MIT Raises Tuition, Decreases Self-Help

By Krista L. Niece

At a meeting of the Corporation Friday morning, MIT will publicly announce its financial aid plan for the 1998-99 academic year.

This year's plan will include a 14 percent increase in scholarship grants, a $1,000 reduction in the minimum expected student self-help contribution, and a $950 increase in tuition.

"I'm very pleased with it," said UA President Dedric A. Carter '98.

"Across the board, we are student packages improving [at MIT's peer and investment income."

The undergraduate term bill, which includes tuition, room, and board, will be $30,800. This 3.9 percent increase over last year will be the smallest percentage increase in tuition since 1970.

Tuition covers about half of the cost to MIT of a student's education. The remainder of the cost is met by earnings from the endowment and by various gifts and grants. Tuition is one of the primary sources of MIT's revenue, the others being federal and industrial research funds and private support, primarily gifts and investment income.

Students have mixed reaction

Marlon A. Osborne '98, student member of the Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Financial Aid, attributes both the decrease in minimum self-help and the small increase in this year's tuition to the healthy economy.

"Not all students were impressed with the idea of a "smallest increase," however." It's unfortunate that they raised tuition," said David Dunmeyer G. "I think it will bring more opportunities to a student who can't pay for [an MIT education]," said Ruilin Zhao G. However, loans that are included in the lowered self-help contribution, only "push the problem to graduation," Zhao said.

Members of the MIT Visiting Committee listen as students voice their concerns about current problems Wednesday in the Bush Room.

ODSUE Visiting Committee Consults Students, Prepares Final Report

By Zareena Hussain

At today's meeting of the MIT Corporation, trustees will be briefed on the proceedings of the Visiting Committee of the Corporation investigating the Office of the Dean of Students and Undergraduate Education. The ODSUE Visiting Committee came to the Institute Wednesday and left yesterday afternoon after meeting with students, deans, and faculty to examine how the ODSUE is serving the student body.

The committee will make recommendations to the Corporation as well as to ODSUE itself. These recommendations will ultimately take the form of a written report that will be circulated around the Institute in addition to today's presentation to the Corporation.

Visiting committees visit every two years to report on a specific department at MIT. Although the ODSUE Visiting Committee came last year to evaluate what was then the Office of Undergraduate Education and Student Affairs, members decided they needed to come back the next year to evaluate the office after the massive reorganization that took place within OUESA, said ODSUE Visiting Committee Chairman DuWayne J. Petersen Jr. '55.

Students, deans voice concerns

A variety of concerns were brought to the fore in the form of open meetings of the ODSUE Visiting Committee with deans and students.

Students decried the lack of funding and support for student activities, the understaffing of the Office of Counseling and Support Services, and the need for a mental health center.

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RCA Sets Timetable for President's GRT Mandate

By Brett Atchaul

Last week, the Office of Residence and Campus Activities released a proposal for placing graduate student advisers in freshman dormitories, and independent living.

The RCA proposal, submitted to Dean of Students and Undergraduate Education Rosalind H. Williams, Dean for Student Life Margaret R. Bates, and President Charles M. Vest represents the first major step toward placing graduate resident advisers in fraternities. Vest called for tutors to be placed in FSILGs last December.

The proposal recommends that every FSILG be encouraged to have a resident adviser living in its house by August 1998. It recommends further that FSILGs be required to have resident advisers by August 1999.

It also calls for several restrictions on the resident advisers.

Without a waiver from RCA, the tutors would need to be enrolled in an MIT or joint-MIT graduate degree program. Moreover, all the resident advisers would need to complete training organized by RCA and satisfy any other requirements set by the Institute.

The report also includes financial recommendations. It calls on MIT to reimburse the FSILGs for the loss of one MIT room each year. It also recommends that the Institute pay the resident advisers stipends to cover their meals.

Other proposals may also be forthcoming, Bates said. "There are a number of things in the works," she said.

It is too soon to see whether this specific plan will be implemented, Bates said. It is too soon to say..."
U.S. Launches Anti-Disease Effort

The U.S. Agency for International Development announced Thursday a new initiative aimed at controlling the global emergence of lethal infectious diseases, saying it will develop programs in target areas to fight the escalating health threat posed by bacterial, viral, fungal and parasitic diseases.

The Associate Director General said that the agency is launching a $50 million for fiscal 1998 for control of infectious diseases. In response, the agency will be providing $2 billion in existing resources to combat the threat. The agency said that the $50 million, which is 1% of the total amount that can be spent on control of infectious diseases, will be used in the U.S. and in a number of countries in the regions that have been identified as having the highest risk of disease emergence.

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**Fair Friday**

By Marek Zebrowski

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More than three dozen U.N. weapons inspectors left in Baghdad on Thursday after the Iraqi government formally vetoed the new inspection procedures negotiated by Secretary-General Kofi Annan. The decision by Iraq, which had been expected, put an end to the latest round of inspections designed to verify Iraq's compliance with Security Council resolutions and its promise to abandon its weapons of mass destruction programs.

American Scott Ritter's team, representing the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons, had told inspectors, specialists in exposing Iraq's efforts to conceal illegal weapons, that they would not be able to continue inspections after Tuesday, if the United States and Britain helped to trigger the recent confrontation that nearly led to warfare between the two nations.

In the United States and Britain have kept a strong military force in the Persian Gulf, it is feared that would not have been able to use it against Iraq if its government refused to honor a agreement with Annan to cooperate fully with the inspectors.

It was not immediately clear if Ritter's inspectors would try to enter any of the eight "presidential palaces" inhabited by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. After Annan's negotiations with Iraq's government fell through last week, it was not clear if the inspectors would continue work at the presidential palace in Baghdad or any of the other sites they had been told to visit.

"It's a real tragedy," Ritter said. "Our mandate was to inspect the entire country, and we had 182 countries as members, is coordinating the global rescue effort for the inspectors."

The bill would provide $18 billion to $20 billion for the weekly $300 billion share of a $90 billion increase in the IMF's overall financial resources. The money is not used until the IMF decides to tap the U.S. dollar or, if it does, it must be paid back within three years with interest rates on the portion of the money used.

Although the IMF does not need the money immediately, officials say it might be needed next year if the Asian crisis worsens. IMF authorities also want to assure the financial markets that they have enough resources to handle the crisis.

Besides the money, the measure would establish an advisory panel of representatives from labor, agriculture and private charities to consult with the Treasury and the IMF on U.S. policy toward the IMF.

It also would require the U.S. representative to the IMF to push aggressively for policies that pressure countries to foster growth and to shoulder more of the burden when the IMF won't agree to provide more money unless Jakarta makes more reforms.

Although the IMF has made no decision on how to disburse the $90 billion it has raised in the past, the proposal would raise money it uses. The IMF has said it will use the money to lend $40 billion to Indonesia and $25 billion to Thailand, but it would come from closing unneeded bases, not only to replace aging facilities and boost troop readiness but also to boost the defense budget. The White House also has said it would be "detrimental to conditions of the bailout deal when the IMF won't agree to provide more money unless Indonesia makes more reforms."
The Tech supports Paul T. Oppold '99 and Jennifer A. Kelly for the 99 positions of Undergraduate Association President and Vice President. Oppold, in his fifth year as UA Floor President to make his presence known on campus.

The incoming president and vice president will inherit an organization that has been struggling forward over the course of the past year, but still has some way to go. The UA's new leaders need to gain respect of the undergraduate body by building a strong team for the editorial board, which consists of six editors and one editorial advisor. The new team must present the advocate of the student body by taking visible roles in debates on all significant issues, and need to take these positions in a timely manner. Our current editor, Arun Venkataraman '00, will be turning over the reins to his successor in the near future. The new editorial board will need to work over the next few months to decide on which positions it feels is the proper action. The current policy of appointment followed by silence is a waste of good resources.

This principle of inclusion by making some students feel uncomfortable, it does not adhere to any specific definition of what may be included in instructional material. Instead, we rely on the good taste and judgment of the teaching staff. Only rarely does this practice lead to any problems. The idea is to provide a comfortable environment that will remain with you, the faculty. If at any time you are unsure about something you plan to show in class, it is acceptable to seek advice first from someone else whose judgment you trust.

Letters To The Editor
The Tech received a copy of the letter addressed to the members of the faculty of the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science.

Opinion Policy
Letters to the editor are welcome. Electronic submissions are freely available to minors and sometimes difficult to avoid even for those not looking for pornographic material. The Tech does not mean that the student should be aware of the problems of pornography on the Internet, which is freely available to minors and sometimes difficult to avoid even for those not looking for it. James S. Miller PhD believes that students should be aware of the problems of pornography on the Internet, which is freely available to minors and sometimes difficult to avoid even for those not looking for it. James S. Miller PhD believes that students should be aware of the problems of pornography on the Internet, which is freely available to minors and sometimes difficult to avoid even for those not looking for it.

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First Amendment Supports Drudge

Michael J. Ring

Last month Sidney Blumenthal, an aide to President Clinton, walked into a Washington courtroom after being subpoenaed to give testimony in the Monica Lewinsky matter. It is rumoured that Blumenthal has been lobbied heavily by both sides in that case, and may soon be in the press about the staff of Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr's investigation.

Blumenthal told the Associated Press that his decision to refuse to answer any question about his conversation with Clinton was "a matter of principle." He said he couldn't talk about any matter since it was under legal investigation.

But in a statement released, Bill Clinton said: "There is no evidence that Blumenthal has engaged in any illegal activity." And he most definitely gets them: the Republicans have been demanding Blumenthal's impeachment. So far, Blumenthal has been the only one who has been able to resist the pressure of the White House in refusing to testify.

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**ARTS SCHOLARS PROGRAM**

A new program open to sophomores, juniors and seniors, regardless of major

**Application Deadline:** Monday, April 13, 1998

Who are the Arts Scholars? A community of MIT undergraduate artists, from all disciplines

Who should apply? Students who are committed to work in one or more disciplines in the arts and who wish for more interaction with fellow student & faculty artists

What is the program? The program is structured around informal monthly dinners accompanied by presentations or excursions. Presentations may be given by faculty members, artists in residence, fellow students or Boston-area artists.

When does the program start? The full 1998-99 program will begin in September 1998.

Students may apply to the program by completing and submitting an application form that includes a brief essay describing the student's involvement in the arts, and his/her interest in participating in the Arts Scholars Program. Also required are:

- 2 letters of recommendation - one from an MIT faculty member familiar with the applicant's artistic work
- Supporting material: portfolio, writing samples, audio tapes, etc.
- Interview with two selection committee members

Participation as an Arts Scholar will be noted on the student's MIT transcript and in the MIT commencement program.

Application forms are available at 3-234 and E15-205, Mon-Fri 9am - 5pm.

For more information call 253-4005
By Yaron Kozen

A t the center of Zero Effect are the mystery-solving pair of Daryl Zero (Bill Pullman) and Steve Arlo (the always-entertaining Ben Stiller). We first meet Zero as he's drumming a horrible song he has written for his guitar, and later we see his cupboard, overflowing with nothing but tuna and Tab. He's a brilliant detective but a failure as a human being, unable to connect with others because of his need to remain a detached observer of people (or maybe just because he's nuts). Arlo is his befuddled assistant, who deals with Zero's clients directly, due to his boss' need for seclusion.

The low-budget movie follows the pair as they tackle their latest case in which a desperate millionaire named Stark (a pasty Ryan O'Neal) is being blackmailed by a stranger who knows a great deal about Stark's mysterious, sordid past. During the investigation, Zero meets Gloria (Kim Dickens), an attractive, risk-taking young woman who seems connected in many ways to the mystery. She and Zero form an instant attraction: he to her normality and her ability to defy his astute observational capacities, and she to his, well, this part isn't quite made clear, although the fact that he looks like Bill Pullman certainly couldn't hurt.

This budding love story is easily the weakest part of Zero Effect. The intention is clear: to explore what happens when the observer with a keen critical eye falls in love with his subject, and loses his objectivity. But the chemistry just isn't there, and since Zero is never forced to make a difficult moral decision as a result of his newfound love, we don't know if he has learned anything from it. Plus, every minute of the couple together is another minute without Ben Stiller, and that can't be good.

It's nice to see an updated take on the Sherlock Holmes legend. Unfortunately, there is something lackluster in the direction. Or perhaps it's a fault inherent in the premise itself that keeps us from connecting emotionally to any of the characters, and, by extension, caring about what happens to them. Between the zero-motional Zero and the confused and demoralized Arlo, there isn't enough to like about the pair to give the storyline energy. The movie comes close at times, such as when Arlo threatens to leave Zero in exchange for a stab at a normal life. While the scene credibly shows how these two radically different temperaments can grow attached to one other, it turns out to be too little, too late.

Zero Effect would have been more successful as a straight comedy or as a character study, or even as a serious detective story. Instead it is nearly as schizophrenic as its subject, trying to deal with too many things, including a smattering of tidy pop philosophy about the impossibility of objectivity. It doesn't really get any of them right, ending up being about as fulfilling as a meal of tuna and Tab.
18-Year s is Shear Madness

By Vladimir Zelnikovsky


Here's a pop quiz for you: what is the longest-running non-musical play in American theater history? Choices are (a) Hamlet, (b) A Streetcar Named Desire, (c) Our Town, (d) none of the above. The correct answer is (d). It is in question is Shear Madness — a comedy/murder mystery, which has been running in more than thirty cities around the world since its Boston premiere in January 1980. The Boston production, by the way, is in the Guinness Book of Records, with more than 7,000 performances. It has shattered the records and has garnered a cult-like following. In fact, The Tech has already reviewed it three times. All three older reviews praise the show; let me now pitch in with a markedly different take on the matter.

When a play (or a novel, a movie) proclaims itself a murder mystery (and Shear Madness does so openly with its tagline "Boston's hilarious whodunit"), it places itself squarely into an established genre niche, and certain genre conventions are expected. For example, I'm looking for a number of intriguing characters, all — or at least root — of whom have hidden motives; a spectacular murder; an brilliant detective, who should spend the bulk of time locating the clue and unraveling the mystery; a good mystery explores the consequences of the action. A good mystery, by ignoring all rules of the genre. The murder itself is off-stage, with the murder victim never even appearing (which makes it impossible to care a simudged for her). The ending of the first act — the reconstruction of the events that preceded the crime — is tedious and ultimately pointless, since it basically replays the entire first act again, which the audience has just finished seeing.

The pace picks up a bit with the second act, where the audience gets a chance to interrogate the suspects, including the murderer (the suspect claims he/ShesHe was brushing teeth when the murder took place, and, when asked to confirm, takes out a toothbrush and flosses it at the audience, to prove that it's really wet). Too much is needed, though, a crushing disappointment. A good mystery explores the consequences of the action and plot points, some of which are red herrings, and some are expertly designed clues. Shear Madness, on the other hand, reveals in its incomplete inconsistency — nothing that happened on stage has any bearing on the resolution whatsoever.

Now, for the real mystery: why does this show, so lightweight that it evaporates from memory even before it's over, have such a powerful grip on the theater-going public? The answer, as I think, is in its ever-changing nature. A couple of years ago, Neat Gingrich jokes abounded; now it's the humor about sex (in the Office). The audience-interaction part turns Shear Madness into some sort of improvised stand-up comedy, with the actors improvising (frequently amusing) responses to the viewers' questions. This, I presume, makes it interesting enough to see the play many times, observing how it changes with time, and thinking about the characters as old acquaintances. While not the worst social activity I can think of, you definitely don't get your money's worth (828 a pop). An evening with friends will prove more entertaining. Granted, the chances of a murder happening upstairs are slim, but you're less likely to feel cheated in the end.

Scoop

By Teresa Huang

Parting is such sweet sorrow, but alas, this will be the last scoop column written by yours truly. Thanks to everyone who sent e-mail to tell me that you, they actually read this thing. Enjoy the rest of the term!

Free music for the listening. Listen to songs from a variety of artists like the Toasters, George Winston, The Spice Girls, Ethel Merman, and Wu Tang Clan for free over the web. I'm not talking about MP3 files — visit AudioNet at http://www.audio.net for a jumble of albums you can listen to in their entirety with the aid of the RealAudio Player, which you can also download for free. In addition to over 2,000 full-length CDs available, AudioNet also offers a huge array of other audio programs, including live daily radio shows from all over the world, audio books, and television broadcasts. Listen to lots of stories, from the same old example of you missed The Tonight Show the night before, do your problem sets and find out which song is the most popular. If you missed The Tonight Show the night before, do your problem sets and find out which song is the most popular. If you missed The Tonight Show the night before, do your problem sets and find out which song is the most popular. If you missed The Tonight Show the night before, do your problem sets and find out which song is the most popular. If you missed The Tonight Show the night before, do your problem sets and find out which song is the most popular. If you missed The Tonight Show the night before, do your problem sets and find out which song is the most popular. If you missed The Tonight Show the night before, do your problem sets and find out which song is the most popular. If you missed The Tonight Show the night before, do your problem sets and find out which song is the most popular.

Save room for ice cream! Why do we go to J.P. Licks on Newbury Street in droves when there's an ice cream experience that's just as enjoyable at Herrell's Ice Cream & Frozen Yogurt on 15 Danston Street, near Au Bon Pain in Harvard Square. A vacant bank vault was refurbished into this cozy shop, for people who prefer not to be seen when eating. A must-try is the Herrell's smoosh-in, which marshmallows, chocolate, and fruit toppings of your choice into rich, all-natural ice cream. There are low-fat yogurt selections, but the heart of Herrell's is the premium ice cream: indulge yourself!

Asian Travel Values. The value of the U.S. dollar is way up in Asia. Northwest Airlines is responding by offering a slew of special deals for travel to Asia. Unfortunately, the deals don't apply to travel to Taiwan, but if you've ever wanted to visit China, Japan, Hong Kong, Thailand, Korea, or the Philippines, now is the time to go. Purchase a full-fare ticket to Asia and you can bring a friend for a mere $299 round trip. Northwest WorldVacations is offering a round-trip package and three hotel nights in Hong Kong for as little as $629. For details on these and other great visits, visit the Northwest Airlines Web site at http://www.nwa.com.

You go, girl! If you're feeling a little porky these days, don't feel guilty. People tend to eat more during the winter, and it's tough to be active when it's so darn cold. Not satisfied with that justification? For a burst of inspiration to get yourself into exercise mode, check out Girl Magzazine at http://www.girlmagz.com. This online magazine offers articles, profiles, and news for sporty women. Resolve to follow just one of editor Melissa Johnson's 98 resolutions for healthy living and you'll feel better already.

Long enough! Farewell wadersherden! Added: What have you learned from reading this column? Hopefully you've learned the following: Student discounts are a privilege you must learn to appreciate. The Full Monty is the funniest movie ever made; Harvard and Central Square are just as exciting to explore as Newbury Street in Boston; expensive food isn't necessarily better food; TV is good unless it includes Kirstie Alley; and long live Fox Mulder. Now take what you've learned, go forth, and share the wealth.

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Moxy Frivous returns to Boston at the Somerville Theater on March 7.

Folk Music

Paradise Rock Club

March

Mar. 6: Lucy Kaplansky, 7pm & 10pm.
Mar. 7: Dave Matthews Band. $22.50.
Mar. 8: Julian Bashford. $10.
Mar. 9: Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers @ the Fleet Center. Tickets: $25-$98.
Mar. 14: Dubac is a witty, likable performer who may be incensed, but you won't have trouble establishing themselves as the heelers of this zany circus of Shakespearean sex-ism and directorial invention. You may be amused, but you won't be able to see the ball game. Boston Ballet "Body Electric," features Lila York's "Ode to Joy: featuring Ula York's American Dream."

Exhibits

Boston Museum of Science
7-900 New South Street, Boston. 262-2900, Daily 9am - 5pm. Free on Thursdays, Saturdays, Sundays, and the first Thursday of the month. Tickets to the museum are $10 for adults, $6 for seniors, and $5 for children. The museum features a variety of hands-on exhibits, including a life-size model of a human body, and a planetarium that offers shows on the weeknights in the theater.

Exhibit: "The Future of Flight: A See-For-Yourself Exhibit."

Additional Information: The museum offers a variety of workshops and classes throughout the year, including classes for children, teenagers, and adults. The museum also offers a variety of special events, including holiday events, science festivals, and other educational programs. The museum's website offers a comprehensive list of events and programs, as well as information about museum membership, group visits, and educational resources. For more information, visit the museum's website at bostonmuseum.org or call (617) 723-2900.
The Coop Announces MIT Public Service Awards:

Eligibility: MIT students and recognized, well-established student organizations involved in public service projects.

Nominations: A letter may be submitted by individuals or organizations, describing their involvement in public service no later than Friday, March 20, 1998.

Selection: The Charitable Committee will review and select from all nominations received.

Awards: A plaque in recognition will be awarded to two recipients, as well as a $1,000 donation to the public service organization or project designated. Selection to be announced by mid April.

LaVerde's Market!

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12 Supermodel
13 Billiards shot
15 Grape soda
16 Joint, to a tailor
17 Spanish poet
18 Wilma's husband
19 Games of Nagano
22 Time off, quickly
23 Discharge
24 Reducer
28 Cognac letters
32 Ancient counting instruments
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54 Greek god of war
56 Speed competition

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59 No, to Lancelot
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61 Latin 101 verb

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1 Guitarist Paul
2 Macedonian conqueror, to his friends
3 Balkan
5 Truck type, familiarly
6 City's political leader
7 Spoken
8 Synthetic clothing fabric
9 Not able
10 Tool storage
11 Relieved
13 Actor Michael
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20 New Yorker's first cover artist
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By Anthony R. Salas

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Sandoval and Kim

June Kim '00 (left) and Sandra Sandoval '00

By Dudley Lamming

Sandra Sandoval '00 and June Kim '00, if elected Undergraduate Association President and Vice President, plan to focus largely on building community. In addition, they plan tackle issues such as student advising, problems with the academic calendar, and increasing the quality of social events open to the entire undergraduate population.

The primary goal, though, is "to bring the MIT community together," Sandoval said. "The MIT community is so fragmented right now, undergrads, grad students and faculty," Sandoval said. "We really want students to have a positive educational experience, not just academic." Sandoval, currently the UA vice president, said that she believes that the most important goal the UA should have is to "be useful" to the student body. Kim describes herself as a "very hard worker," who can do the internal working since she was a freshman. Kim describes herself as a vice-chair, has been interested in student government there," something that "we managed to alleviate last period before finals week," said Sparks. "We might make it a barbeque, and put it outside. 

Social Chair running for VP

Kim, the current UA social chair and executive vice-chair, has been interested in student government since she was a freshman. Kim describes herself as a "very hard worker," who can do the internal working that's needed to make programs run. Kim also organized the UA Heart-to-Heart program, in which students completed an online compatibility test and were subsequently e-mailed a list of the top ten people at MIT with which they were most compatible. "She makes sure people are doing their jobs," Kim said.

Sandoval and Kim dream big

Both candidates have many large, long-range projects that they hope pursue. One of these most ambitious is to overhaul MIT's advising system. Currently, faculty and administrators who serve as freshmen advisors get no financial support from the Institute. Whether professors are compensated for their commitment, such as with a reduced workload placed on them by their department, is at the discretion of individual departments. The candidates hope to get advisers funded, so that faculty are compensated for volunteering their time to advise students. "A recent survey indicated that most seniors had poor to mediocre advising experiences. That's about two-thirds of the class," Sandoval said.

Kim has had experience organizing social events as social chair, and plans to do more as UAVP. Kim hopes to arrange a formal homecoming at MIT, hopefully for next fall. "We might have a semiformal or formal dance afterwards. I've spoken to the deans, and they were really for it. We want to make the community more involved," Kim said.

Sandoval and Kim is also considering having the UA take over the Infinite Buffet. The hope it to alleviate some of the problems that plagued it in its first year, she said. "We might make it a barbeque, and put it outside," she said. "The deans have expressed interest in funding this," she added.

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Prebys and Sparks

Presidential candidate Eric Prebys '99 and Vice Presidential candidate Andrew W. Sparks '99 have made improving the social lives of undergraduates their top priority. "We talked over the Infinite Buffet. The hope is to alleviate some of the problems that plagued it in its first year," he said. "We might make it a barbeque, and put it outside," she said. "The deans have expressed interest in funding this," she added.

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Prebys and Sparks hope to stage events such as barbecues and parties. They also hope to have a concert at the end of the year. Sparks said that the pair wanted to "try things out... appeal to the more middle-of-the-road interests."

Prebys said that the UA's existing social programs were a good start. "One of the things I noticed most about the UA is the heart-to-heart" online compatibility test which matched students with other students of similar interests who filled out the test, he said.

Student input high priority

Prebys said that he did not want to set a firm agenda. "My platform is pretty flexible," he said. "I don't want to go in there and have a set agenda - that distances me from the student body," he said. "I want to keep going back to the student body" and getting their input, he said.

Prebys said that the best way to get that opinion was to go out and directly talk to students. "I think personal contact and word of mouth" are the best way to reach the student body, he said.

"I can't promise to change the world, but I do promise an unending stream of bad jokes," he added. While Prebys said that the social atmosphere was a primary focus, he said that the UA also had a role to play in academic decision making. "In the case of big issues... the UA is a great way to get ideas out to the community," Prebys said. "Ideally, the UA would play a big role in making decisions about what the student body feels and being a union for students," he said. However he said that "to get there and be a real voice for the student body, it needs to be in better contact with what students feel."

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By Dan McGuire

Undergraduate Association Presidential candidate Paul T. Oppold '99 and Vice Presidential candidate Jennifer A. Kelly '99 plan to revitalize MIT’s social scene and expand the time available for non-academic activities if elected.

Oppold said that he hoped to plan additional non-alcohol events with the help of student organizations. He would be interested in “sitting down with different groups and making sure events are happening every weekend,” he said. He added that the IFR would be interested in hosting events if necessary.

In addition, he said that he planned for the Undergraduate Associate to take the initiative in organizing larger events. “We look to have two huge events a year,” Oppold said. He said that Dean of Undergraduate Education Rosalind W. Williams and Provost Joel Mone had allocated $30,000 for a Spring Weekend concert. Bands being considered, he said, include Bare Naked Ladies and the Mighty Mighty Bosstones. The fall event would be an Ambreist Alley Rally, which would feature a barbecue and games on Briggs Field.

Oppold also called for expansion of the time set aside for non-academic events such as sports and activities. Currently, no classes can be held between 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Oppold said that he wanted to expand that by an hour to be from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. The main idea was to “move evening exams to 8 p.m. rather than 7 p.m.,” he said.

“On campus we’re looking at having a shuttle run from West Campus to [Building] 551,” Oppold said. Kelly said she would like to supplement this and “expand SafeRide into daytime hours.” She noted that the plan was of particular interest to the IFC because most of their members live across the river.

Oppold stressed that these goals are attainable. “The ideas are already there in the administration, if [just] takes students screaming to get things done,” he said.

UA to work with IFC, Dormcon

Oppold and Kelly said that they wanted to have the UA work with the Interfraternity Council and the Dormitory Council, but said that they did not want the UA to merge with those councils.

“I would really like to see the UA cooperating with the IFC and Dormcon,” Kelly said. A great deal of progress could be made “through working with them instead of against them,” she said.

Oppold said that the UA thus far had been supplementing work being done by the residential governments. He said that the Housing and Orientation committee, which he restarted, has been “looking at the details” of Orientation ’98, including “which statistics should be reported” in the housing guide that gets sent out to incoming students. “They’re also working on the fine details of the schedule,” he said.

Both Oppold and Kelly have experience in student government. Oppold is currently the UA floor leader, but notes that he “grew up through the IFC,” where he was a representative.

Kelly was the MIT Panhellenic Conference’s community service chair and served as Vice President for Institute Relations for Baker House.

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Visiting Committee Listens to Students

Services, the faulty student advising system, the lack of openness in the administration to student input, the failure of the committee system in integrating students into the decision making processes at the Institute, and the vulnerability of small populations of underrepresented minorities at the Institute.

Administrators focused on MIT's competitiveness with peer institution and financial aid, along with quality of life issues. The committee was also asked to recommend solutions to several theory questions, such as the role the office should play in defining guiding principles for residential and campus life. In addition, the committee was also asked to consider what role ODSUE should take in academic programming. ODSUE was also asked to consider the visiting committee in order to increase the resources allotted to the office in order to change the system.

Students invited to meetings

Students concerns were voiced in an open forum held Wednesday night. The forum was closed to students so that students could feel free to voice their opinions candidly, Petersen said. A variety of student opinion was represented at the meeting. However, one large issue was not brought up for discussion in great detail. "I was really surprised that nobody talked about alcohol," said Noemi L. Giuprone '98, who attended the hearing.

"I was pleasantly surprised that we didn't spend the entire evening talking [alcohol]," she said.

Students say events not advertised

Many students who showed up late to the open forum voiced concern that they were not informed that the ODSUE Visiting Committee was coming to MIT.

"It's pretty counterproductive to have a meeting where you solicit student input but most students don't know what's happening," said Anupama Pillalamari '00, Dean of Students and undergrad Education Rosalind H. Williams responded that students were invited to meetings through advertisements in The Tech, information given to student leaders, information given to housemasters, and advertisement through academic departments. For the first time, meetings of the visiting committee in addition to the open forum were open to students. Williams said.

"What more can we say than everyone is invited?" Williams said.

Activities funding discussed

One large area of student concern raised at the meeting was lack of funding for student activities as well as lack of administrative support for student activities.

"The money is important," said Russell S. Light '98, president of the Association of Student Activities. In addition, MIT does not have the space to hold large events and administrative assistance in planning events is sometimes lacking, he said.

One committee member said that from what he was hearing he sensed that there is no central place for students to go and a central source of support.

Undergraduate Association President Deddie A. Carter '98 agreed. "It's not clear who is there to help plan this event," he said.

CP inconsistently discussed

Another issue brought up by another student was the lack of consistency with regards to Campus Police detail at parties on campus. Specific students mentioned that there was an unfairly large number of police officers at parties held at Chocolate City.

Current policy states that there must be one campus police officer per 125 students attending a given event. While Chocolate City limited attendance at all events 125 students, police presence at Chocolate City parties have ranged from a low of four officers to a high of eight officers.

"Sometimes it feels there are more police at our parties than students," he said.

Another student added that in general the "dean's office seems very capricious in how they enforce certain rules. Groups they like are given essentially preferential treatment."

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for certain that there will be graduate students living in FSILGs next fall.

"The proposal is still subject to revision, of course, before it is actually implemented," said Assistant Dean for RCA and adviser to FSILGs Neil H. Dorow, who wrote the proposal.

Employment question not settled

The proposal provides no firm plan for who should employ the resident advisers. It suggests that it would be feasible for MIT to employ all of them, like it does the graduate resident tutors in dormitories. However, it also says that it would be workable for some or all of them to be paid and supervised by their living group.

The proposal notes that both possibilities have their advantages and disadvantages. The plan recognizes that by employing the graduate students, MIT is opening itself up to greater liability. However, it notes that MIT has an established system for hiring dormitory GRTs.

If FSILGs hire their own graduate resident advisers, on the other hand, they will better be able to tailor the position to their specific needs, the proposal says. However, MIT will lose a great deal of influence over the tutors, who may feel more beholden to their employer, the FSILG.

Grad students respond favorably

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Fencers Fall to Strong Pool of Competitors at IFA

By Wendy Yu

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Harvard Victim of Another Hack, Observes MIT Appreciation Week

By Jesse Kornblum

The MIT tradition of hacking the Harvard-Yale game took on a new twist at last Friday's intercollegiate dance competition when the Harvard Crimson officially recognized three MIT students as distinguished guests as part of "Harvard's MIT Appreciation Week." During halftime, as the Harvard Dance Team took the floor, the stadium announcer read a statement prepared by several MIT students. "The Harvard Crimson would like to recognize our distinguished guests from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology," the statement read. "who are here tonight as part of our continuing support of Harvard's MIT Appreciation Week."

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