By Stacey E. Blau

Five years after the Persian Gulf War, a dispute over academic misconduct involving two MIT professors over issues of the effectiveness of the Patriot missile continues to fester.

The debate involves Professors of Science, Technology, and Society Theodore A. Postol '77, an authority on missiles, and Professor of Aeronautics and Astronautics Shaul Yakeli S'68, an authority on methods of measurement.

Postol's research disputes the U.S. Army's claim of the Patriot's 96 percent success rate during the Gulf War. Postol based his work on commercial television footage.

The charge of misconduct stems from a video Yakeli made criticizing the method Postol used to collect data for his work. Yakeli made a short tutorial tape about television works and whether or not it's suitable for observing high-speed events.

"You can't tell what was really happening," said Daniel Freedman, "I'm rather disappointed that the MIT has not followed the evidence and has not made a judgment about the video." Freedman said. The tape was shown as part of a presentation by the Raytheon Corporation, the Patriot's manufacturer, at a Congressional hearing in 1992.

"I don't think that commercial television is a good method of looking at high-speed events," he said.

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But Postol said that the slow frame rate of the video was not relevant because "we're not looking for high-speed events." The frame rate in the footage used was sufficiently precise, Postol said.

In February 1994, a Raytheon representative Devon Shain. He maintains that the switch was accidental.

On-Campus Marketing sent a letter of apology to MIT, stating that it would seek prior approval to use the MIT trademark in all future promotions, said Senior Associate Dean Robert M. Randolph who received a copy of the letter. "The response [to the use of the illegal header] from MIT has been appropriate and effective."

In response to claims of inappropriate access to student addresses, Shain said that the mailing addresses supplied to On-Campus Marketing from American Student Lists were "public information."

There was previous concern about how students' room numbers were "public information." The Registrar was unaware of the mailing, Randolph said.

Class Ring Design Looks toward Past For Inspiration

By May K. Tse

The design of the 1998 Brass Rat class ring was unveiled last night at an event which filled Morse Hall in Walker Memorial.

Door prizes were awarded to the first 98 people, and one student was awarded a free Brass Rat by lottery. Chair of the Faculty and Professor of Urban Studies and Planning Lawrence S. Bacow and President Charles M. Vest were among those present.

New Design Echoes Past Years

The theme of Class of 1998 Brass Rat, "It's a Classic," stems primarily from the resemblance to Auguste Rodin's "The Thinker" and the beaver featured on the top of the ring.

"We developed the symbolism of the Brass Rat through many meetings with a great deal of brainstorming," said Daniel A. Freedman '98, chairman of the sophomore ring committee.

The ring also borrows elements from class rings of several decades ago. The shanks, or sides, of the ring do not have full rails, a style which "goes back to earlier Brass Rats of the '40s, '50s, '60s, and early '70s," Freedman said.

The post ring features the classic Boston skylines and the mene et Ring, Page 11
Cuba Sunday showed what officials here say is evidence that two downed Cuban planes in their territory, blame the United States for failing to halt unauthorized flights into Cuban airspace. President Clinton has accused the Cubans of acting brutally by shooting down the planes in international waters as the U.S. government stated in condemning the shooting. Where the planes were shot down has become a major point of contention. Cuban officials have also credited the Cubans in their official statement of the deaths of four pilots from the Brothers to the Rescue movement.

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The Clinton administration unveiled Monday a $242.6 billion Pentagon budget for fiscal 1997 that calls for further cuts in defense spending, despite charges by critics that it is fanning future pandemonium by piling money for modernizing weapons and equipment.

The spending plan for the year beginning Oct. 1 would continue the long-range trend of a state Clinton had been planning before congressional Republicans increased military spending in fiscal 1996 — delaying any further growth, except to cover inflation, until after the year 2000.

The cut in military procurement programs — to $38.9 billion in fiscal 1997, down from $42.3 billion in fiscal 1996 — came despite assertions by administration officials a year ago that the long decline in spending for military procurement would come to an end this year.

The proposal for $232.6 billion in overall military spending compares to a level of $251.8 billion estimated for the current fiscal year. Clinton initially had sought $236 billion, down from $251 billion in defense spending for fiscal 1996, but Congress increased that figure.

Although Defense Secretary William J. Perry argued that the new, lower procurement budget actually would go further in now, because inflation has abated more, the plan is likely to spark another battle with Republicans, who already have begun making an issue out of it.

Virtually as soon as the new figures were made public, Sen. Strom Thurmond, R-S.C., chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, denounced the new budget as inadequate and warned that the military's procurement program was "in perilous decline."

Clinton Approves EPA-Endorsed Anti-Smog Measures in California

By Maria Cone

The Clinton administration gave a long-awaited nod of approval Monday to California's smog plan, overruling earlier opposition by environmental groups. The Clinton strategy, if implemented, should work to curtail unhealthy air quality.

The sweeping plan, which outliners over 100 anti-smog measures that cost consumers billions of dollars per year, was approved by state environmental regulators. The sternest warning from the federal agency's findings, released Monday, was that California's plan set dates for the election and the opening of peace talks at a prime minister's summit here last week. John Bruton of Ireland had hoped that meetings with key Protestant politicians would include a serious airing of the IRA's demands, should be included in the next round of the complex negotiations to begin in Northern Ireland.

California Gov. Pete Wilson said he would not meet Sinn Fein on a ministerial level in the race for the Republican presidential nomination. He had been Robert Dole's best-known supporter.

A decade ago, Gingrich memorably dismissed Dole as "the tax collector for the welfare state." Monday, he referred to him as "the fellow who did not meet Sinn Fein on a ministerial level in the race for the Republican presidential nomination. He had been Robert Dole's best-known supporter.

It would never reject the gratitude of the next president. Bob Dole is an ideological candidate," one GOP strategist said. "Dole is not an ideological candidate."

The overtime for the December election will take place at the April 15 general meeting.
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By Shang-Lin Chung

**Viswanathan Lists Printed CEG, Individual Initiative as Platform**

If elected Undergraduate Association president and vice president, Ashwin Viswanathan ‘98 and Orli G. Babcik ‘99 want the UA to allocate the money UA students want, and help students understand the importance of the UA. They believe the UA should have a more active role in student government.

"We need to bring in the support of the entire UA council, increase publicity, and be more enthusiastic about the CEG," Babcik said. "The effort to negotiate for more funding needs to be the responsibility of the UA and not the editors. The editors of the CEG are supposed to edit and write."

"The money is out there and people are willing to give it to us," Viswanathan said. "We just need to get things done right." "Increasing the funding will put ultimate control in students," he said. "Lobbying the administration won't work."

Instead, the Institute needs to have an activity-based system that most other colleges and universities used, Viswanathan said. "This system would put an amount of money, decided by the students, directly into student activities funding.

Communication

"Things don't happen by organization, but by individual," Viswanathan said. "UA needs to provide the framework for individuals to take the initiative."

"We want to increase the number of campus-wide events that bring students out of their daily routines," he said. "Students need to learn from and get along with each other in order to create a more solid and unified student body."

"We plan to hold forums in which representatives from different organizations can come together to discuss and negotiate for more funding."

By Shang-Lin Chung

**Lee Campaigns on Quality-of-life Issues and Undergraduate Apathy**

Students are losing interest in student government, according to Steven E. Lens ’97 and Andrew R. Menard ’97, candidates for Undergraduate Association president and vice president.

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Six Students Tell 60 Years' Total Experience at MIT

By Rebecca Zacks

Deciding where to go for college can be a pretty daunting task. At seventeen years old, chances are you've never lived away from home for more than a few weeks at a stretch, and have less than a clear idea of what you want to do with the rest of your life.

With the cost of a few Swedish cars riding your decision, you can seek the advice of guidance counselors and family members, dig your way through an avalanche of brochures, guide books, and U.S. News and World Report ratings, or simply throw up your hands and say, "At least it's only four years."

But for many MIT undergraduates who decide to seek graduate degrees at MIT, four years can quickly become six, 10, or even 13.

Two years ago, nearly one in six of MIT's new graduate students were former MIT undergraduates, according to the 1993-94 Report of the Registrar. With its labyrinth of underground tunnels and dialect of numbers, abbreviations, and acronyms, MIT can be a pretty strange place. So what makes so many people sign up for another walk down the Infinite Corridor?

In this article, five graduate students and one alumna explain why they were home.

For most, the expectation of a challenging academic environment was fulfilled. Michael W. Halle G, who is about to receive his third degree from MIT, narrowed down his list of potential majors in his first two undergraduate years through "a process of getting really bad grades or failing prerequisites," he said.

First-year PhD candidate Michael H. Lim G said he learned from undergraduate biochemistry and organic chemistry classes that he didn't have a good enough memory to be in biology.

After some trial and error, however, each found a comfortable niche within MIT. As prospective graduate students, many sought to remain in those niches.

Matthew B. Wall G, a fifth-year PhD student, joked that he didn't go to California for his master's degree because "the surf was better in Boston." But it was really the feeling of connection to the work, department, and faculty that kept him at MIT.

When it was time for Wall to choose between getting a PhD and getting a job, he knew that he "was going to do a PhD at MIT, or [he] was going not to do a PhD, period."

For Margaret D. Minsky PhD '95, MIT was "a kind of home, both intellectual and personal."

After graduation, Minsky continued work she had done as part of the Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program. She ventured briefly into private sector science, but returned to MIT for a PhD.

Even while Minsky was working off-campus, she maintained close links with her colleagues at MIT, who occasionally worked as consultants in her new laboratory.

UROP a good start in research

Looking back, Minsky, among others, offered strong praise for the UROP program. Many continued their UROP work in graduate school. While Minsky felt that MIT does not discourage students from staying on, Halle further asserted that the Media Laboratory, "out of necessity," prefers MIT undergraduates.

Because the technology changes so quickly, it is difficult for admissions committees to judge outside applicants, Halle said.

But this is not true across all departments, according to Iris J. Romano, assistant to the Registrar. Out of about 300 MIT undergraduates admitted to the graduate school last year, the Electrical Engineering and Computer Science department and the Mechanical Engineering department accepted 179 and 24 students, respectively.

In contrast, only one or two were admitted to departments such as Architecture, Chemistry, Biology, and Physics.

"In my case," says Third-year PhD student David J. Gerber G, "the Biology department rarely accepts MIT undergraduates because they might have an unfair advantage getting positions in laboratories. Gerber felt he was accepted because he didn't major in Biology.

Many years, few regrets

Having collectively devoted the better part of six decades to a single institution, these six people have few regrets about the decisions that brought and kept them there. Halle said he could think of "no real inherent disadvantage [to staying at MIT] as long as you take time to fill the gaps that there are in any higher education program."

Several found that filling those gaps through involvement in outside activities greatly enriched their academic careers. Those who spent time away at jobs or other universities found the additional perspective invaluable as well.

Gerber warned that "you should be pretty set on doing science or engineering if you come to MIT..."

Daniel A. Theobald G, a fifth-year mechanical engineering major who plans to stay for his PhD, was concerned that the academic and intellectual intensity of MIT can "push people in the wrong direction" away from family and relationships. Still, each has found the necessary balance and perspective to be content here. Theobald advised his younger brother to come to MIT, and Gerber plans, after almost 13 years here, to remain on as a post-doctoral fellow.

In the end, these six veterans say, MIT is what you make of it. Each of them, in his or her own way, has made it home.

The following is a list of the number of graduate students admitted in 1995 who had been MIT undergraduates.

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Every year, the sophomore class celebrates its new design of the Brass Rat, the class ring that symbolizes MIT pride. But with the threat of an added licensing fee use of the MIT name, the cost of this school spirit may increase for future classes.

Last fall, the Technology Licensing Office stated that "effective July 1, there will be a 7.5 percent licensing fee on all class rings," said Heather C. Mapstone, licensing associate in the TLO. MIT's licensing program originally targeted items such as T-shirts, but "now we're at a point where we're pulling rings into the program," Mapstone said.

The revenue from the new fee estimated at about $20,000 will be split between trademark costs, a TLO 15 percent royalty, and the Student Financial Aid Office, Mapstone said.

TLO has agreed to postpone the fee until next fall, said Geoffrey Coram, G, a member of the Graduates Student Council Ring committee. The main reason was that the list had already entered circulation before the decision, he said. News of the licensing fee has prompted negative reaction from the student body.

We shouldn't place a surcharge on an item available only to MIT students," said sophomore committee member John Gavomin, '98. "I don't see how it's fair to affectively taxing students who are also paying MIT tuition." We feel that the MIT class ring, as a tradition since 1929, should be something students can buy from administration which might dampen Brass Rat popularity," said Daniel A. Freedman, '97, chair of the sophomore ring committee.

Graduate students rings cost more. Pricing issues have also upset graduate students who "are twice as much for their class ring.

Prices for the Class of 1998 ring range from $181 to $375, while graduate class rings range from $253 to $495.

Several factors determine the price discrepancy, according to the Technology Licensing Office.

First, the graduate ring is exclusively contracted with Josten's, while the undergraduate ring production receives annual bids from competing companies.

For the undergraduate rings, the companies need to offer fair low prices in order to stay competitive. "Price isn't a main concern to us because companies all bid within a few percent of each other," said Gavomin.

Another reason for the differences in price is that "graduate rings are sold through the Harvard Cooperative Society," while the undergraduates eliminate the middleman," said Robert Quinn, a representative from Josten.

90 percent buy Brass Rats for some reason, engineers buy more rings than any other group in the country," Quinn said. "MIT's tradition is rare. On the average, about 8 percent of the students at other schools will buy rings. At MIT it's about 90 percent.

Because the Brass Rat is so popular among undergraduates, advertising and promotional costs run between $1,091 and $3,000, according to Quinn. TLO pays the $5,000 to $8,000 per-year for the less popular graduate ring, which bears the same design every year.

"If more people buy, we can keep the price low," Quinn explained.

Since the undergraduate ring is almost guaranteed to sell to all companies like Josten's, which won the bid last year, and Balfour, which won this year's bid, can afford to charge a lower price.

An attempt to improve sales, graduate student rings will be sold at a discount on a trial basis, Quinn said.

"We're here to improve sales, but if the student body isn't interested, we're in trouble," Quinn added.

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Class of 1998 Brass Rat Keeps Traditional Style of Past Rings

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manus ("Mind and Hand") MIT motto, as well as a depiction of the Great Dome and Killian Court.

One new feature on the ring is the image of the goddess Athena, an item which has never before appeared on a Brass Rat. "We as a committee wanted to go back to the simpler rings of the past, and we liked the classical, less cluttered designs," said Jennifer A. McCormick '98, co-chair of the ring committee. "We noticed that several rings had the Athena owl, and we decided what would be more classic than the actual Athena?"

Hidden Images Still Present

Following tradition, the ring has a number of hidden images. "We admit that there are hidden images on the ring but we're not going to disclose them," McCormick said. "I think those are secrets for the Class of 1998 to try to find them out themselves."

Regarding the hidden images, McCormick also noted, "As a committee, we were just sitting around trying to discuss what embodied the Class of 1998 and we started brainstorming over what we felt were the characteristics of the class."

The eight-person committee was formed last spring and began work on the ring's design the first week of the term.

As their work comes to an end, Freedman said, "I hope all class members find the same pride in heroism, fortitude, and integrity."

Woman Charged With Attempted Murder After Attack at The Coop

By Dan McGuire

Judith Marcinko was charged with attempted murder and assault by means of a dangerous weapon after allegedly attempting to slash a 37-year-old man in a vestibule at the Harvard Coop. The 60-year-old Dorchester woman had reportedly been threatening other people in Harvard square with a knife earlier that day. Marcinko threw a hammer at Cambridge police officers before they subdued and arrested her. (The Harvard Crimson, Feb. 27)

Yale Students Rally to Union

One hundred Yale University students and professors turned out for a "moratorium" on Thursday to support striking members of the Local 34 and 35 service and clerical union. The gathering delayed the beginning of classes for an hour and marked a move towards more militant protest. Students held several proposals designed to push the administration into a pro-union settlement including interfering with the University's student recruiting Future Freshman Days, a tent city, vigils, and throwing garbage on the steps of Woodbridge Hall, where the University president has his office, when Local 35 stops picking up trash. "Let's dump on Yale, because they're dumping on us," said student David Timoner. (The Yale Daily News, March 1)

Northeastern Grad Dorm Closed

Northeastern University, facing a major housing crunch, has announced that graduate students will no longer be housed on campus. The graduate students living in the University's White Hall will move to university-arranged apartments off campus. The rooms will house transfer students and older freshmen. Single occupant rooms converted to doubles or triples last year will be returned to their original capacities and the rules governing the housing lottery for upper-classmen will be tightened. (The Northeastern News, Feb. 21)

Harvard Council Defers to Deans

The Harvard Undergraduate Council overwhelmingly passed a resolution last week giving Dean of the College Harry R. Lewis and Dean for Undergraduate Education Lawrence Bilel the power to endorse or veto Council resolutions. The motion, passed on a vote of 44-2, is designed to restore credibility to the Council by forcing administrators to either agree to support Council resolutions or stop legislation that they cannot support. It is also hoped that the move will increase communication between the Council and the administration. (The Harvard Crimson, Feb. 26)

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Ezekiel wants the issue to end
"I'm not concerned with whether the missiles worked or not," Ezekiel said. "I just made that little clip, and I defend what I made."

Postol has been trying to "drag me into it as if I'm a partner with Raytheon, and we're the missile people." While Postol said that Ezekiel "had a contract relationship with the Raytheon company," Ezekiel said that he had no actual contract with Raytheon.

Postol said that during a visit to the Secretary of Energy's office in Washington D.C. last week, people were discussing the issue. "Every-one's talking about it. The incident has caught a lot of attention. People are quite disturbed," he said. Articles about the issue have appeared recently in the Globe, The New York Times, and the journal Science.

Institute Dismisses Charges of Academic Misconduct
Ezekiel said that he would like to see the matter come to an end. Postol "is making the issue of it," Ezekiel said.

But Postol said that he is still dissatisfied with how his complaint was dealt with. "I think it's been an extraordinary misuse of the concepts of debate and scholarship," Postol said. "I'm not happy with the situation."

Postol said that top administrative officials have tried to squelch his scholarship. Postol said that Provost Joel Moses PhD '67 told Postol in a conversation that Postol "was causing trouble with Raytheon," that MIT was losing money because of him, and that Postol should stop pursuing the issue.

Raytheon contributed $40,000 to MIT's Industrial Liaison's Program, Ezekiel said.

In a Feb. 24 article in the Times, Moses said that his talk with Postol was of a more good-humored nature.

Postol has not dropped the issue, and since the report last month he has continued to communicate with the parties involved about the matter in letters as recent as last week. There is still cause for concern over informal academic debate, which is the real issue involved, Postol said.

"If people were to want to have a forum on related issues of academic debate, 'I'd be pleased to do it,'" he said.

Bacow and Litster declined to comment because of a previous agreement not to speak with outside parties about the matter.
IT'S TOO EARLY IN THE YEAR TO THINK ABOUT MY RESUME. LET'S GRAB A COSMIC PIZZA...

A LACK OF COMMON GOALS CAN SPELL TROUBLE FOR A RELATIONSHIP. BUT WITH A LITTLE PLANNING, THERE IS HOPE.

BRIAN VANDEN BOSCH

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

1996 INSTITUTE AWARDS

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GORDON Y BILLARD AWARD

The Billard Award is made annually to "a member of the faculty, non-faculty employee or one not necessarily affiliated with the Institute, for special outstanding merit performed for the Institute."

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The Murphy Award is given to an employee whose spirit and loyalty exemplify this kind of inspired and dedicated service, especially with regard to students. Sustained contribution is a criterion for the award, but longevity, in itself, is not.

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The Laya and Jerome B. Wiesner Awards recognize students (graduate or undergraduate), organizations, living groups, or activities for achievement in the creative and/or performing arts. The range of contribution is wide and includes creative work in literature, music, drama, visual arts, photography, film and dance, among other art forms.

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THE ASSOCIATION OF MIT ALUMNAE AWARD

The Association of MIT Alumnae Award is presented to outstanding women who have demonstrated the highest level of academic excellence through their coursework and related professional activities at MIT.

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The Albert G. Hill Prize is awarded to the minority undergraduate junior or senior student who has maintained high academic standards and made continued contributions to the improvement of the quality of life for minorities at MIT.

IRWIN SIZER AWARD

The Irwin Sizer Award is presented to any member or group in the Institute community to honor significant innovations and improvements to MIT education.

THE EDWARD L. HORTON FELLOWSHIP AWARD

The Horton Award is presented to any student group that fosters fellowship within the graduate student community.

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The Goodwin Medal is presented to a graduate student whose performance of teaching duties is "conspicuously effective over and above ordinary excellence."

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SUBMIT NOMINATIONS TO:

THE AWARDS COMMITTEE

W-20 549

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF NOMINATIONS IS FRIDAY, MARCH 22, 1996

QUESTIONS MAY BE DIRECTED TO THE OFFICE OF RESIDENCE AND CAMPUS ACTIVITIES, W30-549, x2-6777
Jim’s Journal

Today we started to head back home.

We listened to a Best of Elvis Castella tape Ruth got in Boston.

We listened to it over and over until we got sick of it.

when I took over driving, Ruth slept and mumbled something in her sleep that I couldn’t make out.

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Feb 23: Bldg. 8, suspicious activity; West Lot, suspicious vehicle; Bldg. 646, VCR stolen, $335; Bldg. 7, door handle stolen.

Feb 25: Student Center 2nd floor lounge, books and backpack stolen while person sleeping; $900; MacGregor House, speaker stolen, later returned.

Feb 26: McCormick Hall, harassing phone calls; MacGregor, suicide attempt; Walker Memorial, room broken into, $500 in supplies stolen; Walker, two CD players stolen, $535; Bldg. E40, VCR stolen, $535; Bldg. 7, door handle stolen.

Feb 27: Student Center, assault between persons known to each other; Student Center, bicycle stolen, $100; Bldg. 26, VCR stolen, $1,800; 33 Massachusetts Ave., bicycle stolen; Bldg. 20, bicycle stolen, $100; Bldg. E40, laptop stolen, $3,000.

Feb 28: Bldg. E39, speaker stolen, $1,200; Bldg. E39, computer components stolen, $500; Bldg. 20, computer stolen, $2,445.

Feb 29: Audrey Street, '89 Nissan broken into; Bldg. 4, text books stolen, $500; West Lot, suspicious vehicle; Bldg. 40, computer stolen, $900.

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If you receive a Flag from your instructor, please see him or her as soon as possible. Help is available (see below). Your advisor will receive a copy of the Flag: be sure to talk with your advisor, too.

**Helping Resources:**

- Department and subject tutoring sessions (check with undergraduate offices for schedules);
- TA and recitation instructor office hours;
- UAA Study Skills Sessions (see schedule on Yellow Flash 3);
- Tutorial Services Room, 12-124 (x3-8406).

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To verify that the message is valid, you may use the special “verify-message”command on Athena, as follows:

1. **verify-message** to check the current message if you use mh commands (inc, scan, show, etc.) to read your mail. **verify-message <message-num>** to check a different message, substituting the message number for <message-num>.

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You will get a report something like this:

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    Signature made 1996/03/06 17:24 GMT

If you already know how to use PGP (Pretty Good Privacy, a system for signing and/or encrypting electronic documents), then you may obtain the requisite public key “8.02 Course Administrators” for your public keyring at URL: [http://web.mit.edu/ccs/www/key802.html](http://web.mit.edu/ccs/www/key802.html).
The UA’s Job Is to Represent All Student Needs, Viswanathan Says

Viswanathan, from Page 8

activities can gather to discuss issues," Bahcall said. "The first of which is the issue of student funding. After that, forums will be held as issues come up."

"MIT is a place where the students really belong to student activities which will then know what is really needed," Viswanathan said. "We hope to tap that information through forums."
The Institute "has many layers of segments of student government," he said. "There is not a lot of easy means of communication. The UA needs to put those channels in place and help free the communication."

Quality of life

"Bringing back publications such as CEG and HowToGamit is very important to students," Viswanathan said. "The job of the UA is to represent all student needs to the administration."

Lee, from Page 8

to be uninformed, yet is removed enough to have new ideas and not to be tainted," he said.

Serving as the current president for the class of 1998 and vice chair of the UA council, "Dedric knows the ins-and-outs of UA," Lee said. "We have ideas on how things can be done and he serves as the guiding light. We can bring in the spirit of the change and we complement each other very well," Lee said.

Communication a goal

"Students have apathy in the UA itself," Lee said. "People don't care and don't get psyched about the UA. We need to first accomplish some things, then we will get the respect and care of the students."
The "UA has to realize that you cannot gain respect by throwing a party here and there," Carter said. "We need to earn the trust and respect of the students," he added.

"The UA should work together with the administration and do services for students," Lee said. "Services such as the Course Evaluation (Guide) and HowToGamit guides should be available to all students."
The Institute is "not as closed as people think," Lee said. "The administrators are very glad to see that students do care," he said.

"We need to earn the respect of the administration and show them that we are informed," Lee said. "Then they will be more than happy to incorporate us into their decisions," he said.

"The UA fails in instituting a way to communicate to students that the policies made by the administration really affect them," Carter said. "We need to have a strong leadership. The UA needs to serve as an effective means of communication," he said.

Quality of life

"We are going to be realistic and not say that we will have cheap and good food tomorrow," Lee said. "There is issues to be taken and there is no simple solution. But it should improve with the introduction of competition."

The team has been looking at other institutions that are doing things right," Carter said. "There is no sense in re-inventing if there is something out there that is working," he said.

"The quality of the classroom buildings themselves is depressing," Lee said. "Little superficial things like that will all affect your mood. We need to re-examine where MIT should devote its resources," he said.

"UA does not need to have a task force in everything or quadruple or multiply," Lee said. "But it needs to be a birthplace and an initiator for services that will benefit students."

"We need to talk to the deans a lot as UA leaders," Bahcall said. "We need to show them that we know what we as undergraduates want."

"The UA needs to change the perception that MIT administrators don't care about its students," Viswanathan said. "Administrators want student input. And we want to take their input and transfer them into actual changes."

Informed UA Will Earn Respect Of Administration, Lee Campaigns

Lee, from Page 8

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Application forms and additional information are available from:
The Graduate Education Office, 3-138
March 5, 1996

**Sail's Journal**

It's been days since the last comic.

**Jim's Journal**

*Sail* and I have been trading off sleeping and driving.

*Today we finally decided that sleeping in the car is uncomfortable.*

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**Jim's Journal**

*Today we drove up the South Carolina coastline.*

*We stopped and ate at some beaches along the way.*

*This is beautiful!* Ruth said.

At one stop we watched some jet fighters put on an air show.
PUZZLE SOLUTIONS FROM LAST ISSUE

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Edward Julius
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SPORTS

IVC Easily Defeats Eastern Nazarene in Four Games

Volleyball, from Page 24

passing from Husbands and Roberts allowed setter Koji Asari '96 to run an efficient offense. Gordon was unable to effectively read Asari's sets and was consequently burned by all five of MIT's hitters for kills. MIT won the first game 15-12.

Gordon self-destructed in the second game in the face of strong serving by Van Buren and blocking by Tom Kelsch 'G', killing MIT 15-2. Both teams picked up the intensity in game three, trading points and side-outs as the crowd squawked.

MIT then surged ahead behind strong hits and net play from Asari, Niemeyer, and Lee. Five jump-serve aces by Roberts in the third game helped seal the MIT victory, 15-11.

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Wednesday, March 6
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Men's Volleyball vs. IVC, 5:30 p.m.

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IVC Shows Strength Over UNH, Gordon
By Rad Roberts

The Intercollegiate Volleyball Club (IVC) extended its win streak with victories over University of New Hampshire, Gordon College, and Eastern Nazarene College last week, improving its record to 5-1. Last year IVC beat UNH in a dramatic NECVL championship match to win the 1995 NECVL title.

Although the UNH match on Feb. 22 was an unfluctuating, non-divisive match, both teams played with great intensity.

With the return of Parry J.R., Husbands G from an ankle injury, MIT played one of its best matches of the season to win. Strong blocking from middle hitters Gunter Niemann G and Phil Lee G shut down the UNH offense while hitters Alberto Lazaro G, Rod Roberts G, and Husbands pounded away at the UNH defense.

Still, MIT barely hung on to win the first game 16-14. Gene Van Burn G and John Lee G provided additional defensive support in the close second game which MIT won 15-11. In the third game the UNH passing began to deteriorate as Husbands and Roberts both scored several service aces and MIT won again, 15-6.

The many practice games that ceased allowed UNH and MIT to give their second string players a chance to play. Although UNH was not playing their best, this match may have been a preview of a potential rematch between these two teams in the NECVL championships this April.

Easy Win Over Gordon
Tuesday's match against Gordon was not as intense. MIT started slowly on offense, allowing Gordon to stay in the game. Eventually, consistent...