Residence thefts drop again in 1988

By Andrew L. Rait

Thefts of personal property from on-campus residences dropped substantially in 1988, according to the 1988 Annual Report of the MIT Campus Police Department. The report, which was just released, said that there were 44 residence thefts in 1988, compared to 70 in 1987 and 89 in 1986. The dollar value of property stolen dropped from $16,000 to $12,000. The dormitory most plagued by theft was Dionysiou Dorm, in 10 reported occurrences.

Campus Police Chief Aase P. Gove said the drop, which the attributed both to the Housing Office upgrade of dormitory security during the past two years and "heightened awareness of crime prevention among dormitory residents. "You have to give credit to students, too."

While the number of thefts of MIT property dropped from 155 to 153, the dollar values of property stolen rose from $273,000 to $574,000. Thieves profited from non-personal items, that are more general in nature, and personal property was on the decline.

Several universities, including Brown and Dartmouth, have established recycling programs of their own, Norris said. Physical Plant had a paper recycling program in the mid 1970s. Although Birlinguet said that 1988 was a good year because of budget constraints, she added that "people into recycling.

物理工程学部的物理学家正在研究一项分子水平的物理现象。这些现象涉及原子和电子的自旋，是近年来物理学的一个重要研究领域。研究者发现，这些现象可能对材料科学和量子计算有潜在的应用。
FinBoard revises criteria for funding activities

"Continued from page 15" few allow within a given activity. The changes will allow FinBoard's allocation to "be a lot more" of the MIT community," she said.

But the changes will for the most part not affect the total amount allocated to each group. "If one looks at the first total of what has been allocated to each group as compared to last year, one will see there is not much difference," Bird said. The only difference is that the groups can spend this flat total.

David P. Carroll, 21, former treasurer and campaign chairperson of Hunger Action, had mixed feelings on the new FinBoard changes and their effects on his group. "It will be easier to do events because we have gotten more control on the group as a whole," Carroll said. The new changes will require Hunger Action to spend more time fundraising for itself because the group's fundraising is set.

But Carroll said he did see a positive side to the changes. "We know that a whole event will be funded and we won't have to worry about taking up the slack for half of that. He also commended the fact that the budget no longer had to be broken down so specifically, allowing activities more control in achieving a specific goal, such as publicity.

Philip J. Neisser '90, chairman of the MIT Science Fiction Society and the Astronomy Guild, said viewing views on the changes. "I think MITPSA's the biggest thing we can't cover is the large event," Neisser said, and the new changes could only help such an endeavor.

"However, in the case of the Astronomy Guild, we don't have capital for the day-day costs such as photocopying, and we are having problems because we don't get any money for this from FinBoard," he said. It said it would be better if FinBoard would give a base sum to each group which would be for unrestricted use. "This would help a lot in organizing to operate," Neisser said.

Lindblom improves process

Neisser noticed a general positive trend within FinBoard. In the past year MITPSA and the Astronomy Guild have had much more personal contact with their FinBoard liaison. "It gave a feeling of security to know that someone who knew what our requests were about would be at the meeting where the allocations are done," Neisser said.

Each student activity has one of the 14 FinBoard members as a liaison. The liaisons have been a strong force in making the activity groups aware of the changes in funding allocations. To further publicize these changes, FinBoard held a treasurer's seminar in early May. According to Bird, 40 to 50 groups attended the two day seminar.

Another change which is expected to make FinBoard more efficient is its recent computerization. In the past, FinBoard has had difficulty collecting on the interest-free loans it makes to various activity groups. Bird said several thousand dollars in outstanding loans were recently collected by Darien C. Hendricks '90, the former FinBoard chair.

"It was mainly Darien taking the time and going through old records by hand," Bird said. "Computerization will help make sure we don't get into that position again."
**Nation**

High Court allows censorship in prisons

The US Supreme Court made it easier for corporations to correct misleading materials for lamas, ruling that prison authorities can decide what prisoners can and cannot read. Yesterday’s ruling also gave prison officials the right to revoke visitation rights without explanation.

Bush announces anti-crime plan

President Bush is asking for help from Capitol Hill and the states in his plan to crack down on crime. He unveiled a $1.2 billion anti-crime plan that calls for an expanded federal death penalty. The plan targets semiautomatic assault-style weapons by calling for automatic prison time for anyone using such a weapon to commit a crime. The right to own guns “is not a license to harm others,” Bush said. The president’s plan also called for building more prison cells, limiting semiautomatic ammunition clips to 15 rounds and continuing a ban on most imports of semiautomatic guns.

Court facilitates brutality suits

The Supreme Court ruled yesterday that people who sue over incidents of alleged police brutality must only prove that the officers acted consciously, not “maliciously.” The decision, written by Chief Justice William Rehnquist says that such incidents should be judged with a focus on the Fourth Amendment’s requirement that police conduct be reasonable.

Magazine charges rules violations abound on Capitol Hill

The National Journal charged that many congressmen have violated House rules. The magazine reported that at least 94 House Democrats and 69 Republicans used aides who have violated House rules. The magazine reported that at least 94 House Democrats and 69 Republicans used aides who have violated House rules.

Ambassador returns from Panama

Artur Davis, US ambassador to Panama, is accusing Gen. Manuel Noriega of trying to murder opposition candidate last week. Davis has arrived back in Washington after being recalled by President Bush.

Blaze aboard the America kills two

Navy investigators headed for the USS America yesterday in an attempt to determine cause of an explosion and fire that killed two sailors. The accident happened Saturday night in a fuel pump while the aircraft carrier was off the coast of North Carolina. It was the Navy’s third fatal fire in less than a month. On April 19, a disaster aboard the battleship America killed 47, and six sailors perished in a May 9 engine room fire aboard the supply ship White Plains.

**World**

Soviet Union said to halt Nicaraguan weapons shipments

An administration official said the Soviet Union has told the United States it has halted weapons shipments to Nicaragua. The official said Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev informed President Bush earlier this month that all weapons shipments to the Sandinistas ended at the beginning of the year. The source said Secretary of State James A. Baker III got a confirmation of that commitment during his recent trip to Moscow.

The United States estimates that the Soviets provided $500 million in various forms of military aid, including weapons, to Nicaragua last year. The official stressed that Gorbachev’s assurances did not foreclose delivery of other forms of military assistance, such as vehicles, supplies, and clothing.

Curfew declared in Gaza

The Israeli army has slapped a curfew on the 700,000 Palestinians who reside in the occupied Gaza Strip. This action followed several days of violence in which stone-throwing Palestinians. The army also ordered all Gazans employed in Israel to return home. They gave no reason for the order — the first of its kind since the uprising began 17 months ago.

Protests disrupt Sino-Soviet summit

For the first time in three decades, the leader of the Soviet Union has met with the leader of China. In Mikhail S. Gorbachev’s second day of meetings in Beijing, he met with Deng Xiaoping, and told his hosts that “The way to this meeting was not an easy one.” The actual summit wasn’t been easy, either — at least for the Chinese. Student protests have disrupted or changed several events planned for Gorbachev’s visit. The Soviet leader was unable to place a wreath at a memorial in Tiananmen Square as planned, as the plaza was filled with 10,000 protesters. The students and their supporters have been occupying the main square in the Chinese capital for three days. About 5000 of the protesters are holding a hunger strike. Gorbachev’s welcoming ceremony was moved and his motorcade was detoured earlier because of the demonstrations.

Japanese tells details of sunken warhead

The United States has told Japan that sea divers disassembled a nuclear bomb in a hydrogen bomb that fell into the Pacific Ocean off the Japanese coast 24 years ago. The Department of Defense has told the Japanese Embassy that the nuclear material is now harmless. It said that sea pressure crushed the H-bomb after it fell — with a Navy jet — from an aircraft carrier. The Japanese Foreign Ministry has formed a team to evaluate the US report and see if more studies are needed.

**Weather**

**Dramal at times**

The persistent “cutoff” upper level low to our southwest will finally begin moving east during the forecast period. The result of this development for our area means an increase in rain and rain shower activity through the week as the upper level low and an associated surface distribution maintains a moist east to northeast flow over the area. While some sun will break through the clouds, it’s appearance will increase the threat of afternoon showers.

**Tuesday afternoon:** Mostly cloudy with rain showers. Winds southeast 5-10 mph (8-16 kph). High 62°F (17°C).

**Tuesday night:** Rain, rain showers, drizzle, and fog. Low around 50°F (10°C). Winds east 10 mph (16 kph).

**Wednesday:** Morning drizzle ending followed by mostly cloudy skies and scattered rain showers. Winds east-northeast 10-15 mph (16-24 kph). High 64°F (18°C).

**Thursday:** Clouds and rain showers. High around 60°F (16°C).

Forecast by Michael C. Morgan

Compiled by Josh Hartmann and Harold A. Stien
BSU questions proposed Interphase changes

The Tech is the opinion section of the Harvard College newspaper, The Tech. This page is from The Tech, Volume 109, Number 26, Tuesday, May 16, 1989. The page includes an article titled "BSU questions proposed Interphase changes," which discusses the questions raised by Black Student Union (BSU) about the proposed Interphase program changes. The article mentions the opinions of the BSU and other students on the program, as well as the response from the administration. The page also includes sections on hazardous waste articles, a letter to the editor, and other news and opinion pieces.

Opinion

BSU questions proposed Interphase changes

Editor's note: The Tech received a copy of the following letter, addressed to Dean of Student Affairs Shirley McBay.

We, the Black Student's Union, have read the proposal for some change in the Interphase program. We understand the concerns expressed by the administration, faculty, and students regarding the current program. However, we express concern that the proposed changes may fail to address the specific needs and interests of our community.

We believe that the Interphase program is an important mechanism for the development of students of color at MIT. It provides opportunities for enrichment and engagement in areas that are of particular interest to us. We are concerned that proposed changes may dilute or detract from these aspects of the program.

We strongly urge the administration to consider the perspectives and concerns of students of color in the development of future changes to the Interphase program. We believe that the Interphase program is an important vehicle for the advancement of our students, and we are committed to working with the administration to ensure that the program continues to meet the needs of our community.

Yours sincerely,

Black Student Union

Hazardous waste article contained several errors

The Tech's article on the Hazardous Substances Management Program (HSM) program contained several errors. The article incorrectly referred to the program as having been in existence for 30 years. In fact, the program was established in 1986. The article also stated that the program was underfunded, when in fact funding for the program has increased significantly over the years.

The article also contained inaccuracies regarding the program's goals and objectives. The program is a framework, not a comprehensive program, and it is not designed to address the full range of hazardous substances issues.

The article also contained errors regarding the environmental health sciences. The program is a part of the larger MIT Environmental Health and Safety program, and it is not focused on research in toxic chemicals in the environment.

We urge the readers to consult the original article for more accurate and up-to-date information on the Hazardous Substances Management Program.
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Kronos Quartet explores avant-garde music at Sanders

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By DAVID STERN

Kronos Quartet exD ores ava

from Foundation at Harvard periodically presents free concerts of top-notch performers. The Kronos Quartet is, deservedly, one of the most well-known performers and advocates of new music today. Friday night's concert at Harvard presented four pieces, all commissioned by the quartet, which represent some of the, well, more interesting trends in new music. First up was "Already It is Dark" by Philip composer H.M. Garlock. It consisted of mostly repeated fragments varying between extreme dissonance and rich sonorities, and had a simple texture throughout, creating a very primitive form. Its brilliance accounts for both its success and failure — it was at times powerful and exciting, yet it seemed to lack any real development of its ideas. Among the Vanishing by Steven Mackey featured soprano Dawn Upshaw and text extracted from the letters of the German poet Rainer Maria Rilke. The music was done and巡视ned and tied soprano and quartet closely together. The performance was absolutely stunning (especially Upshaw's), and the music disturbing yet gripping. Other listeners felt disturbed and griped in less pleasant ways than myself, with "abominable" being one overheard description of the piece. The piece was over thirty minutes long, a very long time for such music. Despite this, I felt the music successfully avoided monotony. The last piece on the program was Steve Reich's Different Trains, which featured amplified instruments and prepared tapes of the quartet as well as recordings of trains and speech. The piece recalls the composer's childhood train journeys between New York and Los Angeles, and musically conjures images of riding a train, looking out the window. While it had its moments, it quickly became monotonous; I felt bored looking out the window somewhere in Pennsylvania. The piece has received critical acclaim, but I still prefer Philip Glass' Einstein on the Beach for classic minimalism.

Kronos has musicianship of the highest order; they work hard and have a feel for the music they play, bringing out the best in it. What made this concert worthwhile was that each of these pieces drew strong reactions (with the exception of Trains, which drew only a yawn), albeit different reactions from different listeners.

For the encore, the quartet brought back the 1960's with a new, highly entertaining version (arranged by Mackey) of "Foxy Lady," complete with initiation pick slides, feedback, fuzz, and even a taped vocal ("I see you, uh, walking down Mass Ave. . ."). Cellist Joan Jeanrenaud treated her bow for this tune as well as for a second encore, "Purple Haze." Not exactly high art, but a good close to perhaps one of the weirdest concerts I've ever seen.

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By JONATHAN RICHMONT

T WAS NOT ARAM GHARABEKIAN'S happiest evening. One-third of the professional freelancers who normally make up Sinfonia Nova's orchestral ensemble had decided they would rather play for the Boston Pops or the Boston Ballet on the night of Sinfonia Nova's last 1988/89 season concert. The musicians Gharabekian recruited to replace them were of a lower standard. 

But despite some bright and characterful playing, they appeared to be connected by a mechanical rather than a spiritual link for much of the time, and their performance lacked in variety or creativity. They weren't helped by the clunky-sounding Poulenc piano that they played on; the tone quality was bright and forward, and less malleable than that of a good grand.

The orchestral opening to the concerto was warm and quite Mozartean, although the ensemble — like the soloists — veered a mostly homogenous fabric, which would have benefited from more individuality in expression. The strings became somewhat oversize towards the end of the concerto.

There's no doubt that Sinfonia Nova's high-power performance of Mozart's "Apollon" symphony was exciting; but it was decidedly unconventional. The orchestra pressed ahead at a relentless rate, coming across tech very aggressively and self-consciously. This was, some seem of the slower passages in the Andante, especially near the woodwinds; but the Menuetto was spunky and the concluding Molto Allegro — driven by the devil, with Gharabekian nicely steering on the sidelines — may have been breathtaking, but it was also melodramatic and harsh.

Gharabekian has shown in the past that he has a gift of the most innovative and distinctive conductors in town. Past Sinfonia Nova performances of Mozart have been ravishing, and Gharabekian has given compelling accounts of many of the composer's most innovative scores. He has introduced it to concert audiences. Better advance planning and fewer mistakes needed for next season to ensure that the best available musicians can perform in every concert, and to remove the panic atmosphere which marred this one.

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THEATER


The Boston Pops or the Boston Symphony Orchestra gets the better of its conductor at Smfolova concert

Mozart. In the play for the Boston Pops or the Boston Symphony, composer and conductor is Anthony Paratore. (No relation to this writer.)

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MIT may start recycling paper

(Continued from page 1)

avoiding approval from superi-
ors. One question, for example, is
whether dormitories would
participate in recycling. The stu-
dents in SAVE could create an
in-house recycling advocate group
which recycling effort to reach into the
dormitories and to go beyond recy-
cling at the Institute. It has already
begun recycling. Earthworm, Inc., a nonprofit re-
cycling program in their houses next
semester. But, Norris said, people
who are trying small recycling
programs in their departments
are getting about one-third of
their co-workers participating
voluntarily.

Ironically, interest in recycling
at the Institute has grown simulta-
aneously on many fronts, from
Physical Plant to independent
living groups. Norris said when
his group met in March they had
"no idea" that Physical Plant was
considering restyling a recycling
program next year. "A lot of different
groups had the same idea at the same
time," Mills said.

Norris said the Institute could
sell its waste paper for roughly
$40 a ton. Coyne said Earthworm
can get from $100 to $170 per
ton for paper it delivers to a mill.

The selling price of waste paper
can vary, especially as the supply in-
creases, Norris said. But the sav-
ings in avoided costs of waste dis-
posal will most likely continue to
increase as "all of the available
dumps in the area will be filled in
two years... and there is no
available land for new ones," he
said.

Though both Mills and Norris
said almost everyone they had
talked to about recycling sup-
ported the idea, Norris said some
people at MIT might be reluctant.
Increasing their co-workers partici-
paring voluntarily.

The Institute might be able to
make a small profit by selling its
recyclable waste paper, although
there would be increased person-
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Women's Conference to focus on housing issues

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that it will include "all different pledge classes."

Newton said the conference had planned to run a panel discussion on women's housing during this spring's Campus Preview, but they canceled it because the Institute was running a similar program. She was optimistic about running future such programs, however.

Just as the IFC doesn't sponsor activities, the conference wouldn't sponsor many activities, either, Simpson said. She said that the conference would provide information to women, but would leave most programs to the individual living groups and sororities.

Newton said that the "Institute has been supportive in helping get the Women's Conference started," including some funds for their activities. She noted that the conference's expenses were minimal because it is "not a major organization," and the participants are "all volunteers."

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The varsity women's four raced this past Saturday.

By Anh Thu Vo

The women's varsity eight crew averaged a pair of early-season losses to Wellesley College in their last race before the Women's Eastern Association of Rowing College Sprints Championships at Lake Waramaug, CT. The Engineers hosted Wellesley Saturday on the Charles River.

Having lost to Wellesley three weeks ago in the Brunelle Cup Regatta and again last Sunday at the New England Championship Regatta, the Engineers came into the race determined to win. And they accomplished just that, beating Wellesley, using their larger build to make up for their slim lead. The Wellesley eight rowing with much less firepower and technique. Wellesley's determination as they reduced a five-seat gap down to one foot. This year's spring racing season has proven frustrating for the varsity heavyweights, the reigning champions of the club eight event at the Head of the Charles Regatta.

The varsity lightweight lost to Harvard University, Yale University, Columbia, and Cornell University in their qualifying heats. Since the top three finishers of each heat went on to the grand final, MIT and Cornell were assigned to the petite final. MIT finished last (6:53.2), behind the US Naval Academy (6:30.0) and the University of Pennsylvania (6:28.2).

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100 meters — 1, Boston U, 11.18; 2, Joliet, Northeastern, 11.24; 3, Borromeo, UMass, 11.25.

110 hurdles — 1, Radcliffe, 14.95; 2, SMU, 15.24; 3, Ivanov, Bentley, 15.26; 4, Kelly Davis, MIT, 15.62.


400 meters — 1, Boston U, 51.21; 2, Runcorn, Central Conn., 51.47; 3, Canessa, URI, 52.35.

800 meters — 1, Radcliffe, URI, 1:50.17; 2, Cislo, UMass, 1:50.32; 3, Hazard, Dartmouth, 1:50.53.

1500 meters — 1, Schopp, Northeastern, 4:37.76; 2, Corrado, Providence, 4:38.26; 3, Donaghi, Dartmouth, 4:38.25.

Stepladder Relay — 1, Radcliffe, 1:36.54; 2, SMU, 1:37.03; 3, MIT, Fordham, 1:39.62.

4x800 relay — 1, URI, 8:42.96; 2, Brown, Dartmouth, 8:50.22; 3, URI, 8:51.56.

1600 meters — 1, URI, 4:33.19; 2, Dartmouth, 4:34.12; 3, URI, 4:34.40.

Discus — 1, Sweaney, Harvard, 170'-0; 2, Fitch, Brown, 163'-6; 3, Kiernan, SMU, 162'-10.

High jump — 1, Ferguson, Brown, 7'-61/4; 2, Denroche, S. Conn., 7'-61/4; 3, Kiernan, SMU, 7'-61/4.

Pole vault — 1, Basi, S. Conn., 14'-111/4; 2, Douville, Dartmouth, 14'-41/2; 3, Gebauer, Bowdoin, 14'-1/2.

Shot put — 1, Cary, UConn, 55'-1/4; 2, Anderson, Dartmouth, 54'-31/2; 3, Williams, 53'-31/2.

Triple jump — 1, Campbell, URI, 49'-11/2; 2, Hinheit, VT, 48'-81/4; 3, Bon- horne, Misic, 48'-61/4.

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**Women's crew beats Wellesley; men lose Sprints**

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