



**SidneyPacific**  
**Graduate Community**

**House Meeting**

**Tuesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> 2011**

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# Agenda

- Thank you from and to SPEC 2010-11
- Introducing the New House Council
- Internal Housing Lottery
- Transition Brunch
- Upcoming Events
- Open Floor
- Individual Office Meetings

# Thank You from SPEC 2011-2011



House Manager: Jack Ahern

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# Thank You from SPEC 2011-2011



Associate Housemasters:  
Roland Tang and Annette Kim



# Thank You from SPEC 2011-2011



Housemasters: Roger and Dottie Mark

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# Thank You from SPEC 2011-2011



2010-2011 Sidney-Pacific House Council

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# Thank You to SPEC 2010-2011



**Chelsea He**  
Chair of the Halls



**Tim Curran**  
VP of Resources



**Ian Jacobi**  
VP of Information



**Amy Bilton**  
President



**Mirna Slim**  
VP of Residential Life

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# Introducing SPEC 2011-2012



**Brian Spatocco**  
Chair of the Halls



**Holly Johnsen**  
VP of Resources



**George Tucker**  
VP of Information



**George Lan**  
President



**Ahmed Helal**  
VP of Residential Life



# What it means to be an SP officer

- **Volunteer Government**
  - Building and improving SP community
  - Friendliest, most active people you'll meet
  - “First citizens”
- **Supporting each other**
  - We are a team – together, we can do what seems impossible

# Office of the President

- Three-fold mission about speaking

- Speaking about SP

- Presenting SP to outside organizations:

the MIT administration

the GSC

our neighbors - graduate dorms

- Speaking for SP

- Advocating for residents' needs and causes of particular interest

Recycling, Energy Conservation, Community Service

- Speaking with SP

- Facilitating interactions, both academic and service-oriented, amongst SP residents and between SP residents and outside communities

Cross-disciplinary lectures (CoSI),  
Tutoring and volunteering opportunities

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# Office of the President



**JP  
Coutu**  
Environmental Chair



**David  
Kwabi**  
CoSI Co-Chair



**William  
Li**  
CoSI Co-Chair



**Emily  
Calandrelli**  
Community Engagement  
Chair

# Office of Information

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## SP-Anno for Tuesday, May 3rd, 2011

### Summary

Tuesday, May 3, 8-9pm: [May House Meeting](#)

Wednesday, May 4, 9-10pm: [Coffee Hour](#)

Thursday, May 5, 6-7:30pm: ["Designing the Future of Cancer Research at MIT"](#)

- [Internal Housing Lottery](#)

#### External events and announcements:

Saturday, May 7, 9:30am-3:30pm: [MIT families visit the Drumlin Farm](#)

Sunday, May 8, TBAam-1pm: [Ashdown/SP Monthly Brunch](#)

Sunday, May 15, 8:30-10pm: [Flapjacks for Finals 2011](#)

- [Edgerton House President - Open Position](#)
- [Seeking Volunteers for MIT FAST Light Festival!](#)
- [Get Involved with the Graduate Student Council \(GSC\)](#)

### Upcoming Events

#### 1. May House Meeting

Tuesday, May 3, 8-9pm, SP Multi-purpose Room.

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- Introducing the new house council
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Sidney-Pacific Lecture Series:  
**Designing the Future of Cancer Research at MIT**  
**Special talk by Professor Tyler Jacks**  
**Director of Koch Institute for Integrative Cancer Research**

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Dr. Jacks will review the state-of-the-art of cancer biology and treatment, provide some examples of his own research, as well as highlight some of the approaches being taken by the engineers and researchers in the Koch Institute.

**6pm on May 5 2011**  
**Sidney-Pacific (NW86) MP Room**

Lecture open to the MIT Community at 6pm followed by dinner at 7:30 : RSVP for dinner @ [s-p.mit.edu](http://s-p.mit.edu)



**NEW!**

# Need Housing?

# NEW?

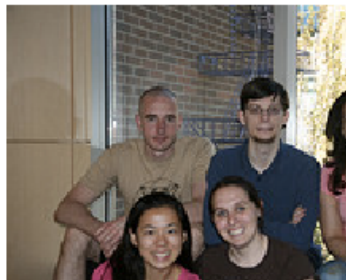
to Sidney-Pacific

{ [click here for an overview](#) }

**Announcements**

- [Internal Housing Lottery](#) SP-
- Anno

**Photo Gallery**



**HEADLINES**

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**Latest Forum Topics**

- » [Sidney-Pacific Springtime Music Play!..](#) (glan)
- » [Cambridge Public Art..](#) (SPAnonymous)
- » [It's on windy days like today ..](#) (SPAnonymous)
- » [Requesting DVDs for SP Library..](#) (mir)
- » [Everything in bloom!..](#) (SPAnonymous)
- » [Information for incoming graduate..](#) (hjohnsen) [SP-Forums](#)



**May House Meeting**

# Sidney-Pacific May House Council Meeting

Tuesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 8:00 PM

**Google Search**

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**Upcoming S-P Events**

- 8pm [May House Meeting](#)
- Wed 9pm [Coffee Hour](#)
- Thu 6pm ["Designing the Future of Cancer Research at MIT"](#) [SP-Anno...](#)

**Upcoming Campus Events**

- Wed 6pm [Karate Practice at SP](#)
- Sat 9:30am [MIT families visit the Drumlin Farm](#)
- Sun 12am [Ashdown/SP Monthly Brunch](#) [SP-Anno...](#)

**Laundry Room Stats**

-  22 of 23 available
-  24 of 24 available

[More...](#)

**Recently Added Movies**

- [Alien Quadrilogy - Alien3 - Disc5](#)

03:40pm

Weather



66°F  
19°C

13 mph. 6 m/s

Upcoming  
Shuttles:  
3 minutes  
13 minutes

SP TV  
128

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## CoSI Lectures Attract Crowds

By Denis Loginov  
CoSI Chair

This term, we had an opportunity to meet two famous MIT professors right here at SP, and two more to come on April 6 and May 5. Peter Diamond, 2010 Nobel Laureate in Economic Sciences, talked about "Search Frictions, Unemployment, and Vacancies" – one of the most quivering topics of the present

days. The lecture was followed by the dinner at the Housemasters' apartment, where Roger and Dottie created a homey environment for a seemingly serious speaker. Consequently, Professor Diamond turned out to be a very down-to-earth person, and students enjoyed talking to him about virtually everything.

For the second lecture, we in-

ited Professor Munther Dahleh, another extremely friendly faculty member and also a MacGregor dormitory housemaster, who was eager to tell us about his research. The topic of the day was "Learning in Complex Social Networks" – that applies to almost any of us nowadays (Facebook!). Even though the topic included some advanced math equations, Professor



Professor Diamond and S-P residents enjoy the dinner at Housemaster's apartment

Courtesy of SP Photofile Committee

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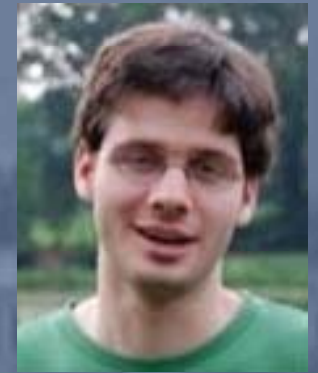
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Sharon David



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Abe Andrew



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Photo



Yu-Pu

Stephanie  
Publicity



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# Newsletter Survey

We want your feedback:

<http://bit.ly/sp-news-survey>

Win raffle prizes!

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# Office of Resources

- We make sure everything is plugged in, watered, fed, maintained, and paid.
- If we're doing our jobs, we're almost invisible.
- ... except for having some sweet events both in the dorm and out on the town.



**A/V: Justin Miller**

**Arts: Tarun Jain**



**Inventory:  
Jagdish  
Ramakrishnan**



**A/V: Jake McKenzie**



**Aquarium: Sung  
Wook Paek**



**Plants:  
DongNi  
Zhang**



**Bikes:  
Zachary  
Ulissi**

**Music:  
Mark Chilenski**

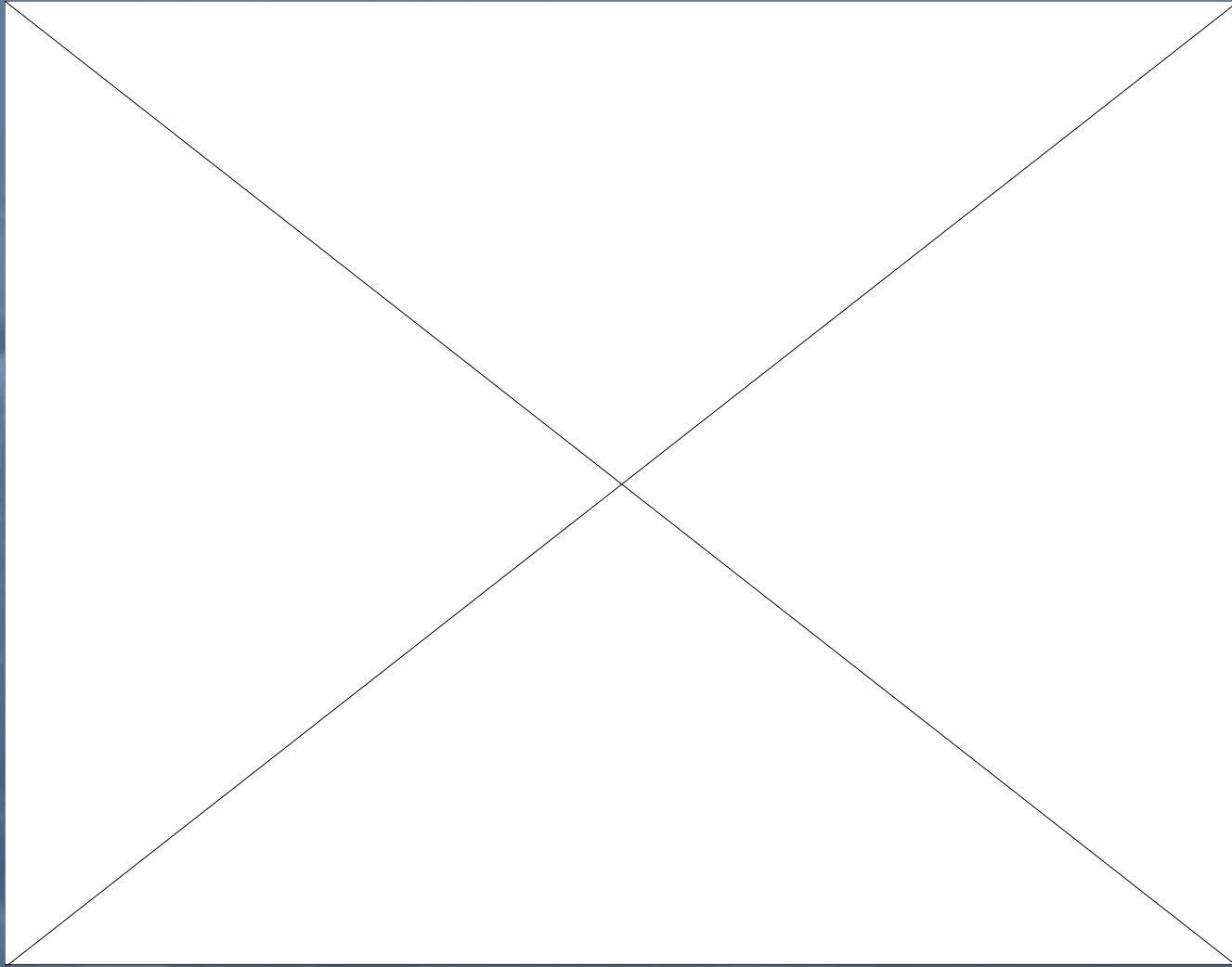


**Controller: Mark Lipson**



**IT: Matthew D'Asaro**

# Hall Council



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# Hall Council Family



**B.**  
Floor 1



**Tatyana**  
2S



**Chen**  
3S



**Jon**  
3N



**Anand**  
4S



**Yuan**  
4N



**Becky**  
5S



**Andrew**  
5N



**Vivek**  
Floor 6



**Bernhard**  
Floor 7



**John**  
Floor 8



**Jen**  
Floor 9

# Office of Residential Life



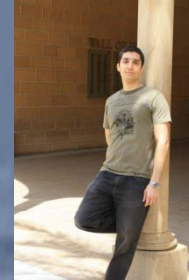
**Armen Mkrtchyan**  
Athletics



**Stephan Voinea**  
Coffee Hour



**Michael Peng**  
Coffee Hour



**Hussam Zebian**  
Orientation



**Birendra Jha**  
Orientation



**Michelle Chen**  
Interest Groups



**Diana Chien**  
Outing



**Annie Chen**  
SPICE



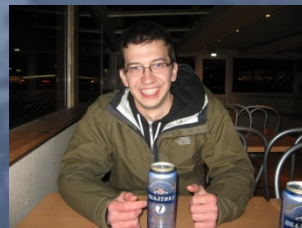
**David Ly**  
Cultural



**Leila Pirhaji**  
Social



**Stephen Morgan**  
Social



**Pierre-Olivier Lepage**  
Brunch



**TBD**  
Brunch



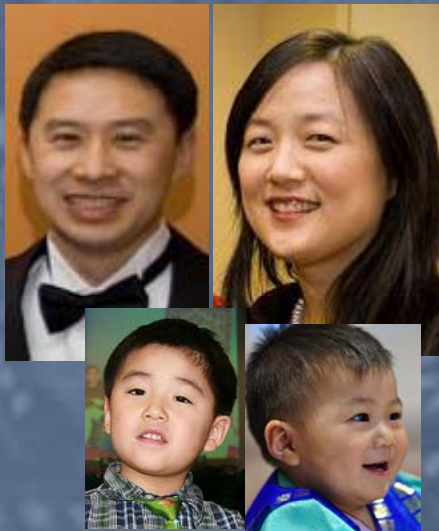
# Other Sources of Support



Housemasters:  
Roger and Dottie Mark



House Manager:  
Jack Ahern



Associate Housemasters:  
Roland Tang and Annette Kim  
(as well as Joshua and Samuel)

SP Board of Trustees



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# SP Internal Housing Lottery

- Who is eligible?
  - SP residents with continuing housing status
  - Incoming house officers
- Timeline:
  - April 30: Lottery opens, the list of rooms available is made public
  - May 4: Room/roommate preferences are due at 11:59 pm
  - May 5: Room assignments are made
- If you want to stay in your room, YOU DO NOT NEED TO DO ANYTHING!
- Please read the FAQ's!

# Transition Brunch

- **May 7<sup>th</sup>**
  - **9:30 AM: Meet in the SP Lobby, Walk over to Marriott Hotel**
  - **10:00AM: Eat while talking with your predecessor/successor**
  - **12:00PM: Brunch Ends**

# Open Floor

- Questions? Comments?





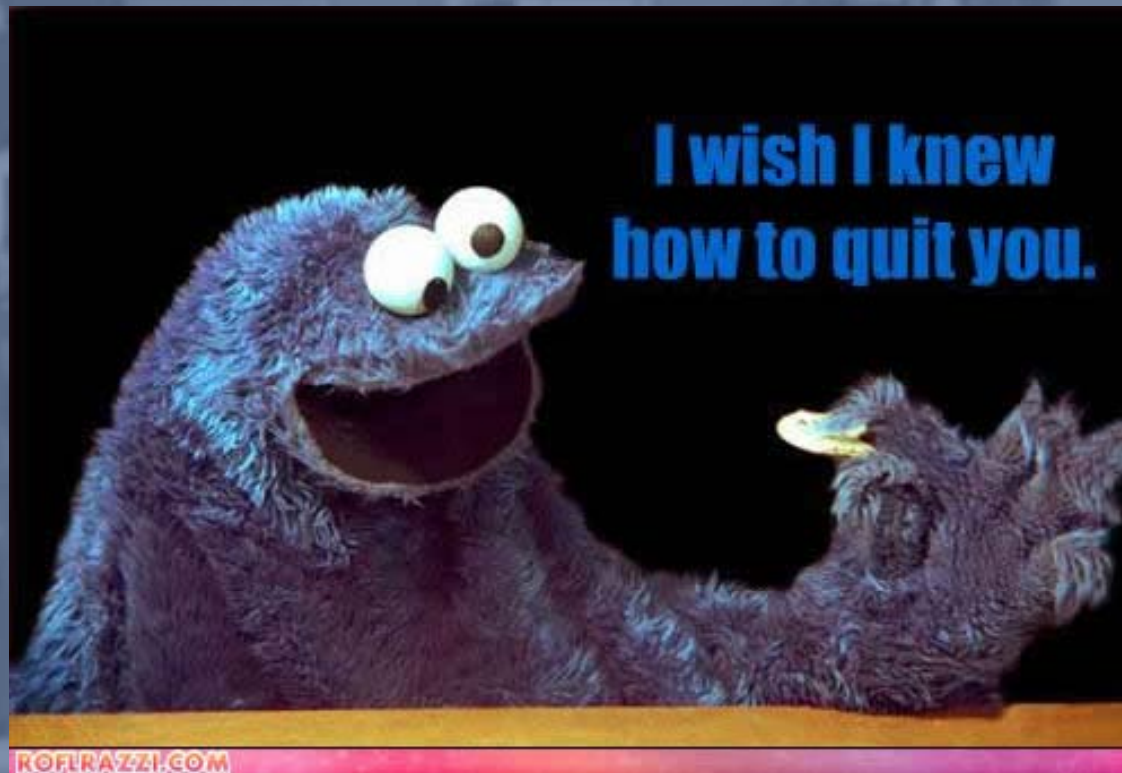
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- **Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup> : Coffee hour**
- **Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup>: Transition Brunch**
- **Monday, May 16<sup>th</sup>: Housemasters Finals breakfast**
- **Wednesday, May 18<sup>th</sup> : Cultural Coffee hour**
- **Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup>: End of term BBQ**
- **Wednesday, June 1<sup>st</sup>: Graduate Wine tasting (tentative)**
- **Sunday , June 5<sup>th</sup>: S-P Officer Retreat**

# Office Meetings

- Follow your respective SPEC members
  - Office of the President: George L.
  - Office of Resources: Holly
  - Office of Residential Life: Ahmed
  - Office of Information: George T.
  - Hall Council: Chelsea H.
- Stick around for a reception ... with cake!

# Food



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