Corporation Affirms Tuition Hike of 3.6%

Students to keep entirety of outside grants

By Adam Brown

The Executive Committee of the MIT Corporation recently approved a 3.6 percent tuition hike for the 1999-2000 academic year. In an important change from previous years, however, the entire amount of outside scholarships will now go toward a student's self-help contribution. Need-based scholarship grants are also projected to increase by 12 percent.

The Corporation increased the total cost of education, including room and board, from $30,800 to $31,900. Tuition for the 1999-2000 academic year will total $25,300. Although this is the smallest percentage increase in tuition in MIT's history since 1970, the nominal value of the tuition increase remains the same as last year.

"For several years, we have managed to keep the increase of tuition, room, and board within approximately 1.5 percent of the Consumer Price Index (CPI). We will continue to strive to restrain the rate of increase," said President Charles M. Vest. During the year ending January 1999, the CPI, a measure of inflation, increased by 1.7 percent.

All scholarships to go to self-help

The MIT Corporation also announced that students will now be eligible to keep the entirety of outside scholarships awarded to them. In previous years, a portion of the outside scholarship had already gone toward the overall cost of tuition, room, and board.

The decision to re-sign Aramark with Executive Vice President John R. Curry and Dean of Students and Undergraduate Education Rosalind H. Williams. "The dining-committee decided that the risks of a major transition were too great at this point in time to move to a fully competitive system. We are prepared to undergo further transition to a fully competitive system if that is what it takes to maintain a high quality of food service. MIT adopted the original working group's recommendations as official institute policy shortly after the recommendation's release.

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Sigma Nu May Relocate To Fiji's Former House

By Krista L. Niece

A little more than a year after Phi Gamma Delta fraternity members were forced out of their house at 28 The Fenway, another MIT fraternity is hoping to set up residence there.

Sigma Nu, which now has more members than its house can hold, has applied to transfer its dormitory license to the former Fiji residence. Both MIT and Fiji representatives have agreed to support the move.

MIT supports Sigma Nu

MIT plans to officially support the license transfer at a hearing before the Boston Licensing Board this Wednesday.

"We have been aware for some time of the interest of Sigma Nu in obtaining a larger house, and specifically of their interest in leasing the Phi Gamma Delta House, but we were only recently informed that Sigma Nu would be presenting its request... on March 10," said Dean of Students and Undergraduate Education and Student Life Rosalind H. Williams.

Dean for Student Life Margaret R. Bates will speak on MIT's behalf at the hearing.

According to Bates, MIT was informed of the intent to apply for the license transfer "less than a week ago." Bates also said that no other group had expressed a serious interest in occupying the former Fiji residence.

Fraternity growth prompts move

"We have been looking for a bigger house for quite some time. Sigma Nu has grown both in numbers and maturity, and the current house no longer suffices for our needs," said Sigma Nu President Justin M. Schmidt '01.

Nineteen of the twenty-seven fraternity members live in double and triple rooms at 523 Newbury Street, the others live in nearby apartments rented by the fraternity.

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Joe DiMaggio, The Yankee Clipper, Dies

Joe DiMaggio, the New York Yankees baseball great who became an American cultural icon, has been in failing health for several months. He was 84.

His death was confirmed by baseball Commissioner Bowie Kuhn on Wednesday afternoon. Mr. DiMaggio had suffered from leukaemia and emphysema and had been in failing health for several months.

He was a legend to all baseball fans. He had been proud of the Yankees' success in his time, but the 56-game hitting streak in 1941. The streak started May 15 at Yankee Stadium and ended July 17 in Cleveland. DiMaggio is the only baseball player to achieve a .326 batting average in 1929 and 1949, and in 1941 and 1948; in home runs in 1937 and 1948.

He was named the league's Most Valuable Player in 1939, 1941, and 1947. At the time of his induction into the Hall of Fame in 1955, he was hailed as "The Greatest Living Player."
Supreme Court Refuses to Block Liability Suit Against Oliver Stone

By David G. Savage and Eric Harrison

The Supreme Court refused Monday to block a lawsuit at its preliminary stage that seeks to hold Oliver Stone liable for a 1995 movie about the 1994 massacre in Los Angeles. The damage claim, filed on March 9, 1999, was intended to response at this stage of the case, but Harrelson and Juliette Lewis, portraying the pair on a killing rampage, said Jack M. Weiss; counsel for the movie actually intended for the movie was refused by Western nations on Friday rejected the demands of Bosnian Serbs for complete control of the municipality, Holbrooke's foray provides him with his first opportunity to demonstrate anew his negotiating skills since the endorsement of speech, a Louisiana appeals court said last year in refusing to throw out the claim. But even that court conceded it was highly unlikely the victim's lawyers will be able to prove Stone or anyone connected with the movie actually intended for its viewers to rob and murder. "We are disappointed that the Supreme Court has declined to grant review at this stage of the case, but that decision was not unexpected," said Jack M. Weiss, counsel for Time Warner Entertainment Co., which produced the movie. Stone, Time Warner and others involved in making the film were sued by the relatives of Patty Byers, a convenience store clerk in rural Louisiana who was shot and seriously wounded in March 1995. She died later of cancer. The shooter, Sarah Edmonston, another accomplice, Benjamin Darrus, had recently watched a videotape of the movie before taking off on their crime spree. They murdered a Mississippi man before heading to Louisiana. The film, which starred Woody Harrelson and Juliette Lewis, portrayed the pair on a killing rampage. The movie attracted controversy, drawing condemnation from politicians because of its violent content. Monday's decision clears the way for the Louisiana lawyers to depose witnesses and seek other evidence that might bolster their claim that the film was intended to inspire murder. if that were true, the movie would not be protected by the First Amendment's guarantees of free speech, a Louisiana appeals court of a 28,000-strong peacekeeping force in Kosovo would include up to 4,000 American soldiers. But they occurred against a backdrop of new friction between Serbs and the West in nearby Bosnia, where warring sides are separated by American and Russian peacekeepers. And U.S. officials offered no assurance that a peace deal for Kosovo actually will be reached. Administration officials said that Holbrooke, who has been nominated as ambassador to the United Nations, will go to Yugoslavia in March to hold meetings in Belgrade, the capital, Wednesday. State Department spokesman James Rubin said Holbrooke would convey to Serb officials "the necessity for full compliance with all of their commitments to the international community." Holbrooke has the administration's best track record of gaining cooperation from Milosevic, having brought him into the 1995 negotiations over Bosnia than opposed with the Dayton accords. He also won a cease-fire from Milosevic and the KLA last October, but it was in tatters two months later, necessitating a new diplomatic campaign to end the war. White House officials fear that Kosovo could spark a widespread conflict. Holbrooke's trip allows him the opportunity to try to persuade him with his first opportunity to demonstrate his negotiating skills since the end of a months-long ethics probe that cleared his confirmation prospects.

Bosnian Ruling May Stir Serbs Against Truce

The angry response across the spectrum of Bosnian Serb politics to the decision to place the contested town of Brcko under international control has been more encouraged with consolidating power than with such issues as rampant crime and the country's disintegrating health-care system. However, analysts contend that Flores, who has fashioned himself as a moderate, could revive confidence in El Salvador's political system.

WASHINGTON

SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR

Francisco Flores, a 39-year-old former philosophy professor and the new standard bear of El Salvador's main right-wing party, Monday was declared the winner of Sunday's presidential election.

Election officials reported that with just over 95 percent of the ballots counted, Flores, of the ruling Nationalist Republican Alliance (ARENA), had received 53 percent of the vote, his main challenger, Faraldo Guardialis of the left-of-center Partido Nacional Liberation Front (FMLN), received 29 percent. Flores' victory was diminished somewhat by low voter turnout. Less than 40 percent of this small Central American nation's 3.1 million registered voters went to the polls in the country's second presidential election since 1992, when a peace accord ended a protracted civil war that killed an estimated 70,000 people.

The tension reflected the view of many Salvadorans that the political establishment has been more concerned with consolidating power than with such issues as rampant crime and the country's disintegrating health-care system. However, analysts contend that Flores, who has fashioned himself as a moderate, could revive confidence in El Salvador's political system.

By Mark Matthews

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The Clinton administration intensified efforts to end fighting in the Serbian province of Kosovo Monday, tapping special envoy Richard Holbrooke to argue an agreement with Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic for a U.S.-brokered peace plan.

The State Department also reported a new pledge by the Kosovo Liberation Army to sign the accord, signaling that the ethnic Albanian rebels had opposed their internal disagreements under Western pressure.

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Institutional Wisdom Watch

by The Tech editorial board

Tuition Hike: IW looks forward to seeing Chuck Vest at the Tuition Riot this year.

Financial Aid: At least scholarships aren’t just resume fodder anymore.

Busta Rhymes: One finger of Busta Rhymes beats five fingers of funk during any Spring Weekend.

Men’s Hockey: Beavers beat Bruins, but Eagles end up flying away with the title. Next time, we’ll be the ones breaking backs.

Internal plus/minus modifiers: IW wonders who managed to brainwash the faculty into listening to students.

UA FInboard Reform: It’s about time.

IAP Design Contest: IW is interested to see what will be ignored—er, what will be implemented. Yeah, that’s it.

Bad Taste ’99: This arrow is not fit for publication in a “family newspaper.”

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The Dangers of Conversion Therapy

Two Religious Groups at MIT Promote Unsound 'Therapy' for Homosexuals During IAP

Guest Column
Damon W. Suden

This Independent Activities Period, the MIT Black Christian Fellowship and the United Christian Fellowship, recognizing the needs of its members, began a series of activities in February. The activities included discussions, focusing on a broad range of issues, including politics, economics, spirituality, and identity. The activities aimed to increase awareness and understanding of the diversity of perspectives within our community.

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Students brave the cold to line up for the SafeRide night shuttle.

By Katharyn Jeffreys

Students are often familiar with the SafeRide shuttle service as a quick, warm way to catch a ride across the Harvard Bridge. However, those most responsible for providing that convenience—the SafeRide drivers—are perhaps some of the most overlooked members of the MIT community.

"I love to drive...I'm happy to be here," said Zachary Roscoe, who has been driving for members of the MIT community.

Through the students who ride the vans, SafeRide drivers see and hear everything that goes on around campus, and sometimes even tap into news and facts of the many international students' homelands. "I meet new people and get news from around the world...SafeRide is really an international education on wheels," Draper said.

Driving styles prompt questions on safety

Ironically, the stereotype of poor driving is usually the first thing many students think of when considering SafeRide. "There is probably some small degree of truth in that...Sometimes in our haste to help, we are often in a hurry," Draper said.

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Contrary to the stereotype though, this is not always the case. Juppe is pleased to provide "safety before anything," a policy which has given him the reputation as the "slow driver." Roscoe also believes that safety is important. "When he is driving, he takes into consideration the fact that, 'These lives are in my hands.'"

Although students sometimes criticize the drivers for their erratic driving or eccentric music choices, Draper asserts that the drivers try to provide a service that is "relatively reliable, mildly personable, and always sociable.

SafeRide provides useful service

The drivers also stressed the importance of SafeRide to the students, with the hope that more students will take advantage of the service. "Some people don't understand what it is," Juppe said. He cited the Logan Airport shuttle as one example of this. Many students are not aware of the $5 shuttle service provided before all major breaks. Another shuttle service that students might be unaware of is the Tech Shuttle which runs during the daylight time from Tang Hall to Kendall Square.

"I think the students should be grateful for the service they have," Roscoe said. The program was founded in 1991, and is one of the current system of four vans in 1993. There are fourteen regular drivers, and the service is currently being evaluated by the Shuttle Committee. The drivers all agreed that the larger, fifteen passengers vans are necessary, but that 24-hour-a-day service is not.

"They could expand Safe Ride to 24 hours a day, or have a bus shuttle across the river," Steiner.

"They get more involved directly with the students. In any kind of association it is best that you get involved directly with the people. The people have more say with what's going on." - Saim Kusswuri '99

"I think the UA is ok. They're not doing too bad at all." - Alley W '99

"You need to educate the masses on what they do. What do they really do? I'm not under the impression and I don't even know what they do." - Matthew K. Gray '99

"I think Finboard should be more accessible to students. You know... the way the budget allocation process is organized." - Alice W. Chau '99

The new small group meetings are a big improvement. It will get those groups talking together and improve things for everyone." - Emily K. Reinke '99

"Educate the general student body about the UA and the scope of what they can do for us. I don't even know what the UA does right now." - Phillip B. Armstrong '92

"The candidates should be more explicit about what they're doing. A lot of people are not campaigning and saying they're doing great things and I'd like to see them actually happen." - Tuan Q. Phan '99

"It's not a matter of the UA, the bureaucracy is pretty much unmanageable. The UA has the most clout but it has yet to be constructive. As effective as they say they want to be, they can't do anything." - Anthony C. Meckinates '91

Compiled by Andrew J. Matyjew

The MIT Logarithms perform in their Logs Yule holiday show.
Thursday's Events

12:00 p.m. - Chapel Concert: Michael Ciccone and Susan Robbins. Improvisatory arrangements from Medieval Italian, traditional Eastern European to contemporary American on hammered dulcimer, oboe, bowed & plucked violins, accordion, pedal steel guitar & voice. MIT Chapel. Sponsor: The MIT Language Corps.


4:00 p.m. - Microchip Drug Delivery. John T. Santill, Jr., Chemical Engineering Dept. Materials Unlimited. Research teams composed of members of different departments and centers have been notably successful in materials discovery and application. A reception will be held at 3:30. Room 8-314.


8:00 p.m. - Lock, Stock & Two Smoking Barrels. A free sneek preview! 105 minutes. 26-100. Sponsor: LSC.

Friday's Events

7:00 p.m. - Star Trek: Insurrection. Starring Patrick Stewart, Brent Spiner, Anthony Zerbe, and the rest of the Star Trek: The Next Generation crew. 103 minutes, rated PG, with DTS Digital Sound. Admission 2.50. Room 26-100. Sponsor: LSC.

7:30 p.m. - The Doll's House. Starring Anthony Eden, Mark Mavrikos, and the rest of the Star Trek: The Next Generation crew. 103 minutes, rated PG, with DTS Digital Sound. Admission 2.50. Room 26-100. Sponsor: LSC.

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7:00 p.m. - MIT Loghythms 50th Anniversary Celebration. It's the cappella event of the half century! Come join the Loga at their 50th Anniversary Concert. Also appearing: Illinois Extension Chords, Tufts Jackson AIs, USC Sirens. Room 10-250. Sponsor: LSC.

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Sunday's Events

12:00 p.m. - Service at common church, worship on Boston Common with people who live outdoors and people who live in tents. Make and share peanut butter and jelly sandwiches afterwards. Meet at 1111. Sponsor: Lutheran-Episcopal Ministry.

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Monday's Events

3:00 p.m. – Quantum Information, Quantum Channels. Dr. Christopher A. Fuchs, Caltech. Special ECS Seminars. Refreshments at 2:45 p.m. Room 34-4018. Sponsor: Research Lab of Electronics with ECS.

3:30 p.m. – Dry Fuel Storage: Practical, Institutional, and Legal Issues. Mr. Jay Silberg, Shaw Pittman. Dept. of Nuclear Engineering/American Nuclear Society Seminars. Refreshments in Room NW12-222 at 3:00 p.m. Room NW12-222.


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D’Arbeloffs Bestow $10 Million on MIT

By Steve Hoberman

March 9, 1999

Chairman of the MIT Corporation and Teradyne cofounder Alexander V. d’Arbeloff ’49 and his wife Brit donated $10 million to the Institute to promote new uses of technology in education.

The donation will go toward the creation of the Alex and Brit d’Arbeloff Fund for Excellence in MIT Education.

"Educational change is in the wind throughout academia," said President Charles M. Vest who announced the fund’s creation at Friday’s Corporation meeting. “This magnificent gift will enable our faculty to translate into action the wealth of new pedagogical ideas welling up through MIT," he said.

The fund will be controlled by a committee that is chaired by the Chancellor. First year members of the committee will include the Dean of Students and Undergraduate Education and the chair of the Committee on the Undergraduate Program. Faculty will also be included, but no individual faculty members have been named.

Gift to aid education technology

The gift was intended to support faculty initiatives that use technology to better science education. Although a great deal of new educational technology is internet related, it is not clear if teacher proposals involving this new technology will receive preference.

"After being at MIT for about a year, I felt that this initiative is very important in the future of MIT and the rest of the time was necessary to work out the details," d’Arbeloff said.

"In a university, it’s faculty whose support is the key to any change in the educational methodology. It is similar in a business where support of engineers is essential to developing new world class products," d’Arbeloff said.

Gift was well-received

Student reactions to the gift were optimistic. "It seems to give faculty a new degree of freedom," said one student.

Jason S. Kim ’96 said, "I don’t think technology is an end in and of itself, but if it gets the material across better I’m all for it.”

D’Arbeloff’s contribution is the fifth largest gift MIT has received in the last ten years. “This is a great institution. MIT has a great impact on the US and the world," he said.

Unlike most gifts this one is not earmarked for a particular lab or research project.

Other d’Arbeloff contributions

This gift is not d’Arbeloff’s only contribution to the Institute. He was elected a member of the Corporation in 1989, and become a life member in 1994. In addition, he has taught at the Sloan School and has endowed a chair in the Mechanical Engineering department.

D’Arbeloff founded Teradyne Inc. along with MIT classmate Nicholas DeWolf ’48 in 1960. The company produced testing equipment for semi-conductors. D’Arbeloff rose to CEO in 1971, and served as president until 1996.

Brit d’Arbeloff, MS ’61, is also an active member of the MIT community. Most recently, she spoke as the Department of Mechanical Engineering Distinguished Alumni Lecturer. She also serves as a member of several Visiting Committees.

Who are the Arts Scholars?

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What is the program?

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

When does the program start?

The full 1999-2000 program will begin in September 1999

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:

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- FRUIT-FLY WINE FESTIVAL study break, 9-11 pm, Fenway House

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10
- WHERE THE WOMEN ARE lunch student meeting, 12-2 pm, 3rd floor of Wonderland (Bldg. 50)
- "ONE NATION UNDER GOD," ex-gay documentary, 7 pm, Room 4-163
- STUDY BREAK, 9-11 pm, the coffeehouse, 3rd floor of the Student Center
- COMING OUT SUPPORT GROUP, 9 pm. GaMIT Lounge, 3rd floor of Walker

THURSDAY, MARCH 11
- STUDY BREAK, 9 pm, Senior House Basement

FRIDAY, MARCH 12
- STAFF AND STUDENT BROWN-BAG LUNCHEON (dessert & beverage provided), 12:30 pm-2 pm, 3rd floor of Wonderland (Bldg. 50)
- "YOU AIN'T GAY" at LSC's Star Trek: Insurrection, 7 & 10 pm, Room 26-100

SATURDAY, MARCH 13
- "PEARL," GaMIT's 30th Anniversary Dance, 9-11 pm, Lobdell (5W w/MIT ID, $6 w/College ID)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17
- "THE BIBLE AND MATTHEW SHEPARD," a lecture by Rev. Peter Gomes, 7 pm, 3rd floor of Vassar (Room 7-420)
- COMING OUT SUPPORT GROUP, 9 pm, GaMIT Lounge, 3rd floor of Walker

The "OUT" List

In an effort to increase on-campus awareness and acceptance of Lesbian, Bisexual, Gay and Transgender (LGBT) people during ToBGALD, the LGBT Issues Group has sponsored the following list of those supportive of and responsive to LGBT issues. There are two groups listed — "out" and "supporters." The reason for the distinction is simple: we want to show that both there are many out, proud, LGBT people on campus, and that there are many others, who often do not identify as LGBT, who are equally concerned with LGBT issues. Most of this list is by no means exhaustive (we regret that we were unable to contact more people in our search), but it demonstrates that there are people at all levels of MIT — administration, alumni, faculty, staff, and students — who actively support our LGBT community.

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Questions? Contact lbgt@mit.edu or visit http://web.mit.edu/glb-coffee/www/ToBGALD1999.html

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Sigma Nu to Retain Current Residence

Sigma Nu, from Page 1

The fraternity went over its housing capacity two years ago, Schmidt said. Renting apartments has "hurt our finances and, more importantly, our brotherhood," he said.

The former Fiji residence is only about 300 yards from the current Sigma Nu house. Sigma Nu plans to retain its current house and will probably lease it to graduate students, according to Schmidt.

Sigma Nu to be a "good neighbor"

"We've been good neighbors on Newbury Street and we will continue to be at the Fenway," said Sigma Nu House Corporation President Michael Plusch '93. Sigma Nu is alcohol-free and has never been cited for violations. Every member of Sigma Nu is involved in at least one public service project, and the chapter as a whole organizes several events every semester, including semi-annual Kenmore Alley Cleanups, during which members remove trash from the streets near the house.

Fiji Corp. hopes to lease property

The Malcom Cotton Brown Corporation, which owns the former Fiji residence, is eager to discuss leasing the property if the transfer is approved. "We'd like to start generating some income again," said Roderic P. Taft '74, head of the corporation.

Fiji was suspended by MIT and the BLB in September 1997, after the drinking death of pledge Scott S. Krueger '01. MIT announced last summer that it would not support an application for renewal of the chapter's dormitory license; the chapter was later dissolved.

None of the former members of the chapter, aside from two caretakers, have lived in the house since January 1998.

Zareena Hussain contributed to the reporting of this story.

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Deans Promise a New Relationship with Aramark

Dining, from Page 1

have a quality food program on campus," Williams said.

Community skepticism of change

Despite reassurances, some members of the MIT community seem skeptical about having Aramark on campus for three more years.

"I have to admit to being surprised that Aramark was given both contracts," said Associate Professor of Political Science Charles Stewart III, housemaster for McCormick Hall. "Because there isn’t much good will among most of the MIT community toward Aramark, they have no latitude to perform poorly in the future."

Working group member Jeremy D. Shur ’99 said, "I am deeply dissatisfied in MIT’s gesture to meet the [working group's] model, designed and developed through an intense process of community feedback."

Even members of the Dining Implementation Committee agree that in re-signing Aramark, MIT falls short in making sweeping changes to the dining system.

In a statement, Dining Implementation Group members Jake H. Parrott ’00 and John S. Hollywood G said that "the administration is unable and unwilling to assume managerial responsibility for a transition to another vendor in any part of the system. MIT cannot provide the substantial organizational commitment that would be required to educate a new vendor, establish new community relationships, and tolerate temporary service disruptions that might result from a transition."

Walsh, who shared the effort to build a new dining model, agreed that "always when you put in a lot of effort [into a project], you want to see everything you worked to suggest implemented, but there are times where you need to do as much as you can do at the time ... [The Dining Implementation Team] felt this was the time to stay with Aramark in both zones," Walsh said.

New contract will be different

The contract negotiations maintain that although Aramark will be on campus for three more years, MIT’s relationship with Aramark will be different.

The new three-year relationship with Aramark is not an extension of an old contract but rather the beginning of a new one that will be negotiated in the next two to three months, according to Walsh.

Walsh said that blemishes in Aramark’s past, such as unsanitary food, financial losses, and continued unresponsiveness to student needs, were not due to MIT’s disorganized dining system. "It wasn’t entirely clear what MIT wanted with the dining system," Walsh said. "MIT wasn’t entirely pleased with it."

Williams promised that the next three years with Aramark will "definitely be a different relationship. We will have the reorganization of campus dining. The director is being hired [to] provide ongoing, effective management of dining services." The director of Campus Dining will be named later this year.

One problem with previous Aramark contracts has been a lack of control under which MIT subsidized Aramark for loss money. According to Walsh, MIT has yet to negotiate in the new contract, but MIT has devised a system of incentives and sanctions to ensure Aramark’s performance.

"In agreements we’re going to have, there’s already language about expectations, projected performance, analysis, and benchmarking" of Aramark’s services, Walsh said.

"We have made it very clear that we will be looking to create our own system to evaluate their performance by a number of factors, including customer satisfaction. This will be carried out by Dining Office," Walsh said.

The contract’s short duration is also designed to give the dining administration a "period of stability, an opportunity to fully think through our options and priorities" while being short enough to allow for change in three years, according to Walsh. "Originally, we thought that the new contract would be seven to ten years," Walsh said.

"We also see what Aramark has been doing on campus as a show of their good faith intention to increase quality," Walsh said. Walsh recalled the improved food service at Baker Dining, community meals at East Campus, and Pan Geos at Walker Memorial.

In addition, Aramark has proposed new programs such as sponsoring sports nutrition seminars as part of an enhanced programs for athletes, who usually miss traditional dining options because of sports schedules.

"Aramark’s service has improved considerably, even over the past year or so ... I’m actually confident things will be much better than the past," Stewart said.

Bidding process under scrutiny

Aramark is "so thoroughly unpopular on campus, that I had imagined that MIT would have to bring in a second contractor, simply to lend credibility to the bidding process," Stewart said.

The bidding process, in which MIT invited dining contractors nationwide to present their proposals for MIT’s dining system, began last summer through the efforts of the Dining Implementation Group and the Procurement Office.

"One of the benefits of the initial Dining Report was that we were able to know how to construct a bidding process," Walsh said.

On Oct. 1, MIT invited companies to the bidding process. Ten companies came to the bidders’ conference in mid-October, where MIT explained what it wanted in a food service provider.

Of the ten that attended the bidders’ conference, five companies submitted formal bids. Aramark was joined by the Compass Corporation, Whitsons, Wood Corporation, and Bon Appetit.
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by Jennifer DiMase

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THEY ALL START THAT WAY.

MUA FUA FUA OOH MAH FUH.

I CAN'T UNDERSTAND A WORD YOU SAY.

AND YOU'RE POORLY DRESSED. YOU MUST BE SOME SORT OF TECHNOLOGY EXPERT.

THERE'S A FIFTY PERCENT CHANCE I HIRED A DATA NETWORK ENGINEER.

I SMELL E.T.

IF YOU BECAUSE HE HATES E.

CREATE THE EARTH.

COFFEE TASTE5.

THEIR RELIGION.

JUST AS I SUSPECTED, THE NEW GUY IS A ROdeo CLOWN.

HE'S FAST.

BLECH! MOM, WHAT IS THIS?

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WHATEVER YOU SAY. I'M NOT DRINKING THIS. I WANT WHOLE MILK.

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JASON, NO! NOT AS LONG AS OUR CURRENT ONE WORKS!

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JASON, WHY ARE YOU TELLING ME THIS AT BREAKFAST? DO YOU WANT ME TO THROW UP, TOO?

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by SOLAR

Hey you!

Hark! I hear the call to battle!

Well I guess that means that the kid gloves are off!

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Anit Chakraborty '99 forcefully returns a serve as his partner James Matyasczak '99 watches during their match against the University of Vermont. MIT won 6-1 Friday in the Tennis Bubble.

Darius Jazayeri '00 effortlessly serves the ball to his opponents from SUNY New Paltz in DePorta Gymnasium Friday. MIT lost 3-1.
Zehren Holds UCLA Squad To One Goal

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Kenny redirected a shot by Geller to beat the UCLa goalies. Woods put MIT up 7-1 less than two minutes later on a breakaway. Rae earned an assist on an excellent pass that split the defenders.

Kenny capped off the afternoon with his second goal on another powerplay. Kenny's sharp angle shot off Woods' assist gave MIT its eighth and final goal.

The scoring continued as the relentless MIT offense continued to pressure the Bruins for the rest of the third period. William Kennedy '02 scored his first goal of the season on a powerplay with 10:41 remaining.

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Men's Ice Hockey Annihilates UCLA 8–1 at Nationals

By Shao-Fel Moy

In their final match of the year, the men's ice hockey team destroyed the University of California, Los Angeles of this Friday, March 5 at the Ice Center in West Valley City, Utah. The win came after MIT lost tough pool play matches earlier in the week, the first to St. Louis University, and the second to the eventual American Interscholastic Hockey Association national champions, Life College.

The Engineers set the tone for the game by scoring first from a breakaway by skiing the Bruins. Greg Donaldson '99 was able to capitalize on an early power play opportunity by scoring the first goal off an assist by Gellar '00 and the University of California, Los Angeles.

Thorvaldsen then followed it up with a vault of 10'9", a personal best as Norwood '02 continued to outscore the opposing teams. Towards the end of the first period, MIT had a two man advantage on the ice, capitalizing on high stick penalties, but were unable to extend their lead.

The second period began with both teams skating aggressively, leading to one power play, one glove-assisted to each team, in the first two minutes. MIT was able to retain the score with a couple of fantastic Engineer attack. McKeone and Rae pushed Geller's goal with 10:04 remaining after the Bruins lost the puck behind their own net.

Six minutes later, the UCLA Defenseman Todd Kamin '00 struggles against a Life College opponent In an attempt to clear the puck. The Bruins were looking to improve their four-on-one powerplay opportunity by assisted on the score. MIT was able to extend their lead. Towards the end of the period, MIT was able to extend their lead. Towards the end of the period, MIT was able to extend their lead. Towards the end of the period, MIT was able to extend their lead.

On Saturday, Feb. 27, the women's track team made its first appearance at the Indoor New England Division III Championships at Smith College. There were more athletes competing in this event than at any other Division III event. The team finished ninth of 27 teams, higher than any of MIT's outdoor finishes. The versatility of this year's squad definitely shined at the Championships.

Theresa Burianek '99 achieved something truly rare - five personal bests in each of the five events. She started the day with an excellent 9.5 in the hurdles, followed by a fantastic 4'04.75" in the high jump, and an amazing personal best of 8.71 in the hurdles.

In the first multi-event competition of the season, the pentathlon, Elaine Chen '99, who led the team in individual point-scoring during the regular season, continued her contributions at the competition. Chen took fourth in the 800m with a time of 2:25.90. She also placed sixth in the 200m with a time of 27.15, a personal best by almost a second. Chen was just out of the scoring in the 5000m, taking sixth with a personal record of 7:59.

Princess Kimokhede '02 set yet another personal best in this season in the shot put. Her 38'03.50" has earned her eighth place. She gained the most outstanding performance of the season, the pentathlon, Theresa Brunner '99 achieved something truly rare - five personal bests in each of the five events. She started the day with an excellent 9.5 in the hurdles, followed by a fantastic 4'04.75" in the high jump, and an amazing personal best of 8.71 in the hurdles.

In the indoor events, Patty Diaz '00 set personal bests in both the 3000m and the 5000m races, finishing both races with her usual excellent kick. Rose Radius '92, Melanie Harris '01, and Milena Yannakina '02, who competed in both the 3000m, 10000m, and 5000m, respectively, each ran well but just short of their personal bests.

Debbie Woon '99, who has already qualified for Nationals in the 10000m, was looking to improve her provisional mark. However, running with the flu, she ran a disappointing race and finished behind her seed.

The 4x200m relay of Chen, Kay Sullivan '02, and Adeline Kuo '02 were on her way to a new school record and a top five finish at Division III's, as Chen, Sullivan, and French all ran personal bests. However, a hand-off from French to anchor leg Kuo out of the zone led to the team's disqualification.

Baker Races in EISA Event at Middlebury

By Jonathan Sheftiz

Captain Brooke Baker '99 of the alpine ski team competed in the regional championships of the Eastern Intercollegiate Ski Association (EISA) at the Middlebury College Snow Bowl in Vermont this past weekend. Baker capped off the most successful four-year career of any alpine racer in the history of MIT women's skiing. She scored enough points by herself to meet the meet to pull even with the entire Harvard women's team. The MIT women had finished seventh out of 11 teams this season, by far the best alpine squad in the history of MIT women's skiing.

Baker continued her strong skiing over the past four years to finish 15th in the individual standings (101 total points as high as fifth), which earned her a berth at the World University Championships. Although MIT's regular-season competition was held in Europe, MIT's skiers were able to qualify for the EISA at a level seldom seen in intercollegiate athletics outside of Division I sports such as football and basketball.

All of the schools, with the exception of cross-country rival Harvard, are schools located in northern New England. Two schools, Dartmouth College and Middlebury College, operate their own ski areas, and the University of Vermont offers skiing scholarships. Many of the coaches and skiers have been or will be on the U.S. Ski Team. For example, St. Lawrence University's top racer from last season, Thomas Voss, is now on the U.S. Ski Team, and has twice finished in the top 30 in the World Cup, the pinnacle of alpine ski racing. Dartmouth's Jennifer Collins at the end of her freshman year won at the U.S. National Championships, by beating the entire U.S. Ski Team.

Baker was familiar with such competition from her experience at the EISA regions two years ago, but otherwise knew she had to be in her top form. Unfortunately, a crash at the conclusion of the regatta season had sidelined her for two weeks, but since X-rays indicated no fractures, Baker received an okay to compete from her doctor.

The giant slalom race was held on Friday, Feb. 26. Although most race courses feature fairly even, predictable terrain, the Snow Bowl's giant slalom course is unlike anything seen at a normal competitive ski area. After a long, flat stretch, the course dives into a series of alternating extremely steep and flat pitches, creating difficult compressions and then drops off. The next three races to have to track straight down the final steep section of the top half to carry their speed over a long flat stretch. The pitch gradually increases over some mildly rolling terrain, and then culminates in the final, steepest pitch, in full display for the cheering students.

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Although Baker once again skied strong to take 33rd, ahead of every single skier from Bowdoin and Harvard. On Saturday, Feb. 27, the skiers participated in the slalom race. The Snow Bowl's slalom course starts off with a long, flat stretch, then gradually becomes steeper and steeper over mildly rolling terrain. The course's final stretch offers the most difficult pitch. Adding to the challenge was the exceedingly tight turns, leaving no margin for error. Baker once again skied strong to take 33rd, ahead of every single skier from Harvard.

Although MIT's entire women's team consisted solely of Baker, and although a team's top three finishes score toward the team standings, Baker's strong performance tied her with the entire Harvard alpine women's team for the championship. On that note, Baker and Coach Jonathan Sheftiz took one final post-race team run on the giant slalom trail together to cap off her four-year career. Halfway down Baker went flying off an unmarked cliff by the side of the trail, but landed safely upright on her skis to conclude the season.

UPCOMING HOME EVENTS

Wednesday, March 10
Lightweight Crew vs. Bilgin Bown

Thursday, March 11
Men's Volleyball vs. Williams Woods, 7:00 p.m.