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Meal Plan Proposal Criticized

By Hyan Soo Kim

I'm trying to show that a lot of people will move out of the dorm, said Bob Dempsey, who added he would not be very inconvenienced himself by the plan. When a student leaves the dorm, one of the major points was that if ARA decides to put this plan in effect, and if we don't eat there, ARA will just make the profits.

The survey included a description of the proposed house dining system, which is a plan sponsored by the Office of Housing and Food Services. The average price of a meal and an estimate of the average student spending per week was also included.

The survey revealed that 124 people answered "yes" to this question. Only two respondents answered "no" to the question, "Do you approve of the [house dining] plan right now as written?"?

When asked, "If this plan were put into effect, would you consider moving out of the dorm?" most students answered "yes" and answered "no".

"But how many would actually move out (once this plan is implemented) is a different question," Dempsey said.

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Trade Tensions Mount as US Bars EC Companies from Government Contracts

By John M. Broder and Joel Havens

WASHINGTON

The Clinton administration intensified growing trade tensions with Europe Monday by barring European companies from bidding on millions of dollars of U.S. government purchases as a sanction against "intolerable" European procurement rules.

U.S. Trade Representative Mickey Kantor, in a tough-worded statement, asked the Clinton administration to consider retaliatory steps if the 12-nation European Community does not liberalize its procurement rules governing purchases of telecommunications and other utilities.

The administration's action is to take effect March 22, but Clinton administration and EC Trade Commissioner Sir Leon Brittan noted that they would meet in Washington Feb. 11 and hinted that a negotiated deal could be reached to avoid the U.S. response.

The action follows a U.S. decision last week to impose stiff tariffs on steel from seven EC countries and threatens to intensify growing trade tensions with Europe. After a brief internal review

Kantor's statement on Monday thanked the Clinton administration for "intolerable" European procurement.

Kantor said the Clinton administration had considered, but ultimately rejected, the U.S. government to try to break down the barriers.

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Letters To The Editor

UAT Not 'Disinterested' In Dining Proposal

I am writing in response to the editorial about the house dining system ("Protest House Dining Proposal", Jan. 29). It's a great idea, but I am dismayed at your implication that the Undergraduate Association has been disinterested. The UA president was first informed about the new house dining system only two weeks ago, and the UA does not meet during Independence Activities Period. If you had been at any of the subsequent UA executive committee meetings, you would have seen anything but a lack of interest, as most of the executive committee live in some of the affected dorms.

If you are dissatisfied with the UA, then I urge you to get involved in it by running for council, joining a committee, talking with UA reps, and/or attending one of the council meetings, which are open to all MIT students. Take your voice there. Ask questions. It's your right as an MIT student. Your sole function is to take minutes for UA and exec and comm business, it is not your responsibility to leave. As the saying goes, "you reap what you sow." If you're in your room eating in the dining halls. They have to do problem sets. Talk to them. It's their duty to listen to you.

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Column by Matthew H. Hersch

This recent opposition to permitting gays in the United States military really has me baffled. While regressive types cite unfounded suspicions to bolster their shaky claims about morale and discipline, the media reveals more and more cases in which openly homosexual American soldiers fought side-by-side with their straight countrymen, without problems. As for me, a straight male civilian voting taxpayer, I wouldn't mind being defended by anyone who wants to risk his or her life defending me, in fact, welcome to no questions asked. And given the履olid debate on the subject, I have a hard time believing that to fully acknowledge the presence of homosexuals already serving in the military would shake morale and discipline nearly as much as many generals and Senators claim.

The argument that really makes me chuckle, for example, is the widely-held belief that the presence of open homosexuality in combat units will destroy group cohesion. Concern about gays in the military, after all, is a relatively recent phenomenon. In the Greek city-state of Sparta — the ancient bastion of bisexuality — homosexuality among soldiers was not an open practice at all, but the social glue that held them together.

Mid-way through training, a male Spartan cadet would usually be wooed by a personal thesis adviser/sex partner who would guide the cadet through adulthood while giving him an introduction to alternative lifestyles. Most cadets would eventually go on to form satisfying heterosexual relationships, but their love for other men, and usually, each other, would remain.

This practice of tutorial homosexuality is, of course, disgusting and ethically reprehensible, but that's not the point. The real moral is this: The Spartan military contained more than a few homosexuals, and it went on to become the fiercest army in the ancient world, defeating heterosexual armies left-and-right for hundreds of years. Homosexuality, in fact, bolstered morale — making life in the ranks much more fun and eliminating the problem of sex with the natives on overseas deployments.

The success of the Spartan army, though, shouldn't be a big surprise. When it all comes down to it, the thing that holds armies together is, after all, fraternal love — the more love, in fact, the better.

Discipline is the first thing that goes in wartime, followed closely by patriotism (anyone who has read any book on Vietnam will tell you this). American soldiers in particular not only enjoy killing their officers, but are prone to self-doubt and confusion about their political duties. Ask any American warrior why he acted the way he did and he won't start quoting from the Declaration of Independence — rather, he'll claim that he did it out of suicidal nihilism or love for his fellow soldier.

Slowly, the American military has begun to realize this truth, phasing out some of the large, seem far too hung up on the whole problem — not only with the accepting gays into the service, but women as well. As long as social conduct among soldiers remains as closely regulated as it is now, there shouldn't be any problems. Who knows, perhaps the Spartans were right — if love and war truly go hand in hand, maybe the military could even use a few more homosexuals.

Matthew H. Hersch, a junior in the Department of Political Science, suggests that anyone interested in bizarre Greek sexual practices or past history in general, check out Larry Gonick's Cartoon History of the Universe, a fine book which uses lots of small words and has many funny pictures.

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is for students to talk about it with people that they know, we're trying to be as personable as possible," Randolf said.

"We had an open house today and gave out information on counseling. To be honest with you we had a small turnout. But people who wanted to come to talk about it could, and I'm not terribly disappointed. Each student is trying to handle this. It is a shock," said Professor of Mechanical Engineering Derek Dowell, the Housemaster of New House.

Associate Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science Tomasz Loszewski '74, Moore's academic advisor, described him as "extremely quiet. I registered him for three terms, and I didn't think he had said very much while I saw him. ... He was not particularly outgoing, at least with me. Some students are outgoing, some are not."

Others described Moore differently. He was "well known and well liked," said Russell. "We are all dis- mayed by this personal tragedy. I am amazed about the number of people that he knew. He was very well liked, and he will be sorely missed. He was involved in a lot of different activities. He played hockey, coached the volleyball team, and worked in [On-Line Consulting]. A lot of people knew him.

"He was a really great guy," said MaryBeth Kossut '94. "He was the kind of guy that everyone was friends with. He was all still kind of a shock. ... We all knew that he wasn't doing well, and he wasn't happy all the time. But we had no indication that he was suicidal."

Russell received a warning from the Committee on Academic Performance earlier in the week, Randolph said. But Randolph emphasized that there was "no correlation" between the CAP warning and Moore's apparent suicide.

"There is no indication that this is an crusade. People can draw conclu- sions as they may," Randolph said.

"He did fail a class - out of that came the CAP warning. He had also recently changed from 6-1 to 6-3 which was another reason why I assumed that he was not coming by," said Loszewski. "I tried to call him both days and I figured that he had left over Independence Day. Period again is not unusual."

Moore did not register for the spring semester.

"He hadn't registered this term. I have a lot of students who wanted dinner served in their rooms. The food service cafeteria was $4.79, which was another reason why I had a hard time thinking that he was not coming by," Loszewski said. "This is not uncommon. He was not the only student in my group to not come by. The news of [his death] came as a real shock to me."

Moore registered late spring last year due to financial difficulties, Randolf said.

"He was a young man who worked hard here. He had a job to put himself through MIT. The diffi- culties he had were last year. Things seem to be better now. He was hunting for a job in September," Randolph said.

"The people of Spanish House feel that the reasons for why this happened are not clear, and now is not the time for any speculation," said Angel R. Martinez '95.

Friends doubt suicide

Students expressed disbelief in hearing of Moore's death. No President Hsueh-Chau Tao '94 said, "No one knew he was suicide. His friends think a strong gust of wind came and he lost his balance. ... Every time I saw him he was quite cheerful. He was never depressed. It all came as a shock.

The news of Moore's death "came as a shock...people a few years back there was a suicide at M.I.T. And I think other students and roommates were talking about it, and Fan-Mike was kind of upset. I don't know if they were to ask me to pick someone who was least likely to do it, I would have been Fan-Mike," said Mario A. Salinas '94, Moore's freshman roommate.

"A meeting was called to arrange for counseling for students and Assistants," Dowell said. Ongood will be held in the coming weeks, Russell said. Ongood, a hus- band and coach, was a friend of Moore's and spoke to him as recent- ly as Wednesday.

Moore's funeral will be held on Saturday in New York City.

Moore is survived by his mother, brother, and stepfather.

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Dempsey added. "I tried to be as unleading as possible in sending my questionnaire. That's why I'm in the house dining plan as it was worded in the memo that came to us," he said.

According to Dempsey's survey, the average amount that the respond- ents spent "on each meal at any-

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**UPCOMING DATES:**

7:30 pm - Wednesday, February 3:
The first President's Council meeting of the term will be held in Twenty Chimneys of the Student Center.

5 pm - Wednesday, February 10:
Applications for IFC Cabinet positions are due in Vice-President Jeremy Richel's mailbox, which is located in the Campus Activities Office of the Student Center. Applications can be picked up in Richel’s mailbox. Also nominations will be taken for seven IFC Delegates to the Undergraduate Association. Contact IFC President Prashant Doshi for information.

**ORDER OF OMEGA**

In the spring of 1992, twelve members of the MIT Greek community were initialed as charter members of the MIT chapter of the Order of Omega, a national leadership honor society. The Order of Omega's primary purpose is to recognize those students who have attained a high standard of leadership in inter-Greek activities, to encourage them to continue along this line, and to inspire others to strive for similar conspicuous attainment. The Order of Omega also programs events that help mold the sentiment of the institution on issues confronting the Greek community.

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All members of MIT fraternities, sororities, or ILG's who have demonstrated leadership within the IFC or within their chapter are encouraged to apply for membership. In addition, chapter presidents are encouraged to nominate those members whom they feel would deserve this honor. Applications are available in Neal Dorow's office on the fifth floor of the Student Center. Additionally, applications have been made available to all FSILG’s. Completed applications should be submitted to IFC Rush Chair's mailbox on the fifth floor of the Student Center by February 3rd.

The Interfraternity Council would like to congratulate the following member groups which received recognition from their own national organizations this past year for areas of chapter excellence:

- Alpha Delta Phi, First Place National Literary Competition (Greg Taran '92)
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- Alpha Phi, Academic Excellence Award
- Delta Tau Delta, Court of Honor Award
- Kappa Alpha Theta, Recognition for Outstanding Alcohol Policy
- Kappa Sigma, Founders' Award for Chapter Excellence
- Phi Delta Theta, Alpha Rho Kappa, Outstanding Chapter Advisor Award
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Course XVI Creates New MEng Degree

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and computer utilization, will be emphasized. Good management and communication skills will be stressed with a special focus on group behavior and dealing with top management, including meeting ethical norms and personal responsibilities, will be emphasized.

The current aerospace degree options of "regular" and "avionics" will be eliminated in the new undergraduate program.

Two required undergraduate courses, Material Technology (1.094) and Introduction to Electronics (6.071), will be replaced in the new program. Instead, students will be required to take Probability and Statistics (6.041) and a new version of Physics II (6.81), which will be taught within the department.

The department will continue to emphasize strong preparatory courses in mathematics, basic sciences, and engineering science. They will also maintain Unified Engineering freshmen courses (16.001, 16.002, 16.003, 16.004), the experimental project series, and the senior design project.

Thomas P. Tierney, "95, an aerospace graduate, and now a second-year graduate student, says he supports the department's intentions, but he is disappointed that the class of 1995 will be uncomfortable with it. "I'll have to take four Course XVI classes next term," he said.

Changes at the graduate level

The department also will offer a new graduate level MEng degree which will take one academic year to complete. "Only two departments on campus have this type of five-year program, [Course "91 and XVI]," Murman said.

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**** Aladdin
Never less than enormously entertaining, Disney's latest animated delight is a hilarious musical adventure based loosely on the Arabian Nights tale of a peasant boy and his magical lamp. Thanks to the vocal talents of comedians Robin Williams and Gilbert Gottfried and clever animation by Disney artists, this is probably the funniest animated film ever, but it never loses sight of the exuberant sense of wonder that permeates all of Disney's best works. With a breakneck pace and an abundance of wonderful images, only a second viewing reveals most of the background gags and beautiful artistry that went into producing this absolute pleasure. —Chris Robarge, Lowell Copley Place

** The Bodyguard
Whitney Houston essentially plays herself, a tem- poramental pop singer who lacks songwriting ability and good musical taste, and Kevin Costner is a Secret Service agent hired to protect her after she begins to receive death threats in this mediocre romantic thriller. The romance in particular is emotionless, thanks to Costner's dry character and Houston's undeveloped acting abilities. Most of The Bodyguard, including the casting of Houston merely to cash in on the sale of a soundtrack, is little more than an unpleasant reminder that Hollywood is an industry more interested in producing money than art. —John Jacobs, Lowell Copley Place

**** The Crying Game
Neil Jordan's story of an IRA terrorist (Stephen Rea) is a remarkably well-written piece of work that at first seems to follow its protagonist in aimless yet intriguing directions, but eventually reveals itself to be a perfectly structured look at violence, race, love, and sensuality. Rea is ordered to guard a kidnapped British officer (Forest Whitaker), but he begins to care for the hostage and later flees to London, where he meets the officer's girlfriend (Jayne Davidson). The two halves of the film, which contain some com- pletely unpredictable plot twists, become mirrors of one another, reflecting how understanding and com- passion may be a means of salvation. —CR. Loews Harvard Square

**/½: A Few Good Men
Nearly every element of director Rob Reiner's adaptation of the military murder/courtroom drama clicks into place with the efficiency of a finely tuned machine designed to churn out entertainment. Sure it's sentimental, but it's also extremely effective. The performances by Tom Cruise and Jack Nicholson are stirring, and the photography, with crystal clarity and frequent symmetry in its images, is polished until it shines. For the officers in the story, precision leads to tragedy, but for the film it leads to a triumph of sorts. —CR. Loews Cheri

**/½: Hee Haw
Even with the funniest sex scene ever filmed, Hee Haw manages to be not much more than a limp farce with occasional attempts at parody and some

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1993 The Aga Khan Program for Islamic Architecture at Harvard University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology announces its 1993 summer travel grants for the study of Islamic architecture. Deadline: March 1, 1993

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**January Camp Successful for Skiers**

*Kate Bergeron '93 and Gwen Crevensten '96 lead Division II Cross Country*

By Kate Bergeron

**TEAM MEMBERS**

The women's and men's cross country ski teams returned from their January ski camp with several fine results. On Jan. 15, the teams traveled to Craftsbury, VT. to compete in a five-team meet at the St. Michael's College carnival.

Westley Sherman '93 was the top finisher for the men's team in a 12.2-kilometer skiing race which began on fresh powder. Sherman finished second behind Brian Lavoie of Kenne State College. Following Sherman, was Christian Lund '96 in sixth place. Joel Sindal '93 rounded out the team scoring by placing ninth, giving the team a second place overall finish.

The women's team picked up a new, badly needed, scoring weapon in Alaskan Gwen Crevensten '96. Crevensten and Bergeron scored solid points for the team with Crevensten placing third and Bergeron picking up the win. With only two scorers, the women's team managed a third place finish.

That Saturday, the two teams competed in a 10-kilometer classical race again at Craftsbury VT. with the addition of the Crimason of Harvard University, a Division I team. Again Sherman led the men's team, this time holding off Belizzi of Harvard for a strong win. Lund held down the second spot for the team with a ninth place finish, and Sindal captured 15th.

The women's race was completely dominated by top eastern racer Molly Ware of Harvard. Bergerson led Ware two own race and held on for a very comfortable second place finish, once again leading Division II. In addition to Bergerson's second place finish was a strong performance by Crevensten giving her third place overall. Bergerson and Crevensten were both well ahead of the Division II field, with the next skier finishing five minutes behind Crevensten.

On Jan. 22, the teams were greeted with some fresh snow and a familiar course. In Jackson, N.H., the University of New Hampshire hosted a combined Division I and Division II national qualifying race. The race featured the top skiers in the east from both divisions as well as national ski team members.

The MIT men were among the top of the Division II skiers. Bergeron led the way for Division II finishing 35th overall and beating the next Division II skiers by over three minutes. Crevensten finished fourth overall and 7th in Division II.

In the 18.5-kilometer race, Sherman showed incredible consistency and endurance, and led the MIT men over the course for a 46th place finish. His finish was good enough for third in Division II. He was joined again by Lund, steadily improving with a 55th place finish, eighth in Division II, Sindal in 68th place, 15th in Division II, and Jeff Breidenbach '96. Breidenbach, racing despite a broken hand, finished in 73rd place, 24th for Division II.

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**Attention All Athletes and Coaches**

In each Tuesday issue, *The Tech* sports department will be running a short article on an MIT athlete who performed exceptionally well over the past week. We are asking players and coaches of all sports who know a player who has made a particularly valuable contribution over a given week to please submit his or her name to the sports department (sports@the-tech.mit.edu). In addition, we will try to write a “Blunder of the Week” to cover the worst athletic plays ever made by human beings on this campus. Lower-league intramural sports are particularly welcome to submit entries for this category.

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Tranum Receives Nelson Award; Ellefson ECAC Gymnast of Week

By Roger Crosley
SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR

MIT football player Rod Tranum '93 has been named the winner of the 48th Annual Swede Nelson Award given by the Gridiron Club of Greater Boston. The Nelson Award is given to the senior football player who has demonstrated excellence in the classroom and on the gridiron in the small (Division II and III) and large schools (Division I and IAA) in New England. Tranum, a wide receiver from Chatsworth, Ga., is the first MIT player to win the Nelson Award. The Nelson Award is named in honor of former Harvard University player and coach, Nils "Swede" Nelson.

Men's Gymnastics

MIT gymnast Chris Ellefson '95 has been named Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) Men's Gymnast of the Week for his performance in a dual meet loss to the University of Vermont. Ellefson set an MIT record on the parallel bars with a score of 8.85. He also scored a 44.6 in the all-around to place second in overall scoring.

Crew

The MIT crew teams had tremendous success in the fourth annual regatta with the University of Miami. The men's heavyweight crews won the varsity, second varsity and freshmen races and the freshmen posted the day's largest margin of victory. The MIT women defeated the Hurricanes in the varsity and novice races, but dropped the second varsity contest.

UPCOMING HOME EVENTS

Tuesday, February 2
Men's Ice Hockey vs. Suffolk University, 7 p.m.
Women's Basketball vs. Rivier College, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 3
Women's Ice Hockey vs. Amherst College, 7 p.m.

Thursday, February 4
Women's Basketball vs. Wheaton College, 6 p.m.
Men's Ice Hockey vs. Central Connecticut State University, 7 p.m.
Men's Basketball vs. Connecticut College, 8 p.m.

Saturday, February 6
Fencing hosts the MIT Invitational, all day
Squash vs. Fordham University, 10 a.m.
Men's Basketball vs. Wentworth Institute of Technology, 2 p.m.
Men's Swimming vs. Amherst College, 3 p.m.
Women's Basketball vs. Western New England College, 4 p.m.
Men's Gymnastics vs. City College of New York, 4 p.m.
Women's Swimming vs. Amherst College, 7 p.m.

MIT Sabre Squad Wins 9 of 10 Matches

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ing the sole foil victory against Notre Dame.

Epee, as the saying goes, was a game of inches. The epee squad, led by Kris Giesing '94, reached far but produced narrow 4-5 losses against the University of Illinois, Lawrence, and UCSB. MIT epee victories were chalked up against Northwestern, Cal State Long Beach, and the University of Chicago. Dean Christakos '96 and Henry Cohn '95 both came home with winning bouts under their belts, and star newcomer Keith Lichtman '95 stole the show with a 17-12 record for the trip.

MIT sabre, consisting of Mark Hurst '94, Charles Baroud '93, Jin Choi '94, Rene Despinos '94, and Coach Jarek Koniusz, was hotter than ever. The sabre squad won nine out of its ten matches, losing only to Ohio State, 4-5. By far the most intense match this season was the one against nationally ranked Notre Dame, the last match of the tourna-

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ment. Hurst and Baroud both took two bouts, bringing the score to 4-4, when Despinos stepped in. To make it dramatic, Despinos took the bout score to 4-4 before defeating his opponent 5-4. The sabre squad is now 16-4 in varsity competition.

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Men's Track Team Beats Rival Tufts

By Halston Taylor

The men's track team defeated Colby, Tufts, and UMass Dartmouth this past Saturday in the Johnson Athletic Center.

The Engineers scored 229½ points to win the meet, edging out Tufts with 221½. Colby and UMass Dartmouth scored 86 and 39 points respectively.

The meet, which was the third of four quadrangular meets among New England's top Division III teams, became a showdown between archrivals MIT and Tufts. MIT was one of the two undefeated teams left in New England, and Tufts' only loss of the season was to undefeated Williams.

Tufts' greatest strength lay in sprints and horizontal jumps, and the team performed well in these categories, scoring 71 out of a possible 86 points in the 200-, 400-, 500-, and 1,600-meter relays. Tufts also finished first and second in both the long jump and the triple jump.

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