New Alcohol Policy Tested by Violations

By Frank Dabek and Dan McGuire

The ink on their pages barely dry, the Institute’s new alcohol policy is already receiving their first tests. Events at licensed venues and minor incidents in dormitories are providing the first tests for the new institute-wide alcohol policy, and are raising questions about the current state of the policies.

An event held by Anark on Valentine’s Day is providing a difficult test case for the Institute’s infant alcohol policy. The event, advertised in The Tech as a “champagne reception” was open to both faculty and to students and was held at the MIT Faculty Club. Several aspects of the event seem questionable under current MIT alcohol policy especially the presence of undergraduates at an event where alcohol may have been freely available.

Lawrence E. Maguire, director of housing and food services, said that “Anark had all the permits and forms MIT requires for the event.” He tactfully, to the best of his knowledge, those operating the event “carded, [and] did everything by the book.” Maguire is responsible for Anark’s operations on campus. “Clearly someone was checking IDs,” at the event, said Dean for Student Life Margaret R. Bates.

“There were concerns about the champagne fountain” present at the party, she said. However, “it was in the line of sight of the bartenders,” which allowed some control, she said.

An undergraduate present at the event, however, said that his age was not verified when obtaining alcohol and that the champagne fountain was not verified when obtaining alcohol and that the champagne fountain was not.

Activists Gather to Protest Gulf War

By Zareena Hussain

Some 300 local residents and a handful of students descended on the campus Saturday night to attend a five-hour teach-in in 10-250 to protest possible air strikes by the U.S. against Iraq.

A mixture of former hippies, middle-aged women, socialist union workers, and middle-aged men gathered in the room to debate and condemn U.S. policy in the Persian Gulf region.

At the end of the event, all present got up and chanted “hands off Iraq” as they raised their hands into the air. Activists then ventured separately to "the line of sight of the bar staff" they left the lecture hall.

The event was organized by the Arab Student’s Organization and by the newly formed Emergency Committee Against War in Iraq.

Students plan protest

One of the products of the teach-in is a plan for a student march on the Park Street T-stop Wednesday. Roni Krouzman, a junior at Boston University and lead organizer, announced his intention to address "1,000 students on Park Street" at the forum.

Even if the U.S. signs on to the agreement with Iraq brokered by U.N. Secretary General Kofi A. Annan, MIT students plan to march.

The protest, said Alan L. Shihadeh, a member of the ASAP who helped organize the event, is not merely about the possibility of air strikes but also about “ending the war.”

“The demonstration would be a stupendous effort by the people who organized this,” Shihadeh said. After doral media coverage of previous protest activities in the Boston area and a “dismissive” response by the media, teach-in organizers contacted various media outlets to ensure coverage of the event, Shihadeh said.

Activists form action groups

After those present listened to the panel speak they separated into groups based on constituency.

The purpose was “to create a structure so people can relate to a greater cause and to a larger group,” said Judith Glauberman who helped lead of focus group consisting of residents from Somerville concerned by the situation in the Middle East.

“The embargo has functioned as a weapon of mass destruction,” Glauberman said. The Iraqis people “have already suffered immeasurably with no effect,” Glauberman said.

In addition to local residents being present another constituency represented was labor unions.

As one walked past the lecture hall union workers offered sale of The Militant and The Worker’s Vanguard.

“We see all of this as a part of a broader struggle against capitalism and imperialism,” said Andy Buchanan, a member of the Socialist Worker’s Coalition, which publishes The Militant.

Krisen Chevalier, a first-year at Wellesley, said the labor union seems to have the “own agenda” separate from stopping the war and economic sanctions against Iraq. In the workshops, these separate agendas may have prevented those in the groups from forming concrete plans to deal with protesting government action.

Equally present, however, were local residents concerned about the situation overseas.

“The most important thing is to build a large movement against the war,” said Elena Tate, a junior at Cambridge Rajege Latin School. “I don’t think we can stop this war,” Tate said.

“Tate, it is impossible to build a struggle against a system that causes wars.”

Many felt that an attack against Iraq at this stage is largely unjustified.

“There’s not enough reason,” said Kraten Feindt, a Boston resident.

The MIT Faculty Club was the site of a controversial Valentine’s day party.

MIT’s Oldest and Largest Newspaper

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David D. Ho, an AIDS researcher and Time magazine’s man of the year for 1996, has been chosen to deliver the 1996 Commencement address.

"Dr. Ho has set very worthwhile goals for his professional life and is realizing them. His work demonstrates the critical importance of science to the solution of problems such as AIDS that plague our society," said President Charles M. Vest.

Ho was born in Taiwan in 1952 and emigrated to the United States in 1965 with his family. He attended MIT for one year and then transferred to the California Institute of Technology, where he completed his undergraduate coursework. He earned an M.D. from Harvard Medical School in 1978. He is currently the director of the Aaron Diamond AIDS Research Center, one of the largest private AIDS research centers in the country.

Vest said that he is proud to claim Ho as a graduate of the joint MIT-Harvard Division of Health Science and Technology. "His work also should remind all of the great benefits America reaps from opening our doors, our institutions, and opportunities to immigrants," he added.

Gayle M. Gallagher, director of conference services and events, and a member of the commencement committee, said that the speaker selection process began in late fall. The group solicited "suggestions from the community: the faculty, students, and staff," she said.

"There is a subgroup of the commencement committee that assembles the names to be considered," she said. However, the choice of speaker is "ultimately Dr. Vest's decision," she said.

Ho was one of the first scientists to begin researching AIDS and HIV. As a resident at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles he discovered the HIV virus from infected individuals, a prospect previously considered implausible. He developed a new treatment based on the idea of administering a mixture of drugs that can apparently overpower the virus.

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Due in part to research such as this, Time reported that, "Ho, working alone or in concert with others, fundamentally changed our view of the AIDS virus."

Besides developing new treatment techniques, Ho was also among the first to isolate the virus and to detect it in the nervous system. His work demonstrated the importance of science to the solution of problems such as AIDS that plague our society.

Ho's work has been widely recognized, earning him numerous awards and honors. He is a member of the Institute of Medicine and the National Academy of Sciences, and has served as a consultant to the World Health Organization and the National Institutes of Health.

In 1996, Ho was awarded the Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine, sharing the award with Daniel B. Barzman and Royston J. Rowland. The Nobel Prize recognized his contributions to the understanding of HIV and the development of new treatments for AIDS.

Ho has also been honored with a number of other awards, including the Gairdner International Award, the Lasker Award, and the Albert Lasker Award. He has been named one of the100 most influential people in the world by Time magazine.

In addition to his research, Ho has been actively involved in the fight against AIDS. He has served on numerous boards and committees, and has worked to raise awareness and funds for AIDS research.

Ho's work has had a profound impact on the field of virology and on the treatment of HIV/AIDS. His discoveries have led to new therapies and treatments, and have helped to improve the lives of millions of people around the world.
Annan Credit For Making Iraqi Deal Possible

By Craig Turner

WASHINGTON

After weeks of increasingly bel-
lowing threats, months of hundreds of attack planes and
dozens of warships and diplomatic
call and counter-call from air to
air, it may have come down to two
words: the agreement was accom-
panied only by an interpreter.

One was Kofi Annan SM '72, 
the former UN envoy to Iraq who
administers the United Nations and
carefully raises his voice above
whisper level. The other was
Saddam Hussein, the feared dictator
of a small country that will not
yield to anyone. That is that it said only that
does not know where he sleeps each
night.

Their talk later was described
as surprisingly candid, businesslike
and absent the rhetorical flames of propaganda
Iraqi officials often employ with U.N. representatives.

When it was over, Hussein had rolled back his demands that U.N. inspectors go into presidential compounds the Iraqis have conquered to demonstrate national sovereignty and dignity. He agreed to new procedures for permitting inspections and declared out of and the Iraqi government signed a two-page agreement that will have no limits on inspections, according to a U.N. official.

In cautiously accepting the pact
—which goes before the U.N. Security Council for final approval—officials said that Baghdad's acceptance was crucial because it is the most
threat to Hussein by an American-British air and naval
strike force lifting in the Persian Gulf, and it is key to the peace
sorts to the armistice when he told a
news conference here Monday that the war is over. "We are ready to
but of course you can do a lot more with diplomacy backed up by fir-

But those close to him also credit Annan with avoiding being the
to the battering, stretched and fra

That alliance could unravel again if
Annan fails to meet the stringent
standards set by the United States.

Annan had laid the groundwork for new procedures in New York with ambassadors from 150 countries and key members of the U.N. Security Council — the United States, Britain, France, and Russia.

Those countries form a sort of inter-
national judicial panel enforcing the arms embargo. Hussein's cease-fire on Iraq, including the
Iraqi version of the embargo, which includes the chemical, biological and nuclear weapons.

New South Korean President
To Face Many New Challenges

By Sonni Efron

LOS ANGELES TIMES

Michael Jackson, Cory Aquino and Richard Riordan will be there.

Those who had never smoked and said they weren't likely to. Those who
could name a favorite ad, or who had acquired tobacco-brand cloth-
ing or trinkets in 1993, tended to smoke later, the researchers found.

Promotion accounts for about a third of the decision to experiment
with cigarettes, with prices and the social context, the researchers said, accounting for around 20 to 30 percent, and the rest was made up of factors including personal characteristics such as stress or relaxation, and factors that had to do with the cigarette advertising.
High Court Upholds ‘Megan’s Law’ in Controversial Decision

By Joan Biskupic
WASHINGTON

The Supreme Court Monday rejected a constitutional challenge to "Megan’s Law," the New Jersey statute that requires authorities to notify communities of convicted sex offenders in their neighborhoods.

The law, named for a 7-year-old girl who was raped and murdered by a twice-convicted sex offender, was the first of its kind. Provoked by the tragedy of Megan Kanka and by New Jersey’s 1995 law, 36 other states have since adopted similar statutes.

Community notification laws and harsher penalties for sex crimes are part of a national trend to try to protect children from those who would prey on them. But such efforts also have drawn protests from defense lawyers who say civil liberties and rights are being trampled.

In the Megan’s Law case, a group of sex offenders whose crimes were committed before the New Jersey law was enacted, sued, claiming the policy making their names and addresses public and subjecting them to community harassment and violence imposes a second punishment on them, violating the double-jeopardy guarantee against double punishment.

They also argued that the law’s retroactive effect breached the guarantee against ex post facto laws. The Constitution prohibits laws that impose punishment for a defendant beyond what was on the books when a crime was committed.

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the 3rd Circuit upheld Megan’s Law last year. The appeals court said the law cannot be considered additional "punishment," ruling, "The state had imposed no restrictions on a person’s ability to live and work in a community, to move from place to place, to obtain a professional license or to secure governmental benefits."

"Megan’s Supreme Court action, letting that rancid stand, sets no national precedent and does not stop legal challenges to other state laws. However, it does offer a vote of confidence to states requiring prosecutors to notify local residents about convicted sex offenders. Under Megan’s Law, prosecutors evaluate the record of a convict’s offense and other private information to determine his or her potential risk to the community before deciding how extensive community notice should be.

The high court order, made public in a one-sentence order in a day of varied court business, was not accompanied by any comment from the justices.

Senate Opens Debate Regarding Overhaul of Campaign Finances

By Helen Dewar
WASHINGTON

The Senate Monday opened its latest debate on legislation to overhaul the nation’s tattered campaign finance laws, as sponsors appealed well-worn arguments to cut off a Republican-led filibuster against the measure.

"Right now we don’t have the 60 votes needed to force the bill to a vote," said Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn. Others indicated that the vote count was seven or eight short of 60, just as it was last year when the chamber rejected a constitutional challenge to restrict "soft money" contributions to candidates.

Lott described the proposal as the "payoff to the McCain-Feingold bill by turning it into a battle over campaign finance legislation,

Under "Our democracy has become a huge bazaar for powerful traders," who use money to buy influence in Washington, Feingold argued. But Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., and other foes of the bill said it violates constitutional free-speech rights and seeks to limit political participation.

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., kicked off the new debate by calling the proposal a constitutional challenge to restrict "soft money" contributions to candidates. He added that the 3rd Circuit upheld Megan’s Law the day before the Supreme Court rejected a constitutional challenge to the law.

Lott also indicated he would probably not allow the debate to continue beyond this week. "We have a lot of things to do and we don’t have a lot of time, so... I don’t envision it going beyond this week," he said.

Antarctic Ice Shelves Retreat

By Helen Dewar
WASHINGTON

For years, Antarctic scientists have kept a nervous watch on what some have called the Big Thaw: the breakup of giant floating ice shelves on the continent’s Antarctic Peninsula. Warmer temperatures in recent years have forced a retreat in the ice that could eventually alter global sea levels.

The significance for U.S. coastal cities remains far from clear, but a new report predicts that the melting will continue. Antarctic researchers who studied the sudden collapse of one 500-square-mile ice shelf three years ago have discovered signs of strain in a larger ice shelf nearby.

"Unless the situation changes dramatically and ice-front retreat causes almost immediately, it seems fairly certain that another ice shelf will disappear, perhaps even this century," writes Christopher S.M. Doake of the British Antarctic Survey in the Feb. 19 edition of Nature.

The earlier breakup in 1995 turned the peninsula’s "Larsen A" shelf into thousands of icebergs over the course of a few days. After研究人员 studied the event using computer models, Doake and his colleagues conclude that melting steadily increases pressure on the ice until a critical threshold is reached and the structure disintegrates.

The model predicts that the non-stable "Larsen B" ice shelf will also begin an "irreversible retreat" if trends continue. The two shelves combined once covered 33,000 square miles of ocean.

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Check out the website for detail: http://web.mit.edu/imsports/www.

The season begins MARCH 6th.
Letter To The Editor

Ring Ignores Facts

It appears that Michael J. Ring '01 is so eager in his recent column "Ronald Reagan Department of Shams," Feb. 13] to tar former president Reagan that he's not willing to let facts stand in his way.

For starters, Ring conveniently fails to note that the air traffic controllers that has repeatedly performed well in the U.S. News rankings would go a long way towards discrediting them.

The data the magazine gathers are not precise enough for it to reach its conclusions. The weights U.S. News assigns to each category are essentially arbitrary and a slight adjustment changes the rankings drastically. In addition, some categories seen to be created purely for the sake of furthering a false sense of precision. For example, in the undergraduate rankings, the spurious "value-added" category compares a college's predicted graduation rate with its actual graduation rate to measure the school's involvement in the academic success of students.

Better ranking systems nearly sell themselves. For example, U.S. News could divide colleges into several tiers. Under the current system colleges move up or down several positions from year to year, reflecting little more than random noise. A tier-based system would better reflect the lack of preci-
sion in these rankings. Another solution would be for the maga-
zine to publish only its raw data and resist the dangerous urge to perform simplistic analyses that paint a distorted picture. With such a system, applicants could choose the college that best suits them by examining the data most important to them.

Despite the rankings' shortcomings, the Institute seems to embrace its first-place ranking in nine graduate fields. MIT's Web site openly advertises its first place in engineering for the ninth straight year. The contrast to MIT's dismissive reaction when the Institute fell to sixth in the undergraduate rankings last fall suggests that the rankings are being embraced only when it is convenient.

Instead of promoting the U.S. News ratings, MIT should cooperate with other schools in denouncing them. Ideally, MIT would send a letter to prospective applicants encouraging them to ignore the rankings. MIT could even take a more active role in discrediting the rankings. Rather than congratulating itself for looking good today, MIT should stand up for sound reasoning and publicly reject the ratings.

Richard L. Carreiro '89

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The preview of Grand Hotel, which appeared in the Feb 20. issue of The Tech, incorrectly stated Director Tommy DeFrantz's future plans. DeFrantz will not contribute choreogra-

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The Tech News & World Report's annual rankings of the best schools use faulty reasoning and evaluation methods that lead to inaccurate and misleading results. Despite MIT's recent high scores in the magazine's rankings of graduate schools, The Tech continues to believe that the details of the rankings are arbitrary and should be ignored.

According to 162 of the nation's law schools, including seven of the top 10 in the U.S. News rankings, sent a letter to 93,000 prospective applicants. The letter, entitled "Law School Rankings and Honesty to Your Health," encouraged recipients to reject the rankings and to use their own, justifications.

The law schools justified their action by stating that the rankings ignore students' individual needs and had little bearing on reality. The schools emphasized that each student has his or her own preferences about what is important in a school.

MIT would do well to emulate its law school colleagues. While it may help MIT in the short run to advertise its high score in the rating, the long-term consequences of the procedure can be severe. The rankings are all hurt by the ratings because they encourage prospective students to make poor decisions. Opposition by a strong, analytical institution that has traditionally performed well in the U.S. News rankings would go a long way towards discrediting them.

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Jerry S. DeFrantz will not contribute choreography to the upcoming production of On The Town this fall.

Erratum
Diplomacy Essential in U.S. Strategy

Olympic Fan Burns

Naveen Sarkavally

There was a glimmer of hope last Thursday for Eric Lindros, the fourth Canadian player selected for the shootout, as the American team's goalkeeper, Dominic Hasek, leaked, "If I was still with the Russian team, I might have scored a goal."

But aside from that moment, the Winter Olympics this year have been válidated only by the performance. Continuing that fateful march towards absolute commercialism and professionalism, the Olympics are empty of the sort of enthusiasm that has made it worth watching in previous years.

The plough began in the summer of '92, when the American "Dream Team" crashed the Olympic scene and simply won its way to the gold medal without much competition. But that appeal has made it worth watching in previous years.

While the winners are given the opportunity to bask in the glory of their victories, the runners-up are relegated to oblivion. The overwhelming majority of Security Council members of the United States have been treated with this fate after every performance. If the United States chooses to ignore this tradition, it will do so only at the risk of a reduction in our standing as a world leader.

The United States, like other western countries, has reached a point in its history where it must consider the implications of its policies and the consequences of its actions. The United States' policy towards Cuba has been consistently wrong.

In Cuba, the United States once had a plausible reason for sanctions. Following the Cuban revolution, the United States established trade barriers against the closest bastion of communism in the western hemisphere.

Yet the United States continues its ruthless assault on Cuba. Two years ago, Sen. Jesse Helms (R-N.C.) and Representative Dan Burton (R-Ind.) introduced and passed legislation that severely restricts the ability of other countries to legally act against the United States.

But in the world of politics, Cuba no longer threatens the United States. Once its support connections with the Soviet Union were cut off, the nation slipped into poverty and today ranks as one of the most extreme cases of relative poverty. Cuba truly supports its own citizens' needs, let alone those of the United States.

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While the legality of this legislation is uncertain, it is clear that trade and travel sanctions against the United States is today the only country to have established trade barriers against the closest bastion of communism in the western hemisphere.

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Before I went to my senior dinner Thursday night, I had been warned. A friend of mine who was a senior three years ago told me that the dinner was an Alumna Association expense to celebrate the Olympic success of the U.S. women's soccer team. The dinner was to be held in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

I was quite smugly confident that I would attend and advance tip. I certainly didn't want to be one of those who missed the opportunity.

But on no one could complain about the food, and the conversation with friends was enjoyable. Sure, when the alumni — one for each of about 10 tables — stood up to speak, many could hear the language impediment understandably from talk of "cherishing memories" to "staying connected" and finally to "giving back to MIT." You didn't really need to analyze too much to figure out what they were saying.

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Provost Grants $40K In Funds
For Benefit of Student Groups

By Dan McGuire

The Undergraduate Association’s Finance Board is preparing to receive applications from student groups vying for part of the special $40,000 grant. Provost Joel Moses PhD ’67 has allocated a portion of the applications for the grant are due at noon on Wednesday. "My best guess is that 25 to 30 groups will submit applications,” said Finboard Chair Vinh-Thang Vo-Ta ’98.

This is the second year that the Moses has given a special allocation to student activities. “I am pleased with the responsible manner in which the money was allocated last year, and I expect that this year’s allocation process will be equally fair and responsible,” said Moses.

UA President Dedric A. Carter ’98 called the new grant a great success. “We presented to our case to the Provost and he was very kind in giving it to us,” he said. “We obviously recognize the need to get more student activities funding,” Carter said. The grant will be "something to get us through this year," he said.

"I think it’s a great gesture from the Provost," said Vo-Ta. "There’s not much funding available to student groups at MIT. There’s something bigger that needs to be changed. That’s on the mind of a lot of administrators,” he said.

Criteria will be flexible
The last time the Finance Board met to disperse the Provost’s funds to groups, the priority was to allocate funds to "things that we didn’t normally fund," said Vo-Ta. "We liked to finance large capital expenditures.”

However, that may not be the case this year. "I’m reluctant to say that’s the tone of the applications received by the board, but if that’s the case this year. "I’m reluctant to say that’s the tone of the applications received by the board, but we like to finance large capital expenditures.”

However, that may not be the case this year. "I’m reluctant to say that’s the tone of the applications received by the board, but if that’s the tone of the applications received by the board, then the board will continue to fund one-time capital expenditures.”

"We don’t want to make hard fast rules,” he said. “It was a gift from the provost and we want to be generous in giving it out. We use our best judgement,” he added.

Vo-Ta said that finboard will probably not use the $40,000 grant to make up funding shortfalls in activities that didn’t get all of the money that they wanted during the standard applications process. “We already have a buffer for the appeals process,” he said. Activities “are given the opportunity to verbally defend their request.”

“We try to be as generous as possible” in deciding funding levels for groups, said Vo-Ta. The finance board looks at “how well the group has done, what they have done and how they’ve become more self sufficient,” he said.

Carter noted that even small allocations could have a big effect on groups. “Some groups are putting in their own money to put on their events,” he said. “When you get down to the small groups $25 is a big jump,” he added.

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Alcohol Access Not Restricted

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tain was left unattended. The student said that the bartender might not have been able to see the fountain.

Rules for licensed vendors differ

Because the MIT Faculty club is a licensed provider, much like the Thirsty Earl pub or the Muddy Charles, the event "didn't need to be registered," said Philip J. Walsh, director of the campus activities complex. Walsh emphasized that the event was still bound to operate under City of Cambridge laws, however, which prohibit the sale of alcohol to minors.

While Bates agreed that the faculty club "didn't have to go through the student registration process," she said that the people who held the event needed to have "enhanced sensitivity at this point." People planning parties need to consider the "implications of having students at [their] events," she said.

Bates said that she hoped awareness would be raised by the event. "What I'm mostly concerned about is that people are aware of the concerns and are taking steps... one of the things that we hoped would happen this spring." "Fortunately [this event] was not very serious," she added.

Dean for Undergraduate Education Rosalind H. Williams also expressed concern over the incident. Williams took issue with the reference to alcohol in the event's advertisement, which was widely available to undergraduates. This "indeed fell between the cracks," but those responsible for the ad had been contacted and have apologized, she said.

The event was "directed towards faculty and not students," Williams said. "I'm surprised that minors were not drinking at the event. The people consuming the alcohol were over 21. There were some people under 21 around but they did not appear to be drinking," he said. If we believe the underage students are drinking we take a different action," the campus police took down the names of people in attendance.

A similar incident occurred a day later in MacGregor House. Police went into the dormitory after receiving a complaint of excessive noise and drinking at party at 6 a.m. the morning of Feb. 14. Everyone at the party was over the age of 21. Carlson. "In this particular case the housemaster was called because the people weren't particularly cooperative," he said.

Carlson said that beyond these incidents, very little has happened. "For the most part it's been pretty low key," he said.

Drawing the line

Under MIT's current alcohol policy, any event with alcohol must be registered with the Office for Residence and Campus Activities. Minors cannot be present at an event where alcohol is being served. However, the current alcohol policy does allow people over 21 to drink on their own and in their rooms.

The events of the past week blur the line between event and individual party. If a party takes place in someone's room... that would be a private party," said Assistant Dean of Residence and Campus Activities Katherine G. O'Dair. If private events with alcohol move to a lounge, "that's potentially problematic," said O'Dair. "When you're moving into an open space you leave yourself open to scrutiny," she said.

"We have procedures for large events and individual events," said Bates. However, "this is one of the discussions that need to be resolved: when [an event] moves from an individual action to a large action," Bates said.

When events take place in "licensed facilities" such as the faculty club, further problems ensue. Facilities such as these seem to be able to bypass usual registrations procedures that have prevented most student groups from holding events where alcohol will be present.

Bates said that there were plans to solidify the policy by April and bring it before the Academic Council. Bates said that she planned to have a town meeting and hoped to get together student leaders to get suggestions on a policy. In the mean time, she said that problems will be dealt with on a case-by-case basis.

Bates, who is responsible for enforcing the current alcohol policy, said that she had not seen information on the East Campus and MacGregor parties.

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**Rhino-Man**

Good evening, Rhino-Man.

Hello, Mr. Kobayashi. Thanks for having me.

Let's get straight to the point: the briefcase of yen, the photos, the assault. What's going on here, Rhino-Man?

I think that what you have here is a deliberate attempt to discredit my good name. Both incidents were frame-ups. I found that briefcase on my doorstep and turned all the money over to the police. And the chump that I worked over had threatened my girlfriend. I didn't know anything about his gambling. I suspect that enemies of mine orchestrated both incidents.

**The Story So Far:** Rhino-Man is being falsely accused of accepting Yakuza bribes and working as an enforcer for the mob. He has agreed to go on a talk show to defend his and Sector 9's reputation.

**Noun Poetry**

by Katy-Cat

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Well, maybe that would have been the right answer. But in the heat of the moment with a nut threatening to "cut her up" I acted. I think I did what any real man would do.

by Zachary Emig

But Rhino-Man, do you think assault is the proper response to verbal threats? How about simply calling the police?
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Send your answer to trivia@the-tech.mit.edu by 3 p.m. Wednesday. Two random drawings from all of the correct entries will be held to determine this week’s two winners.

This feature was brought to you by the CAC Program Board. Today’s faetoids are by the MIT Quiz Bowl team. Members of the quiz bowl team, LSC, and The Tech are not eligible.

PUZZLE SOLUTIONS.

By Anthony R. Salas
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37 Animation frame
40 Practiced in one of 49-Across
41 About 7,000 RPM's
42 One who practices one of 20-Across
44 Captivate
45 In favor of
47 Legislate
48 Stands
49 Phone
50 Baseball family name
51 Rivers, in Spain
52 Dog MO's
53 Prompt
54 Ireland
55 Tore (off)

By Jennifer DiMase

ACROSS
1 Lodge members
2 French beach
10 Far too many
14 Delay
15 Artifact
16 Journeyed horseback
17 Forever, abbrev.
18 Start of a speech, familiarly
20 Theme of this puzzle
23 Honest
24 Leg artery
25 Disaster insurance agent.
27 One of 20-Across
28 5th Avenue nickname
31 Fleming, et al.
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33 Profession in one of 49-Across
35 Set
36 Gig of Song
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38 California Fort
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51 That's!
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This report does not include alarms, general service calls, or incidents not reported to the dispatcher. “Medical Services” include medical transportations, escorts, and other emergency services.

Feb. 6: Amherst St. suspicious activity, individuals observed passing office chairs along street, checked out okay; Bldg. 26: computer stolen, $3,718; Bldg. E25: tools stolen, $500; Burton-Conner House: harassing phone calls; Medical Service calls: 10.

Feb. 7: Student Center Coop, male arrested for shoplifting; Next House: wallet stolen, $35; Bldg. 20: swimming goggles stolen, $18; Medical Service calls: 5.

Feb. 8: East Campus, suspicious activity; Bldg. 7, suspicious non-affiliated individuals stopped and escorted off campus; Bldg. 26: suspicious non-affiliated juveniles stopped, illicit drug substance taken into custody, individuals issued trespass warnings; Medical Service calls: 1.

Feb. 9: Bldg. 56: pots and pans stolen, $100; Bldg. 68: radio stolen, $399; Bldg. 18: condom stolen from bike pack; Student Center: credit cards stolen from a pocketbook left unattended; Longfellow bridge: assist State Police with unidentified male body floating in Charles River, Senior House: domestic abuse; Bldg. E53: suspicious activity; MacGregor: camera and cash stolen from a room, $645; Medical Service calls: 9.

Feb. 10: Bldg. E59: suspicious activity; Bldg. E51: laptop left unattended stolen $2,000; Bldg. NE25: suspicious person; Alumni pool: suspicious person; Johnson Athletic Center: ice cream stolen, $400; University Park: assist other police agency with a construction accident; Bldg. 8: two suspicious persons stopped and issued trespass warnings; Medical Service calls: 18.

Feb. 11: Bldg. E19: harassment; Bldg. 39: water cooler stolen, $195; Alpha Tau Omega: class ring stolen, $340; 500 Memorial Dr.: bicycle stolen $150; Bldg. 20: backpack reported stolen, later recovered; Bldg. E52: book stolen, $505; Medical Service calls: 14.


Feb. 13: Bldg. 13: event stolen, $1,200; Pacific St. lot: Toyota Camry stolen later recovered; backpack stolen containing checkbook, $50; Burton-Conner House: shoulder bug stolen $415; Bldg. 13: unregistered party with alcohol, same closed down; Bldg. E18: wallet and contents stolen, $50; East Campus: report of underage drinking, same checked out okay; Walker: non-affiliated individual attending an event states she was bumped in the eye but refused medical treatment; Hayward lot: vehicle broken into, unknown if anything missing; Medical Service calls: 10.

Feb. 14: MacGregor: local party complaint and alcohol being consumed, all persons over 21; Edgerton House: bike stolen, $298; Edgerton House: unregistered party, food and alcohol served, all persons over 21; W61: noise complaint and drinking; Medical Service calls: 9.

Feb. 15: Student Center: malicious damage; East Campus: reports of fireworks being shot off; Medical Service calls: 6.

Feb. 16: Bldg. 16: failure of a drain overflow caused a major flood; Bldg. E51: sprinkler head froze and burst causing major flooding; Medical Service calls: 4.


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Women's Hockey Wins Fifth Straight by Defeating UConn

By Kaipana Mani

Women's ice hockey scored big in its debut at the Olympics over the past two weeks in Nagano. The U.S. team captured the gold medal, and remained unbeaten with a record of 6-0. The Canadians came away with the silver, and Finland took home the bronze.

Anticipating the gold medal game in which the U.S. defeated Canada 3-1, the MIT Lady Engineers beat the University of Connecticut by the very same score last Monday. Going into the game the Engineers knew they had to contain Kate Medeiras, a key UConn player. With her blistering slapshot she had scored twice in their last encounter only five days earlier. The Engineers had triumphed in that game by a score of 5-3 and were determined to keep their winning streak alive.

The Engineers struck in the first minute of the opening period with a goal by Cyndari Wu G assisted by Tory Herman G. Herman passed the puck up to Wu at the blue line. Wu faked around Medeiras, went one-on-one with the goalie, and put the puck through the five-hole. Wu responded in kind with a goal with five minutes remaining in the first period.

The score remained 1-1 into the second period until Christina Gehrke '99 passed the puck up to Wu at the blue line. Wu hit a pass over the goalie and put the puck in on his backhand with only a few minutes left to play. The MIT team has gone undefeated in its last five games. Next weekend, the team heads to Clarkson University to participate in the 1998 All-East Club Championships.

Women's Basketball Extends Best Season with Wellesley Win

By Erin Clark

This year's women's basketball team surpassed the record 14-win record set in the 1984-85 season. With a well-earned victory over Wellesley College last Tuesday, the Engineers (16-5 overall, 6-1 conference) completed a clean sweep of Tuesday night's games.

After a warming up period, Wellesley struck first with 17:20 remaining in the first half, but then the Engineers held their opponents scoreless for the next 5:21 while doing some scoring of their own. Katie Spayde '99 dropped in the first basket and Vicky Best '99, connected with the game's first three-point basket.

Alx Wandersforde-Smith, Wellesley's leading scorer, broke up the 9 point Tech run with a jump shot. Concentrating on defense, MIT held Wandersforde-Smith to 5 points in her 24 minutes of action. Solid defense and consistent pressuring forced Wellesley to commit 25 turnovers.

Co-captain Nicole Gerritt '98 contributed by tallying a steal. With just a little more than nine minutes remaining in the first half, the crowd got excited as Best dissected the defense with a crisp pass to Spayde for a bucket. Shortly thereafter, Spayde was on the receiving end of another nice assist, this time offered up by Lisa Hwang '99.

Michelle Fox '99, Spayde, Best and Hwang hit all the free throws they took. As the half drew to a close, the home team started to make its presence felt on the boards, as Vicky Canto-Ponce '00 pulled down key offensive rebounds.

Second half more physical

Second half play started out a little more physically as Wellesley committed fouls in the first two minutes, priming them for early foul trouble. With 18:07 left in the game, the precision passing continued as Maisha Gray '99 served up another pass to Spayde, who dropped 18 points to lead all scorers.

Then, the Lady Engineers distanced themselves from the visitors and displayed the all-around team play that has earned them a first-round home game in the New England Women's Eight Conference post-season tournament.

With seven team fouls by the 10 minute mark, Wellesley ran out of options to hold the Engineers. As Wellesley continued to foul, MIT answered with baskets. MIT made 23 of 29 foul shots (79%). A flurry of offensive/defensive substitutions could not help the opposition overcome the Tech lead.

Canto-Ponce foiled out in the waning minutes of the game, but not contributing before 11 points. Best also scored 11. Closing the door on Wellesley was Gray, who hit her last two free throws.
By Eduardo Ovalle

The women's gymnastics team has positioned themselves beautifully to earn a berth at the Division III, National Championships with two very strong performances this past week. The Nationals will be hosted by Rhode Island College the last weekend in March, and in order to qualify, MIT will have to finish in the top three Division III schools in the East region.

With their scores from last week — Wednesday at home vs. the University of Vermont and Friday night at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst — the Engineers have moved from fifth place to a solid third in the East region National Collegiate Gymnastics Association rankings.

Last Wednesday, MIT (173.45) hosted their last home meet against UVM (184.225) and Northeastern University (179.675). At the meet, the MIT vaulters set a new record for that event with a 44.7, only to break it again when they travelled to UMass, Amherst two days later, where they received a 44.725. At Amherst, MIT totalled 174.40 to the host's 193.075 and the University of West Virginia's 193.075.

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But Ellefson wasn't the only outstanding performer. Co-captain Alii Christenson '98 posted a personal best on vault (9.0), floor (9.25), beam (9.3) and all-around (36.025) over the course of the two meets. The rest of the competitors were not far behind either, with all of them obtaining at least one personal best score in helping push their team up the rankings to third place.

The most important meet of the year will be this weekend's Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference Championships at Ursinus College in Pennsylvania. MIT is currently ahead of Ursinus and Cortland College for that coveted third place in the East, but the ECAC competition will count as a weighted score in determining the team's final rankings and the gymnasts need to do well to stay ahead.

Heading into the Friday meet, MIT was only .04 ahead of Cortland.

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