By Linda D’Angelo

The national organization of the Jewish fraternity Alpha Epsilon Pi, in an attempt to reorganize its MIT chapter after three breach of policy, has invited only 10 of the chapter’s 55 members to remain in the house after this term.

According to Richard P. Wong ’91, an Interfraternity Council cabinet officer and former AEPi vice president and ex officio, “the basis for people being asked to leave is religious discrimination.” While less than 20 percent of the chapter’s members were asked back, Wong noted.

Wong was one of the 10 brothers invited by the national organization, four of whom saw their chapter after three meetings of the national representatives (a "violation of the FIPG’s provision against open parties," and the chapter "got a warning." (Please turn to page 2)

UAC adopts harassment proposal

By Katherine Shim

The Undergraduate Association Council approved last night mandating the formation of a student task force to address harassment problems. The proposal emphasizes the concerns of the national representatives to the MIT chapter.

The council also passed a proposal mandating the inclusion in the 1990-91 academic year, and announced a spring break shuttle service to Logan International Airport for Friday, March 23.

The harassment proposal cites specific problems with current complaints procedures, the inadequate counseling and information services available to those who have been harassed.

The proposal mandates the formation of a student task force which will investigate the degree of harassment on campus over the past five years and will report the results to the students and the Dean for Student Affairs by May 1, 1990.

The responsibilities of the task force will also include ensuring the effective distribution of information on the Institute Policy on Harassment and accompanying procedures of action, and the inadequate counseling and information services available, as well as the possibilities for “streamlining the way the UA operates,” which would improve funding obstacles. The Kang/Sritzri platform also lists possible ways to “get more funding for student activities.”

The Kang/Sritzri platform is a series of proposals to improve the UA and the quality of life at MIT. Central to the platform is a “list of what we think are major concerns facing the undergraduate body right now,” Kang said.

The two also said they thought the UA should work with class representatives to help them get funding for activities. One of their proposals, Sritzri said, was to "adopt each individual class budget around . . . its own budget. It is a much more effective way for them to put the parties they need and to sponsor the initiative they desire. So the proposal was that their goal was to "streamline the way the UA operates," which would improve funding obstacles. The Kang/Sritzri platform also lists possible ways to "get more funding for student activities.

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Friends celebrate life and work of Edgerton

By Katherine Shim

On Wednesday, the Institute came to terms with the death of Harold E. Edgerton SM ’27, Institute professor emeritus of electrical engineering, with a day-long celebration of his life and accomplishments. The events of the day were marked not with solemn mourning, but with happy reminiscences, a chuckle and a joke. It was a tribute to the vibrant personality of "Doc" Edgerton.

Edgerton, born in Fremont, NJ, on April 8, 1903, first came to MIT as a graduate student. He remained at the Institute for 64 years, most of them spent as professor of electrical engineering. He was known worldwide for his invention of the stroboscopic light, his stop-action photography, and his work in ocean research. Edgerton died of a heart attack on Jan. 4 at the age of 86.

The events of the day officially began with a gathering of Edgerton’s friends, colleagues, students and others at 2 pm in Kresge Auditorium. The event was run entirely by members of the MIT community. Colleagues of Edgerton in the Department of Electrical Engineering were in attendance, as well as the faculty. The event was run entirely by members of the MIT community. Colleagues of Edgerton in the Department of Electrical Engineering were in attendance, as well as the Institute’s president and vice president.

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daoism, Wong said. The "content of the interview questions and 

the posture which national has taken 

leads me to question" what the 

real reason for the reorganization 

wong, too, felt that "AEPi in-

spects its chapters more closely than 

other nationals." However, the 

MIT chapter "is scrutinized even more closely because of our 

membership and because we are not 

following national's implied 

politics," he commented.

A history of problems 

A long history of antagonism 

between the national organiza-

on every Saturday 

This move was the result of a strong 

anti-national sentiment within the 

chapter, Stier noted. 

This chapter has re-

vered its feeling, and a strong 

effort has been made to improve 

relations with the national 

organization. 

Religious ritual, which had been 

modified by the chapter, 

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Poindeater accused of lying

Prosecutor Daniel Webb said in his opening statement on Thursday that former National Security Advisor John M. Poindeater lied and ripped up a key presidential document during the Iran-contra affair. Webb also plans to have Poindeater's former aide, Oliver L. North, testify that he was encouraged to lie as well.

The judge in the Poindeater trial is questioning the veracity of the prosecution's lead witness. Judge Harold Groen said North has changed his story in an attempt to help his former boss. At his trial, North testified that Poindeater tear up a presidential finding concerning the sale of arms to Iran. But the judge said that, in pre-trial testimony, North said he did not find out what the document was until Poindeater testified before Congress. In-formation derived from Poindeater's immunized testimony before Congress cannot be used in his trial. North is supposed to testify today.

Scientists develop anti-AIDS gene

California researchers say they have developed an artificial gene that produces a substance that effectively battle the AIDS virus. The doctors have tested the gene on human cells in test tubes and say it acts as a "molecular scis-sor." It blocks aids cells from reproducing.

Administration defends transport policy

The Bush Administration yesterday defended its new transportation policy from charges that it avoids federal responsibilities. Transportation Secretary Samuel K. Skinner said suggestions to pay for transportation maintenance by increased user fees is in line with polls showing that the public is willing to pay more.

Gov. Michael S. Dukakis (D-MA) said the policy would break a longstanding state-federal partnership in building and repairing roads. Dukakis said Thursday that the en-ergy tensions between the Soviet Union and the United States should result in savings on military spending. He said the United States could concentrate on making better roads, highways, and improve deteriorating bridges with the savings.

Cal. officials seize cocaine

Officials in Orange County, CA, arrested three people and seized more than two tons of cocaine worth an estimated $133 million. Eight vehicles, including a motor home, were confiscated along with $20,000 in cash.

West Virginia teacher strike spreads

A West Virginia teacher's strike has spread to more than half of the state's schools. One striking teacher in St. Albans said she is fed up with the governor and legislature for refusing to negotiate until classes resume. Police said five trucks were involved in a three-vehicle pileup on Thursday for allegedly blocking a school bus.

Twelve escape in Cal, prison break

Twelve inmates remain free after a dramatic escape from a Chula Vista, CA, prison Wednesday night. Fourteen inmates used a plastic water pipe to create a hole in the wall, pulled themselves over a plexiglass window and then lowered themselves to freedom using a rope made of knotted bed sheets. Two of the escapes were captured shortly after the jail break.

Clean Air Bill amendments unlikely

Several senators universal proposals to strengthen the compromise clean air bill, but one senator acknowledged the odds are heavy against the changes. The White House has told senators opponents of the amendments. The clean air measure represents the first tightening of federal air pol- lution controls in 13 years. It calls for sweeping curbs on smog-causing pollution from automobiles and indus-trial plants and, for the first time, requires cuts in acid rain pollutants from coal-fired electric power plants.

Forbes leaves bonus

Employees of Forbes, Inc., have received a gift from beyond. Malcolm Forbes' son and successor said in accord-dance with the late publishing magnate's wishes, workers are getting an extra week's pay. Delta's from loans from the company are forgiven up to $10,000.

Number of babies with low birth weights increases

A new report from the National Centers for Disease Control says that the number of infants born at less than 51⁄2 pounds rose two percent between 1985 and 1987. Of-ficials also warn that the proportion of low-weight babies among blacks is more than double the proportion among whites.

FDA bans prostate drugs

Within six months, all non-prescription drugs used to enlarge the prostate gland will be off the shelves. The Food and Drug Administration says it is ban-ning the sale of the products because there is little evi-dence that any of them work and eliminates the condition. The agency says the drugs can relieve some of the symp-toms but kills users into a false sense of security.

Storms hit Midwest

A storm that socked-in parts of the West and Midwest pulled down power lines that serve more than 90,000 peo-ple in Des Moines, IA, Thursday. In Wyoming, some mar-ker highways remained closed a third day by deep snow.

Quayle visits Latin America

Vice President Dan Quayle heads to Latin America to-day to help usher in new presidents of Chile and Brazil. Quayle said one focus of the trip will be economic devel-opment in Latin America.

Sen. Edward Kennedy (D-MA) plans to join Quayle at the inauguration of Chile's first freely-elected president in nearly two decades. Kennedy is set to leave today on a four-day trip to the Caribbean and Latin America. The administration is scheduling the House and Senate to vote today that for Chile, the United States cannot be considered the sole source of economic aid. He said Europe should help Chile and other newly-freed democracies to grow economi-cally.

FCC to loosen controls on AT&T

The Federal Communications Commission declared Thrusday that it is ready to loosen its regulation of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, declaring the nationwide phone monopoly no longer faces "significant competition" in the interstate long-distance marketplace. The commission has adopted a staff proposal that, if ap-proved, would give the company some of the freedoms it maintains it needs to maneuver against competitors such as MCI Communications and US Sprint. The FCC says it will study competition in the interstate long-distance area as and adopt necessary regulatory reforms.

HUD investigation continues

House Democrats' hearing into the activities of one-time Housing and Urban Development Secretary Samuel J. Pierce say they are seeking immunity for a former top housing official. The investigators are hoping that Duhbs Gilliam can provide testimony about housing agency grants and contract procedures under Pierce. Gilliam is already serving a prison sentence for a conviction in an-other HUD-related case.

Local

Fire victims die

A mother and her three children died Thursday after a fire spread through their Worcester home Wednesday morning. A supervisor said the children's mother, 38-year-old Ethel Baiden, died at 4:30 Thursday afternoon. Her two-year-old son and four-year-old daughter Frances died Thursday morning. Her seven-month-old son was found in the remains of his charred crib. Fire officials think the fire started when a baby blanket caught fire and ignited the crib which had been placed near a portable gas heater.

Some drug stores may drop out of Medicaid

State officials have been warned that some drug stores may be forced to drop out of the Medicaid program. Pharmacists say some drug stores have to wait weeks for payments that used to be made in 10 to 20 days. The Medicaid program pays for health care bills for the poor, including many elderly people in nursing homes. It is scheduled to run out of money on April 15. Pharmacists took their worries about the lack of money to state offi-cials on Thursday.

Raiders to decide on home

Officials in Oakland, CA, and Alameda County, CA, are demanding an answer on whether the Los Angeles Raiders will move back to the Bay Area. The package for the Raiders includes $35.5 million for improvements to the Oakland Coliseum in Alameda County. The Raiders have offered money to keep the Raiders in Los Angeles.

Baseball strike begins fourth week

Baseball Commissioner Fay Vincent struck out on Thursday in his bid to end the baseball strike. Vincent opened the spring training lockout. A proposal to open the camps in return for a no-strike pledge from the players met with a swift rejection from the union. Management approved the plan from Vincent, who has the power to start spring training but remains hesitant to do so from both sides. Player's Association chief Don Fehr responded to Vincent's proposal by saying a new proposal from deil would give manage-ment another season to undersign players while the clubs make $1.5 billion.

Weather

Spring – New England style

A high pressure center will dominate our weather for another day. Then a low will pass to our south, bringing cloud cover Friday night. A brief period of spring training clearing will follow Saturday, with more warm temperatures. Another light storm center will pass Sunday morning, bringing a chance of light rain. It will pass quickly, leaving clear skies behind. A prevailing southwesterly flow will keep temperatures above normal during the period and into the beginning of next week.

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A dog who humanized the Institute
Column by Bill Jackson

Beau Moriarty died last Saturday. Beau was well known around the Institute, especially in some of his favorite courses, including 6.041, 18.03, and 18.01. Beau also worked closely with members of the electrical engineering department in Building 55. Beau was a golden retriever.

Beau's owner, Ed Moriarty '76, said that his sister brought the dog up from Washington, DC, seven years ago, just as Ed was starting out as a faculty liaison for Project Athena. Beau's owners had been looking for a golden retriever to play with the kids. According to Ed, "Beau wasn't that kind of dog."

Ed agreed to keep Beau, but this immediately became a problem when Ed found himself in between apartments for a month. He had no place to leave Beau during the day, "so I just started bringing him to work with me."

Almost immediately, Beau became better known than Ed. "Everyone always said hi to Beau. No one ever said hi to me!" he remembered. "Crossing campus took a long time with Beau. Everyone always wanted to stop and see him." Beau also made Ed's life easier. "One of the rooms we had at the house had a door...people had...was that somebody could call at me. They'd come into a room, say hi to Beau, pet him, and then leave. They had no choice but to be civil to me."

Beau would follow Ed around the Institute faithfully. Once Ed was working in Building 4, and a group of people left the room. Beau fol- lowed, unaware that Ed was staying. When Ed realized Beau was missing, he went looking for him. He looked all over the main Institute buildings. Then a complete stranger walked up to him and asked, "Are you looking for Beau? He was in the basement of Building 10 a half hour ago heading toward Mass. Ave." Ed had no idea who the man was or how he knew Beau. He simply thanked him and kept looking.

"That happened a few times. If Beau wasn't with me, people I barely knew would walk up to me and ask where he was." Ed eventually found Beau in Building 35, eating pizza with some graduate students. Ed and his colleagues are filled with stories about Beau. "You don't have to be here for a dog to humanize MIT like that," Ed said. "Almost immediately, Beau became better known than Ed. Everyone always said hi to Beau. No one ever said hi to me!"

Beau Moriarty

In his senior year in 1976, Ed Moriarty returned for some graduate work, and now works with the electrical engineering and math departments on computer hardware. "MIT always has a real feel of family. Of course, because of Beau...people may have been more friendly to me than most." Ed doesn't have to know Ed Moriarty for very long to see how special Beau was to him. "Friends, you have a certain part of the day...Family, you have a certain part of the day...Beau was always there," Ed told me as he fought back a tear. Look him down at his young son, he said that he'd been hoping that 'Beau' would be the first word Pete would say. Beau had been ill for some time. "If I cut down last Saturday with Beau on my lap and fed him some of his food. I knew that I was taking him to the vet at noon, and that would be it."

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Anyone that can humanize MIT like that deserves to be remembered.

Beau Moriarty died peacefully on March 3, with his family by his side and his belly full of turkey. He is survived by Emily, Alix, Peter, Ed, and all of his MIT family and friends.

Bill Jackson, a freshman, continues to write for The Tech despite the advice of doctors, friends and newspaper lovers everywhere.
Columbus on class ring deems Native Americans

Native American Student Association

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ARA should reform its policies on charitable donations and leftovers

Several articles and letters have appeared recently in The Tech concerning the expiration of ARA's contract and its possible renewal. Most recently, "MIT likely to renew ARA," March 2. The MIT community has brought up many problems with ARA. We as members of MIT Hunger Action Group would like to add two of our own: the unfairness of ARA's charitable donation policy, and its treatment of leftover food.

Every November, the week before Thanksgiving, the MIT Hunger Awareness Week for Oxfam America, a non-profit organization that helps combat world hunger. For the annual Fast Day, we ask people to donate the amount of money they would spend on food in a day, and last fall we collected $700. A large part of these donations are collected through the meal card plan. The vast majority of students who donate money for Fast Day do not, or even skip a meal; the donation is a gesture of solidarity, not a contract.

ARA, however, keeps 15 cents of every dollar donated. They claim this outrageous amount is needed for "overhead expenses" such as cafeteria maintenance and staffing. Even though ARA loses no business on Fast Day, they appropriate more than half of all donations to justify "overhead," which the students then pay for a second time when they eat ARA food on Fast Day. Many students have expressed anger about this profit-seeking policy. Where does this ARA "overhead" go? Part must go to the color TV and VCR in McCormick Dining Hall which cycles (Please turn to page 9)

Divestment advocate failed to back position

Joel J. Gwynn's letter ("Normal shows insensitivity to the reality of apartheid," March 2) does nothing to shake my belief that the Coca-Cola boycott is an excuse for some to funnel moral emotion into any cause prevalent. I am not denouncing the notion of a boycott itself; the boycott is legitimate stand on beliefs, regardless of whether or not I agree. What I object to, and what I was trying to highlight in Normal, is the smug ignorance of some of its supporters. I have spoken to people actively involved in the boycott as part of researching the boycott itself. The Coke boycott is about diversities, not trade sanctions. Friday's letter not only misses this completely, but assumes they are the same thing. This is not surprising. Not including my sources. I have spoken to only one supporter of the boycott who had any clue as to what the boycott was really about.

Mr. Gwynn, you say that "doing business in South Africa means reaping the benefits of the barbaric social and economic segregation that exists there." Some companies do exploit segregation. Does Coke? Have you even checked an independent source? I know what I think: Black Coke employees in South Africa are paid! My sources say they are paid comparably to whites. Your letter offers nothing to contradict this claim. I will believe a well-researched reference over your single, unsupported statement. I do not pretend to believe that Coke is a benevolent shelter to poor blacks, but think about this: If Coke left South Africa, its subsidiaries there would no longer be working for a company that is morally responsible. Black employees are real people; let's not "try it out, and see what happens." None of Mr. Gwynn's arguments offer any proof. The entire article is an emotional argument. Yes, numbers and facts are less exciting than grand, tear-wrenching speeches, but they carry the weight of reason.

Mr. Gwynn, may I request that you research your stand before you argue it. When you replace fluff phrases such as "sane rationalization" with facts, I will be happy to have an open-minded conversation on the topic. I'll certainly change my stand if you can show me I'm wrong.

C. M. Montgomery '91

Evelyn Murphy's absolutist abortion stand is untenable

Recently Massachusetts Lieutenant Governor Evelyn Murphy issued a campaign letter arguing that she is the only Democratic gubernatorial candidate who supports abortion rights. She asserts that abortion should be legal at any point in pregnancy. I consider this position morally repugnant, to say the least, but what is most unsettling is that she identifies this position as having special credibility. She implies that those who see a need for compromise have "no heart." I called the lieutenant governor's office to express my dismay. She connected to a member of Murphy's staff who began lecturing me about how the people who are against abortion are also against birth control. Then, the staffer attempted to intimidate me by confronting me with the uncontested case of a seven months' pregnant woman who will die without an abortion. At that point I hung up.

Murphy defends a "right" to choose a third trimester abortion on the grounds that only a few will occur. I find this argument morally vacuous. Moreover, I question moral arguments for her position that emphasize self-ownership and individualism. Human beings flourish only in community with each other; we each have an interest in each other's lives.

Slavery is wrong because human beings should not be treated like property. "My body, my life, my right" also treats a person as something you might own — like a television set. Such a view leaves little room for us to have a moral conversation on the morality of a person choosing to abort an unborn child from delivery. I think third trimester abortions are morally wrong and that we should act as a community to prevent them.

Douglas Galti G

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Remembering Doc Edgerton: an act of kindness

The loss of Harold E. "Doc" Edgerton, Institute Professor emeritus of electrical engineering, has caused great pain not only to the MIT community, but also to the thousands of people around the world who had a chance to be associated with him during his life. His admirable work is well known and respected, but I am not sure how well his charming, warm personality is known. He was one of the most warmhearted people I have ever met, and I would like to share my memory of him.

On a late May afternoon two years ago, I was walking on campus, crying. I was very upset over something and was taking a walk alone. Suddenly, someone stopped right in front of me. I looked up and saw a smiling face—Dr. Edgerton was there. He asked me if I was okay, I nodded still in tears. Then he started walking, pulling my arm. I was surprised and asked him where we were going, and he said we were going to his house.

When we arrived, he introduced me to Mrs. Edgerton and told her that we were having dinner together. Again, I was surprised. I didn’t want to cause any trouble for her, for I was sure that she had prepared the dinner just for the two of them. But she smiled and divided the dinner into three. The meal for each seemed small, and I kept worrying if they would be hungry later on. For me, it was enough because their warmheartedness had already filled my stomach.

After the dinner, he went under the dining table and asked me to come under as well. I wondered if he liked to rest under the table after meals, but I soon found out why. There were a lot of writings on the reverse side of the table; many of them were the signatures of people who had visited, some with greetings. He gave me a pen and I wrote my name in Japanese.

After he showed me his "Kitch" filled with films, I found out that he was also a good guitarist and a singer. He took his guitar and sang a song for me. The song was called "You are my Sunshine." He taught me the lyrics, and I wrote them down. Then he said that sunshine was not supposed to cry, I was very moved by his warmth and his way of cheering me up.

Dr. Edgerton and Mrs. Edgerton then took me to my dormitory. I still remember them walking slowly back to their place together, holding hands.

After that day, they invited me over several times. Sometimes, they would give me take-home food so that I could have it for breakfast. Dr. Edgerton told me that I was his first Japanese granddaughter and when he called me, he would say, "Hi, this is Grandpa Edgerton calling."

I had been on leave for more than a year working with my mother in Japan when I heard the news of his death. I could not believe it because I was so happy and healthy in November when I called him. In February, I came back to my Boston house and found his voice on my answering machine. It still remains on my tape.

In our lives, we seldom meet people who really touch our hearts. And to me, he was one of the few. I greatly miss my beloved "Grandpa" Edgerton, like those who were also touched by his warmth during his life.

Yoko Hasegawa ’89

Students sought to express views through open debate, not vandalism

I was confused. When I picked up the March 2 copy of The Tech and saw a picture of 590 copies of The Thistle (a parody of the interior of a liner) ("Thistle distribution hit her mother attack"). I didn’t know how to respond. Had the architects of this foul deed published their views in a letter, even a poorly written one, I could have iPhones. I was associated with a similar fashion. Or, if their powers of articulation are as broad as The Thistle’s lofty standards, they could have at least scrawled graffiti on the bathroom wall. A toilet is hardly an ideal seat of discourse.

I agree that The Thistle’s comments are often biased and sensationalist. As a put rush chairman, I brieﬁed my attacks on fraternities when freshmen were the most impressionable. Steven D. Pena’s remark that a sorority member “was leading a troop of women to pick the paper” sounded like a paranoid delusion. But let’s aim to stop at that level.

Censorship is not the answer—and if chucking newspapers in a john isn’t censorship, I don’t know what it is!

MIT is a place with many opinions and perspectives. Instead of shredding pieces which advertise lectures by Israel Shehak or burning Pro-Life drop posters, we should take a look at these issues and learning from each other. When The Thistle or The Thistle prints an article you don’t like, reply to it with a letter. Instead of writing “Israel is Apartheid” on posters put up by MIT Students for Israel, write complete paragraphs explaining your view. As long as we respect each other’s opinions, free speech and debate will give way to narrow-mindedness.

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We have decided that rather than throw away our vote on ban or nonexistent candidates, we will work to convince other students to write in "None of the Above" on their ballots next week. We believe that the UA Elections Board should tabulate these protest votes and release an honest count of how many students feel disenfranchised by the UA.

If we are correct, a large fraction of students will register their protest against the current system. We urge our fellow students to consider: Is the UA really better than nothing?

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In response to junior Gregory S. Richardson's letter ("GAMIT should accept the views of anti-homosexuals," March 6), I would like to say I whole-heartedly agree. Every individual has a right to choose his/her own moral, political, or religious views. It is an opinion that might arise from that morality. GAMIT has never said anything to the effect that one would support it if it had. However, what must be condemned are the hurtful consequences of expressing and enforcing certain "morality" that conflict with the opinions of others. I agree that any individual has the right to choose his/her own morality which would be the condemnation of other groups than do not fit within that morality. GAMIT is not denouncing the right to be homophobic, but is affirming the right to be gay and will always struggle to keep those who are homophobic from harming our community and encouraging hatred in others. Richardson feels that "such accusations cannot be reconciled with an ideology that espouses the celebration of diversity as a virtue," but his logic falls short. If he truly does not condemn or support those who attack any community, he has a right to his views. However, I feel saying that GAMIT is in violation of its own motto is nonsensical. By attacking racism, homophobia, sexism, anti-Semitism, and other forms of prejudice — whether they be on the grounds of morality, biology, religion, or personal choice — are working to create an environment where everyone feels included. They are themselves without fearing persecution from the religious majorities. Richardson's morality is one where judgment is passed on a group which is generally perceived as unacceptable.

GAMIT does not condemn Richardson for not being able to accept homosexuality, but does condemn the result that his expressive mode of thought encourages. He does not seem to realize the ramifications of holding such a "morality" and how it infringes the ramifications of holding such ages. He does not seem to realize the consequences of holding such a moral stance of thought encouraging condemnation from the moral majority.

Freedom of the press does not include the freedom to slander

Initially, I did not feel it was necessary to respond to the ludicrous accusations made by Steven D. Penn in the March 2 issue of The Tech ("Thistle distribution hit by another attack"). However, I do feel that it is my responsibility to inform readers of the unprofessional and malicious nature of attacks such as "journalists" such as him.

On the day the Residence/Criminal Week issue of The Thistle came out, I happened to be walking through Lobby 7. A group of women and men, a few of whom I knew, were gathered on the side. I joined them and proceeded to listen to their complaints against the Thistle articles which they felt were offensive and sexist. They were so anguished that they felt the issue should be taken off the stand. Individuals prevailed to dispose of the paper of their own volition, but I still feel encouraged such a demonstration.

I did not think twice about the incident until six months later when I was dragged out of bed around 1:30 AM Friday morning to answer a phone call from The Tech. They informed me of the story they were printing and asked me for my comments. I was shocked that anyone could fabricate such actions from me. I realized, as most people did, that I was singled out as a result of the person I was dating at the time. Furthermore, I and everyone I knew was disgusted by the sexist implication that my actions could ever be dictated by my boyfriend. The Thistle claims to be a legitimate force trying to broaden the horizons of the MIT community by informing them of what's really going on. Yet, if Steve Penn's accusations are any indication, the magazine in which The Thistle reports its stories, then I feel sorry for him and the audience he reaches. I believe in freedom of speech as guaranteed by the Constitution. However, the right to express one's opinion does not in any way include the right to print outright lies. Rather, Penn's accusations fall under the definition of slander — a false report maliciously uttered intending to injure the reputation of a person. The author of the Thistle, Proctor H. Penn '91, is not concerned with criticism either. His willingness to print an unsubstantiated story based on one person's opinion is unacceptable. As a journalist, he has a responsibility to his audience to investigate his stories and present the truth so as to allow people to make their own independent decisions about them. I adamantly believe, as The Tech so eloquently states, that "MIT must be a forum of ideas," and that we should take a stand against intolerance. Unfortunately, malicious and false stories such as this one fail to convince anyone of some of these principles. They only demonstrate the lack of respect people have for their fellow students. I hope incidents such as this one will be avoided in the future.

Marta Trinidad Arriola '90

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through a four-minute summary of the four food groups. And how much goes toward the glossy brochures and posters? It is sad to think that money that students wish to direct to Oxfam and the community at large could be donated instead to MIT's hunger Action group.

One second point of contention concerns ARA's policy regarding leftover food. Being inspired by working systems at both Boston University's ARA service and Harvard University's food service, MIT Hunger Action has been trying, over the past two years, to initiate a system at MIT through which much leftover food would be donated to neighboring soup kitchens and shelters. MIT Hunger Action would arrange for the pickup and transport of all food. Under the Good Samaritan Law of 1985, ARA has no legal obligation for any food given in good faith. ARA has refused to donate any food, claiming that absolutely no food is ever wasted at MIT. No system of this size can realistically make such a claim, and evidence to the contrary can be seen at any of the dining halls. ARA does recycle leftover hot dishes, as has been described in a past letter to The Tech. But food still substandard despite such measures.

Nevertheless, perishable items such as bread, salad, and many cooked dishes cannot be safely recycled. ARA prefers to hide all signs of inefficiency rather than donate leftover food to people who desperately need it. MIT needs to insist that its food service be more receptive to the needs of both the students it serves and the community within which it operates. ARA must make some basic policy changes before it can claim to fulfill such a role. Furthermore, MIT needs to make a greater effort to investigate alternatives to ARA. Time is short before ARA's contract expires.

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By NEIL J. ROSS

THE HUNTINGTON THEATRE’S production of The Merry Wives of Windsor, under the direction of Edward Gilbert, is a delight to watch, with a nice balance of force and wit. The weave of plots is deftly managed and the characters interact well on stage. Jack Aranson’s imposing figure immediately reinforces the traditional view of Sir John Falstaff, the dastardly knight, as a robustly healthy man, while clearing the way for his endurance of the hardships into which his masochism leads him. His drinking companions don’t seem to be the sort of people you would like to meet outside the theater after the show. They exude the sort of blatant opportunism summed up in Pistol’s words, “The world is mine oyster which I with sword shall open.”

Tanny McDonald and Robin Moesley, as the merry wives (Mrs. Page and Mrs. Ford, respectively), instaue a little jipish mischief into their early dealings with Falstaff, neatly presaging Falstaff’s final ordeal in the wood. The contrast between Munson Hicks’ easy-going Mr. Ford and John Henry Con’s distrustful Mr. Page is made visible in the contrast between Ford’s light beige and brown rustic clothes and Page’s black and dark blue costume. When confronted with the news of Falstaff’s activities, Page and his inflated opinion of himself, so cushioned against their misfortune, allows us to thoroughly enjoy the antics. Swanson’s Slender is wonderfully childish, naive and inarticulate while Sloan’s Dr. Caius is effete and foppish, making him an ideal target for the mockery the script provides.

Frank Grosclose’s Justice Shallow misses sadness, a certain beautiful remembrance, and a little reprehension to make a convincing old country gentleman.

John Fabella’s set and Mariana Verden’s costumes carry us to a pre-Tudor time as the connections of The Merry Wives of Windsor to Shakespeare’s Henry IV plays require.

Overall the careful attention to acting and staging details of the play make this production well worth going to see.

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By ELIZABETH WILLIAMS

With this play, The American Repertory Theatre once again shows its inimitable excellence in the selection and production of each season's material. The Father is a stellar performance in all respects -- acting, sets, lighting and music.

Written by August Strindberg, a Swedish contemporary of Ibsen, The Father treats an issue not quite in vogue today. The play is a challenging piece for modern viewers: In it Strindberg portrays the male, not the female, as the persecuted sex.

The Father is about an army captain's conflict with his wife over where to send his daughter to school. He is an arrogant, intelligent man who pursues meteorological research at home and loves his daughter Bertha deeply. He is vehemently against letting his wife have her own way because he feels she wants her own way all the time, which is driving him crazy. Referring to the Swedish law which states that the father is the head of the household and has legal control of the child, he demands Bertha be sent to school in town and not stay in the country as her mother wishes. Laura, in return, questions his position as father.

This brings up the central issue of the play: the question of fatherhood. The captain was thought of doubt in her husband's mind, continues to be of interest to viewers, now 100 years later.

Christopher Lloyd and Bronia Stefan Wheeler in The Father

The acting of Christopher Lloyd as the captain was flawless. He effectively brought out both the sensitivity and arrogance of the character. Candy Buckley played the conniving wife with skill, showing her heartlessness. The old nurse was realistically and sympathetically played by Bronia Stefan Wheeler.

The environment of the play's action is filled with tension and conflict. As the captain spirals downward into despair and anger, he feels that only in woman-as-mother can he find comfort and sympathy. This he finds with the old nurse and, briefly, in a revealing scene with his wife. However, with woman-as-lover he sees only pain and strife.

The play is a tug of war between two people for both a man's mind and his daughter. It hurtles to a climax which is heightened by the haunting music of Philip Glass and with surrealist lighting.

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The actors playing the doctor and the daughter were not as convincing. As the daughter, Daria Martel seemed less of a woman-as-mother, more merely a prop for her parents' fraud. Dean Harrison played the doctor stifly — perhaps this was because he was the understudy filling in.

Strindberg's frustration and confusion with women and women's rights comes through with power and aggression in ART's production of the play. The conflicts he shows can be found to be almost autobiographical. Strindberg, as proponent for women's rights, was disillusioned by female aggression against males, and he has been labeled a misogynist for his view of the female sex. Nonetheless, he makes pointed observations about male and female roles in society.

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Friends, students celebrate Doc Edgerton's life

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"A perpetual dreamer"

The program consisted of eulogies given by five friends of Edgerton — President Gray '54, Herbert E. Grier '33 of Edgerton, Germeshausen and Grier (EG&G); Truman S. Gray SM '29, professor emeritus of electrical engineering; William E. Garrett, editor of National Geographic Magazine; and oceanographer Jacques-Yves Cousteau.

"It was an honor to be associated with Doc," Gray said, "to just have his guidance, his friendship. It was, we made the whole thing worthwhile."

In all of the eulogies, not only were Edgerton's scientific accomplishments stressed, but also his warmth and tremendous impact as the teacher of thousands.

"Of all great teachers there is that simple to share, to share the wonder and excitement...Doc Edgerton reached out to his students across the spectrum and doubt, drawing them in." said Gray.

"Doc was a teacher from the beginning — not a scientist but a teacher and a humanist. All the honours he got were as much for his ability to motivate people to do things than anything else. That was perhaps greater than any of his scientific accomplishments..."

Remember the influence of Doc and keep trying to do better all the time," stated Gray.

The filled auditorium was an intimate gathering where members of the audience remembered chuckles, jokes, and warmth of Edgerton together, laughing with tears in their eyes.

Garrett said, "He never lost the fun of the Nebraska boy. He never lost the childlike wonder. At the same time that he was a scientific and intellectual giant, he was a living elf..."

Cousteau, the last to speak about Edgerton, said, "I first met Harold at the time he was making drops of milk into royal crowns. He was the only human being I ever met that made life with as much enthusiasm..."

"He was a perpetual dreamer. He was at the same time solidly anchored in the real world. He was a hard-working gentle giant, and he is cherished by (my family)."

Cousteau, speaking of the premature deaths of both Edgerton's son and his own, described how he and Edgerton found empathy and understanding in each other. He closed by stating, "Born in tragedy, our friendship will survive both of us."

The program ended with a video tribute, following the Krege program, there was a jubilee in the Sala de Puerto Rico of the Straton Student Center featuring exhibits of the Double Hydraulic Happening Machines, or "Piddles"; a collection of internationally acclaimed photographs by Edgerton; music lead by Associate Professor Samuel J. Keyser; and a photo opportunity.

Kjell Sandved, a research photographer at the Smithsonian Institution, gave a slide presentation entitled "Beyond the Ocean," followed by the film Curious Creatures.

Other events of the day included the continuous showing of a video on Edgerton's life and work in Lobby 7. Sign-up sheets were also circulated for the friends of Doc Edgerton Club. The purpose of the club has not yet been defined, but organizers hope to distribute a newsletter with news of Edgerton's former students and organize an annual meeting on his birthday.

HAROLD E. EDGERTON SM ’27

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Their campaign also calls for the "Institute to put condom machines in each dormitory and maintain them. Hogg and Stern pledged to personally maintain the machines if the Institute did not." The Hogs/Stern stance on recycling is one of optimism. "We are optimistic that we can accomplish our goal of increasing the amount of recycling that occurs," on campus, Stern said.

Freshman housing proposal

One major issue discussed at the forum was the Freshman Housing Committee report that came out last November. The report recommends that freshmen live in presigned rooms and that cash be delayed until the spring semester.

In reaction to the report, Kang and Strizzi "have a lot of specific ideas in mind," Strizzi said. "What we want to do is come out of student input, or in spite of students' low opinions of the food service. Both of these cases are 'un Sustainable,'" Hogg said.

To solve problems like this, Kang and Strizzi proposed a housing forum as a solution. They would make the impression that "the administration couldn't claim ignorance" of student opinion, Hogg said. "We hope to inform the administration of student opinion, and hope they act on it," he added.

Regarding sexual harassment, Stern said, "The UA president and vice president will work with all interested students and faculty to create a book on sexual harassment, which will be distributed to all students, faculty and TAs." They would also encourage the Institute to "make formal action about harassment easier" and more effective, Stern said.

Regarding the alcohol policy, Stern said, "We want to have responsibility for drinking." But students should be participating in the discussion of the rules, he added.
Other motives for discharge, AEPi claims

(Continued from page 2) was returned to national specifications, Wong said. This change, and others like it, were made in a conscious effort to "try to conform to national," he added.

Because of these efforts "communications had been much more close with national this past year and a half," Stier said.

A "Jewish chapter"

The interviews during the reorganization process, which focused on the Jewish principles of AEPi, has led many members, like former AEPi and IFC Rush Chair Sean R. Findlay '90, to conclude that the national organization "wants all an Jewish chapters."

As stated in the mission statement, which was distributed to AEPi members at the start of the interviewing, the purpose of AEPi is to "develop leadership and Jewish community."

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"I believe that discrimination was part of the re-evaluation process," he contended. "In my opinion, a private issue, but MIT (specifically Dorow) is pressuring them to justify what they did," he explained.

Regardless of whether or not discrimination was a factor in the reorganization, Dorow said his office "would help the students."

A "relatively informal" meeting has been scheduled for Monday to "discuss what has happened and where to go from here," Dorow said. The meeting will involve Dorow, AEPi chapter members, representatives from IFC and the Dean's Office, and, possibly, the national organization.

Stay together.

The formation of a new fraternity is one option which the members of AEPi are now considering, Findlay said. "People are looking at opportunities to stay together as a fraternity, hoping to start another local fraternity if that is necessary," Wong said.

Members are also "trying to look into buying another space, maybe to block space in a dormitory," he noted. "We would like to see MIT help as acquiring these houses, other houses, or dormitory space," Wong added.

There is also a staunchest among members that "AEPi national should be kicked off campus, and have their freshmen housing privilege revoked," Findlay said. "I do not think other MIT undergraduates should be subjected to what we have been subjected to," he reasoned.

According to Wong, the national chapter is planning to rush this spring. Dorow, however, said that "nothing has been decided."
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