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Third Housing Lottery Needed

By Eric Richard
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More than half of the approximately 100 students who were deferred to the second lottery for

Unofficial Dormitory Assignments

Dormitory	Freshmen	Transfers
Baker House	86	1
Burton House	110	0
Chocolate City	8	2
East Campus	113	0
French House	6	0
German House	4	2
McGregor House	62	0
McCormick Hall*	64	
New House**	46	6
Next House	not available	
Ransom Hall	21	9
Russian House	5	0
Senior House	42	5
Spanish House	4	1

* Statistics are combined freshmen and transfers.
** Does not include language houses or Chocolate City.
Statistics compiled from housing, room assignment, and rush chairs from dormitories.

permanent housing assignments were told yesterday that they would have to wait at least until 4 p.m. today for the results of a third round in order to get permanent housing.

In addition to the delay in placing students, those who received their assignments in the second round lottery yesterday were instructed to wait until this afternoon to move out of their temporary housing in order to ease the transition, according to Assistant Dean for Residence and Campus Activities Andrew M. Eisenmann '75.

After placing as many freshmen as possible, under the constraint of a 165-room crowding limit, there were still 50 to 60 students who remain unassigned after the second round lottery, according to Arthur C. Smith, dean for undergraduate education and student affairs.

Eisenmann said that the number of students without permanent assignments reflected the status of independent living group pledges as of 2:45 p.m. yesterday. He added

that more pledges had been received since.

Smith explained that people are being asked to wait to move into their permanent housing, because more pledges are expected by tomorrow afternoon.

For the time being, new students still living in temporary housing are expected to attend the in-house rush of the dormitory that they put down as their top choice, even though they are not guaranteed to be placed in that dormitory. "This certainly adds complications [to in-house rush]," Smith said, "but I don't see a way around it."

In-house rush may be delayed

Smith also mentioned the possibility of talking with each of the dormitory rush chairs and asking them to delay in-house selections until the present situation could be resolved.

However, Smith explained that

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GSC Hosts Orientation Events

By Deena S. Disraelly
STAFF REPORTER

In parallel with the undergraduate Residence and Orientation Week, the Graduate Student Council is hosting a graduate student orientation this week. Events include information sessions, trips, and tours. Orientation week started on Tuesday, and it will continue until Friday.

"One of the big things we try to do once the graduate students get here ...[is] to build a sense of community," said GSC President Caryl B. Brown G. The GSC wants to show them that "they do have a life, and they don't have to be chained to a lab desk," he added.

The other main goals for the GSC orientation are to make graduate students "more aware of MIT" through seminars and information sessions, and to "try to convince people that the GSC is a worthwhile organization," Brown said.

The graduate student orientation is staffed almost entirely by volunteers, a "100 percent uncompensated effort," Brown said. These graduate students also have responsibilities in their laboratories, and some are "asking extreme leniency" from their advisers to volunteer, Brown said. Overall, there are fewer people doing fewer things for more people than in undergraduate R/O, he added.

"This year, we have very nice people, very energetic, and very organized," said administrative assistant and GSC staff member Ying Ying Li G.

"I'm extremely pleased with the effort everyone has put in," Brown said. "It's not a one-man job." Brown also acknowledged the work of Orientation Committee Chair Christopher B. Umminger G.

The week's itinerary

This year's orientation is very

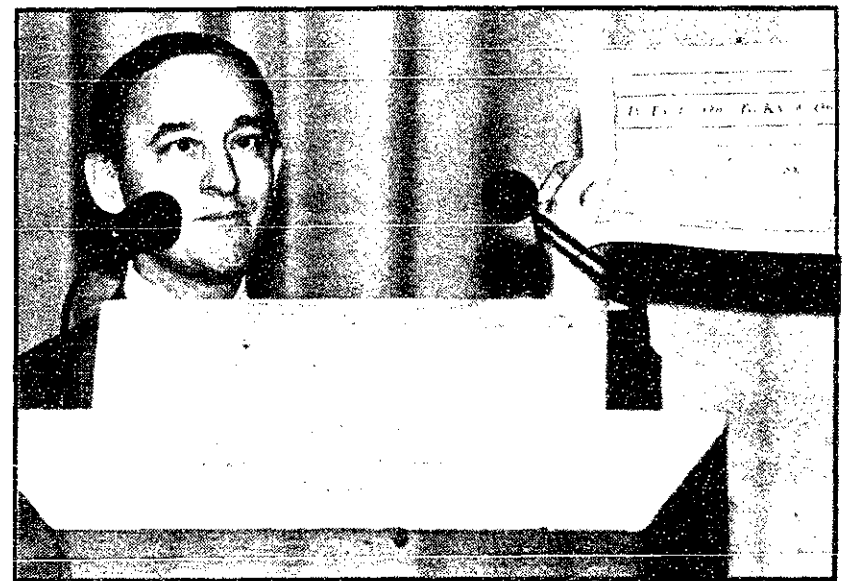
similar to last year's. New this year, however, are the daily campus walking tours and this evening's Night on the Town tour.

All this week, students can pick up information at the GSC booth in Lobby 10. The information includes MBTA schedules, explanations of GSC activities, and the *MIT Express*. The *MIT Express* contains lists of commonly used phone numbers, acronyms and their meanings, student organizations, and libraries, as well as departmental information.

Yesterday, the GSC sponsored the MIT Fair in Lobby 13. Representatives from the Office of Residence and Campus Activities, Campus Police, and the Registrar's Office informed graduate students about the resources available to them on campus.

Over the summer, graduate students also received an orientation

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Provost Mark S. Wrighton holds up a sheet about "It Takes One To Know One" during the academic convocation.

Speakers Offer Frosh Advice at Convocation

By Jeremy Hylton
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Giving the Class of 1997 its second dose of welcomes and advice, Provost Mark S. Wrighton and a group of 14 sophomores spoke to the freshmen yesterday at the Provost's Convocation in Kresge Auditorium.

The speakers focused on surviving and succeeding academically at MIT. Three sophomores, Marlon D. Abayan '96, Joel L. Dawson '96, and Wendy K. Silverberg '96, spoke briefly about their experiences during freshman year, and remarks from 11 other students were played over the public address system.

Wrighton focused on the core General Institute Requirements, often taken during freshman year, and what new students can expect from them. "Today you begin the heart of your MIT experience: your academic agenda," he said.

Wrighton also encouraged new students to remember their role in the community. "This is a place which involves human beings, people with emotions, people with real commitment and dedication," he said. "I hope you will recall that we are all human beings and treat each other with respect and civility." [For a transcript of Wrighton's speech, please see page 6.]

Abayan, a native of the Phillipines, began by describing the difficulty he had adjusting to the culture and language in the United States. He also stressed the importance of getting involved in the Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program.

For Abayan, freshman year provided some moments of academic stress because he was taking Physics II (8.022) without enough vector calculus experience. His advice to freshmen was, "Don't take a

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Associate Advisors held up neon signs to find their advisees during the Advisee picnic. During the picnic, advisees had their first opportunity to meet their advisors and associate advisors.

New Sorority Will Rush Next Week

By Hyun Soo Kim
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

A new local sorority, Sigma Iota Phi, will hold its rush starting Sunday. According to the sorority's statement of purpose, seven MIT women founded SIP last spring to cultivate lasting friendships and to develop moral and ethical values.

SIP's rush begins Sunday and will continue through Tuesday night.

"We formed the sorority because seven of us wanted to be a part of Greek life but we didn't find what we were looking for in the existing sororities," said SIP Historian Julia Khodor '96.

"We come from different backgrounds, but all of us who started this sorority were Jewish, so that is what attracted me personally," said Ophira J. Segal '96, vice president of SIP. She added that all women students are welcome to join the sorority.

"Total membership we think would be 14 to 17 women," Segal said. "We only have 7 sisters so far,

so rushing too many women would be overwhelming."

Segal added that new members will be able to hold leadership positions in the sorority. "They'll be able to shape the direction of the sorority, and we'll give freshmen a chance to be very involved," she said.

SIP recognized last March

SIP was recognized as a local sorority and as an associate member of Panhellenic in March 1993.

SIP could not rush with the other sororities because, according to Panhellenic rules, associate members can only rush after the other sororities. However, SIP manned an information table during Panhellenic rush.

"We are very excited about rush. There are a lot of women who have shown interest. I think because we are small right now, our rush will be informal and laid-back," Segal said.

SIP will have a mocktail party in Private Dining Room 1 in the Stu-

dent Center on Sunday, and a lunch in Boston and a picnic are scheduled for Monday and Tuesday respectively.

Dues are \$50 per semester and \$150 in the pledge semester

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■ 700 freshmen and 120 activities converge on Johnson Athletic Center for Activities Midway.

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■ Transcript of Provost Mark S. Wrighton's speech at the academic convocation.

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WORLD & NATION

Administration Scales Back Economic Growth Predictions

NEWSDAY

The Clinton administration Wednesday sharply scaled back its growth predictions for the U.S. economy through 1994, but regional economists said the president's advisers are still too optimistic for some hard-hit areas of the country.

The administration forecast that the nation's gross domestic product — the sum of all goods and services produced within U.S. borders — will grow 2 percent this year and 3 percent next year. That's down from its February prediction of 3.1 percent and 3.3 percent.

In the past two decades, only the recessions of 1980-82 and 1990-91 have produced weaker economic conditions than those that the government now foresees.

"The national economy has gotten off to a very bad start in the third quarter," said Lacy Hunt, chief U.S. economist for HSBC Holding Group, parent company of Marine Midland Bank.

Hunt predicts another recession by the end of 1994 and blames the tax increases approved last month by Congress. He said California and the New York metropolitan area will bear the brunt of the new tax increases on upper-income Americans.

Nationally, the economy is adding jobs — 162,000 in July and an estimated 150,000 in August, with the number to be announced Friday — but growth remains weaker than usual for a post-recession period. The Commerce Department said this week that the economy expanded at an annualized rate of only 1.8 percent in the second quarter.

Bush Aids Hid White House Links To Iran-Contra, Walsh Says

LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON

The special prosecutor in the Iran-Contra scandal has accused two aides to then-Vice President George Bush of "acts of concealment" to cover up White House links to secret arms shipments to Central America, sources familiar with the prosecutor's final report said Wednesday.

In his upcoming report, prosecutor Lawrence E. Walsh says Bush aides Donald P. Gregg and Samuel J. Watson knew that the White House was involved in secret weapons shipments to Nicaraguan rebels. But when government spokesmen denied the link, Gregg and Watson remained silent and allowed the attempted deception to go forward, the report says.

Nevertheless, the denials quickly unraveled. And when it was discovered that North had skimmed profits from secret arms sales to Iran to pay for the Contra airlift, the affair turned into a scandal that virtually paralyzed the Reagan administration.

North, whose convictions for several felonies stemming from the scandal were overturned on technical grounds, is preparing to run for the U.S. Senate from Virginia.

The tone of Walsh's judgment on the Bush aides suggests that his report, expected to be released next month, may also include tough criticism of others who played a role in the scandal but were never charged with any criminal wrongdoing: Reagan, Bush, then-Secretary of State George P. Shultz and then-Defense Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger.

Despite Veering Away, Emily Gave Buxton a Good Lick

THE BALTIMORE SUN

BUXTON, N.C.

Never in her wildest dreams did Bonnie Farkas picture the waters of the Pamlico Sound overflowing their banks, pouring down the streets of Buxton, crossing her lawn and flowing into her green and gold living room.

Although Hurricane Emily skipped and missed many towns along the Outer Banks Tuesday night, she took a vicious sideswipe and hit this little fishing town — and Farkas' home — hard.

And Wednesday, as Farkas stood looking at the sight of a house smashed by six fallen pine trees and swept off its foundations by flood waters, she expressed a bewilderment and resignation echoed by many other residents.

Emily left her mark on nearly every building. Some businesses or homes merely had windows blown out. Other water-logged wooden houses sag sadly, their occupants sitting on stoops that lead directly into front yards that became ponds.

Parts of Route 12, the two-lane highway that serves as main street here, still sit under six inches of water. There is no running water to drink, no working telephones, no electricity. Many homes, serviced by still-submerged septic tanks, have no plumbing.

WEATHER

Clouds and Sun

By Michael Morgan
STAFF METEOROLOGIST

Except for a few high clouds yesterday, Hurricane Emily had little influence on the "sensible" weather in our area yesterday. Emily will continue moving east over the next several days.

Our weather will be influenced by a ridge of high pressure to our north. With the high in this position, cool, moist air off of the Atlantic will keep us cloudy and damp.

Today: Partly to mostly cloudy and cool. Winds east 7-13 mph (11-21 kph). High 74°F (23°C).

Tonight: Cloudy with areas of fog and drizzle. Winds southeast 10 mph (16 kph). Low 65°F (18°C).

Friday: An early shower possible. Clouds and sun. Warmer and more humid. High 79°F (26°C). Low 68°F (20°C).

Bosnian Peace Talks Falter Due to Boundary Disputes

By Peter Maass

SPECIAL TO THE WASHINGTON POST

GENEVA

The Bosnian peace talks collapsed Wednesday night after the Serb and Croat delegations refused to meet demands from the Muslim-led government for a bigger share of land in a proposed settlement that would divide the nation among its three warring factions.

The breakdown risked prolonging a 17-month-old war that has already cost tens of thousands of lives and forced the West to abandon its goal of a unitary Bosnia comprising its Muslim, Serb and Croat communities.

"The greatest danger facing Bosnia-Herzegovina is fragmentation, anarchy, warlords and chaos," warned a tired-looking David Owen, the European Community's mediator at the talks. "It's not that very far away."

Charles Redman, the special U.S. envoy to the talks, said, "It's a tragedy they could not come to a solution. They were very close to an agreement, but I accept (Bosnian President Alija) Izetbegovic's reasons."

In Washington, State Department officials blamed the Serbs for the breakdown, while Secretary of State Warren Christopher and national security adviser Anthony Lake met Wednesday night to review U.S. options, staff writer Daniel Williams reported. "The stubbornness of the Serbs in the face of reasonable demands by the Muslims is responsible for the collapse," a State Department official said. "The Muslim demands do not strike us as things that ought to have broken off a deal."

In Geneva, Redman advised both

the Serbs and Croats that the Muslim demands represented "legitimate adjustments" to the proposed division of Bosnia.

It was unclear whether this breakdown in the talks meant that there would be no future negotiations, but it was clearly a major setback in the months-old struggle by mediators to find a peaceful solution to the Balkans war.

As they left the U.N. headquarters at twilight, leaders of the three delegations expressed willingness to continue negotiations, but they also made it clear that they are prepared to continue fighting, too.

Owen said that at no point in the past several days had the three sides been close to agreement. But at the same time, he said, there was no "fresh approach" offered and the proposed peace plan was not formally withdrawn.

When Wednesday's talks began, there were three key demands from Izetbegovic, a Muslim, and only one of them was met when the talks broke up after 10 hours.

The Croats refused to give the Muslims a land corridor that would provide access to the Adriatic Sea, and the Serbs refused to return territory in the Krajina region of north Bosnia. The Serbs yielded on only the demand for a land corridor connecting the Muslim enclaves in eastern Bosnia with Muslim-held Gorazde and Sarajevo.

The Serbs agreed to a three-kilometer-wide corridor, a much better offer than the indefensible road link that they had agreed to under the draft plan unveiled by Owen on Aug. 20.

Under that plan, endorsed by Serbs and Croats but not

Muslims, the Serbs would have gotten 52 percent of Bosnia for their ethnic ministate, while the Bosnian government would have gotten 30 percent and the Croats about 17 percent. The agreement would mean that the Serbs and Croats, although condemned as aggressors, would hold onto territory acquired by force.

Izetbegovic described his demands as the "minimum of minimums." He said the additional territory he sought was essential to ensure that the rump Muslim ministate could survive. He said he would not back down from these demands, and he insisted that battered Sarajevo, Bosnia's capital, could survive yet another winter of war. "It will be difficult, but it can," he said.

Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic said Wednesday night that his side would keep a muzzle on its guns, indicating that there would be no immediate Serb offensives. He quickly made it clear what he expects for this good behavior: the lifting of U.N. economic sanctions against Serb-led Yugoslavia.

"Is it logical to prolong sanctions against Serbs on the basis of the Muslim leadership rejection of the plan?" he asked.

Balkans observers say Milosevic's strategy is tactical. With his goal of seizing more than half of Bosnia assured but with the Serbian economy crippled, Milosevic wants the fighting to stop and the sanctions lifted.

Croatian President Franjo Tudjman was the first to leave the talks Wednesday night and he angrily declared that the Muslim demand for a corridor to the Adriatic was "impossible" because it would cut Croat territory in Bosnia in half.

Yeltsin Suspends V.P. And First Deputy Prime Minister

By Sonni Efron

LOS ANGELES TIMES

MOSCOW

With his administration nearly paralyzed by corruption charges and counter charges, Russian President Boris N. Yeltsin Wednesday announced the suspension of Vice President Alexander V. Rutskoi, a political foe, and of Yeltsin's own right-hand man, First Deputy Prime Minister Vladimir F. Shumeiko.

The president's spokesman said the two men would be stripped of their powers temporarily, until a full investigation of their mutual accusations of corruption is completed.

Parliament Chairman Ruslan I. Khasbulatov, Yeltsin's archrival, immediately denounced the order as illegal and said it would not be carried out.

Legal scholars also said the Yeltsin decree was blatantly unconstitutional and warned that it could tip Russia into a full-blown political and constitutional crisis.

"The president grossly violated the constitution if he really signed this decree," said Lev A. Okunkov, director of the Institute of Lawmaking and Comparative Law.

The constitution contains "not one word" allowing the president to dismiss a duly elected vice president, even temporarily, Okunkov said. It does not even allow Yeltsin to sack a vice premier except upon request of the prime minister, Viktor S. Chernomyrdin, who has been visiting Washington.

But the constitution does contain a new clause stating that if the president attempts to dismiss an elected official, the president's own powers will be terminated automatically. How the clause would be imple-

mented and who would "terminate" the president's powers is not clear. The provision, adopted last year to deter Yeltsin from dissolving Parliament, virtually invites the conservative legislature to renew its attempts to impeach him.

Yeltsin has promised an autumn political offensive against the rebellious Parliament he claims has stymied economic and political reform in the 21 months since the Soviet Union shattered. Yeltsin has vowed to hold new legislative elections and spearhead the adoption of a new constitution, with or without Parliament's consent.

But his administration has been weakened this summer by a spate of unsubstantiated public accusations of corruption.

The ruckus began after Rutskoi accused Shumeiko of pocketing \$14.5 million of state money earmarked for a baby food factory. Shumeiko denied it and is suing Rutskoi for libel. Then a crime commission hand-picked by Yeltsin accused Rutskoi of links to a Swiss bank account that allegedly holds \$3.5 million of stolen government money. Rutskoi has promised a libel suit of his own. The vice president said the "slander and falsification" against him are aimed only at hiding the rot inside the Yeltsin administration.

To date, none of the accusations has been proven or refuted. But the mudslinging has reinforced the opinion held by many Russians that all public officials — be they Soviet-era holdovers or new "democrats" — are on the take.

Meanwhile, the level of political discourse grows ever baser. A Yeltsin spokesman recently called Khasbulatov "a cockroach." In an

interview published Tuesday, Rutskoi accused Yeltsin of ruining Russia "by remaining in an endless state of drunkenness."

Yeltsin's spokesmen said the suspensions of Shumeiko and Rutskoi were meant to keep the political brawl from further damaging state authority and prestige. "The president had to temporarily relieve them of their duties, not of their posts," said presidential aide Igor A. Kharichev. "Let them sort out their mutual accusations. Let them answer questions at the prosecutor's office. And when all this scandal is over and all the charges are cleared, they may return to their duties."

Rutskoi said he considered the order unconstitutional, noting that he was elected on the same ballot as Yeltsin in June 1991. The mustachioed veteran of the war in Afghanistan has made no secret of his ambition to succeed Yeltsin as president. While he said Yeltsin had "broken the law," Rutskoi said he would leave the matter to the Supreme Soviet and the Constitutional Court.

"I am deeply convinced that it is useless to try to influence this government and this president," he told reporters at the airport in Syktyvkar, en route to a scheduled visit to the coal-mining center of Vorkuta in northern Russia.

Rutskoi said he would ask Parliament to open a criminal case against Yeltsin and his anti-corruption commission, saying both had sanctioned "slander, forgery of documents and a whole campaign" to frame him.

Shumeiko claimed he had asked Yeltsin to relieve him to allow him time to clear his name and to pursue his suit against Rutskoi.

As Talks Fail Pressure Mounts On Clinton to Bomb Serbians

By Stanley Melsler
LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON

As Bosnian peace talks collapsed in Geneva, scores of prominent public figures — including former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and former U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz — added their weight Wednesday to mounting pressure on President Clinton to bomb Serbian troop positions in the former Yugoslav republic.

In an open letter to the White House, the large group of protesters urged Clinton to lead a coalition of Western governments in arming the Bosnian Muslims and in selective and discriminate bombing of Serbian positions and airfields.

"If we do not act, immediately and decisively," the letters said, "history will record that in the last decade of this century the democracies failed to heed its most unforgiving lesson."

Those signing the letter described that lesson as the certain-

ty "that unopposed aggression will be enlarged and repeated, that a failure of will by the democracies will strengthen and encourage those who gain territory and rule by force."

In a similar letter, Senate Republican Leader Bob Dole of Kansas urged the president to switch his focus from Somalia to Bosnia and to convene a NATO summit "to establish a new diplomatic and military framework for addressing this conflict."

The best option, Dole went on, would be a revival of the Clinton administration's May proposals to use air power to turn back Serbian aggression while lifting the arms embargo that has crippled the defenses of the Bosnian Muslims. The European allies earlier spurned the Clinton plan.

The Geneva talks broke down after the Muslim-dominated Bosnian government refused to accept the peace plan proposed by former British Foreign Secretary Lord David Owen and former Norwegian

Foreign Minister Thorvald Stoltenberg. That plan would divide Bosnia into a three-part confederation with the Serbs possessing 52 percent of the territory, the Croats 17 percent, and the Muslims 31 percent. The Muslims had asked for more territory, but the Serbs refused.

As he left the session, Croatian President Franjo Tudjman said, "Unfortunately the war will continue." Bosnian Croat leader Mate Boban said, "The forces of death prevail."

State Department spokesman Mike McCurry said the breakdown of the talks "reflects the stubbornness of the Serbs in the face of reasonable demands from the Muslims." Air strikes, he continued, "remain very much on the table and the Serbs know that."

If the collapse in the negotiations leads to a renewed Serbian offensive against Sarajevo, the White House would find itself under even more pressure to bomb the Serbs.

Clinton Sets 1998 Health Care Reform Enactment Deadline

By Dana Priest

THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON

President Clinton has set a 1998 deadline for full implementation of his health care reform plan and has retreated from the idea of short-term price controls, even voluntary ones, on the health industry in the meantime, according to White House officials.

That decision means that, under the administration proposal, all citizens and legal residents would have health insurance by the end of 1997.

While most of the costs of that "universal coverage" would be borne by employers and employees, the president also is finalizing details of a subsidy system to help low-wage workers in small firms pay for their health coverage. That provision could cost the federal government as much as \$70 billion a year. Aides say most of the funds could come from redirecting funds in existing federal and state health programs.

Those and other key decisions were made Tuesday night in the first of three scheduled high-level meetings among the president, Cabinet members and top health advisers. Those meetings will determine the final shape of the plan Clinton will present to a joint session of Congress later this month.

The plan, which will offer hundreds of changes in the way the nations' patchwork health care sys-

tem currently operates, will be debated and voted upon in Congress, where there is no clear consensus on either the degree of the health care problem or how best to solve it.

Already the outlines of the administration plan, much of which has been made public over the last several months, have been criticized in some quarters as too ambitious and expensive and in others as too modest. Nonetheless, several large interest groups — including organized labor, senior citizens, many private business coalitions, and health insurers and physicians — support many of the structural elements of the plan.

Among the major decisions Clinton made Tuesday night:

—The administration will drop the idea of mandatory short-term price controls on the health care industry and will not advocate voluntary price controls backed up by some federal enforcement mechanism if voluntary measures were to fail. Instead, Clinton will urge the industry to restrain inflation voluntarily, as some segments of the industry have done in the last year, and will propose some type of government monitoring "to prevent profiteering," as one adviser put it, between now and 1995, when the plan would begin to go into effect.

—The only general tax proposed by the administration will be a "sin

tax" on cigarettes and, probably, on hard liquor; it will forgo any tax on beer and wine. Clinton is leaning toward a new tax on cigarettes of 50 to 75 cents a pack, said aides. Advisers have laid out revenue scenarios that go as high as \$2 a pack.

White House aides said Wednesday that the president intends to complete his package by Friday and to begin a round of consultations with Congress and interest groups next week. Aides left open the possibility that Clinton would modify his proposal after hearing from these groups.

"He's taking a very different approach than what he did on the budget," said an administration official.

Clinton's twin goals in health reform have been to achieve universal coverage and to control escalating health care costs. To that end, he will call for ceilings on total federal health spending and will propose various kinds of limits on Medicaid and Medicare spending beginning in fiscal 1996. For the private sector, he will propose capping the amount that health premiums can rise each year.

Under the administration plan, premiums would eventually be limited to the same rate as the annual growth in the gross domestic product. Each state would have to enforce these limits by 1997, or sooner if the state implemented the full program sooner.

Pentagon Releases Future Plan

By John Lancaster

THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON

The Clinton administration Wednesday released its much-anticipated plan for a smaller, leaner military that its authors say would still allow the United States to fight and win two regional wars nearly at the same time.

The plan would make substantial cuts in some military forces while improving other capabilities, such as precision weaponry and air- and sealift capacity. It also would place new emphasis on such non-traditional missions as participating in peace-keeping, delivering humanitarian aid and curbing the spread of nuclear weapons.

But release of the administration's "bottom-up review" — a six-month effort to rethink the shape and purpose of the post-Cold War military — was as noteworthy for what the plan would not change as for what it would.

In many respects, the plan proposes only modest adjustments to the

post-Cold War "base force" envisioned by the Bush administration. The Army would still rely heavily on armored infantry divisions, the Navy on carrier battle groups.

The mix of active-duty and reserve forces would not be fundamentally altered. The size of the armed forces would shrink to 1.4 million uniformed personnel by 1999, compared with 1.6 million under Bush's plan.

Some aspects of President Clinton's plan would cost more than that of his predecessor. The plan makes clear, for example, that Clinton has embraced a de facto defense "industrial policy" aimed at maintaining the nation's ability to produce key defense technologies, in particular submarines. In other words, the administration is proposing to build some weapons it does not need to keep production lines operating.

The general results of the bottom-up review had been widely reported already, and the release Wednesday — in the form of briefing charts and excerpts from a

longer version to be issued next week — contained few surprises.

But the unveiling at a news conference led by Defense Secretary Les Aspin and Gen. Colin L. Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, constituted a critical opening gambit in the selling of the administration's long-term defense strategy.

The bottom-up review essentially forms the intellectual foundation of the administration's defense spending plans for the next five years. Consequently, it will become the focus in Congress of a debate between those who believe the administration is cutting too far and those who say the plan does not take full account of the changed global threat and is unaffordable in the long term.

Conspicuously absent from the plan released Wednesday was any discussion of its costs, although Pentagon officials said they are consistent with administration estimates last spring that their defense strategy would save \$127 billion beyond the Bush plan through fiscal 1998.

U.S. Drops Appeal Blocking Demjanjuk's Return

LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON

Clearing the way for accused Nazi death camp guard John Demjanjuk to return to the United States, Attorney General Janet Reno said Wednesday the government would not ask the U.S. Supreme Court to bar the retired Cleveland auto worker from re-entering the country while his deportation is reviewed.

Reno said the Justice Department still believes Demjanjuk, 73, was properly denaturalized and deported in 1986 and will seek to uphold those actions, but "based on the law and the circumstances this case" could not prevent his return.

Noting that Demjanjuk was determined by a court to have "intentionally misrepresented" his Nazi past when he came to the United States in 1952, Reno said, "We will continue to do everything possible to uphold the court orders denaturalizing and deporting Mr. Demjanjuk."

Citing new evidence from the former Soviet Union, the Israeli Supreme Court last month acquitted Demjanjuk of being the notorious Nazi guard "Ivan the Terrible" in the Treblinka death camp in Poland. Though the court overturned his death sentence, it did not release him and will decide Thursday whether he can be tried on new charges that he committed atrocities in World War II at Sobibor, another Nazi death camp in Poland.

Rabbi Marvin Hier, dean of the Simon Wiesenthal Center in Los Angeles, promised the White House would be deluged with "tens of thousands" of telegrams and letters urging the government to topple to the Supreme Court and prosecute the Demjanjuk case if he returns.

California Had Major Out Migration Last Year

LOS ANGELES TIMES

SACRAMENTO, CALIF.

With a downtrodden economy tarnishing the state's once-golden lure, fewer people are moving to California from other states and more Californians are moving out than ever before, state officials.

The result, according to a Department of Finance analysis of driver's license records: net migration out of California reached 100,000 drivers in the year that ended June 30, by far the largest exodus since the state started keeping track in 1970.

The trend struck every county in the state but one — San Francisco — and was most profound in Southern California, where six counties with a combined 57 percent of the state's population accounted for three-quarters of its net departures.

"This is certainly consistent with an economy that's lagging," said Stephen Levy, director of the Palo Alto-based Center for the Continuing Study of the California Economy. "Why would anyone move here in the past year with the unemployment rate around 10 percent?"

The state's figures showed that California lost population, or at least licensed drivers, to other states for the second consecutive year after 16 straight years of gains.

Despite the net movement to other states, California's population continues to climb, albeit at a slower rate. The state grew by 570,000 people to 31.5 million in 1992, with all of that growth the result of births and foreign immigration.

Four of 10 Censorship Attempts In School Succeeded Last Year

LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON

Political conservatives and members of the so-called religious right attempted more often than other groups to remove material deemed objectionable from classroom shelves, according to the 11th annual censorship study released Wednesday by a liberal civil liberties group.

Overall, according to People for the American Way, in the 1992-93 school year parents, officials and organizations succeeded in 41 percent of their 347 attempts to restrict or ban the use of teaching materials from American schools.

Alice Walker's Pulitzer Prize-winning novel "The Color Purple," which contains profanity, and "Killing Mr. Griffin," a book about students who kidnap and murder their teacher, were among the books removed from classrooms.

Seven percent of the reported incidents were attributed to liberals, who usually targeted materials they viewed as racist.

The survey highlights a growing debate between free-speech advocates and conservative Christian and parent groups over what is appropriate fare for America's classrooms. People for the American Way claim the attempts at censorship are attacks on the freedom to learn. But parents opposed to the publications say they are exercising their right to decide what their children should or should not read.

New Stamp Urges AIDS Awareness

THE WASHINGTON POST

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In the late 1980s, when postal officials first considered issuing a stamp to call attention to the AIDS epidemic, the head of the committee that recommends stamp designs had an immediate response: "No way."

That is, until the issue reached the desk of Postmaster General Marvin T. Runyon. When it came to stamps, Runyon had made clear he was eagerly seeking another Elvis Presley stamp, the controversial commemorative that poured \$25 million into postal coffers.

But Runyon disclosed Wednesday that when it came to an AIDS stamp, he was amazed at the opposition. But he wanted a stamp, and Wednesday with the help of White House AIDS policy coordinator Kristine Gebbie and others Runyon unveiled the new design.

"This is a way of saying that (AIDS) is our problem," said Gebbie, applauding Runyon for the stamp. "It's time to fight denial," agreed Richard L. Wittenberg, president of the American Association for World Health.

The new stamp, which features the red ribbon that has come to symbolize the AIDS movement, will be released Dec. 1 in connection with World AIDS Day.

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Christian Student Association Has Cult Ties

I am writing in response to the success of the Christian Student Association's raffle for an MIT sweatshirt at the Activities Midway on Tuesday evening. The raffle was a great way for the group to gather names, but students should understand exactly what they have gotten themselves into.

Freshman, first year graduate students, and international students be aware. If you put your name in the raffle box, you will most likely be contacted by the Boston Church of Christ's student organization. The Christian Student Association is affiliated with the International Church of Christ, formerly called the Boston Church of Christ. They have received a notorious reputation at MIT as well as on campuses across the United States as an extremely aggressive sect, and have been banned at Boston University as well as North-

eastern University.

Why is the Boston/International Church of Christ recognized as a sect amongst other religious groups?

1. Most of the authority in the denomination is with the head of the Boston/International Church of Christ, Kip McKean.

2. The discipleship program is rather structured and authoritarian. The leader has been known to decide members' dating lives, where they will live after graduation, and may gain access to members' personal information for their use.

3. The BCC claims to be the only true church.

The group will invite you to a Bible study or other social event. My concern is in what follows the invitations. I have counseled students who have found it very difficult to say "no" to the Boston Church of Christ even when they wanted to.

A few suggestions for students invited to any religious activity:

1. What is the purpose of the activity?
2. Who is sponsoring the activity? If it is

not clear, ask questions.

3. Beware of groups who are overzealous in recruiting you.

4. Be cautious to any group who plays on your loneliness in these early days away from home. Visit several groups to find the place that meets your needs.

Please do not be afraid to say, "No, thank you." You need only say it one time. MIT policy then considers any further recruitment to be harassment. Put your hands on the religious harassment brochure. There will be copies at the information booth in the Student Center as well as at the Chaplaincy and Office of the Dean for Undergraduate Education and Student Affairs. If you feel challenged or harassed by the BCC's Christian Student Association or any other group, please contact Counseling Services, the Dean's Office, and ask to speak with [Associate Dean for Student Assistance Services] Robert M. Randolph, or, contact any of the chaplains on campus.

Betsy L. Draper
Baptist Chaplain

Freshmen Need Permanent Housing Now

Column by Arif Husain

While most freshmen have spent the last few days settling into their new dorms, a large, overlooked handful of about sixty students, myself included, have been involuntarily thrown into a game of bureaucratic ping pong leaving us lost in the Residence and Orientation Week shuffle. Still living out of our suitcases in crowded temps, we continue to be denied a place to settle down and call home.

Upon arriving at MIT, I never expected to be given luxury accommodations. I did, however, expect to be assigned to a house with adequate space and facilities to provide me with a comfortable home base from which I could begin my college life. This has been far from the case.

As I waited in line, anxiously, Tuesday evening, my main concern lay in where I was going to live. Surprisingly, instead of feeling elation or acceptance in regards to my assignment, I felt nothing, since I was given the answer, "I am sorry, but I don't have a card for you. Try back tomorrow. Next." Although disappointed, I reassured myself that it would all be settled the following day and I went on with my life.

As the next evening approached, I again spent thirty odd nervous minutes awaiting my assignment, assured that regardless of where, at least I could settle in. There again I received a slap in the face. but this time it was far more difficult to recover. We were told that the housing committee was facing a "situation" and that we could try back the next day to see if they might be able to squeeze us in. If not, some of us would have to wait until Sept. 8 to see if any upperclassmen rooms become available. In the latter case, we would have to haul luggage, move in, unpack, register, buy books, and prepare for the first day of classes at the new school, all in one day. By all reasonable estimates, this is a bit too much to ask.

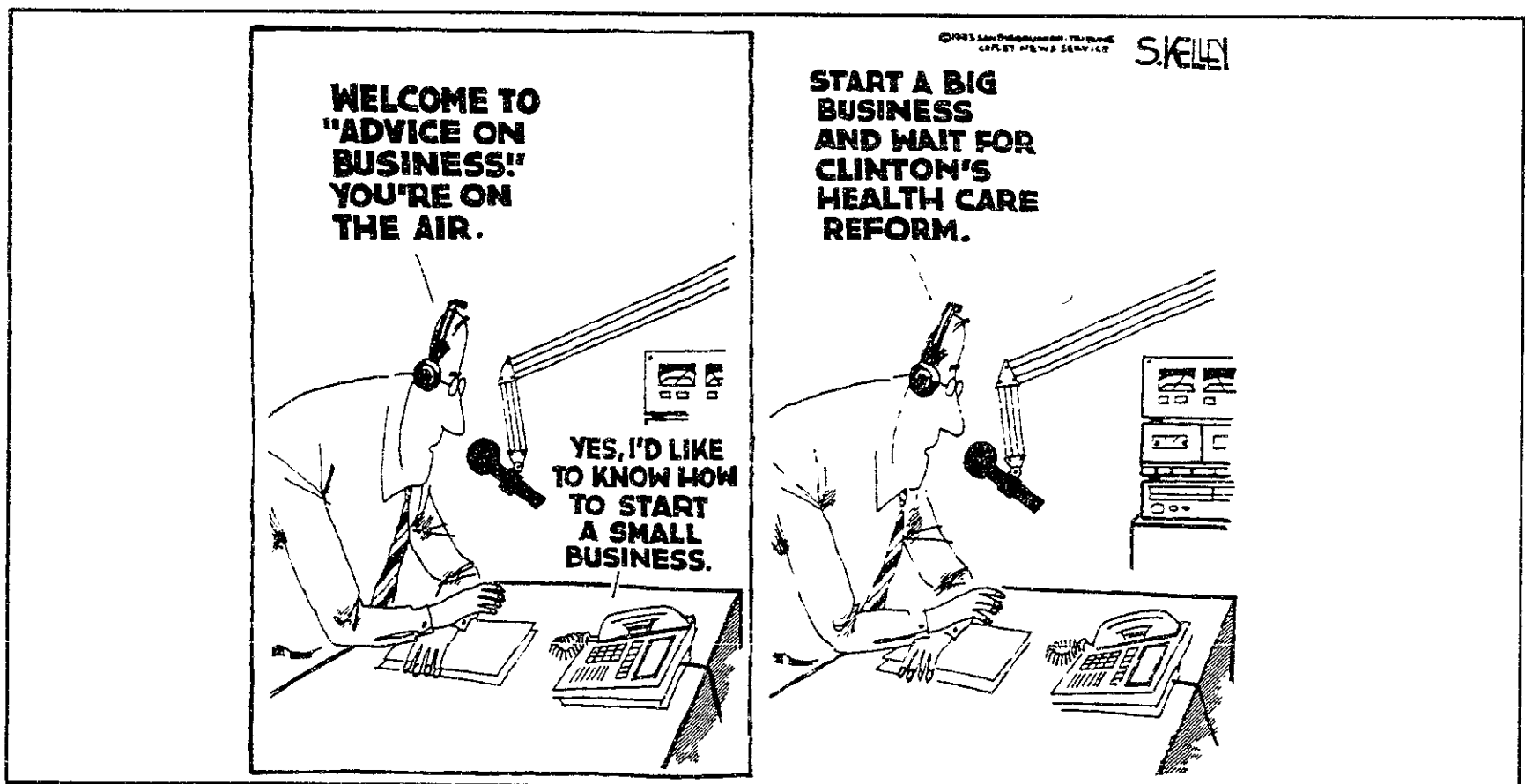
Somehow in my idealistic vision, I never expected a top university with over a hundred years of dealing with students to address crowding as something new. Then it occurred to me that the root of the problem lies precisely in this fact. Because it is a top university, the condition of its housing is completely independent of its success as an institution. Regardless of how lousy its dorms are, or how severely it inconveniences its students, it will continue to receive a yearly avalanche of

applicants and will consequently maintain its reputation and funding.

My intent is not to draw sympathy from the students, or stir hostility with the administration. I simply felt a need to expose this situation with hopes that it can be resolved in a timely manner. In the future, I pray that no such "situations" arise, but for now, on behalf of myself and the fifty or more other freshmen who still remain in limbo, I would like to tell whomever it may concern that we want suitable, permanent housing, and we want it now.

ERRATUM

Because of a production error, the labels were omitted from yesterday's chart of housing assignments. The columns of the chart represented dormitory, number of assigned students, and number of spaces available, respectively.



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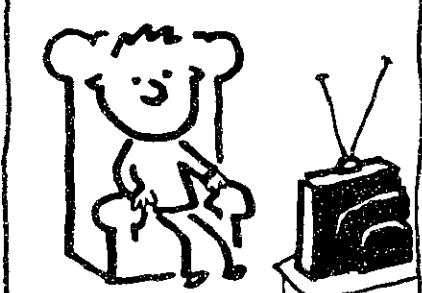
Jim's Journal

by Jim

I watched a TV show last night.



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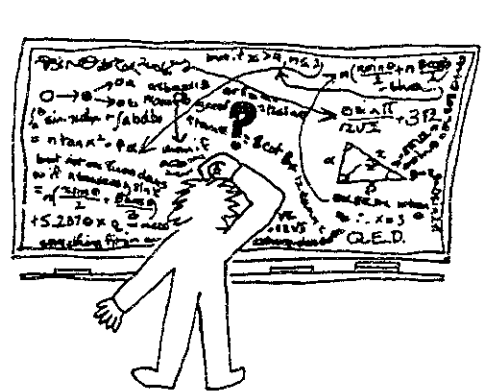
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MIT Student Health

Freshmen Flood Johnson for Midway

By Kevin Subramanya
STAFF REPORTER

Approximately 700 freshmen and about 100 upperclassmen were introduced to MIT's 120 student groups and organizations at the Activities Midway held in Johnson Athletic Center Tuesday night.

The midway was sponsored by the Association of Student Activities. "Its main goal was to introduce the new students to student organizations at MIT and to show what these organizations had to offer in terms of campus activities," said Scott D. Centurio '94, ASA secretary and one of the coordinators of the midway.

"Even though this year's midway seemed to have slightly fewer peo-

ple than last year, the freshmen had about 20 more student groups to choose from. There were no problems with any of the groups. In fact, it turned out that just about all of the groups were cooperative. Over all I definitely was impressed with this year's midway," Centurio said.



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Most student groups' booths had two to three volunteers promoting their organizations, even though some had as many as eight. Many booths had demonstrations varying from strategic games and movies to magic shows. Almost all of the booths had a sign-up sheet for potential members. Promotions and recruitment efforts included incentives such as fancy buttons, brochures, and free food.

"I think it's worth it," said one freshman. "Most of the student groups have been very helpful and responsive. However, I think it's hectic and overcrowded, but I'm still having a good time," he added.

"It's exciting and a little bit

overwhelming too," said Jason Weintraub '97. "Just trying to get around to every both is going to be a lot of work," he said.

"It's a good way to meet people at MIT, after all it's a big place," said Keri Kalleis '97. "It's a little overwhelming at first, but I'm feeling more comfortable now," she added.

Groups react positively

"I think it's cool that the freshmen are feeling relaxed," said Harris Gilliam '91 of the Christian Student Association. "Most people have been both positive and friendly," he said.

Jonathan Baker G of the MIT Libertarians group said, "We are

really pleased with the turn out at this year's midway. We are also pleased to see that many people show interest in self-government."

In addition to the large variety of student organizations at the midway, the MIT Alumni/ae Association and the Student Alumni/ae Council sponsored a "Phone Home Program" that allowed new students to make a free, one-minute telephone call home, anywhere in the world.

"This program allows us to welcome the new students to MIT," said Emily S. Berkowitz, student activities program manager for the MIT Alumni/ae Association. "And, because it makes the new students feel more comfortable, it is everybody's favorite program in our office," she added.

Approximately 600 new students used the phone home program and about 150 of those placed international calls to places such as Russia, India, China, Jamaica, Trinidad, and Greece.

Wrighton Addresses Freshmen

The following is an edited version of Provost Mark S. Wrighton's speech yesterday at the academic convocation.

Good afternoon and welcome once again to Kresge. My name is Mark Wrighton. I'm your provost. You may be wondering, what is a provost after all? The official term for the MIT provost is the chief academic officer. I happen also to be a professor in the chemistry department. As provost, I am responsible, at least in principle, for the academic and research programs and I am also responsible for coordinating the considerable resources that we can bring to bear to make your education fulfilling. Indeed, I manage a \$1.1 billion budget.

You have already been alerted to the possibility that we have some constraints in the years ahead and I am here to tell you that we do equate people and dollars. And it is probably true that in the next four years, one-half of the 18,000 member community will not be here. I hope you are among them, you are going to graduate in 1997!

We expect a great deal of you, and as I look in the dictionary and find the real definition of provost, you will find that one says: "keeper of a prison!" You may feel constrained at times during your career here at MIT but in reality you are only bounded by your fears, your own capabilities, and your own actions.

My principal role as one of the senior officers of the Institute is to serve the students and faculty and to work to assist them to achieve their considerable potential and to do that with the least set of encumbrances and the least set of difficulties. In short, I serve you and faculty, but I also have very high expectations of you and the faculty, and I am confident that you will fulfill these.

Incidentally, it falls upon my shoulders from time to time to make those critical decisions in your lives like canceling classes if snow falls. The right set of circumstances have never come into play that would allow me to do that in my three-year tenure. But, I'm reminded of a snowy day long ago when [Paul E. Gray '54] was president of MIT — he is now Corporation chairman, freshman adviser, and professor of electrical engineering and computer science. Paul invited me to go to lunch at the President's house, which is a unique experience, I hope you all enjoy it some day. And on that snowy day he called off classes and he closed the institute.

But a luncheon invitation at the President's house is something I took seriously. So I decided to dig my way out of the driveway at 7:00 a.m. to ensure that I would arrive by the 12:00 hour, and when Paul called my home at 8:30, my wife

Barbara said that I was already at work slaving away on behalf of MIT. So I went over to lunch at the President's house, which was just a block away. And when it snows here it's incredibly quiet. And Paul and Priscilla Gray told me a little story of how they were awakened early to make the decision about whether to close MIT. And there were a couple of joggers running along Memorial Drive and one came up, close to the President's house — when it's very quiet, you can hear these shouts of the joggers quite easily — and one jogger said to the other, "Hey! Look over there! Paul Gray has already gotten out and shoveled his driveway!" The other one laughed and said, "Heck, no! Paul never does that. Priscilla gets out and does it." That little story is amusing, and it's true. I'm not sure that Priscilla Gray does the shoveling, but I could believe it. Both of these individuals have contributed a great deal to this community in the past and they will continue to do so in the future in their current roles.

But it illustrates a degree of humanity. This is a place which involves human beings, people with emotions, people with real commitment and dedication. And as we move forward from this point of your beginning as an academician here at MIT, I hope you will recall that we are all human beings and treat each other with respect and civility. We will be linked together for many years to come as you will be graduates of MIT and included in its alumni activities.

Today you begin the heart of your MIT experience: your academic agenda. Some of you have already met your advisers. Most of you are already well-informed about your choices for this upcoming term, and most of you will be deeply engaged in your chemistry, biology, physics, math, and Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences subjects. I am also very pleased with the level of participation you have extended in our freshman advising seminar program and I'm also pleased with the level of commitment that I've seen among the faculty. This program, coordinated by [Travis R. Merritt, associate dean for undergraduate academic affairs] offers a unique program to engage your faculty adviser with you, and you will be involved in regular contact not only to deal with the administrative details associated with your presence here at MIT, but also to acquaint you with some of their intellectual interests. Get to know your faculty and let them come to know you. I am looking forward to my own seminar on the chemistry of energy technologies. I have already met with my group and it's going to be interesting and I think a rather

important aspect of my own learning experience here at MIT.

But let me say a bit more about your first year experience here at MIT. The General Institute Requirements include two terms of calculus, two terms of physics, a term of chemistry, and now, for the first time at MIT, one term of biology. This is a hefty dose of science, but in terms of subject commitment at MIT, your requirements in the HASS is even larger. Our core requirements apply to all students whether you are a humanist or an electrical engineer. We have one brand of science: the MIT brand. We do have science for poets, economists, musicians, linguists, political scientists, architects: the very same science we offer for engineers and scientists. The core provides a common knowledge base in the fundamental disciplines of science, and we are proud to offer to you the core discipline of biology, with an emphasis on molecular biology. MIT contributed to founding this discipline, and Boris Magasanik, a person I think some of you met this morning in the meet the instructors, is associated with the development in the early stages of this discipline. Another instructor, Nancy Hopkins is a leading researcher on the use of fish in studies of genetics. If you go over to her laboratory, you will see a large number of aquaria, and they have zebra fish and not all the stripes go the same way. So you see, at MIT designer genes means something other than Calvin Klein! Biotechnology, which is the industry associated with this revolution in science also is very closely linked to MIT. You may have heard of the major corporation based in California called Genentech, which was in fact founded by an MIT graduate by the name of Robert Swanson along with others. And this is but one small component of the MIT story that has led to the development in this arena.

A second subject that you will be taking is a subject close to my own heart: chemistry. This is an excellent forerunner to our biology offering, it is a core discipline, and it has an interesting innovation this year: TeamWorks is an idea that encourages team work and learning together. One of your central accomplishments at MIT will be learning how to learn. TeamWorks offers you a path to learning that will better simulate your situation later in life when you are pursuing your independent careers outside a classroom setting. In chemistry, as you address problems, one of my little quips is: you are either part of the solution or you are a part of the precipitate! Work together, learn together. One of your instructors in 5.11 is a distinguished contributor with whom I have taught. His name is Professor Alan Davison. Professor Davison has been working in his research group in the development of the chemistry of an unnatural element, that is an element that does not exist in significant natural abundance, namely technetium. In the development of this synthetic element, Davison has developed a new radio-pharmaceutical called Cardio-Lite. It is an imaging agent for the human heart. And to give you a sense of his dedication to this endeavor, he first used this heart-imaging agent on himself, and this provides very compelling evidence that at least one chemist at MIT has a heart! I also recall with some amusement the time we had the Ugliest Man on Campus. The Ugliest Man on Campus concept is an enterprise dedicated to bringing some resource to charitable organizations and one places votes in the form of money to document the most worthy recipient and one year there was a flasher. And I was sit-

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YUEH Z. LEE—THE TECH

Freshmen await the results of the housing lottery. Some eager freshmen waited over three hours in line for the information.

50 Freshmen Remain in Limbo

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this is only a "very temporary inconvenience."

"We are going to find housing for all freshmen. ... It is not down to the situation that for every pledge we receive, we can assign another freshman," Smith said. ILG rush "is about on schedule, and if it continues as such, we will come out right about where we were looking to be."

However, Smith also noted that some openings may come as late as Registration Day, when upperclassmen who have not checked into their rooms lose their housing assignments.

"Once we have settled down this weekend, if there still aren't spaces we will look at other alternatives," Smith said. Possibilities for housing the extra freshmen include using some of the lounges in MacGregor House or rooms in Ashdown House,

a graduate dormitory.

Smith attributed the current dilemma to a system which is "trying to operate at saturation."

Smith said efforts to reduce the crowding situation also created problems. "If we were willing to go back to last year's crowding level, we'd gain 60 spaces," said Smith. Last year 228 students lived in crowded rooms.

Freshmen frustrated by system

After hearing the results of the second round lottery, several freshmen who did not receive permanent assignments expressed their frustration with the housing preference system.

"I really hate this system," said Surya Ganguli '97, one of the freshmen told to come back today for a third round of lotteries. "The pressure created by rush and waiting for your dorm is hectic and nerve-racking."

Kelly Hunt '97, a freshman still waiting to see if she got into MacGregor said, "It's just a big hassle."

Ryan Cleary '97, said that he has received a bid from a fraternity, but is waiting to find out to which dorm he is assigned before deciding whether to accept the bid or not.

However, not all students were dissatisfied with the system. Jenny Wang '97, said that she did not mind the wait because she got her first choice of MacGregor. She added that she would rather have gotten her assignment in the first round, saying, "There has been a lot of anxiety in the past 24 hours."

Todd Dampier '94, room assignment chair for Senior House, said that he was "mystified" by the request to have freshmen wait until tomorrow to move. "We actually had places to put them up. ... But we are still encouraging them to come to our in-house rush."

Speakers Offer Keys to Success

Convocation, from Page 1

class you don't have the math for, even if the course description says the math course isn't a prerequisite."

Abayan also had advice for students interested in UROPs. He failed to get a UROP for pay during his first semester. "I failed miserably because I didn't have the lab skills that the professors wanted. I should have looked harder at my resume and tried to sell what was there or just volunteer," he said.

The second speaker, Dawson, emphasized the value of getting involved in activities and talked about his own experiences playing the viola. "The best advice I can give you is to get involved early. Get involved in your first term," he said.

"The overwhelming temptation is just to say, 'Well, it's my first term at MIT. I'll just get used to classes, settle in, and then, maybe, think about an activity,'" he contin-

ued. Dawson, who is active in several music groups and in ROTC, cautioned that it is possible to do too much. "I think you will know when that happens and be able to cut back. In my experience and what I've seen from other students, it's a lot easier to cut back than it is to add something," he said.

Both Wrighton and Dawson said that learning to work with groups of classmates is a valuable study skill. Wrighton talked about the Team-Works program being used in introductory chemistry classes. Dawson said, "When I came here a year ago, the best piece of advice I was given was to work with my classmates. Your classmates are certainly your most valuable resource."

In the third student speech, Silverberg also stressed the importance of getting involved early. Silverberg played field hockey in the fall. "When I look back, that's what I remember most. I remember the

hard practices, close games, and team dinners far more vividly than I remember any long problem set, or tough exam, or never-ending lecture."

One of the most important skills freshmen need to develop is time management, Silverberg said. Starting problem sets on time and finishing the week with enough sleep are important to succeeding, she said.

Silverberg warned that finals were much harder than high school finals and worth far more of the final grade. "Don't stress too much about finals. Don't be like me and decide two hours before your exam that you know nothing about what you've been studying for the past three months," she said.

Silverberg ended on a cautionary note. Pass/no record was not designed so that freshmen could blow off all their classes, she said. "I know too many people who took so much advantage of pass/no record that they didn't pass."

Wrighton Discusses Core Classes

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ting in class, listening to Professor Davison give his lecture and in sinks a person in a trench coat and it was clear that this was the person campaigning to be the Ugliest Man on Campus. Davison is up at the board lecturing with chalk and the flasher opens his coat. Davison turns around, stunned. He says, "Doesn't turn me on, man, why don't you turn around and show the girls in the front row." And that's the kind of presence that our faculty has.

Chemistry is also a subject that brings out the best in the students. In my own recollections about what takes place, I've seen a common level of commitment. And when I joined the faculty 21 years ago it turns out that we had rather different laws than we do now in the state of Massachusetts. And I recall at the first hour exam that I was giving in Introductory Chemistry, a student coming into class about ten minutes late, completely out of breath, said, "Sorry, professor, I'm late, but I had to steal a car to get here."

Well, I don't expect you to have to steal cars to get to your classes, but I encourage you to come. Some forethought on your part will make it possible for you to arrive on time without stealing a car. Chemistry is a subject which is rather important when you think of it in the big picture. It is a science associated already with a major industry and contributes \$15 billion to a positive balance of trade for the United States.

The other two core science classes you will be taking, physics and mathematics, are subjects with which most of you are familiar and also ones in which you have demonstrated excellence. There are a large number of options in this arena and I think you will have to undergo

some close consultation with your advisers, and with upper-class advisers that you may meet. Any subjects that you may be taking underlay much in the engineering and science majors that you'll be taking. And a deep understanding of the core subjects in these areas will be essential as you build a foundation for success as you pursue your major. Each of these subjects has remarkable intrigue for the major, but these subjects introduce the principles that will be needed for the vast majority of MIT students.

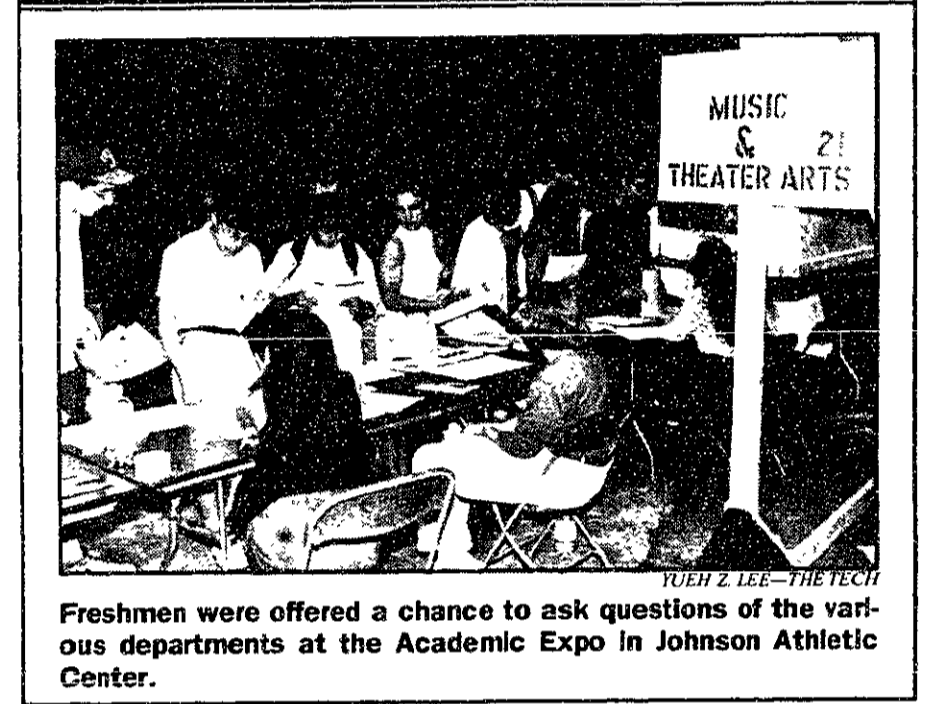
Beyond the requirements in science, you will find a broad menu of opportunities to fulfill your other scholarly interests, and not incidentally our requirements, in HASS. We are proud of our distinction in these areas and our faculty are anxious to work with you.

You will find individuals here teaching Shakespeare through the innovative, interactive computer system being developed by Professor Peter Donaldson, taking a class from one of three Nobel laureates in economics, or becoming acquainted with the history of science, you will be engaged with world class instructors who want to work with you.

There are many opportunities to pursue strong programs in HASS, and you may find yourself to be a physicist best—selling author—our own Alan Lightman who authored Einstein's Dreams. I judge our HASS programs to be far stronger than you likely imagined and for more critical to your success and happiness than you may feel at the moment.

Let me now conclude by saying a bit about our research enterprise. MIT is a research institution. What does that mean? Well, it's a very large fraction of what goes on here at MIT. Arguably we are the largest and finest academic institution for

science and engineering research. As measured in dollars, it's a \$700 million dollar per year enterprise. We support and encourage early involvement in research, freshman advising seminars, the Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program, and the Edgerton Center. Get involved in research, discover something that others want to learn. You will find that this dimension is one of great importance as you work your way through MIT. There is nothing more personally rewarding than the thrill of discovery! You will be amazed to find how soon you can working on the cutting edge of your field with faculty colleagues.



YUEH Z. LEE—THE TECH

Freshmen were offered a chance to ask questions of the various departments at the Academic Expo in Johnson Athletic Center.

GSC Helps New Grad Students Get Settled

GSC, from Page 1

schedule and a checklist. The checklist divided tasks to be accomplished into three parts: essential, academic, and other. It reminded students to do things such as open a local bank account and get keys to their building and office. Also included was a list of places to eat and buy groceries.

Activities planned for this afternoon include the picnic and the GSC Open House. The picnic, held in Killian Court, is the only campus-wide graduate student picnic. President Charles M. Vest will speak, and lunches will be provided by MIT.

The Graduate Student Open House will provide an opportunity for new and old graduate students to get to know each other. The Alumni/ae Association will provide ice

cream.

At the end of the open house, the GSC will host the Night on the Town tour. Tour guides who are "familiar with different hot spots" around Cambridge and Boston will take groups of graduate students to Harvard Square, Lansdowne Street, Quincy Street, and a party held with the Sloan School of Management orientation students, Brown said.

Traditionally, the GSC's most popular orientation event is the Boston Harbor Cruise, which will tour Boston Harbor Friday evening. A total of 500 tickets are available at the GSC booth for \$5 apiece, but they are expected to sell out.

The GSC will also sponsor a trip to Fenway Park Sunday to watch the Boston Red Sox play against the Kansas City Royals. Two hundred tickets will be available.



YUEH Z. LEE—THE TECH

David Page answers a question about the biology classes. From the right, Brian White, Boris Magasanik, Page, and Robert A. Weinberg '64 were present to represent the biology department at the "Meet the Profs" presentation yesterday morning.

The Daily Confusion Thursday, September 2, 1993

Residence

All day: **Fenway House.** Relaxing. 437...437...uh...437. I forget.*

9:58a: **Fenway House.** Breakfast. Eat it. 437-1043.*

10:00a: **pika.** Doesn't Ten seem pretty early...well, I guess not...come to pika for breakfast...some of us are awake...*

11:00a: **pika.** I was so tired at ten that I forgot to give you our phone number...it's 492-6983...there's still breakfast or brunch or breakfast...*

11:58a: **Fenway House.** Improv Lunch. All we promise is food. 437-1043.*

12:00p: **pika.** It's 12:00, do you know where your breakfastlunchbreakfast-brunch is going to be today...pika...492-6983...we're having cold cereal and burnt toast...*

1:00p: **pika.** Daytime pika...492-6983*

2:00p: **pika.** Too tired to type...need sleep...I'll just put in the phone number...492-6983...oh, the grueling life of a daily confusion entry typist... (actually it's almost noon and I'm wide awake, it's all so confusing...hence the name!)*

2:51p: **Fenway House.** The New England Aquarium is a wonderful place, and its free with your temporary ID. Call 437-1043 for a ride.*

3:00p: **pika.** Here's what we missed during workweek: help noah weed the lawn. Atone for your excesses and feel green at the same time!*

3:51p: **Fenway House.** Mellowness. 437-1043.*

6:03p: **pika.** Ok, so maybe you don't have fond memories of glop n rice from your childhood. Why not mosey on down to pika and create some? It's yummy! 492-6983*

6:04p: **pika.** Glop on rice - truth in advertising. We have a fine selection: Chinese glop on rice, Indian glop on rice and Marengo (Napoleonic) glop on rice! 492-6983*

6:15p: **pika.** Glop on rice: truth in advertising (but it's yummy! pika: 492-6983)*

6:16p: **pika.** No, Really! it's good food! yumbo 492-6983*

6:17p: **pika.** Laurel, Daniele and Sally create 3 tantalizing glop dishes: Tofu, veggies and chicken. yum yum.*

6:33p: **pika.** This may be the last pika daily confusion entry...*

11:01p: **Fenway House.** House meeting. Hopefully you're already here. 437-1043.*

2:01a: **Fenway House.** "Anarchist annual conference ends in Riot." In a world where such things actually happen, wouldn't you rather be at Fenway House.*

Activities

All day: **United Christian R/O.** Meet and hang out with Christians. Ask us questions! All welcome! Info about groups, churches, and activities. Student Center rm 441. United Christian R/O*

All day: **Science Fiction Society.** The largest public science fiction library in existence will be open most of the house between noon and midnight today. Come by W20-473 (Student Center), relax, and read a good book. Over 50,000 books to read - better get started now.*

8:00a: **WMBR 88.1 FM.** Breakfast of Champions and the Late Risers' club: Indie rock, every weekday!*

11:30a: **Korean Students Assn.** Barbeque At the barbeque pits in front of Johnson, we'll be serving classic Korean favorites - bulgoki, bap, and kimchee. Come and stuff your bellies.*

12:00p: **United Christian R/O.** Delicious BBQ! All welcome! Johnson BBQ pits next to Student Center. United Christian R/O*

12:00p: **Chinese Students Club.** Wanna show us your volleyball stuff? Meet new people? Then, come to the Chinese Students Club's Volleyball Games in Rockwell Cage in Dupont.*

12:00p: **Chorallaries.** SING!! NOW!! Auditions for Chorallaries noon to 5:00 in 4-160. Walk in! Its easy! Its fun!*

12:00p: **WMBR 88.1 FM.** Lost and Found: The music of the 60s and 70s*

1:00p: **United Christian R/O.** Mouth watering BBQ! Come one, come all. Johnson BBQ pits next to Student Center. United Christian R/O*

1:00p: **Hillel.** Trip to Science Museum. Leave from Hillel basement. Returning 4PM.*

2:00p: **United Christian R/O.** Oh, so tummy-tempting BBQ! Come, come whoever you are. Johnson BBQ pits

next to Student Center. Stay around for some sports! United Christian R/O*

2:00p: **MIT Lecture Series Committee.** Come to the Lecture Series Committee's 1993 Publicity Open House and visit MIT's only student run offset printing facility. Learn about LSC - the organization which brings over 100 feature and classic films to the MIT campus each and every year and uses the revenue to bring world-class lecturers to speak here!*

2:00p: **WMBR 88.1 FM.** Changes: Mainstream Jazz*

2:30p: **Science Fiction Society.** Hmm. The MITSFS is open. Maybe I'll look around for a couple minutes.*

2:33p: **Science Fiction Society.** Hey! They have the Hand of Chaos! I've been waiting forever for it to come out in paperback - maybe I'll just read a couple of pages.*

2:47p: **Science Fiction Society.** The first chapter was pretty good. Maybe I should leave now.*

2:48p: **Science Fiction Society.** On the other hand, maybe I should just read another chapter. And then leave.*

2:49p: **Science Fiction Society.** On the gripping hand, maybe I should just read the whole book. Sounds like a good idea to me.*

3:00p: **ΑΦΩ.** Find out about Alpha Phi Omega, a coed national service fraternity. Meet brothers, ask questions, and consume juice & cookies. If you can't make this meeting, check our Infinite Corridor board for others.*

4:00p: **United Christian R/O.** Athena workshop. All welcome. Overcome computer phobia, or learn deep hacker secrets. Student Center rm 441. United Christian R/O.*

4:00p: **Chorallaries.** SING!! Walk in for a Chorallaries audition! There's still time! 12-5 today, Friday, and Saturday in 4-160*

4:00p: **WMBR 88.1 FM.** The Jazz Train: Acoustic Jazz, with a different theme each week.*

5:00p: **United Christian R/O.** Athena workshop. All welcome. Overcome computer phobia, or learn deep hacker secrets. Student Center rm 441. United Christian R/O.*

6:00p: **WMBR 88.1 FM.** The WMBR nightly news, with a definite leftist view.*

6:30p: **WMBR 88.1 FM.** Downeast Ceilidh: Folk music from the Canadian Maritimes.*

7:00p: **Educational Studies Program.** Interested in promoting new and interesting methods of teaching? Want to impress your hobbles on others? We are the Educational Studies Program (ESP) and are interested in promoting experiments and running programs for high school students. Come visit us during our open houses this Wednesday and Thursday on the 4th floor of the student center, Room 467!*

7:00p: **SCA.** The MITSFA - The Mit Society for Creative Anachronism is holding a movie fest! That's right, come see your favorite (or, well, OUR favorite) medieval-theme movies. We have *The Princess Bride*, a couple of versions of Robin Hood, *Henry V*, and whatever else catches our fancy at Blockbuster. We are located in Talbot Lounge, on the first floor of East Campus dormitory. Join us for a few hours of movies and random (probably non-period) food, if you're not full yet. Call the EC desk at 3-2871 if you don't know how to get to East Campus by now.*

8:00p: **Chinese Students Club.** Take a break from R/O. Come join the Chinese Students Club for ice cream, drinks, and plenty of games. At the CSC library (room 439) or Twenty Chimneys (third floor) in the Student Center.*

8:00p: **Musical Theater Guild.** FRESHMAN NIGHT for the Musical Theatre Guild's production of Tim Rice's "CHES". Come see MIT students perform musical theatre. Tickets tonite only are \$2 for all Freshmen with ID, and \$5 for all other MIT students with ID. Its a great introduction to theatre at MIT. Call 253-6294 for reservations and information. The performance is in the Kresge Little Theatre.*

8:00p: **ATS.** Come join the Association of Taiwanese Students for a movie run! We will be going to see "The Wedding Banquet", a movie from Taiwan. It'll be in both Chinese and English, with English subtitles. Meet in front of the Student Center. Bring money for the movie and the subway (\$7).*

8:00p: **WMBR 88.1 FM.** Everyone's gathering in front of the Student Center for the hippest outdoor party you've ever seen. WMBR's DJs prepare to save the world. Hed.*

8:30p: **United Christian R/O.** Bowling with the Korean Baptist Student Koinonia Christian fellowship group. Meet at the Lobby 7 benches.*

8:30p: **WMBR 88.1 FM.** Folktracks: The coolest folk in the Cambridge Basin.*

10:30p: **WMBR 88.1 FM.** Kids in the Hall: Indie music, all straight from Canada.*

12:30a: **WMBR 88.1 FM.** Metallurgy: Metal. 'nuff said.*

Notices

All day: All Day Around the Institute Freshmen Explorations Learn about the Institute. there are Explorations for interests from Drama to Nuclear Physics.*

All day: **Elsewhere.** 24 hours Reading Room Elsewhere lounge is open! Come wind down at Elsewhere - you can even write on the walls.*

8:00a: - Midnight La Sala de Puerto Rico R/O Center Open Call 253-2500 for 24-hour information.*

9:00a: - 5:00 pm Athena Minicourses One-hour Athena Minicourse: "How to Get Around Athena." Taught on the hour.*

1:00p: **Tours.** - 3:00 pm Meet on Student Center Steps Harbor Cruise Grab a camera and come with us on a leisurely cruise around Boston's picturesque inner harbor. Bring \$ 5 to cover all costs. (Cancelled if rain.)*

2:30p: - 4:30 pm Twenty Chimney Mentor Program A reception for minority freshmen to meet their prospective faculty and staff mentors.*

5:00p: It Takes One To Know One. Kresge Auditorium **Mandatory For All Freshmen** Dinner will be served.*

8:30p: - Midnight Outside Student Center The Red Line Party Come dance the night away as our live band and MIT DJs play the tunes. Cosponsored by the R/O Events Committee, SCC, and WMBR. (Rain location: Lobdell)*

In case of emergency, dial 100 from any MIT phone. Other important numbers: Campus Police: 253-1212 Med Center Emergency: 253-1311 F/O Center: 253-2500 UAA: 253-6772 Nightline: 253-8800

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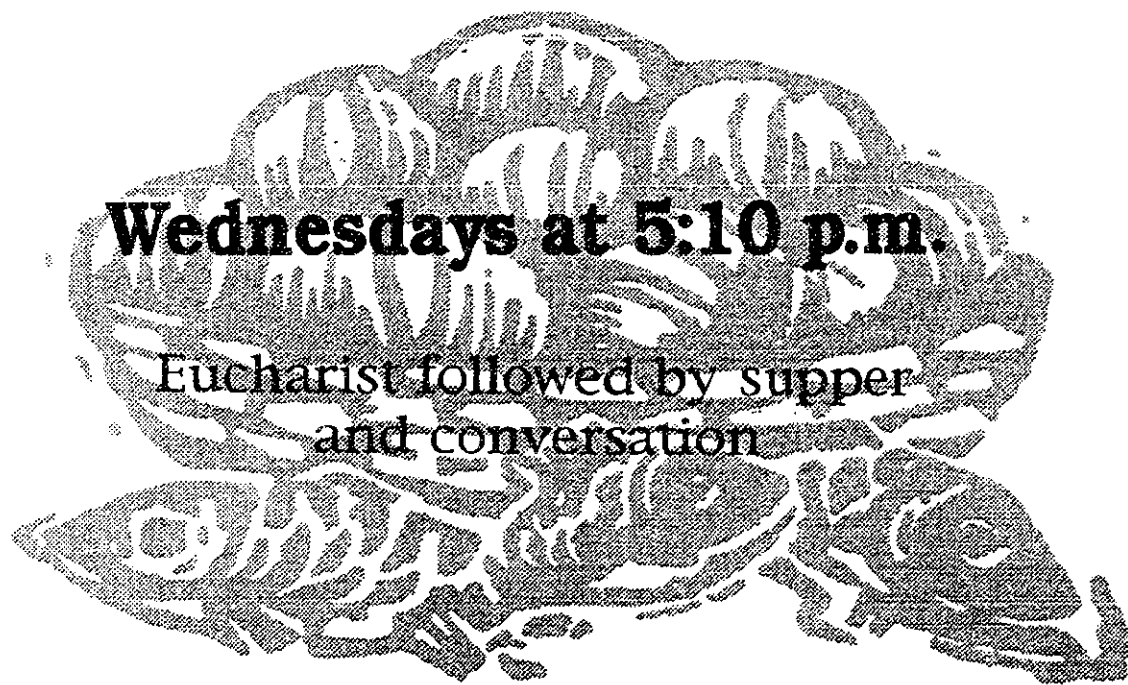
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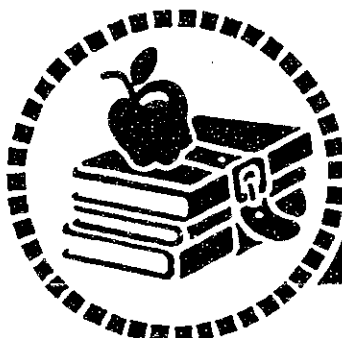
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