Concerned Students Criticize RSSC Plan

By Rina Amout

As the community input phase of the Residence System Steering Committee's redesign project progresses, students continue to voice criticism against the RSSC's preliminary proposals.

Approximately thirty students gathered at Baker House Sunday in the second of four scheduled feedback meetings. Most students were from Ashdown House and MacGregor House— the dormitories most affected by the proposed changes.

"I don't understand what's so wrong with our system that it needs such substantial change," said Baker resident Marie L. Blanke '01. "The administration is basically saying 'you undergrads like the system as it stands, but we know better,'" Blanke said.

The RSSC's Phase II Status Report, "An Evolving Framework," calls for the creation of a "Freshman Hall" to be located in Ashdown House and for MacGregor House to become a graduate dormitory. The committee also proposes a changed timeline for residence selection to include an Independent Activities Period rush. Students would choose their first-year residence through summer mailings with a Correction Lottery to follow for any dissatisfied "next in charge... all of these really significant proposals unveiled last Tuesday focused largely on the plans to make Ashdown the Freshman Hall and MacGregor a graduate residence.

"For every reason Ashdown is a good place for freshmen, it's a good place for grad students," said Ashdown resident Shunmuigavelu D. Sokka G. "And it's the center of one half of the student community."

"We chose Ashdown because it has big public spaces" and because of its central location, Hecht said. The RSSC recommended to move graduate students to MacGregor because the dorm provides single rooms.

Deutch Discusses Nuclear Proliferation

By Kevin R. Lang

After falling behind Dartmouth College and the New Jersey Institute of Technology last year, MIT ranked second in 1999 to Case Western Reserve University placed first. Wake Forest University, the New Jersey Institute of Technology, and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute finished third through fifth, respectively. Case Western jumped to the top from 63rd in 1998, and Wake Forest moved up from 7th. NJIT and RPI remained relatively stable from previous years. MIT scored 90.45 out of 100 in the survey, slightly more than one point below top-ranked Case Western. MIT fell behind Case Western for having fewer computers per one hundred students, for failing to have online add/drop forms, and for lacking a distance learning program, among other criteria. MIT scored higher in categories including 24-hour computer availability and tech support.

Some members of SIPB, the Student Information Processing Board, questioned the relevance of the Yahoo! rankings. "I think 'who cares' pretty much summarizes the response," said Jared J. Floyd G. Floyd thought that MIT's computer availability and network services were better than the report could show, since many students run Linux from their home computers.

Yahoo! also noted that MIT hosts the World Wide Web Consortium, an organization that develops and manages technical standards for the web. WC is managed by web-inventor Tim Berners-Lee.

In 1997, Yahoo! ranked MIT the nation's most wired university based on categories ranging from hardware resources to online academic programs. MIT dropped to third overall last year, when Dartmouth College was named most wired college and NJIT finished second. Dartmouth dropped to 26th in 1999. "I think you have to take all these surveys with some grain of salt," said Stephen C. Mose G. Several students using Athena, including Moss, thought that the second place ranking was proof of MIT being wired enough. However, Moss noted that he was using Athena at the time because "it's hard to get the high end computers," Moss said.

Another Athena user was glad to see that MIT was not quite the most

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The ceremonial lighting of the pit marked the beginning of Senior House's Steer Roast '99 Friday afternoon. See story pg. 43.

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Clintoon Hints Bombing Could
Pause if Serbs Leave Kosovo

By Ken Fleman
and William Douglas

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The new milestone came just 23 trading days after the barometer of blue-chip stocks first closed above 10,000. But in that short period, the psychology of the market has changed entirely, the narrow group of technology stocks that helped burst previous records has fallen out of favor - investors are now searching intensely for bargains they missed before.

Many Wall Street officials say the change in investing patterns is healthy, for the long-running bull market in history Americans increasingly have more of their net worth tied to the market, 52 percent of Americans own stock directly and through mutual funds, up from 42 percent in 1997, and the size of the market has enriched Americans and fueled a boom in consumer spending that has kept the U.S. economy expanding.

Clinton to Back Privacy Measures

WASHINGTON

President Clinton plans to unveil Tuesday a long-promised proposal to beef up privacy protection and other consumer rights in an age of computerized records that increasingly employ computer technology to amass and use huge libraries of financial and medical information about their customers.

The not-very-serious-yet-very-annoying storm which brought us rain last night has decided to anchor itself South of the Cape. Because winds rotate counter-clockwise around a low pressure center, this system will continue to slowly lurch its way toward the north.

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**Attacks on Serbian Power Grid Bring New Impact on Civilians**

By Daniel Williams

For civilians of Belgrade and other Serbian cities, NATO attacks on major power plants have made plain from now on the battle for Kosovo will be as near to them as the refrigerator that no longer works. The prospect that barely drops, the oven that stays cold, the elevators that won't run, the traffic lights that have gone dark and the bread that arrives late from bakeries that no longer open through the night.

More frequent air attacks on only civilian targets, coupled with a growing number of civilian casualties from errant NATO bombs, have left residents here tense, angry and mystified. The giddy defiance of the early days of the allied air assault, when thousands of people across Serb-led Yugoslavia pinned paper targets on their back, has vanished.
Keep Ashdown House for Graduate Students

We are very concerned about the potentially serious situation that is threatening to affect the living and learning environment of a large group of graduate students, those at Ashdown House. So began an open letter penned by Ashdown House residents Vernon and Beth Ingram and addressed to President Charles M. Vest, published in The Tech on April 27, 1994. We wrote in response to the recommendation of the Institute’s Steering Committee regarding the conversion of Ashdown House into an undergraduate dormitory. That recommendation was defeated, and Ashdown House remained a graduate residence, but history repeats itself. On April 27 of this year, the Residence System Steering Committee presented its Phase II Status Report calling for the redecoration of Ashdown House into an undergraduate dormitory — specifically as a “frat house.”

As representatives of Ashdown House, as graduate students, and as members of the MIT community, we would like to express our opposition to this proposal. We acknowledge that the Steering Committee has been charged with a difficult task — the development of a viable, long-term housing strategy for the entire student community, and we believe that this end is best served by the preservation of Ashdown House in its present location and function for the graduate student community.

Ashdown House is unique among graduate residences, providing a house-wide, community-oriented living style. Moreover, it functions as a hub of graduate activity for residents and non-residents alike, fostering interdepartmental relationships and promoting the ideal of a community of scholars. In September 1998, the MIT Task Force on Student Life and Learning released a report stating, "The thoughtful programs that exist at Ashdown House are an example of how to bring about a strong sense of community among graduate students. Such housing is closely aligned to MIT's educational mission." In this light, the Steering Committee’s recommendations are all the more surprising.

We protest the Steering Committee’s suggestion of action-MacGregor House as an alternative graduate residence, both because it reduces the number of on-campus beds available to graduate students and because the history- and community-oriented structure of MacGregor House is not conducive to the house-wide community of graduate students. In addition, we believe that the prevalence of singles in MacGregor House suggests its retention as an undergraduate residence in order to maintain a diversity of housing options for undergraduates.

Although graduate students comprise half of MIT’s student body, there are currently graduate student members of the Steering Committee (but there are four undergraduates). We believe the Steering Committee can be aided in its task by the presence of one or more graduate students, and we have expressed a request for representation to the Committee. In the interim, we have formed an ad-hoc council to consider alternative ideas and are preserving Ashdown House as a graduate community.

Ronald J. Bhat G
Ashdown House Executive Committee

Culture of Violence Does Desensitize

I’m writing in response to Eric J. Pliskin’s column ("Reflecting on Littleton, Colorado," April 27) that discussed the source and nature of the school shootings in Colorado. While I agree with Pliskin’s assertion that “terrible” parenting and easy access to firearms are the root causes of the violence, I disagree with his statement that these actions result from a “culture of violence,” and his assessment of the lack of responsibility of the entertainment industry.

This school massacre is a recent phenomenon, dating from 1996. Bad parenting and firearms, also, have been around for many years. So what is different about the present? I would argue that it is indeed our increasing addiction to visual entertainment and the irresponsible abuse of its power by the entertainment industry. There is no question that the entertainment industry is an incredibly powerful force in our society.

The use by Dylan Klebold and Eric Harris of action-movie dialogue (for example, one killer bent under a table and said “peek-a-boo” to one student before shooting the student) shows that the killers were very much influenced by pop culture. This past Saturday (April 24), NPR’s John McChesney reported that DCSM, the video game played avidly by Klebold and Harris, is used as a training exercise by the military to desensitize soldiers to violence. Video games have become so graphic that playing a game comparing Pong to DCSM or Quake could tell you that they’ve become a lot more violent.

Of course, many people play DCSM and watch action movies, and yet have not turned violent. So what is different about the situation? It doesn’t mean that these violent images don’t desensitize us to violence. I was surprised to observe my own lack of reaction this past August to the “unreal” images of mistreating prisoners that reached the sky over Obama in Laden’s compound.

Television and movies have also heavily reinforced the social strata of high school. Yes, teenagers have always formed cliques, but I believe that my high school culture of violence does desensitize

Letters To The Editor

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The But of Future Jokes

I had a laugh when I read the article on the “Future of Virtual Jokes” in the March 21, 2000, Technology Review: Prospect Of Building Name for Gaps, April 27. I’m certain it’ll be the butt of jokes for years to come. I say, “Why is it called the Urban Outfitter?”

The Joke

And yes, you need to have better control over access to arms, and yes, we need to work on these problems, but social and educational needs of the next generation need to be more vigilant. But we also need to realize that technology does not create the problem, but rather, the severe degradation are within all of us, and so is the solution. Don’t be a passive recipient for the ideas of annoyed Urban Outfitter. You need to demand ethical behavior from the media. Know that giving in to our darker impulses alleviates problems from within ourselves. What have we given the entertainment industry so much of? We好像 are only curious about the role of baby-sitting our children? Have we asked Hollywood to titillate us by having Keane Reeves blow away a SWAT team? Why do some of us play Quake to the point of inducing carpal tunnel syndrome? But why do you say, “Self-destructs” can satisfy our inner demons — but it hasn’t been so harmless.

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FEATURES

MIT Theater Arts

With a vast array of performing groups, the best show you ever saw might have been right here at MIT.

MIT Gilbert & Sullivan Players

The MIT Gilbert & Sullivan Players are always consistent — overall attention to the inherent strengths of every G&S show, namely, Gilbert’s insanely quotable dialogue and hilarious lyrics, as well as Sullivan’s music, simultaneously exciting, hummable, and lyrical — is clearly the main priority of each MIT G&S production, and it pays off handsomely.

The overall quality of the singers and the orchestra is usually adequate but not extraordinary, with the usual exception of two or three very strong leads (both singing- and acting-wise) in each show. But this is usually compensated by the general clarity of action and delivery; for example, in last year’s production of The Pirates of Penzance, every sung word was audible.

Another reliable feature of G&S is that the overall stress is almost always on the show’s humor. It always works, after all, G&S did write comic operas, although in some cases, like The Mikado and Ruddigore one wishes the darker aspects were more pronounced.

But in their last production, the relatively dark The Yeomen of the Guard went for serious, and succeeded.

MIT Musical Theatre Guild

MTG is another case of an amateur group most notable for its infectious enthusiasm rather than for the polished quality of their productions.

MTG is most certainly commendable for selecting big and complicated shows (like last fall’s The Fiddler on the Roof) and working hard to ensure the internal coordination of a full-scale production, with usually elaborate costumes, sets, and lighting design. It’s probably a consequence of the group’s targeting such large-scale productions that the organiza-
tional aspects once in a while feel more consistent than the dramatical ones. When both of these sides of the show are well-done and balanced, the results can be as joyous as, say, the hilarious second act of last Independent Activities Period production She Loves Me.

There’s one major and fortuitous exception, though. Like the unwavering rule of even-odd Star Trek movies, MTG is consistently excellent when working on Stephen Sondheim shows. From the bloody, nightmarish, and darkly humorous Sweeney Todd, the Demon Barber of Fleet Street a few years ago, to last summer’s transcendent Into the Woods, to their latest, hilarious A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum, MTG is at their best.

Shakespeare Ensemble

One of the two professional-quality theatre groups at MIT, Shakespeare Ensemble is closely working with the Theatre Arts department, with the faculty members or visiting theatre lecturers usually directing the productions.

The results are always lucid and illuminating. In Ensemble productions, Shakespeare’s language is delivered with such clarity — both vocal and thematic — that it acquires both the immediacy of regular spoken speech and the graceful fluidity of poetry. The same applies to the characteristically complex interweaving of stories, dramatic lines, and character arcs. This results in essential qualities of urgency and emotion, so much that Shakespeare feels thoroughly modern in the best meaning of the word, and such plays as last fall’s Measure for Measure are thoroughly riveting.

As a matter of fact, the Ensemble always brings such clarity of vision that once in a while it feels that the weakest element of each show is the source material. For example, in this term’s Pericles the overall attention to the dramatic throughline highlighted the fact that the play itself, from the structural point of view, is to some extent a mess. To the Ensemble’s credit, even in such cases their work is never less than exciting.

MIT Dramashop

It’s very hard to describe Dramashop, since none of their shows fit in the same mold, and span a huge spectrum of theatrical works. Not only do they cover musicals (Grand Hotel), grand drama (The Good Person of Szechuan), but Dramashop also ventures in the works that are skillful combination of disparate elements (The Illusion) or are, to certain extent, experimental (like the current For Colored Girls Who Considered Suicide When the Rainbow is Enuf). There might be only one thing common to all the Dramashop productions, and that’s the overall excellency.

There’s one curious exception to the rule, though. In the fall, Dramashop presents an evening of student-written, student-directed one act plays, and they work mostly to demonstrate the amazing skill which goes into putting on a theatrical production — since in one evening one can witness work ranging from excellent to terrible, from professional to amateurish.

But the other productions, usually directed by MIT Theatre Arts faculty, are of mostly professional quality; there’s not a single amateurish aspect in, for example, the transcendent For Colored Girls.

In some cases, Dramashop transcends even professionalism, such as was the case with The Good Person. The works of Dramashop and the other groups have been so well-done that it’s quite possible that one’s favorite theatrical production was one performed in Little Kresge — not anywhere else, not on Broadway or in the Boston Theatre District — but right here, at MIT.
There is life after MIT. Though life after President Bob Metcalfe '68, put it simply.

By Aaron D. Mihalik

To make sure my donation went to improving MIT is going to make a difference. So, I would make sure MIT doesn't waste the money.

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MIT also has Laureates and Space Wanderers ...

In the words of Chancellor Lawrence S. 1999, ‘My undergraduate experience taught me what it meant to work really hard on incredibly tough problems. It helped me realize that I was capable of far greater things that I ever thought possible.’

noted alumnus “Bernice Beaver” graces the MIT Alumni Center In 10-12.

fame and public recognition in different fields.

Take for instance the effect of MIT alumni on the world market. In a study released in 1997 compiled by BaskinQuality and MIT entitl- ed MIT: The Impact of Innovation, the effects of MIT alumni were calculated in terms of economic impact. The study reported that in 1994, MIT graduates were responsible for creating firms that employed 1.1 million people and generated $232 billion in world sales.

MIT inspires budding entrepreneurs.

The list of MIT alumni who have become famous entrepreneurs is nearly endless. The early generation of entrepreneurs include the entrepreneur Alfred P. Sloan, Jr. 1935, as well as Vinne沛 Bush PhD '66, Lawrence Lee '87 and Richard H. Nelson '84. Metcalfe commented on MIT’s influ-

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As a result, MIT’s alumni have achieved high-ranking positions in government agencies. For instance, John M. Deutch ’61 has served as the director of the Central Intelligence Agency and as Vannevar Bush PhD ‘16 (Raytheon), John Stewart R. Mott ’59 is the former director of Planned Parenthood and number 15 of President Nixon’s enemies list. Larry Kahn ’85 was a writer and made a movie about the ‘third world counselors’ in the body double for Brad Pitt. Lastly, I.M. Pei ’75 was the architect of buildings like the Louvre, the John Hancock building, and the MIT building.

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Muslim Students Active in the Kosovo Relief Effort

By Kristen Landino

The Muslim Students Association is dedicating its time and energy to promoting awareness of the plight of Albanian refugees from Kosovo and collecting supplies that can be used in the relief effort.

Yesterday, the MSA set up a booth in the Student Center from noon to 4 p.m. displaying posters and a documentary film from the Global Relief Foundation in order to collect funds for refugees.

"We felt that something had to be done for the refugees. There has been a lot of coverage in the news on the situation, so after considerable discussion, the MSA decided to act," said Esa Masood '02.

"One of the main reasons people are being killed in Kosovo is because they are Muslim. We feel ties to these people who are suffering and feel it is our responsibility to do something," said Asif Khalak, vice-president of the MSA.

The MSA is working with Mercy Corps International, a global non-profit volunteer organization, to provide humanitarian aid to refugees in Kosovo through funds collected in the Student Center on Monday.

The MSA has also been collecting funds at its Friday prayer session held at the religious activities center.

"The collection drive has been very successful thus far," Khalak said.

A clothing drive sponsored by the MSA is also underway, and collection boxes will be placed in dorms for the next two weeks.

"I personally did it after seeing coverage on TV. I felt I had to do something," said Ahmed Ait-Ghezela '99, director of the clothing drive.

The MSA has participated in rallies to promote human rights in Kosovo with other international organizations such as Amnesty International.

In early April, the MSA of MIT joined forces with the student associations from a number of colleges for a rally in Copley Square to increase awareness of the Kosovo situation and demand that human rights monitors be put back in the region.

"Our mission has been primarily to raise the consciousness of people with regard to the humanitarian situation. Even before the initiation of NATO hostilities in March, the MSA was collecting donations for the people of Kosovo," Khalak said.

The MSA also worked with Hillel, the Jewish students organization at MIT, to co-sponsor a vigil for the Albanian refugees on campus in early April.

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Sex, beer and meat: one of MIT’s largest parties and grandest traditions. What more could you ask for anyways? Steer Roast is just about all you could want in a party: food, drink, mud wrestling, pornography, interesting people, strippers, and a variety of recreational drugs.

This year’s roast took place under clear skies and the watchful eyes of what seemed like every Campus Police officer employed by the Institute. Steer Roast spans an entire weekend, but I experienced only Friday afternoon and night. The traditional beginning of the event, the pit lighting, couldn’t be dampened by a Safety Office prohibition against flaming rolls of toilet paper dropping from the roof. Nor did the police presence, wristbanding the pit lighting, couldn’t be dampened by a Safety Office prohibition against flaming rolls of toilet paper dropping from the roof.

Friday afternoon was dominated by mud wrestling and mud wrestling was dominated by nudity. Some, like Peter R. Gamache ‘01 started out (mostly) sans clothing, while others were gradually disrobed during the course of their matches.

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15. Eight bits
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18. Narrow cut
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25. Zsa Zsa's sister
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by Scott Adams

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I used a hidden camera to capture the thief who's been raiding our cubicles.

The boss is away.

The following employees have odiferous nostrils.

Continue with your presentation while I take this quick call.

I hope you learned something.

So how was work, Mr. Caffeine-Free?

Rather remarkable.

Rather remarkable.

Well, at around 4:15, that I was in the wrong building.

I sat through two staff meetings, a lunchtime conference call, met with a new client, and gave an impromptu hall-way seminar on key company strategies.

See? You didn't have a drop of coffee this morning and you were still able to do your job!

I'm talking about this red Jelly Bean that I was in the wrong building.

I swear, this warm weather had better end before finals.

It makes studying next to impossible, that's why!

Page, part of growing up is learning to overcome things like the temptation to goof off just because it's nice out.

I'm talking about this red Jelly Bean.

Just think, Mom—if we got a second computer, we could network it with our current one and play head-to-head video games day and night all summer long!

Some focus group you turned out to be.

Whaddya say? Tell me that's not worth $10,000 or more!

Do you tell her about the one with built-in twin subwoofers?
1999 Awards Convocation

Wednesday, May 5, 1999
4:00pm • Huntington Hall • 10-250

Reception to follow ceremony in the President’s Courtyard (next to the Bush Room)

William L. Stewart, Jr. Awards
Harold J. Pettegrove Award
Flewter Bowl Award
Admiral Edward L. Cochrane Award
Betsy Schumacker Award
Howard W. Johnson Award
Malcolm G. Kispert Awards
James R. Killian, Jr. Community Service Award
Order of Omega New Member Education Award
Reid Weedon ‘41 Alumni Relations Award
Frederick Gardiner Fassett, Jr. Awards
Irwin Sizer Award for the Most Significant Improvement in MIT Education
Frank E. Perkins Award
Graduate Student Council Teaching Awards
Goodwin Medal

Everett Moore Baker Memorial Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching
Bose Award for Excellence in Teaching
Arthur C. Smith Award
Kristen E. Finnegan Prize
Albert G. Hill Prize
Laya W. Wiesner Award
Ronald E. McNair Scholarship Award
Association of MIT Alumnae (AMITA) Senior Academic Award
Louis Sudler Prize in the Arts
Laya and Jerome B. Wiesner Awards
Harold and Arlene Schnitzer Prize in the Visual Arts
Priscilla King Gray Award for Public Service
James N. Murphy Award
Gordon Y Billard Award
Karl Taylor Compton Prizes

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The following incidents were reported to the Campus Police between April 14 and April 21. Information is compiled from the Campus Police’s weekly crime summary and from dispatcher logs. The report does not include alarms, general service calls, or incidents reported to the police.

Apr 14: Mass. Ave. and Amherst Street, demonstration about the Premier of China; du Pont’s men’s locker room, locker open and credit card and $150 cash stolen; Bldg. 9, suspicious phone calls; Bldg. 66, report of stolen computer, unknown value; Bldg. 54, report of suspicious package, checked out okay; Sigma Kappa, report of person loitering out from same area prior to CP’s arrival.

Apr 15: Boston, SafeRide driver reports homeless person refusing to leave van, Boston Health and Hospital transported to a medical facility; rear of NW30, homeless person unresponsive, CPR was initiated, victim was later pronounced dead; Westgate, report of suspicious female, same issued trespass warning; Bldg. NW30, two homeless persons, same moved along; Student Center, Athena Cluster, complaint of person eating at work station; Lobby 10, report of credit card vendor, same was leaving area; Bldg. 3, report of harassment; Main and Ames St., assist Cambridge Police for motor vehicle accident and argument; 33 Mass. Ave., bike stolen $215; du Pont weight room, backpacks stolen $400; Baker, backpack stolen $120; Bldg. E32, SafeRide vans damaged in minor hit and run accident; Student Center, homeless person transported to shelter; Bldg. E23, report of suspicious person; person fitting description of suspicious person in Bldg. E23 located in Bldg. E25, person checks out okay; Bldg. W71, notify student to call home; Bldg. 18, report of small amount of nitrogen released; 33 Mass. Ave., Robert Young, Trevor Ross, and Robert Sims, all of Brockton, arrested for trespassing; Bldg. 48, report of suspicious activity; Student Center, three trespass warnings issued.

Apr 16: Bldg. 2, trespass warning issued; Bldg. NW17, two juveniles arrested for possession of marijuana; Bldg. 4, report of alleged behavior, suspect had left area prior to CP’s arrival; Bldg. 46, computer monitor stolen $250; Bldg. E23, report of suspicious activity; Bldg. W71, report of annoying phone calls; Bldg. E51, report of suspicious person soliciting, same placed under arrest for trespassing; Bldg. E60, unauthorized use of a computer, Student Center, Athena cluster, report of known exposing himself; Walker, report of suspicious activity.

Apr 17: Bexley, alcohol found unattended on sidewalk same conceived; Student Center, assist with an employee problem; Burton, noise complaint, unable to locate; same left area prior to further problems; Walker, 4 males issued trespass warnings; Bldg. 2, two males issued trespass warnings; Wong Auditorium, overspeed

Apr 18: 33 Mass. Ave., Stephen Russo of Boston arrested for larceny of a bicycle and other charges; Briggs Field, past assault during a football game; Academic Pool, suspicious activity; Walker, emergency line call received from blue light telephone which resulted in the arrest of Preston Porter, Robert Young, Trevor Ross, and Robert Sims, all of Brockton, arrested for trespassing; Bldg. E23, four males issued trespass warnings; Bldg. 2, two males issued trespass warnings; Wong Auditorium, overspeed.

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Apr 20: 77 Mass. Ave., homeless person assisted to shelter; Bldg. E10, camera stolen $1,100; Main St. assist Cambridge Police with a juvenile attempting to steal a bicycle; Bldg. 7, report of homeless person same directed to shelter.

Apr 21: Ashdown, vandalism to vehicle; Bldg. E40, area broken into; Bldg. E25, Jarrett B. Sparks of Cambridge arrested for trespassing; Bldg. X, suspicious persons, same checked out okay; Sloan Lot, report of vehicle broken into, same occurred elsewhere; Mass. Ave. assist Cambridge Police with a fight; Bldg. 13, report of person soliciting, unable to locate; Bldg. N15, person soliciting, same issued trespass warning; W20 turnaround, altercation between two motorists; Bldg. 56, check on individual checks out okay; Bldg. 66, larceny of computer parts $1,000; Bldg. 18, computer and camera stolen $76,300; Mass. Ave. at Memorial, assist Cambridge Police with vehicle accident.
MacGregor, Ashdown Residents Question Proposal

Residence Design, from Page 1 to all its inhabitants.

However, Ashdown resident Manish Jethwa G noted that "If you'd approach most graduate students at Ashdown, you'd see that they are willing to sacrifice single rooms" for the social community Ashdown provides.

"Several of us in the Ashdown community and the graduate community are very concerned" about the lack of representation of graduate students in the steering committee, Sokka said.

Hecht said that "we looked hard for graduate student representation. We found none; [the Graduate Student Council] didn't nominate anyone." Hecht added that the RSSC is now considering adding graduate students to its group.

Another graduate student said that in moving graduate students from Ashdown, the RSSC is "taking the one thing that keeps the graduate community together and taking it apart" to propose something else. She also expressed concern that the freshmen moving into Ashdown would be isolated from the rest of their class.

MacGregor resident Jamie E. Devereaux '02 said it was odd that the RSSC would want to tamper with the Ashdown community, considering that "Ashdown was cited in the Task Force report as having a great graduate community."

MacGregor residents defend dorm

Much as graduate students explained the importance of Ashdown to RSSC members, MacGregor residents spoke up for their dorm.

One MacGregor resident said that MacGregor fills a specific niche in the undergraduate residence community.

"[MacGregor] as a whole has a lot of students of color and international students. MacGregor is a good community to deal with new people with new perspectives, and to find common ground," he said.

Mitchell W. McVey G, a graduate resident tutor for MacGregor, said that if MacGregor is made unavailable to undergraduates, their opportunity to get single rooms would be greatly diminished.

Students also found the "sophomore shuffle" aspect of the proposal confusing and questioned the wisdom of making incoming freshmen choose their residence halls over the summer.

"Basically, what we've done is give you squatting rights in your temporary room," said RSSC member Abigail H. Pelcyger '01.

Other RSSC members present at the forum included Erin Hester '82, Jennifer C. Berk '01, and Elisha W. Hopkins '00.

Phase III of the Residence Design project will continue with more small group discussions to be held at various graduate residences, undergraduate dorms, and FSILGs.

M.I.T. Community Summer Softball 1999

Organizational Meeting
New Team Entries Accepted

Wednesday 5 May
5:30pm
1-190

For more information, contact:
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Yahoo! Rankings Vary Greatly from Previous Years

Yahoo!, from Page 1

wired college. Allison M. Johnson '02 thought that MIT students in general spent too much time logged in. "Maybe it's not a bad thing that we're not the most wired," Johnson said.

Among peer institutions, the California Institute of Technology dropped to 87th after ranking seventh overall last year. Yahoo! ranked Stanford University 31st and Wellesley College 88th. Harvard University, which Yahoo! ranked 73rd last year, was not listed among the top 200 colleges.

Yahoo! attributed some of the dramatic changes in individual rankings to "spending sprees for computers and network equipment," among other things. "A school's drop in the ranking may not indicate that it has become any less wired," the report says. "Rather, other colleges may have made greater strides in this constantly changing arena."

The criteria for rankings changed significantly from last year, when Yahoo! included such information as waiting time for public computers, percentage of students who owned their own computers, and statistics on the online social life. In 1999, Yahoo! ranked schools on such categories as recent computer purchases, wired residences, online registration and transcripts, free services, and e-mail accounts.

Yahoo! Internet Life selected 571 four-year colleges for their survey based on research, technology, competitive enrollment, size, and past rankings. Complete results can be found in the May issue of Yahoo! Internet Life or on the web at http://www.zdnet.com/yil/content/college/.
In addition to their social events, fraternities, sororities, and independent living groups take part in a wide range of philanthropic activities. Many individuals and groups within the IFC help others in need through their various service organizations. Some houses hold annual fund raisers for charities that also serve to entertain the MIT community. In a recent event, sorority members who hoped to correct the lack of recent volunteer efforts, donated $360.44 to the Nature Conservatory.

Order of Omega

S.C.O.R.E. On Saturday, April 26th, the Interfraternity Council sponsored Project S.C.O.R.E., Service in the Community Oriented toward Race Relations Enhancement. The event consisted of two parts. In the morning, groups were formed to watch a video produced by the Committee on Campus Race Relations, and then discuss race-relations. "One of the more rewarding aspects was to visit one of the discussion groups and see a spirited discussion of people from various racial backgrounds," commented Scott Hilleger, Order of Omega Community Service Co-chair. In the afternoon, participants went with members of their discussion groups to five sites around the city. The sites included the Cambridge Community Center, Boston Boys and Girls Club, and a Transition House. At each place, the groups did volunteer ranging from yardwork, painting, stuffing envelopes, to sorting food.

The Order of Omega is a National Leadership Honor Society of women interested in improving the understanding of the meaning of the term "race." The order's purpose is to encourage women to be aware of and participate in improving the quality of life for all people. The pledges of the order, upon being initiated Monday, April 26th, at Cambridge Community Center, are invited to the order's initiation dinner that evening. The initiative dinner is a tradition perpetuated by the Order of Omega since 1934.

Among the more than 50 runners were a number of prefrosh at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. One of the more notable runners was a prefrosh who won a prize for the race held at the Massachusetts Avenue and American Alley. The proceeds from this April 10th event went to the Nature Conservatory. Participants each paid a $15 entry fee, paying an entrance fee. The Theta Chi brothers built two rinks in Johnson for the competition. All teams, split among two rinks, based on difficulty, played at least three games. The winner of the A division, the Chiefs (Jim Goodman, Rocky Bryant, Tony Gray, and Peter Charbonneau) won a cash award, a gift certificate for the Pizza Pub, and tickets to a sneak preview of "The Mummy." The proceeds of around $200 went to Habitat for Humanity.

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The Frederic Gardiner Fassett, Jr. Man of the Year Award is presented annually to the male member of the Interfraternity Council who has unselfishly demonstrated the qualities of spirit, dedication, and service in furthering the ideals of MIT fraternity brotherhood. This year's Fassett Man of the Year was awarded to Duane Dreger, of Sigma Nu. Dreger was the past IFC President, the IFC Vice-President for Community Relations the past year, and the IFC Community Relations Chair in 1996. He has served an unprecedented three years on the IFC Executive Committee. Dreger has even filled in for the past Judicial Committee Chair, he "went above and beyond the call of duty by contributing greatly to the development of the IFC Risk Management Policy now in place," applauded current IFC President, Mike Trimbano.

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Other Nations Lack Control Over Nuclear Arsenal

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"Upheaval leads to lack of control"

"The greatest nuclear security risk is in Russia," Deutch said. "For many years, it was more careful in guarding custody of nuclear materials than the United States. However, with the impact of the political situation on nuclear research, they simply don't have the resources anymore."

According to Deutch, U.S. policy toward Russia has been one of greater engagement in recent years. In order to protect nuclear interests in the region, the United States has ordered the Soviet Union to centralize its store of weapons and nuclear material.

Deutch noted that potentially dangerous nuclear material has been removed from surrounding republics and returned to Russian government headquarters in order to prevent nuclear material diffusion to other nations.

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The men's ultimate frisbee A-team advanced to regional play after a successful 5-3 record in sectionals last weekend. Sectionals, held at Tufts University, is the first of two tournaments on the road to the National Championship tournament.

The A-team led by captain Leon Hsu '01, and a B-team led by captain Edmund Chou '02, both represented the Institute competing for the four spots that advance to regionals, the qualifying tournament for Nationals.

The B-team played in a tough pool consisting of Harvard University A-team, Boston University, and Boston College. They played good defense all day and forced the other teams to respect their offensive ability. In pool play they lost to Harvard-A and BU, and then dropped a close game to BC. In the first round of double-elimination play, they faced a strong Tufts squad that played a tough zone defense. They kept it somewhat close, but lost to the more experienced Tufts team. On Sunday, the B-team faced BU again. Due to several injuries the day before, the B-team was playing without any subs. BU was able to pull away and deliver another loss to the B-team, which eliminated them from sectionals.

The A-team's pool consisted of Tufts, Harvard-B, and Brandeis. In the strong winds on Saturday, the team played mostly zone defense. They hardly beat Brandeis 12-4 with great play by everyone, including some impressive throws from Bart Hendriks G and Alex Lian G. Then MIT played a young bunch of strong players on Harvard-B. Harvard-B played well and MIT was trading downhill points with them during most of the game. The score was close up until the very end, when Pat Walton G scored a critical upwind point to give MIT the game, 10-8. During the final game of pool play, the Engineers faced the Tufts squad, which was able to break through the zone defense. Tufts was able to take the game 13-4 and put MIT into the second spot in the pool, despite some excellent play by Frederico San Martini G and others. During the final game on Saturday, MIT faced an athletic BC squad. BC played an unusual German offense that isolated one of their best players, but MIT was able to stifle BC with great man-to-man defense. MIT won the game 11-5 with an impressive upwind score by Hunter Fraser '01 to finish the day 3-1.

On Sunday, MIT faced its rival Harvard, ranked 14th in the nation, in the first game. Walton played well with several diving defensive blocks and two great throws for scores. The game was extremely close, but MIT lost focus near the end, which allowed Harvard to steal the game 13-9.

After losing to Harvard-A, MIT had to beat BU in order to clinch a spot at Regionals. BU came out fired up and stole a couple of quick points from MIT. Eventually, MIT was able to regain its composure, and shut BU down, 15-5. As usual, MIT's offense was running smoothly, and the defense, anchored by Andy Wong '01, Chris Wimber '02, and Jim Fleming G, won the game, along with a great diving score by Win Chevapravatdumrong '00.

The next game was a rematch against Boston College. BC came out strong and was leading 7-4, before MIT switched to a zone defense, and went on an 11-2 run to win 15-9 on a give-and-go play between Matthew Secor G and Hsu. Harvard gained some momentum, and tried to dominate the game, but hot defense by Jeremy Lueck '99 and, Dean Bolton '00, stifled their offense. Unfortunately, MIT wasn't able to pull back into the lead and lost 13-16.

The MIT A-team finished 5-3 during the two-day tournament, which put them in third place overall. They advance to regionals next weekend, where they will face 15 other teams in a battle for the top two spots which advance to Nationals in Colorado. With superb teams like Brown University, Yale University, and Williams College at regionals, MIT will have to play its best in order to advance. But if the team plays with the intensity that it had on Sunday, then MIT should have a chance to upset some of the big names and advance to the nationals.

UPCOMING HOME EVENT

Wednesday, May 5
Men's Lacrosse vs. UMass Boston, 3:30 p.m.