**Student Center opens despite ongoing work**

By David Farzamii

Artistic much pomp and ceremony the new Catherine N. Straton Lounge and the Julius A. Straton '23 Student Center were officially dedicated yesterday. This was despite the fact that much construction continues on the third floor, fourth floor, and basement.

The Straton Lounge, which is the centerpiece of the renovated Student Center, was named after the wife of Julius Straton who served as MIT's president in the 1960s. The soft, green leather lounge on the second floor features a new large arched looking out onto Kresge eval.

"The most important thing in an education is that which goes on outside the classroom," said Dr. Jonathan Katz, president of the MIT. "We now have the return of the living room, the common ground," he added.

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living groups, graduate housing, liability problems for dormitories, and Residence/orienta- tion/Rush," Katz said.

Katz asserted that these suffixes are incertidated and blamed MIT for fracturing the overall housing issue by setting up committees examining single aspects only.
"If MIT decided to change first term rush by going to sec- ond term rush, it would have to realize the impact on the whole housing system," Katz said. "Would it randomly assign fresh- men, would it establish a fresh- man dormitory, how would the change affect the character of the housing and support systems? These are questions that must be considered," Katz explained.
Katz and Lin also stressed the issue of educational reform and their holistic approach to it. "We want to get more students involved. We want to know what an MIT degree means to stu- dents, what they learn, and what they believe they should learn. We will be looking at scheduling and will continue to examine the first year," Katz said.
Katz and Lin also hoped to have student reports considered alongside with those of the ad- ministration and the faculty, not after them. "If we continue to wait until the last minute to draft reports, we'll just burn out and not get taken seriously," Katz added.
Formation of a committee on stress will be the most difficult is- sue to address, Katz and Lin said. Both acknowledged that Mark Korb's' suicide last spring motivated formation of such a committe.
"Stress is an emotional and thus less tangible issue, but we have to come to a consensus on the path of the committee," Katz said.
"We don't need another suicide to make us realize we need to address the problem of stress," Lin added.

GSC concentrates on housing

Graduate housing remains one of the GSC's priorities, Peng said.

In particular, MIT needs to provide more space for incoming graduate students because they are the ones with the greatest need, Peng said.
Peng hoped that the plans to build a new graduate student dormitory at 143 Albany Street would generate more interest in graduate housing among students and the administration. The an- nouncement of the plans last September came after two years of heavy lobbying by the GSC for more housing.
The caution of graduate stu- dent stipends also ranks high on GSC's agenda. "Taxation of graduate students will not bring the state much in terms of new revenues, but will almost cer- tainly deter some students from at- tending graduate school," Peng said in a letter to the chairman of the State House Taxation Com- mittee. "If need be, we will put together a petition," Peng said.
"The GSC would like to have a larger role in graduate student life," Peng said. "We hope to improve our ties with the Office of the Dean for Student Affairs by meeting with them more often. We would also like to establish better ties with groups we rec- ognize."
Gemayel appoints army general prime minister of Lebanon

In Lebanon, the presidency of Anni Gemayel has ended. In his last minutes as president, Gemayel appointed a military government led by Lebanon's army commander. The move did not please Muslim leaders, who forced the move by refusing to take part in an interim cabinet headed by a Christian. Gemayel had to name a transition government because Lebanon's divided parliament has failed to choose a new president. The Moslems warned that Lebanon is in danger of becoming partitioned into two zones—one Moslem, the other Christian.

Shevardnadze meets dissident in Washington

When Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev was in Washing ton last December, he stepped on a manhole to step out and greet people. Yesterday, Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze got out of his limousine to talk to someone specific: an Armenian dissident whose plucked hair had caught his eye. The dissident, who wants to visit his ailing mother in Armenia, said Shevardnadze assured him that he would take care of his situation. However, the dissident felt that Shevardnadze probably couldn't do very much.

Wright denies he revealed classified data

House Speaker Jim Wright is denying a New York Times report that he spilt any beans when he coerced a covert CIA operation in Nicaragua. Wright set off a controversy this week for saying that the Central Intelligence Agency had a number of agents in Nicaragua aimed at provoking the Sandinista government. Wright told reporters he did not reveal anything that was not already authorized, but Republicans are pressing for a formal investigation.

House passes anti-drug bill

The House has passed a tough anti-drug measure, despite concerns over its constitutionality. Some of the bill's provisions include a $10,000 civil penalty for the alleged possession of illicit drugs and the loss of federal benefits. The vote was 375-30. The Senate must now take its own anti-dru g measure before the two versions can be reconciled.

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State should eliminate taxation of stipends

(Editor’s Note: The Tech received a copy of the following letter to the chairman of the Taxation Committee of the Massachusetts House of Representatives.)

I am writing this letter to urge Governor Deukmejian and the Massachusetts legislature to eliminate the current taxation of stipends earned from graduate student life.

Graduate students are not mere students. They are future innovators, inventors, and, most importantly, educators of America, but already the percentage of students who go on to graduate school is at all-time low. Taxation of graduate student stipends is not being the same as the state in terms of new revenues, but will almost certainly deter some students from attending graduate school because the student now is being asked to sacrifice more if he or she is to stay in school instead of working.

As it is, graduate students stipends almost certainly cause the graduate student to graduate sooner. This increases the burden of graduate student life and also for the state budget surpluses that we have enjoyed the last few years. Thus I hope that you will support the elimination of taxation of graduate student stipends, not in the context of a loss of revenue for Massachusetts, but rather as an investment in the future of this state, an investment that will return dividends in the form of new high tech companies, more educators, and, ultimately, more revenues for the state. It is in the state’s interest to keep any sort of technological edge in the competitive world market. Government, both state and federal, must encourage education, especially at the graduate level, for it is at this level that the next generation of educators and researchers is produced.

Indeed, the “Massachusetts Miracle” was fueled by technological innovation. The state should do everything in its power to promote advanced education. There are numerous other reasons why the government should encourage education, and they all come down to this inescapable fact. In the long run, the benefits far outweigh the costs. So why is the state not investing in a move that is undeniably advantageous?

While I realize that revenue must be generated to balance the state budget (especially given the governor’s presidential aspirations), imposing additional taxes on graduate students is an extremely short-sighted and, in the long run, irresponsible method for raising money. In light of the governor’s alleged commitment to education, it is a hypocritical action as well.

Instead of making the “tough decision” to tax those who are able to afford this, the state has decided to follow unsungfrightened federal policies and tax those who don’t have the time or the voice to complain. This legislation shows a severe misplaced emphasis of priorities and I urge you personally to vote, in correct by repealing the tax on graduate student stipends. This is a chance for Massachusetts to show the country what commitment to education really means.

Scott Dong, GSC President and four others

Dershowitz is immature self-promoter

To the Editor: I am amazed that Adam Dershowitz ’90 has once again taken it upon himself to offer the sensibilities of the MIT community by showing a movie as repugnant as Deep Throat. The fact that this movie is pornographic is not as much a concern to me as the fact that Linda (Loveless) Marchiano was a victim of a brutal sadistic beating at the time this movie was made. Marchiano claims in her book that she was forced to commit the sexual acts seen in this film. Therefore, every sexual act in this film is, in reality, an act of violence — a rape.

That Mr. Dershowitz again chose to show this film as an example to an erotic (not pornographic) film of less questionable subject matter, lends me to consider him to be more of a thoughtless immature self-promoter than a champion of free speech.

Norman M. Wensley G

Graduate students hurt by stipend tax

(Editor’s note: The Tech received a copy of the following letter to Governor Michael S. Dukakis.)

Dear Governor Dukakis,

I am writing this letter in regard to the state income-tax legislation recently enacted which retroactively imposes a tax on graduate student stipends.

Most graduate students must make tremendous sacrifices in their income, their family life, and fundamentally, in their quality of life, in order to earn a graduate degree. The process can take six years or more, and unlike medical, law, or business degrees, a Ph.D. has little or no financial reward. I can’t understand how the state can justify imposing a tax on graduate student stipends, a move which increases the burden of graduate student life and discourages individuals from pursuing graduate education.

Stipend levels are determined in advance of the academic year to allow for a subsistence-level after-tax income. The tax on stipends was enacted well after the stipend level for 1988-89 academic year had been set. To make matters worse the tax is retroactive, so there is actually a double penalty — a Stipend that was received for four months, graduate students must make up for taxes not withheld during the last eight. Imagine my surprise when I learned — seven months into the year — that new legislation had been passed which positively cut me seven months behind in my state income tax. I doubt many other segments of society would stand for such legislation.

It is easy to see why this tax was enacted — graduate student stipends have almost no political voice. Virtually all of us are too busy in pursuit of our education to take the time to protest this outrage; many of us are from other states, with voice that don’t matter at all here. Unfortunately, given our financial situations, graduate student stipends are among those least able to bear this tax burden.

There are presently more foreign students than American students earning PhD’s at American universities. This is a trend that must be reversed, if we are to keep any sort of technological edge in the competitive world market. Government, both state and federal must encourage education, especially at the graduate level, for it is at this level that the next generation of educators and researchers is produced.

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Course selection method not fair to all students

To the Editor:

On Sept. 15, I went to the first meeting of Creative Photography (4.891). About 90 people showed up for 15 slots. As it turned out, admission to the class was based solely upon a survey with questions like: "Draw one or two diagrams showing the relationship of you to your family and country" and "Draw the important connections between a circle, a half-donut, and several blobs." The professor promised he would pick an "interesting" group.

By this selection process, a person — regardless of how determined, how interested, or how inspired he may be — could be refused a place, term after term, simply because the professor finds him distasteful. To such a professor, I say that we, the students who are paying so much in money, time and energy, should be allowed to choose our own classes. We know what is right for us far more than he could, regardless of his interpretations of our drawings on the pretty blue forms. I can understand a waiting list, but I cannot understand this bigoted and unfair policy.

I always believed that MIT encouraged breadth in its students by letting us take diverse subjects. The truth, that only the professor’s favorites are allowed in some classes, makes me furious. I demand an explanation from Course IV. Also, I demand an apology to all of us who were told we are not chic enough to learn. (Nat Seymour ’89)

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Bill will attack drug use on campuses

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"won't deliberately shield our students from outside agencies," Glavin said her office does very little in terms of drug education, since it concentrates mostly on crime prevention. But the Campus Police did compile a drug education pamphlet which is distributed to all freshmen, along with safety warning students about the health and legal dangers of illegal drugs in general and nitrous oxide in particular.

The nitrous oxide build-up noted that despite repeated warnings, several injuries and one student death resulted from the use of the drug. Glavin called it "one of those tragic situations where everybody's been saying it's come true."

But in promoting the drug-related deaths which occurred in 1984, MIT displayed an openness which all universities do not have. When a student died from nitrous oxide use at Harvard last fall, the Harvard Crimson only reported that he had a plastic bag over his head.

"I fail to see the usefulness of hiding crime statistics," Glavin said, and she broadened that to drug-related incidents as well. She felt that the community should be informed in order to aid in education and prevention.

Recent campus

"Many students that I talked to felt that you couldn't survive at MIT with a drug or alcohol problem," Director of Health Education Janet Van Ness said. But "a lot of people can cope for a long time using alcohol or drugs problemandically," she countered.

Van Ness also noted the campus problem of "binge drinking or drugging habit." She said this "work hard, play hard" attitude of excessive alcohol use on the weekend may cause people to suffer academically but can create students who "stay away with a binge habit."

"A lot of people use drugs and alcohol without negative consequences," Van Ness conceded. But there are consequences to using any drug — even aspirin — and people must "internalize the risks," she said.

Drugs become more controversial both about the "health consequences" of using drugs and alcohol and the danger of becoming dependent.

In addition to the deterri-

ous medical effects of alcohol and drugs, they can also cause dangerous impulsive behavior, Van Ness said. Such impulsive-

ness is a danger to the individual and others, as it can result in fights, drunken driving, and even suicide.

While "everyone has some sus-

ceptibility" to drug and alcohol dependencies, there are some people who are at higher risks. She also noted that the term so dependency is shorter for younger users. "There is a very large chasm that people can fall through to become dependent on a drug." But it is "possible to be-

come aware of an emerging ten-

dency," Van Ness said.

Van Ness said her office was trying to "make its profile" on campus. She is initiating the "Stay Healthy at MIT Program" this fall, and is "trying to put a strong piece of drug and alcohol education" into it. She explained that student health education is relatively new, and there would soon be "some focused atten-
tion on students."

Van Ness noted that the Campus Activities Office has also been very active in alcohol education with the TIPS program (Trainings for Intervention Pro-
cedures by Servers of Alcohol). The purpose of the program is to "help students to make in-
formed choices related to alcohol and drug use" at "a time when many important decisions are being made." The program is "try-
ing to clarify in a collegiate way that there's another side to this."

But the office is "not trying to in-

form or be political," the said.

While the health education of-

cice does not offer counseling, they do "offer consultation ser-

cices to people who want to dis-

cuss a health-related topic." The office "helps clarify issues," Van Ness said. Counseling is available in the psychiatry and social work depart-

ment. Van Ness also noted that in addition to counseling services in the medical department there are a variety of supportive recovery groups — Narcotics Anonymous, Alcoholics Anonymous, Alcoholics Anonymous, with meetings on campus. She said members of such groups don't fit any stereotype, and run the gamut of ages and backgrounds.

Having visible counseling and educational services is essential because "if there is a window of opportunity there will be a sup-

port right there," Van Ness ex-

plained. A user may want help one day, but not the next, she said.

"The medical department is a re-

source that is not a pipeline to the police or administration," Van Ness stressed. "A lot of peo-

ple get very concerned about con-

fidentiality," but the medical de-

partment "guards information re-

lated to alcohol and drug abuse carefully."

Robert M. Randolph, head of the counseling section of the Of-

cie of the Dean for Student Af-

airs, said while he had "no illusions that we're different from national norms" regarding drug abuse, his office often did see problems "until they are so seri-

ous no one can ignore them."

While "alcohol abuse is a serious problem, drugs are less visible," he said. Randolph believed there were certain "hot spots" for drug use in dormitories and fraternity-

ties, he was not sure "how many of them surfaced."

Randolph said his office often refers drug problems to the medi-

cal department for counseling.

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BY AARON McPHERSON

IT'S A SHAME THAT THIS FILM is billed as "another outrageous belly-aching, side-splitting, laugh-til-you-creep Animation Festival!" because the shorts featured in the collection do far more than just make you laugh. Most are indeed amusing, and even hilarious, but to advertise it in this way sorely strengthens the stigma currently attached to animation.

The tiny morsels of animations shown in this festival (really, a collection of "shorts" which add up to the length of a feature film) only begin to demonstrate the true possibilities of animation, an art form that is sometimes dismissed as mindless and childish drivel. Until the world realizes that animation does not have to be Disney fairy tales or Hanna-Barbara Saturday morning cartoons, we have to be content with the kind of shorts shown in this festival.

Fortunately, those morsels are tasty indeed. An astonishing wealth of styles and ideas are contained within the seventeen shorts that make up this package.

One of the best shorts, a political satire called "Acid Rain," features a little girl with such disarming absurdity that we easily forgive the sentimentality of the story. The piece is done as a Disney fairy tale, as with many animated shorts, the joke is a bitter one, taking a real anxiety to funny extremes. The piece is done with such disarming absurdity that we laugh, but the point is clear and effective.

At the Somerville Theatre,

The result is better than many a stern speech.

Who could forget "Primiti Too Taa," in which typed letters and words leap across the screen in an inspired babble of rhythms? The opening steps are silent, but the dancing syllables are soon joined by a voice which echoes their weird steps. Completely original and surprisingly fresh, "Primiti Too Taa" is in itself a reason to see Festival of Animation.

Perhaps the funniest of all is another satire, "Lea Press On Limbs," which is apparently commercial for a company that makes artificial limbs that you "lick" and "stick" in place. One after another, the family members in the film lose their arms to various accidents, which are then instantly replaced with artificial ones in a variety of colors. This one is the product of a truly perverse mind, not to be missed at any cost.

"Particle Dreams" is part of the obligatory computer animation "tribute" — why are these things always packaged as if they are something other than regular animation? Although most of the computer shorts merely use traditional stories with snazzy graphics, "Particle Dreams" is the rare treasure, a piece of computer animation that is not trying to be something else. Tiny points sweep across the screen forming lines, waterfalls, and gorgeous shifting shapes that never stop for an instant. Like "Primiti Too Taa," it is visual music, a feast for the eyes. Give these more! The final piece of special note is my personal favorite, "Tower of Bababel." The little man as he plunges past endless rows of formations heads, waterfalls, and gorgeous snazzy graphics, "Particle Dreams" is that animation that is not trying to be something else. Tiny points sweep across the screen forming lines, waterfalls, and gorgeous shifting shapes that never stop for an instant. Like "Primiti Too Taa," it is visual music, a feast for the eyes. Give these more!

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Festival demonstrates animation’s potential

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Besides the interesting “The Door,” an impenetrable social satire from Russia, there are four comedies: “The Thing What Lurked in the Tub,” “Dog Brain,” “Nice Day in the Country,” and “Getting Started.” If you’ll pardon the generalization, they all seem to fit into the category of light, accessible, humorous pieces that the National Film Board of Canada is famous for. (Three of them are in fact from Canada.) If you get tired of the high art, these cute little numbers are sure to revive you.

Odd man out is “Sisyphus,” a curious film with a strange twist on the Greek myth about the man condemned to push a huge rock to the top of a tall mountain, only to see it roll once more to the bottom. The short epitomizes this collection well: the Festival of Animation may surprise, confuse, or delight, but it will never bore you.

This is not to say that the other twelve shorts are unworthy of attention. Most of them are excellent pieces of work, but many of them are not especially original. “Wister,” for example, which depicts a little boy unable to move inside his heavy clothing, is a direct lift from a Peanuts cartoon. Others, like “How to Kiss,” “Les Assassins,” “Wednesday Eve of Tuesday,” and most of the “Computer Tribute” only too much on exaggeration and gimmickry rather than genuine wit.

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Thursday, Oct. 6
The MIT Communications Forum will host a seminar entitled "The Struggle for UHF Spectrum." From 4-6 pm in Room E25-111. Guest speakers will be John B. Richards and Gregory L. DePristo.

Friday, Oct. 7
There will be a workshop on urban and rural environments hosted by the Middlesex and Essex Conservation Districts. The workshop will be held at Bentley College, Graduate Studies Building, Walcham on October 7-8 and on October 21-22. For more information call 263-2291.

Friday, Oct. 14
The MIT Communications Forum will hold a seminar entitled "CinemaScope, Widescreen and Beyond" from 4-6 pm in Room E25-111. Guest speakers will be John Belton and Douglas Trumbull.

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Volleyball team improves record to 3-0

(Continued from page 20) building season for them. "We are trying to get some experience under our belts and I am pleased with the progress we are making despite the outcome of the game," she stated.

The head coach of MIT, Karyn Altman, who had anticipated the victory, remarked, "This was an opportunity for some players to get real game experience and their performance today was encouraging."

She also noted that the match demonstrated the depth of her squad brought on by the freshmen. "The freshmen, adding new heights to the team, give us a dimension that we haven't had in previous years." The Engineers will need the depth as they face strong competitions from Smith College and Brandeis University in their conference.

MIT will be hosting Gallaudet University, Bates College, Eastern Connecticut College, and Bates College at the MIT Invitational today and tomorrow. Some exciting matches will be featured as the games start 5 pm today at the DuPont Gymnasium.

A Wheaton defender leaps to block a Cindy Parrish '92 spike.

Freides skippers crew to victory in sloop regatta

(Continued from page 20) ago, MIT placed third out of 13 schools. Welch and Wu finished first in the International 420 B division, and Himanas was fourth in the laser division. Sabin and Rachael H. Batcheler '91 competed in the A division, and William E. Gorgen '91 sailed along with Himanas in the lasers.

An MIT sailing crew also won the sloop regatta which was held simultaneously at the Academy. Drew S. Freides skippered the sloop, which included Donald J. Hejna '91, Scott W. Darby '91, William E. Gorgen '91, and Andrew W. Lewis '91 as crew.

"We have a number of experienced and talented sailors this season," said coach Hatch Brown. "We have depth in the team. We should perform very well this year. The team will compete this weekend in the important Danmark Trophy Intersectional Regatta at the US Coast Guard Academy, and the Northern Series III at Dartmouth College on Saturday. (Isako Hoshino '89 is captain of the varsity sailing team.)"
Unbeaten volleyball team rolls over Wheaton

By Kevin Huang

The MIT women's volleyball team continued their drive to defend their New England Women's Eight Conference title as they handily defeated their conference opponents: Wheaton College in three sets, 15-1, 15-8, 15-2. Although four of their regular starters didn't play, MIT out-powered Wheaton with their well-balanced offensive and solid defense.

The Engineers wasted no time as they came out storming behind the serves of Jennifer A. Harris '90. Her serves hand-cuffed Wheaton's defense as MIT ran off with seven straight points to start the game before Wheaton called for a time out. But Wheaton needed more than a time out to salvage themselves as MIT won the first set 15-1.

The second set started in a similar fashion, and this time it was Mami Nishiwaki '92 overthrowing Wheaton with her serves. MIT jumped out to a 10-1 lead but Wheaton showed some sign of life as they went to win the next four points. But Susan E. Gardner '92 ended that streak with one of her five kills of the match as MIT went on to win the second set 15-8.

The third set typified the entire match as MIT continued to bathe Wheaton with their serves and placed flawless defense. MIT had 11 aces and no reception errors compared to Wheaton's eight reception errors and nine ball handling errors. MIT won the set by score of 15-2 completing their lopsided victory.

After the match, the head coach of Wheaton College, Nancy Withers, explained that her team was comprised of freshmen and sophomores, and that this is a

Cindy Parish '92 makes a save during Tuesday's volleyball game against Wheaton College.

Women's Volleyball

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5:00 Women's Volleyball Invitational

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10am Baseball Fall Classic

2:00 Football v. Stonehill College

Sunday, September 25

11am Baseball Fall Classic

Monday, September 26

4:00 Field Hockey v. Anna Maria College

Tuesday, September 27

3:00 Men's Soccer v. Babson College

3:30 Women's Tennis v. Wellesley College

6:00 Women's Volleyball v. Mt Holyoke & Tufts

By Robert J. Bergerin and Marc Wisnudeel

The MIT men's water polo team started their season on a positive note last weekend, winning two of three games at an Eastern League tournament at the US Naval Academy in Annapolis, MD.

Last Saturday, MIT started out strong against Yale University, taking a quick 4-0 lead in the first quarter. William S. Schnorr '91 supplied two of the goals, and Robert J. Bergerin '91 and Mark K. Edelson '90 scored one each. Three more goals from Schnorr and one by Max P. Ochoa '90 in the second quarter helped the Engineers build a 8-4 lead at halftime.

In the second half, MIT continued their drive to defeat their opponents without much challenge. Pressing defense and goals by Schnorr, Edelson, Bergerin, and Can Uzun '99 helped MIT build a 4-2 halftime lead. MIT kept the pressure on in the second half, totally shutting down "The Rock's" offense. Goals by Schnorr, Edelson, Bergerin, and Dana K. Jackson '89 completed an impressive 5-0 victory.

On Sunday, the Engineers faced long-time rival University of Massachusetts at Boston in the B division championship game. MIT, with continued use of a pressing defense and outstanding goalkeeping by Wysocki, was able to build a 3-2 halftime lead on goals by Jackson, Eran, and Ochoa. In the very physical second half, Fred and poor execution allowed UMass-Boston to fight back and take the lead, and MIT won on a 9-4 victory.

The Engineers, seeded in the eight-team lower bracket based on last year's record, performed well enough to qualify for the upper bracket at the upcoming Eastern League tournament at Brown University on October 1. Despite the heartbreaking loss to UMass, coach John Benedick called the team "the best team I've ever had at MIT," and added "I'm expecting great things from them this season."

MIT played crosstown rival Harvard University at Alumni Pool last night, too late for the results to be reported. The Engineers face off against Boston College tonight, also at home (Robert J. Bergerin '91 and Marc B. Wisnudeel '91 are members of the MIT men's water polo team)

Sailing places fourth out of 17 at intersectional regatta

By Isako Hinman

The MIT varsity sailing team achieved its strongest finish in a major intersectional regatta to recent years last weekend, placing fourth out of 17 schools at the Hood Trophy Intersectional Regatta. The competition, held at Mystic Lake in Medford, featured many schools ranked in the nation's top 25.

Douglas G. Sabin '89 and Isako Hinman '90 sailed in the A division; Kyle D. Welch '90, Michael S. Roway '92, and Warren K. Wu '90 sailed in the B division. On the same weekend, Captain D. Hinman '90 placed sixth out of 17 at the New England Single Handed Laser Championships held at the US Coast Guard Academy. This regatta was one of three elimination series in which 18 New England sailors will qualify for the single handed championships. Hinman is expected to be among those 18.

At the first regatta of the season, the Bag-a-Deuce at Maine Maritime Academy two weeks (Please turn to page 19)