The Weather

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MIT Card Changes
Prompt Concerns

By Stacey E. Blau

The Department of Housing and Food Services is in the process of responding to concerns over changes made to the new MIT Card, which is valid starting today.

The new card features two major changes this year. The word "student," which previously appeared on the front face of the card, was taken off. The expiration date on the card, which used to be one year from the date it went into effect, was extended to four years, until Sept. 26, 2000.

Several students called to complain about the omission of the word "student," said Lucy Ann Barrera, manager of the MIT Card Office.

While the card, with its unique silver background, is recognizable as a student card at MIT, people outside MIT might not recognize it as such, perhaps causing problems for students competing on identification or for special student discounts, she said.

Director of Housing and Food Services Lawrence E. Maguire made the decision to take off the "student" tag last year. The idea was to remove any extra, unnecessary information on the card because "a clean card makes sense," Maguire said.

Less information on the card means more privacy and security if the card falls into the wrong hands, he said.

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As Dining Group Solicits Input, Confusion Remains on Contract

By Douglas E. Helmberger

The dining review working group met this week with residents of McCormick Hall, Burton-Conner House, and Baker House despite lingering confusion among members of the group over its relationship to the future of dining services on campus.

The group, created during the end of the spring semester, is in charge of formulating a framework for dining on campus, said Director of the Campus Activities Complex Philip J. Walsh, who serves as head of the review group.

In the next two weeks, the group plans to solicit input from residents of all other dormitories and several independent living groups, Walsh said.

But the group will not be making a report until the end of January to Senior Vice President William R. Dickson '56, who along with Dean for Undergraduate Education Rosalind H. Williams, is responsible for the final decision on what MIT will do with its dining services.

Members of the dining group remain confused, however, about the potential one-year renewal of the Aramark contract.

"We're waiting to hear from Bill Dickson," said John S. Hollywood '89, a member of the group. "Eight now, we're working to have the review complete by the end of the Independent Activities Period. If it is, the requests for proposals [for new dining providers] will be done this year."

However, such a timeline would preclude the selection of a new dining vendor or vendors for the 1997-98 school year, said Associate Director for Food Services John T. McNiel. For this reason, "the Aramark contract will probably be renewed," he said.

Group not involved with bidding

The purpose of the working group is to create a food services system that will be economical while building community and emphasizing student participation and nutrition, Walsh said.

But the group was not involved with issuing the solicitations for proposals that are being developed. "It was our intention last year to extend the Aramark contract only one year," Dickson said. However, the dining group should be and is driven by doing the job they set out to do and not by the rebidding issue, "I don't know if it was a conscious decision in hindsight," Maguire said. "Looking at it now, it probably makes more sense to have student on it" because of the iden-

Intel CEO Grove Speaks About Industry Changes

By Christopher L. Falling

On Wednesday, Andrew S. Grove, president and CEO of Intel Corporation, spoke in the fifth lecture of the Industry Leaders in Technology and Management seminars series.

The School of Engineering and Sloan School of Management are sponsoring the series in conjunction with the Center for Technology, Policy, and Industrial Development. The series will bring to MIT leading CEOs who have distinguished themselves in endeavors involving technology and management.

The lecture, titled "Exploiting the Cross Points: Challenging Every Company and Careers," was held in a full Wong Auditorium in the Tang Center. An overflow room was quickly filled with a standing room only crowd.

Grove discussed major changes that have come to most of his lectures about "strategic inflection points." These points are fundamental changes in a business or industry. Grove also addressed these inflection points in his new book, "Only the Paranoid Survive."

An example of a strategic inflection point would include a Walmart moving into a small town and forc-
**U.N. to Lift Sanctions on Bosnia**

**The Washington Post**

The U.N. Security Council is expected to formally lift economic sanctions against Serbia-led Yugoslavia and the Bosnian Serb leaders next week, allowing the certification in the next day or two of results of the Sept. 14 Bosnian elections, a senior U.S. diplomat said Thursday. Officials in Washington said the three-way deal reached last fall for the demilitarization of Bosnia allows for the lifting of economic sanctions against Yugoslavia, the Bosnian Serbs and Croats.

The U.N. Security Council on Monday formally lifted economic sanctions against the Bosnian Serb Republika Srpska and the former Yugoslav provinces of Croatia and Slovenia, which had been imposed in 1992. The lifting of sanctions was based on the Serbs' commitment to participate in a joint meeting of the new, three-member presidency in Sarajevo, the traditional Bosnian capital.

Initially, the newly elected Serb representative on the presidency, Miroslav Krajnc, had refused to go to Sarajevo for the joint meeting. However, that roadblock was pushed aside Thursday by Kosovan's announcement that it would participate in the new presidency now is scheduled for Sarajevo early next week.

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**Los Angeles Times**

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**House Panel Delves Further into Ethics Probe of Gingrich**

**Los Angeles Times**

The House ethics subcommittee investigating Republican Newt Gingrich (Ga.) voted unanimously Thursday to expand its investigation into Gingrich's ties with a charity, his personal financial conflicts and his handling of an ethics probe of two House aides. The action by the panel of two Republicans and two Democrats represents a significant broadening of the 20-month ethics probe of the Speaker and gives James C. Markle, the Washington, D.C., criminal attorney who has been assisting the panel, considerably expanded authority to examine the investigation.

The panel's statement said it was reacting to "certain facts (that) have been discovered in the course of its inquiry. It did not specify those facts, but noted that it has been reviewing a preliminary report Cole Gingrich's chief House antagonist. The subcommittee acted as a stark choice. He can seek to satisfy his constituents that the president is not under control. But if there is no defense, none, - for a procedure so pushed this society's neglected citizens to the verge of revolt.

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Census Bureau Reports Income Rose, Poverty Rate Fell During Past Year

By Barbara Vojebeja and Steven Pearlstein

Household income rose for the first time in six years while the the data, according to a new study. Scientists said the new informa- ration on the role played by' the defec- tive gene in the fight agamSt the disease, according to a new study.

The new work shows that about 1 percent of the general public and about 1 in 5 U.S. blacks inherit the protective, mutant gene from one parent, along with a normal copy of the gene from the other parent. This harmless genetic condition naturally shows the gene in the general population, giving an average of three extra years of life to the expected longevity of the gene and of the predicted protective factors that were found.

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**Student Board Sponsors New IAP Activities**

While most people are still reeling from the shock of being in classes again, one group of students is looking ahead to our next big break.

The Independent Activities Committee student board, nearly one-and-a-half years old, has represented student interests with regard to IAP since its promulgation. This year, there are a number of new projects under way to improve the IAP experience for students as well as the rest of the MIT community. One of the board’s missions is to send representatives to meetings with Institute committees and department IAP coordinators to discuss the possibility of adding a new IAP job, but to keep the spirit of IAP from morphing into “MIT’s third semester,” they have heard from committees and classes and fewer and required classes.

After communicating with the administrators of IAP, the board has tried to get the student body involved in a number of different ways. For instance, for people whose fingers like to do the surfing, the board has set up the IAP preview on the World Wide Web. Soon people will be able to pre-register for activities just by logging in. But if they feel more active, students will have a chance to see what is being offered and pre-register at the student board’s IAP websites.

Before the winter break, Lobby 10 will show some of the upcoming activities. And if students have questions about IAP, like how to start and run their own activities, living group representatives recruited by the board will be available in-house to address concerns, hand out syllabi, and help promote (one-stop shopping). And direct students to other helpful resources. In addition, the representatives will be collecting information on how people enjoy their IAPs to pass on to the student board.

The board itself is expanding and seeking new members to help with this year’s projects. Students are encouraged to apply. All undergraduates and grads who are interested should contact sap@mit.edu or Undergraduate Academic Affairs Program Director Marshall Hughes (dev@mit.edu).

**Letters to The Editor**

**Student Life Includes More Than Academics**

MIT has a serious problem on its hands when its students complain constantly about how much stress there is.

Some would say that MIT is ranked the fifth best university in the country, nothing needs to be changed. Well, someone needs to wake up and realize that stress isn’t good for us and that something needs to be done to help us reduce our stress. Why? It destroys our minds and keeps us from performing at our best.

Where does stress really come from? Is it from the amount of work that we get? Is it from the level of difficulty of the problems that we are given? I don’t think so.

In order to get a good education, you have to be challenged to think and be innovative. That causes stress. Stress is a result of our not being happy with what we are doing.

I have seen so many people afraid to pursue non-academic interests because of the belief that there isn’t enough time. Maybe there isn’t enough time. But if we give up what we love doing, then we are defacing ourselves.

Here is a personal example. I came to MIT very eager to join the MIT Symphony Orchestra. I talked to many people about what this performing arts group was like and the kind of experience I would have keeping with the other MIT students. In my opinion, the time I spent in the orchestra was well worth it because I love playing in an orchestra.

I just pasted this week I found out that I was named one of the co-principal cellists players. I wasn’t expecting this honor in my wildest dreams. It makes me feel I am finally a part of something.

But if they feel more active, students will have a chance to see what is being offered and pre-register at the student board’s IAP websites.

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Letters to the Editor are welcome. They must be typed, double-spaced and submitted to The Tech, P.O. Box 39709, Cambridge, Mass. 02139-7029, or by interdepartmental mail to Room W20-443. Electronic submissions in plain text format are encouraged and may be refereed to editors from the level of difficulty of the problems that we are given? I don’t think so.

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Institute Must Recognize Importance of Identification

Column by A. Arif Husain

The cost of an MIT education is by all means immeasurable. An average student will devote four fruitful years to this end and will spend close to $100,000 in the process. Countless sacrifices will be required on the part of students as they struggle to maintain the status of an MIT student. Emotionally, physically, and financially, there are huge investments to be made in pursuit of technical excellence. But what are the returns?

Clearly, there is much to be said about the "mystery of fundamentals, motivation for learning, and intellectual discipline and self-reliance," which MIT seeks to develop in its students in order to foster "a respect for moral values, the duties of citizenship, and the basic human understanding and knowledge required for leadership." At least, this is what I am told in the overview section of the MIT Course Bulletin. Perhaps there is some truth to it. But what I'm getting at here is not philosophy and moral development, but rather recognition. Pure and simple, hard recognition. All insegnibles aside, the only real evidence I have of my hard-earned and hard-maintained MIT student status is the MIT Card that bears my likeness. I might cite my Brass Rat as well, save two significant changes. First, it took a year longer to acquire. Second, it was shinier and less scratched; but aside from smaller, and slightly thicker, and the surface of my cherished MIT Card. The font was different, and the background color, there is no telling an undergraduate from a staff member or a professor. I doubt that the local vendor who offers a student discount will be privy to this sort of chromotographic distinction. This thoughtlessness, I am afraid, is unacceptable.

The Department of Housing and Food Services claimed that removal of the "STUDENT" tag was a security benefit, although I am unable to fathom how. The MIT Card Office claimed that the expiration date extension would reduce the pressure of producing so many new cards each year. A choice thought, but I'm sure the Registrar's Office, the Nursing Office, and all of the other offices of the Institute responsible for yearly repetitive chores would enjoy the same work ethic. Both of these explanations seem inadequate and unreasonable.

Personally, my MIT Card has no meal account associated with it, nor do I take advantage of any of its other putative functions. It opens the door to my dorm, and it identifies me as a student. As the situation now stands, I'm getting only 50 percent productivity. Which makes me wonder why my expenses haven't gone down commensurately. There's no telling, but the time is now to take action.

Three days ago I received this year's issue of my cherished MIT Card. The font was smaller, and slightly thicker, and the surface was shinier and less scratched; but aside from that it was identical to my older and the status was not acknowledged. On my first year, which seemed to mean that I was never a student in the eyes of the Institute responsible for yearly repetition and organization on all parts. My driving license identifies me as a student. As the situation now stands, I'm getting only 50 percent productivity. Which makes me wonder why my expenses haven't gone down commensurately. There's no telling, but the time is now to take action.

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Student Center Needs Express Elevators

Column by Anders Hove

Last weekend I attended the annual Alumni Leadership Conference. After sitting in on a spirited yet probably pointless small group discussion, I attended the cocktail hour where I ran into a couple of former members of the Student Center Committee. Keeping off the discussion of MIT's bad decision-making processes, the alumni related several horror stories of botched planning and contracting involving the Student Center. It's obvious that many things are wrong with the Student Center, but they both agreed that a major no-brainer from the architectural standpoint should have been the elevator system.

Now here's an experience most MIT veterans have had all too often: You get on the elevator at the first floor, along with 12 other people. The elevator stops at the second floor, but 12 other people who couldn't handle the one flight of stairs up to the third floor where they had planned to eat. Fortunately, they had hit the elevator buttons on both sides, so the other lift killed itself and won't stop for them in no time. Unfortunately for you, the elevator door won't be opening for another five minutes, especially since someone's hand just grazed the door sensor. Lo and behold, you get a glimpse of the Aramark employees when your car stops on the third floor to pick up — surprise — nobody. Total time to fifth floor this time around? Actual experimentation reveals a scenario of time of four minutes, mostly time spent waiting for the doors to close.

Or take this humorous episode that just occurred on campus: A Campus Police officer and I were standing by the elevator. I pressed the "up" arrow; he pressed "down." Now, granted, the officer was violating the express elevator concept of Student Center elevator norms, but I figured maybe he'd spared his ankle tracking down hijacked bicycles. Just as the elevator door opened, 12 other people arrived and piled in, not suspecting that the elevator was down, adding at least three minutes to their journey.

Student Center needs express elevators. But what are the returns?
Electronic Mail Might Be the End of Communication

Column by Brett Altschul

STAFF REPORTER

Essentially no one denies the facility of e-mail, especially in places like MIT, it keeps students in touch with their friends and family members, wherever they happen to live. Within the Institute, it allows busy people with little chance to see one another to remain in frequent contact. Moreover, it's easy to send a message to a large number of people quickly and without wasting large quantities of paper.

Unfortunately, e-mail is also perilous tool—a two-edged sword that draws blood more often than one might think. Often, it becomes easier to pulse some electrons across a segment of coaxial cable than to converse with a physically present human.

When pressed to accept non-electronic media, these characters rapidly become flattened. They behave as if they've lost the ability to communicate by more traditional means, as if they don't trust paper any more, unless it comes out of a laser printer. One person said he was afraid that he might lose what I wrote down, yet the notebook he carried was organized with about the same depth, rigidity, and complexity as a corporate tax return. Maybe his filing system just lacked a category for information that didn't arrive via e-mail.

Extensive reliance on electronic epistles can also get people into trouble because e-mail is extremely easy to ignore. Blowing someone off becomes much easier when that somebody doesn't look at your face, only your screen. But it can be highly frustrating (or worse) when you need a prompt reply to your queries, and the person on the other end doesn't feel like typing a response.

Typically, when you hunt down the dilatory e-mailer, they respond in one of two ways. Most frequently, they offer to send you whatever information you needed as soon as they get a chance. It seems inconceivable to these people that you might have wanted a question answered before the problem set was due. Alternatively, they might state that they don't care at all about whatever you needed and that you shouldn't count on them to help with anything. Usually this sort of response comes via e-mail, as it's significantly easier to insult a faceless electronic citizen than a warm body.

Perhaps the greatest problem with communicating entirely by computer is the bad manner it breeds. The casual rudeness of ignoring people who manage to enter a single example of the trend toward remarkably thick-skinned, head-tricked Internet communication. Although e-mail is n't the medium of choice for serious flamers, there's no shortage of seamless messages sent thereby. For a while, I received 40 to 60 pieces of mail a day from some cretin who went by the name of Poison. Each one attempted to convince me that my law-abiding beliefs were diametrically opposed to the basic content of human nature, using a wide variety of expletives to make the point.

It doesn't really shock me that there are people like Poison out there. I knew that already. What I see as hazardous is the strong tendency I see in computer-centered society to treat this sort of behavior as perfectly normal. While snailmail hasn't quite reached the level of general acceptance, the more subtle insults practiced by the online culture seem to go largely unnoticed. How often do people actually pay attention to the boorish behaviors I've described? The many practices of these crudities certainly fail to notice them.

The extreme rudeness that seems to go part and parcel with it and the tendency to cut off all other types of communication makes e-mail a perilous tool. While it has a great deal of potential for assisting communication, e-mail could also take a big part in destroying it.

Often, it becomes easier to pulse some electrons across a segment of coaxial cable than to converse with a physically present human.
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Time Has Come for Fast Elevator in Student Center

Howe, from Page 5

Now get this: The campus police officer, who originally pressed the "down" arrow, did not get in the elevator. Instead, he milled about for a little while, then sauntered out the door. What's the deal?

Earlier I mentioned the "express elevator concept." Those of us who spend almost all our lives in the Student Center have developed an informal set of norms to govern elevator behavior. First, we never take the up elevator fewer than three stories. So it's okay to go from the lobby to the fourth floor, or from Lodolb to the cluster. It's not okay to go from the lobby to the basement, or from the third floor to the Office of Residence and Campus Activities. This first norm allows us to minimally inconvenience each other in our daily comings and goings.

The second norm involves down elevator usage. It is only acceptable to take a down elevator from the fifth floor to the first floor. Anything else can be done faster on the stairs. This second norm is the only exception to the down elevator norm, since this is a common request inside the Student Center.

The third norm involves the pressing of elevator buttons. Under no circumstances is it okay to press more than one elevator call button for the same trip. Poorly designed building that it is, the Student Center provides two unlinked sets of elevator call buttons per floor, thus enabling one person to hold up two elevators for one trip.

The beauty of express elevator norms is that they are easily enforced. If an individual stepping into an elevator has violated express elevator norms everyone else in the elevator knows it. They'll keep insults upon the perpetrator, even if the perpetrator is the campus police officer who originally pressed the "down" arrow.

The problem, of course, is that there is no way to indoctrinating newcomers to the express elevator norms. Freshmen and Aramark staff -- the people who have the least information about how the MIT campus works -- are the most frequent violators of express elevator norms. Like any honor code, express elevator norms demand a certain amount of self-sacrifice if they are to work. And frankly, they don't.

Silliness aside, there is a much simpler solution to the Student Center elevator problem. First, the two sides' elevator buttons should be linked, just like in any other modern building. Second, one of the two elevators should be made an actual express elevator. An express elevator would serve the first and fifth floors only -- meeting the transportation needs of at least half the current elevator users. Non-express users could take the slow elevator, or just take the stairs down from the fifth floor if that suited their druthers.

The final option -- bringing the speed of the elevators up to a reasonable speed -- is probably beyond MIT's heavily downsized building. This result certainly does not appear consistent for many years, would deserve a spot based on its legitimacy alone, then perhaps the Libertarian Party, which has been around consistently for many years, would deserve a spot before the Reform Party would. For a similar example, take Michael Coles, co-founder of the Great American Cookie Company. Coles, who is running against House Speaker Newt Gingrich, is currently using his personal wealth to advertise himself.

The fact of the matter is, though, that the continuing accusations that the actual vote for a nominee was accidentally or purposely rigged or slanted in Perot's favor adds little to the Reform Party's legitimacy. If the commission awarded debate spots based on a party's legitimacy alone, then perhaps the Libertarian Party, which has been around consistently for many years, would deserve a spot before the Reform Party would.

The fact is, Ross Perot needs to accept the fact that his support is minimal and that the Commission on Presidential Debates is well within its bounds to exclude him.

Lack of Support for Perot Is Grounds for Exclusion

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Clinton won the 1992 election with less than a majority of the popular vote, and Dole certainly has a reasonable enough chance of winning the election to be included in the debates. Second, let's examine Perot's claim that he is a victim of partisan politics. The fact that Dole benefits from Perot's exclusion is fairly clear; Perot has indicated that he has more desire to attack Dole and his policies than Clinton. Indeed, after the commission's ruling, the Clinton campaign attempted to get Perot in, while the Dole campaign threatened to skip out on a Perot-inclusive debate.

The fact of the matter is, though, that the group that unanimously decided on Perot's exclusion consisted of an equal number of Democrats and Republicans. The Democratic party is quite possibly more united behind Bill Clinton this year than any candidate or election in recent memory. Yet every Democrat involved in the decision voted against Perot, and thus against the Clinton campaign's desires. This result certainly does not appear to be partisan politics.

Third, the fact that Perot receives more attention than your average third party candidate does not necessarily translate to a reasonable chance of winning the election. A significant reason Perot is able to even garner enough attention is his visibility or being dominated by his own wealth to advertise himself.

For a similar example, take Michael Coles, a fighting chance in Cobb County, Georgia, using his personal wealth to advertise himself. The Reform Party appears as legitimate as the Libertarian Party, which has been around consistently for many years, would deserve a spot before the Reform Party would. The fact is, Ross Perot needs to accept the fact that his support is minimal and that the Commission on Presidential Debates is well within its bounds to exclude him.

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Work to Build New Tennis Courts Starts

By A. Arif Hustin

Amherst Alley sports a new-found airiness along its fraternally house strip—an openness whose nature is not lost at all apparent, if not for the telltale bulldozers scattered in its midst.

In place of the well-hidden tennis courts that once occupied the area just beyond the steps of Kappa Sigma, a cordoned-off field of tilled rubble, lined with the sawd-off stumps of long standing shrubbery, now stands for residents from Theta Delta Chi to Burton-Conner House to look upon. The courts are no more.

The upheaval of the area is expected to be completed in about eight weeks, according to Jeff Hamilton, the men's tennis coach. The rubble will be replaced with six new lighted courts—four doubles courts and two singles courts—a significant improvement over the five until courts that were demolished.

The courts were in „such dispair” that „recreational play was marginal, anyway,” Hamilton said. Two of the five were „almost unplayable,” said Jon Taylor ’83, assistant women’s tennis coach. Fissures along the play area, caused by weather changes, were so prevalent that the courts were on „the verge of being unsafe.” Taylor said. The cracking was „uncontrollable,” he said.

16 courts will soon be available

Including the four indoor courts within the J. B. Carr Indoor Tennis Facility, there are now a total of 10 courts available in that area of west campus for use by physical education classes, varsity teams, and the general public. After the renovation project is complete, there will be 16 courts available.

Hamilton did not expect much of an inconvenience during the renovation period since daily practices of men’s and women’s teams are usually staggered in their times.

Taylor expected the largest potential difficulty to occur during the Rolex New England Division III regional tennis tournament, which MIT hosts next weekend. He also presumed some difficulty with PE courses.

„We didn’t play on the courts because they weren’t in very good shape,” said Nora A. Humphrey ’98, a member of the women’s varsity tennis team. The renovations should open up more court space for practices and meets.

Despite the inconvenience, Hamilton said it is „better for the community to have the project go forward.”

The five outdoor courts that are being replaced were built roughly the same time as the six that are currently still in use. Taylor said. A different contractor was used, and the construction may not have been of the same quality, he said.

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The old tennis surface is torn up yesterday to make way for six new lighted courts.
Dining Group Seeks Student Input for Food Services Plan

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"It's a depth," he said. He emphasized that the committee will work until it can develop a strategy that meets the needs of the community.

Community input sought

Students attending the first dining work group meeting at McCormick had varied opinions on the current dining options on campus.

"If you have a house dining hall, it gives the appearance of a central meeting place for the dorm. Professors used to come visit the house dining halls. It's something that is missing now," said Angela Kwan '97.

Others were concerned about the nutritional value provided by current dining system. "If I cook for myself, I know what I'm putting in. I don't trust the food at Lobdell," said Melanie P. Born '98.

The committee needs the assistance of interested parties in order to succeed, Walsh said. "If people to assist in running the focus groups and to serve as routers."

Walsh encouraged individuals interested in helping the committee or those with comments to e-mail the working group at fswg@mit.edu.

Volunteers, or routers, will compile comments into more structured reviews that the committee will use in its final construction of a dining framework.

This framework will be presented to Dickinson and Williams, Walsh said. At that point, Dickinson and Williams will determine what decisions of the committee will actually be implemented and in what forms, Walsh said.

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Medium-Year Report Shows...
American Buffalo plays well on the screen  

AMERICAN BUFFALO
Screenplay by David Mamet, based on his play.
Directed by Michael Corrente.
Starring Dennis Franz, Dustin Hoffman, and Sean Nelson.
Coolidge Corner Theatre.
By Yaron Koren
STAFF REPORTER

David Mamet's American Buffalo is a rarity in mainstream movies with top-tier talent. It's a movie that shows the ugly side of human nature without condemning or glamorizing it. Mamet gives us a thoughtful, honest examination of the loss of moral boundaries when business is mixed with friendship.

Donny Dubrow (NYPD Blue's Dennis Friesen) wakes up in a crowded hotel room at 7:30 a.m. to discover that he knows a great deal about business and dealing with clients, but little about coins. His friend, known as "Teach" (Dustin Hoffman), has a very close rapport with Donny, but there are some misunderstandings between the two. The day begins when Teach suggests they start Teach, as belles the name, acts as an instructor, and considers himself the more sophisticated and worldly of the two, the man who will save Donny from his foolish mistakes.

The plot revolves around a single coin, a somewhat rare Buffalo-head nickel, which was bought at the show by a mysterious customer who paid much more for the coin than its listed price. Donny, confused by the instructor's urgence and convinced that the coin is worth even more than the customer paid for it, decides that he will try to steal the coin back from the man's house when he is away on vacation. He drafts Bobby (Sean Nelson), a local boy whom Donny has been treating as a surrogate son, to perform the actual theft.

Soon Teach gets into the plan as well and begins to second-guess Mamet's decisions on how to carry it out. Most of the rest of the movie deals with the events leading up to the planned break-in that night — and its unexpectedly botched execution.

The two come across as surfers, with Hoffman providing the manic energy in a necessarily over-the-top performance and Franz the ponderous gravity as a man weighed down by years of banal existence. The sparks fly between the two during their prolonged scenes together.

The only other cast members, the 15-year-old Nelson, coming out of his brilliant new-comer performance in the underappreciated Fresh, once again solid as a street-smart novice whose alienation to the world of the coin-selling is easily (but wrongly) construed as naiveté.

American Buffalo's dialogue is spellbinding, so as to be expected from a movie based on a David Mamet play. The characters' interactions are well-timed, with an ear for the authentic. As in Glengarry Glenn Ross, internal squabbles and desperation are forced out through a stream of idle chatter. Hoffman and Franz both understand this, conveying a vanity of hidden agendas through their lines, although Franz clearly has the upper hand here. Franz turns out to be the undiscovered jewel of this production, a sort of Adder more angst-hilted Harvey Keitel. This role may yet turn him into a bankable screen star.

Of course, any play-based movie must eventually come to terms with the same problem: how to translate into film, a visually-based medium, from theater, which is essentially verbally-based. In American Buffalo the problem is acute, given the minimal cast, a single setting, and no action. Director Michael Corrente (Federal Hill) does his best here to open up the film, having the actors make full use of the junk shop setting — especially at the confrontational ending — and bringing them out into theChicago street at some point.

This remains a small movie, however, with our focus trained on the dialogue and the exchange of ideas. Still, it should not be ignored in favor of its flashier, slicker on-screen contemporaries. Not as successful as Glengarry Glenn Ross, which had a bigger cast and more complex plot, American Buffalo nevertheless lets you into the soul of its characters and communicates a powerful message about the corrupting influence of money on even the closest of friendships.

FILM REVIEW

Bride of Frankensteins combines horror and comedy successfully

Bride of Frankenstein
Directed by James Whale.
Starring Boris Karloff, Colin Clive, and Elsa Lanchester.
Written by John L. Balderston and William Hurlbut.
LSC Friday Classic.
Tonight 10:20, 7:30 p.m.

By Stephen Brophy
STAFF REPORTER

SC Classics takes a giant step from the ridiculous to the sublime this week. Last Friday they programmed what is generally acknowledged to be the most hilariously inept effort to make a monster movie that has ever reached the screen, Plan 9 from Outer Space. This evening they go to the opposite extreme with James Whale's Bride of Frankenstein, perhaps the most perfect blend of horror and comedy in film history.

Whale had made the phenomenally successful Frankenstein — only his second movie — for Universal Studios four years before he created The Old Dark House and The Invisible Man as well as half a dozen other non-horror features for them. He resisted a sequel but eventually gave in, insisting that he be allowed to develop the project in his own way. The triumphant Bride of Frankenstein is the delicious result.

Whale was one of the few people in that more expressive time who was able to maintain a relatively openly as a homosexual. He attracted others from Hollywood's queer community to work with him, notably Ernest Thoaint, who plays Dr. Pretorius, the demented creator of Dr. Frankenstein, and is given some of the best lines in the movie. Watch for his midnight meal with the monster in their under-ground crypt.

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Dammed for Life

by Jessica Wu

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Bride of Frankenstein this Friday’s LSC classic

Eliza Lanchester, the bride of another notorious homosexual, Charles Laughton, was recruited to play both Mary Shelley in a prologue and then the Bride in the climax. One of the in-jokes in the film involves her husband, who had won great acclaim playing the randy king in 'The Private Life of Henry VIII'; when Praetorius shows his pupil his collection of miniaturized humans, one of them is a tiny Henry desperately trying to get into the container which holds a tiny queen.

Whale had wanted to recruit Brigitte Helm, who played the two Marias in 'Metropolis' — and his conception of the Bride’s movements in the climactic sequence replicate Helm’s spasmodic portrayal of the robot Maria. The general influence of German impressionism on Whale, manifested in bizarrely angled sets and stark lighting, is apparent throughout this work.

Boris Karloff returns as the Monster, but was reportedly unhappy with the changes wrought in this new version. He did not approve of the humanizing of his character, nor of the fact that the creature learns to speak a few words, drink wine, and smoke cigars. Karloff was to do only one more stint in this role, in the underappreciated 'Son of Frankenstein', but his creation, with its brooding look designed by make-up genius Jack Pierce, has entered the pantheon of monster immortals.

Bride of Frankenstein is packed from beginning to end with droll bits of business and jokes, like the almost sacrilegious hint of crucifixion when the Monster is captured for the second time. But it is also genuinely scary. It’s one of those movies that you can watch again and again, and enjoy a little more with each viewing. MIT audiences might particularly enjoy the opportunity to check out the mad scientist’s laboratory — it sets a standard for all that were to come in this durable sub-genre.
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Grimshaw, Dead at 53

ing, Porter said. Grimshaw was able to bring elements from her real life experiences into the classroom, he said.

Grimshaw dealt with problems in "a warm and compassionate and human way," Porter said. She "tried to bring architectural form into that vision."

Grimshaw graduated from Emmanuel College in 1965, received her master's degree from MIT in 1978, and joined the faculty in 1980. She was associated with the Center for Real Estate up until she was diagnosed with Lou Gehrig's disease in 1994.

Grimshaw won several awards for design excellence, including a Governor's Design Award for the Harvard Square Garage and Builder's Design Awards for the site plan and houses at Nashaquisset on Nantucket.

She was also a member of the American Institute of Architects and the Boston Society of Architects. She served on the board of directors of Smokey House in Vermont, a Taconic Foundation program that trains impoverished citizens in farming and forestry.

Grimshaw is survived by her mother, Rose Danehy; three brothers, Kevin Danehy, Sean M. Danehy, and Alfred Danehy; a sister, Ann McMullan; and several nieces and nephews.

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Technology Forces
Industry-wide Shifts

Grove, from Page 1

tion point would include a Walmart moving into a small town and forcing the local retailers to change the fundamental nature of their business, Grove said.

A larger-scale example is the development of the personal computer, an event that changed not just one company or town but forced many industries to reinvent themselves.

In a business, a strategic inflection point may be something that is largely unnoticed by senior management but may cause front-line employees to start behaving differently, Grove said.

"A sign that the Internet is resulting in a [strategic inflection point] is that the original people involved in the Internet found a large influx of people who had no business being in the Internet," Grove said.

After describing strategic inflection points, Grove examined strategies that can be used to deal with them. "Every right decision I have made has been made at least a year late," he said.

Grove divided the process of dealing with fundamental changes into two different phases: one where chaos can reign and one where one reigns in chaos. These different phases will require different management strategies, Grove said.

Individuals in control of careers
Grove also applied his analysis to individuals. Since companies are no longer guaranteed a lifelong existence, they can not afford to give lifelong employment, he said. Because of this, every individual is the owner of his own career.

During the question and answer section of the lecture, Grove spoke of Intel's next strategic inflection point — that of communication-based applications. The spread of such applications will result in increased demand for computing power and thus more business for Intel, Grove said.

"Intel cannot really grow by increasing market share, so [we are] trying to expand the entire industry," Grove said, citing that most of the development that Intel has is in diversifying its technology.

3M CEO to speak
Levio Desimone, the CEO of 3M will be speaking on Dec. 3 and will be last lecture of this term. However, the speaker series is ongoing, said Donna Carty, the program manager for the Center for Technology, Policy and Industrial Development.

"We don't have anyone booked after Desimone, but our goal is to have one lecture a month during the term," Carty said. "The series is limited to chairmen and CEOs of major corporations but we are looking for student input of who to invite."

Jack Smith, CEO of GM spoke last week at the fourth lecture of the series. Alex Trotman of Ford Motor Company, Gordon Binder of the biotechnology firm Amgen, and Jonna Olliva of Nokia, a cellular phone and consumer electronics company, spoke in the first three lectures of the series last year.

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Financial Aid Deadlines

Undergraduate renewal financial aid applications for the 1996-97 academic year were due in the Student Financial Aid Office April 26, 1996 to insure a financial aid decision would be reflected on the first Bursar’s bill (mailed last July).

Applications have been and will continue to be accepted, but applicants will be responsible for making arrangements to pay any Bursar charges until a financial aid decision can be made. Applicants will also be responsible for payment of any finance charges or late fees incurred on unpaid balances.

Applications from students registered for (or planning to be registered for) the fall term, which are completed after November 20, 1996 (fall term Drop Date), will be designated as late. Students unable to meet these deadlines because of extenuating circumstances should notify the Student Financial Aid Office.

* Students who register for only the spring term will be designated as late if their applications for financial aid become complete after March 7, 1997 (spring term Add Date). The penalty will double if applications are completed after April 24, 1997 (spring term Drop Date). MIT Grants will become unavailable to these students on May 15, 1997.
Rugby's Tradition
In English Roots
Reaches Engineers

By Chris Townsend and Mike Fife

In 1972, William Webb Ellis, a 16-year-old student at the Rugby school in England, picked up the ball during a soccer match and created the game of rugby. For over a century, the sport remained strictly amateur, due in part to its connections with the English schools. But the influence of the game has spread far and wide, and modern rugby has become truly international.

During the past 20 years, the traditional northern hemisphere teams (England, France, Scotland, Ireland, and Wales) have been consistently outplayed by teams from Australia, New Zealand, and South Africa, which have developed levels of fitness and skill that have continually set new standards, leading the game into the professional era.

In 1987, 16 nations participated in the first Rugby World Cup in New Zealand, which was won by the home country. Public interest in the event has increased dramatically in the last 10 years. Last season was both bitter and sweet for MIT's men's team. The highlight of the schedule is the New England Rugby Football Union, on which MIT is the oldest member. Rugby football at MIT has its own distinguished history. There are school records of playing dating back as early as 1882, making the club one of the oldest in the United States. The team's Web site at http://minihelix.mit.edu/arlington/rugby.html is the only college team to ever win the NERFC championship (in 1974). A tradition that started in the mid-1980s is a biannual international tour. England, Wales, France, and Japan have all played host to MIT during the past decade. In return, the club has welcomed teams from Scotland, England, and Canada.

Last season was both bitter and sweet for MIT's men's team. In the fall, the Engineers competed in the challenging New England Club division with hopes of tasting the podium and increasing their level of play. They were able to hold their own against difficult teams like Worcester and Charles River but were not able to secure any wins. Most disappointing was a threepoint loss to the Harvard Business School team.

The men's team made a great comeback in the spring and was undefeated up until the last game against the Boston Rattlers club side. They seemed to draw upon their fall experiences and showed up in force to annihilate Harvard Business School 45-0.

The squad showed depth in numbers by competing most of the season with several reserve players covering for injured regulars, including team captain Dave Stracher who was out with a broken leg from the second game. Coming off a near-perfect record in spring play, the Rucking Bavers are excited about scrumming down on some old adversaries this fall. The highlight of the schedule is the local match against Harvard Business School, which will be looking to avenge its defeat at the hands of MIT last April. However, MIT is confident about the game. "HBS had nothing but excuses after we crushed them in April," said Coach Stephen Wilhelmin. "We don't expect anything different this fall."

All MIT affiliates are welcome to play rugby with the Rucking Bavers. The team caters to both novice and experienced players, regardless of age. For more information contact team captain Jeff "Bucci" Bucci (x3-5701) or visit the team's Web site at http://minihelix.mit.edu/arlington/rugby.html.

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Field Hockey Drops One to Springfield

By Stephanie Mallert

The MIT field hockey team had a good showing against Springfield College Tuesday night, although they lost the game 2-1.

The four undefeated teams - N.J. Jets, Tampa Bay, Carolina (silly me, I thought they were an expansion team) - are an expansion team) - are doing well for the Eagles. Carolina is having no trouble finding NFL talent. Jacksonville will discover just what NFL talent is.

As the league begins to diverge, one can't help but wonder if the Bears over the Raiders. San Francisco merely had an out touch down. Getting Michael Irving back is a good thing? The Eagles have disappointed me in the last few weeks. The Rams are a bunch of misfits trying to pull off a bigger upset this week. The Rams have their work cut out for them in this one. The Rams are playing like Detroit is just looking like Tampa Bay.

As the race was delayed a half hour the runners were able to relax and regroup before the gun. Once competition began, MIT showed its way into good position when forced to merge 200 meters from the starting line.

Despite warm, sunny weather, patches of mud and wet grass dotted the five-kilometer course. Nevertheless, the Engineers attacked the terrain without hesitation and continued to move farther up the field as the race progressed. Coach Joseph Sousa was pleased with the women, saying that they exhibited the qualities of a "true team."

MIT looks forward to tomorrow when they will travel to the Rhode Island College Invitational.

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By Chris Brocrom

Women's X-Country Places Fifth at UMass

By Lauren Klaskey

The women's cross country team finished fifth at the UMass-Dartmouth Invitational meet last Saturday.

The UMass-Dartmouth meet is the first large invitational of the season and offers MIT the opportunity to race against some of the best teams in New England. Among the field of 27 teams were Brown University and Division II Southern Connecticut College.

While the experience can be daunting, MIT ended the meet with 129 points, beating a few schools that had defeated them last season, including Springfield College (156 points), Bates College (158 points), and the U.S. Coast Guard Academy (164 points).

The team played strongly against the former Division I teams. Springfield said that MIT provided them with some of their toughest competition this season.

Although the team lost the game, one highlight for the Engineers this week was the selection of senior co-captain Katherine Merle's '97 as New England Women's 8 player of the year. She received the honor after scoring her 100th point for the team. Merle's is the first MIT field hockey player to score over 100 points.

The team's next home game is Tuesday against Amherst College at 7 p.m.

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Saturday Sept. 28

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Volleyball Invitational Tournament, 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 29

Sailing, New England Single-Handed Elimination, 9:30 a.m.

UPCOMING HOME EVENTS

Friday, Sept. 27

Baseball vs. Massassquat Community College, 3 p.m.

Golf vs. Tufts and Forester Polytechnic Institute, 1 p.m.

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