan Cisar
Marilyn Taggi Cisar
John Cross
Samuel Denard
Manuel Gonzalez
Alan Glombicki
Anwer Hussain
Vivek Israni
David Johnston
Irene Kim
Jennifer Kleiman
James Knoedler
Emily Le-Saab
Selina Lin

David Micheletti
Risa Myers
Jeffrey O'Donnell
Eddie del Pino
Cordelia Price
Ed Rinehart
Phyllis Rodriguez
Alvaro Rodriguez
Ramon San Pedro
Sharmila Singh
Aisha Taylor
Albert Tervalon
Jeanette Wagner
Shan Yang
Jing Zhou

-*Ed Rinehart*

MIT South Texas Golf - Join The List !

A small group of MIT alums is meeting periodically to enjoy a round of golf together. Our last outing was held on August 5 at Pine Forest Country Club in west Houston. Steve Koch was the winner, scorching the course with a 77, and Leo Bonnell was runner-up. If you are interested in being included on our mailing list for future get-togethers, please contact Greg Turner via golf@mithouston.org

South Texas Alumni Highlight – Did You Know...

Ruth Cross '76 volunteers on the "Revels Houston" board of directors? "Revels Houston" is a non-profit affiliated with Revels, Inc. based in Cambridge, Massachusetts, which was founded in 1970 to promote public education, understanding, and appreciation of traditional music, dance, drama, and ritual through the medium of participatory theater and communal celebration. "Revels Houston" has a seasonal December production – for 2007 it is "The Christmas Revels". Learn more at www.revelshouston.org

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Please sign me up as a **Member** of the **MIT Club of South Texas** for **Calendar Year 2008**:

2007-11

Name:	Class & Course:
Home Address:	Work Address:
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**
- MIT5 Recent Grad ('03-'08), \$5**
- Parents (per household per year), \$25**
- Parents MultiYear (per household for 4 years), \$40 one time payment**

Extra Contribution to Leadership In Education (LEAP): _____

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

Mr. Stephen Murdoch
MIT Club of South Texas
13190 Trail Hollow
Houston, TX 77079

Dues Paid Members for 2007 (as of Oct 17, 2007)
The MIT Club of South Texas expresses its thanks for your continued support of the Club !

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Moore, Joe
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Westby, Tim

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Johnston, David
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Marple, Stanley
Mutchler, M. Lynne
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San Pedro, Ramon
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Adewuya, Adenike
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Bayazitoglu, Kent
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Blickwede, Don
Bobbitt, John
Bonnell, Leo
Borbe, Dexter
Boston, E. Daniel
Boynton, John
Brady, Tim
Brooks, James
Brownscombe, Tom
Burson, John
Burton, Diana
Burton, Herman
Cambon, Mike
Chilton, Robert
Chrzanowski, Michael
Clark, Virginia
Coleman, Cady

Corwin, John
de Groot, Eleanor
D'Angelo, John
Dawson, Stephen
DiLorenzo, Daniel
Domercq, Richard
Falker, John
Fantozzi, Esme
Farah, Ali
Ferea, James
Ferguson, Jerome
Fernandez, Alex
Godbold, Gilbert S.
Goldsmith, Andrew
Glombicki, Alan
Guimpelson, Bronislav
Hagan, Mark
Harrison, Brian
Harnsberger, Don
Heger, Wendy
Hiers, Todd
Hirsch, John M.
Hixson, George
Idleburg, Carol
Jamroz, Przemek
Jarchow, Craig
Jester III, Lewis
Johnson, David
Kane, Jonathan
Kapadia, Asha
Kellett, John
Kezirian, Michael
Knudsen, Chris
Kodama, Koichi
Kowalishin, Roberta
Kronenberger, Edward
Kuhnen, Carl
Laguna-Aponte, David
Lantner, Gary
Lantner, Janet
Leverette, Steven
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Olgaard, David
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Peaceman, Donald
Peng, Chuck
Plotkin, Howard
Powell, Robert
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Quintana, Mauricio
Ricards, Harold
Richards, Jason
Rodenbusch, George
Ruddick, Kathleen
Satcher, Robert
Schweizer, Richard
Segal, Zane
Singer, Arnold
Starkschall, George
Stautner, John
Stover, Roger
Szara, Mark
Thaller, David
Tomlinson, Peter
Triebes, Carl
Tschupp, Ed
Tubman, Kenneth
Udden, Mark
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Vallejo, Ramon
Wang, Dean
Weiner, Ron
Williams, Harrison
Wilner, Wayne
Wolford, Andrew
Wolpert, Michelle

Recent Graduates

Bhatt, Ronak
Bryn, Peter
Canovas, Peter
Cantu, Erika
Culver, Jim
Dar, Maital
Guarda, Daniel
Jeong, Joanna
Johannes, Lucie
Kadam, Shambhavi
Kusuma, Julius
Patten, Richard
Mabonga, Edward
McKenna, Nicholas
Huang, Xiaojun
Thomas, Anthony
Thomas, Dwan
Vasovski, Steven
Wilson, Cynthia
Xie, Yue
Zhang, Jinsong
Zhang, Lizhao

Parents - MultiYear

Patron
Herder, Charlie and Carol

Parents - MultiYear

Regular
Durand, Larry and Agelia
Mo, Yi-Lung
Ray, Nancy and Douglas
Sim, Linda and Kwok

Upcoming Events:

Oct 27 – All MIT Happy Hour in Clear Lake
Nov 7 – Houston InterClub Happy Hour hosted by MIT
Nov 15 – MIT Nanotech Webcast

Nov TBD – All MIT Happy Hour (tentative)
Nov/Dec TBD – Houston Rockets Presentation and Game
Dec TBD – Annual Club Holiday Party

Jan 22 – Toast to IAP
Jan TBD – Jan Dining Club

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[Pamela Ann Melroy](#)
(Col, USAF, Retired)
SM Course 12, '84



[Daniel Tani](#)
SB Course 2, '84
SM Course 2, '88

**MIT Alums Pam Melroy and
Dan Tani on Shuttle Mission
[STS-120](#)**

Oct 23, 2007

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the latest launch information:
www.nasa.gov**

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