The Class of ’79 squeezes in
New dorm eases crunch

By Mitchell Trachtenberg

As in previous years, the MIT dorm system continues to expand. This year, dormitories are being converted into housing for 40 to 50 more students, including four dormitories that are being tripled. MacGregor, Senior House, and Burton doubles being tripled, and Baker tripling being converted into quads.

After the second assignment lottery, there were 63 freshmen still in limbo. According to Ken Brevoort, Associate Dean of Student Affairs, most of the limbo freshmen should be able to go into the tripled dorms without causing more overcrowding than already exists.

New dorm eases crunch

Frat rush continues to be busy this year, with 1975 alumni day being a big event. Two MIT ROTC members, like dozens of fellow graduates, went to medical school. The difference is that the 2nd Lt. Dan E. Callahan and 2nd Lt. Thomas F. Finschutz are getting a free ride from United Airlines and $400 a month. They became medical doctors, because they worked hard.

On 1975 Alumni Day, June 6, MIT received $2.8 million from the four reunion classes. The class of 1950 gave a record $1.4 million. The 40th reunion class, 1935, collected $1.4 million over the last 10 years for their gift. The class of ’75 gave $508,150 while the class of 1919 gave $140,000. Of that, $100,000 went for the Mitchell B. Kaufman Memorial Scholarship for minority students, especially American Indians and Mexican Americans.

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Review

Technique '75: worth saving

By P.E. Schindler, Jr.
Someone at Technique seems to be listening.

In recent years, the major critiques of the MIT yearbook have been: a) not enough MIT pictures, b) a selection with limited relevance to most students, c) a publication date that eliminated graduation pictures and d) no text.

With the clear exception of "S", Technique '75 meets most of these objections head-on, and conquers them.

In the 272 page book, there are a total of 144 pages that have nothing in particular to do with MIT, and several of these are advertisements.

And in fact, 10 of those pages are on Boston and Cambridge. Frankly, the cities which surround us are a part of the MIT experience for most undergraduates. People who have never left the campus in four years won't need the yearbook anyway, because they'll probably be staying here the rest of their lives.

The relevance of the photographs in Technique '75 to the life of many students has been enhanced by the wider-than-usual selection. In addition to sections on sports, living groups, activities, and the usual senior pictures, there is a section on academics. It shows people doing what I assume most people do here when they are not in class. I can't be sure, considering how much time I spent in the Student Center as an undergraduate. This section contains a photograph of the lab of your choice, perfectly capable, one assumes of evoking whatever pleasant memories you may have along that line.

For the first time in recent memory, Technique abandoned its spring delivery date. Thus seniors, while being unable to pick up their books in person before graduation, at least pictures of commencement and of springtime events. And Technique loses out on the dubious pleasure of being its collective face for every year waiting for the printer to make tight deadlines.

The book still suffers, in the opinion of this wordsmith, from a lack of text. Not a lack really - a near total dearth.

Yet, even here, some progress is being made. There are, as there were last year, sections of sports records, activity rosters, and senior capsule descriptions. It is good to see them again, and hopefully they are here to stay.

In addition, the picture selection is less chaotic than usual, so that even without captions, a large percentage are easy to understand and enjoy. The few words of text by Chip Piatti, at the beginning and in the essay "Working at Fun," are lyrical, low in content and non-explanatory. The effect is pleasant and again, a step in the right direction.

Which is not to say that there should be captions, or the silly text one finds in so many yearbooks, or even the massive and sober texts used until 1972. Just compromise; a little text, here and there.

So kudos to editor Mary Ann Schmidt and her band of crazies for a good book, if not a great one. It can provide, for most, a convenient and compact walk down memory lane, 1975 style.

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The summer's major news 
Overcrowding not severe

(Continued from page 1) authorized to be past. It is in front of the Grover Hermann Building (affectionately referred to by most as either "Dewey Library" or the more familiar "E53") and it is called the MIT Library or the more familiar "Dewey Building" affectionately referred to by most as either "Dewey Library" or the more familiar "Dewey Building." (Continued from page 1)

Edward Mason has been appointed to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. Prof. Norman C. Rasmussen will lead Course 23 into its first undergraduate degree program in the 17 years since its founding.

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Frats' rush good

(Continued from page 1) So far, PKT, seeking 15 pledges, has pledged 18. The male housing requests, as of noon Wednesday, had pledged 21 of the 23 people it was seeking.

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Opinion

Surviving at MIT: a graduate tells all

By Paul Schindler (Michael McNamara, editor of this column)

Frosh are probably tired of being told what they should know. Juniors are supposed to, well, know everything. I do. But in a graduate school, any information is welcome, given that the source and the medium are the right ones.

I'm a graduate student in electrical engineering at MIT, working in the Electrical Engineering and Computer Science Department. I've been here for two years, and I have a rather interesting life. I'm not a student, I'm a graduate student, and as such, I have my own unique problems and interests.

I'm also a member of the MIT Student Government, and I've been involved in many extracurricular activities. I'm a member of the MIT Student Senate, and I've been involved in many extracurricular activities. I'm a member of the MIT Student Senate, and I've been involved in many extracurricular activities.

So, what's it all about? This, of course, is what you need to know about MIT.

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By Doug Johnston

(Doug Johnston '76 is a member of the MIT heavyweight crew.)

The MIT varsity heavyweight crew brought their spring season to a close with two weeks of international competition in England. Making the trip were four members of the varsity eight, who qualified for support money from the US Olympic Committee by meeting a time standard, and the second varsity eight, winners of the 1975 Inter-collegiate Rowing Association championship.

On June 29, the first day of the Nottinghamshire International Regatta, the four powered their way to a victory in the Elite division. The eight finished last in their Elite race, after having practiced in six borrowed boats in six days.

The following day, the four competed in the same event in the Guiness International Trophy, against boats from England, East Germany, Canada, Egypt, and other countries, but were unable to make the finals. The eight rowed in the Elite II division, for international boats just below the national team level. They were able to make the final six in the six-boat素食 field, and finished fifth in the finals.

The 136th annual Henley Royal Regatta began on July 3. All competition in the regatta is head-to-head single elimination on the 1 5/16 mile two-lane course.

MIT drew a bye and skipped the first round of competition in the Prince Philip Cup for elite fours. The eight, entered in the Ladies Challenge Plate, a 32-boat event for colleges and university teams throughout the world, won by a length over Trinity College of Dublin, after narrowly avoiding disqualification for rowing out of their lane.

In the second elimination round, the eight won an easy 2 1/2 length victory over The University of Witwatersrand.

The four was eliminated in the quarterfinals by Vesper Boat Club in a race they led most of the way. Both American crews row a similar high-stroking race, with MIT slightly faster off the start, and the Vesper Boys a little better in the last half-mile.

In the quarterfinals of the eight's event MIT met the Lady Margaret Boat Club of Cambridge. The Lady Margaret crew led for the first half of the race, but MIT moved back in the second half of the race, and gradually brought the stroke up to 39 strokes/minute to win by 1/4 length. On Saturday afternoon the University of London varsity was the crew to beat. Both crews started at about 44 and MIT built an early lead, Tech settled to a 38 and then to 35, while London continued stroking 39 and moved to a lead of a full length. MIT brought the stroke back up to 39 and began to move back, but the English crew met the challenge at one mile gone and regained the length lead. Both crews took the stroke up over 40 in the last quarter mile, but the margin remained the same to the finish. The winning time by London of 6:30 beat the existing course record by two seconds. The victorious English crew went on to an easy victory over Isis Boat Club from Oxford University in the finals.

In the five-lane draw Vesper 14 won an easy 3 1/2 length victory over the Vesper 8 on Sunday afternoon. Vesper 14 had gone and regained the length lead by the one-mile mark, then gradually brought the stroke up to 39 to win by 2 1/2 lengths. MIT drew a bye and skipped the first round of competition in the Prince Philip Cup for elite fours.

On Tuesday MIT went on to a victory in the challenge plate, a final six elimination event for the world's top college eights. The MIT eight, rowing in a time trial, went on to a 3 1/2 length victory over the Vesper eight, which MIT qualified to enter.

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Richardson places 4th in NCAA 3-mile

By Dave Dobos

Frank Richardson '77 earned All-American honors at the NCAA Division III National Championships in his specialty, the three-mile run, and Greg Hunter '76 won the javelin event at the Eastern Championships to highlight the post-season track championship meets for MIT.

Hunter, MVP of the squad this past season, tossed the javelin 193'9" to lead MIT to a twelfth place finish in the Easterns. Freshman Reid Borstel and freshman Chad Bertin set new records in the high jump at 6'3" and Richardson ran to fourth in the three-mile to round out MIT's 10% point total.

One week later, Richardson, co-captain along with Hunter for next year's squad, ran a personal best 14:06.4, twenty seconds better than in the Easterns, to meet at a fifth place finish in the New Englands.

However, the big story for Richardson was his fabulous fourth place in the College Division Track Championships at Baldwin-Wallace College in Berea, Ohio May 27-31. He became the fourth MIT trackman to earn All-American laurels in the last three years. Richardson's time of 14:09.4 in the three-mile came less than 40 hours after running a qualifying race.

Hunter, also entered in the NCAA's and competing in the decathlon, missed All-American honors by one man, placing seventh with 6348 points. His personal best javelin throw of 197'8" broke the decathlon javelin mark by over thirty feet. He also recorded personal bests in the pole vault and 400-meter.

NOTES

- Correction to Class Schedule: 17.907 Political and Legal Rights in America should be listed as Fall Term I, not Fall Term II as shown. Please see Louis Menand in Room 3-224 for details. This course is not open for freshmen - all undergraduates are welcome.

- Registration will be held for English, etc. conversation classes for wives of visiting faculty, wives of staff members and wives of students from foreign countries on Thursday, September 18, 10am - 12 noon in Room 10-040. Classes Thursday and Thursday evenings for ten weeks. Fee, $25.00. Baby-sitting provided for additional fee of $5.00.

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- The Cambridge Election Commission has scheduled a series of seven voter registration sessions on the Harvard and MIT campuses. The registration sessions will be conducted at the MIT Army, on Monday, September 8, from 3pm to 5pm for all MIT students. The session is being co-sponsored by the MIT Undergraduate Association.

- Under a state law which took effect on June 30, 1975, persons registering to vote need only answer a few simple questions, including name, address, and place and date of birth, in order to register. Any American citizens who will be 18 years old by November 4, 1975, and who claims Cambridge as his or her residence are eligible to register.

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- Laura Allende will speak next Wednesday, 10 September, on "Chile Today." The talk, which is being sponsored by SACC, will be held in 3e-100 at 7:30pm. A discussion is requested.
At left, Steve Cairns '74 celebrates his victory in the Showroom Stock Race with a bottle of champagne. Below, John Kelly '56 discusses his car's handling with his team after his second place finish.

**The MIT auto club is planning several changes in priorities for the coming year. As of the middle of October, we will be running only one car in Showroom Stock racing, enabling us to concentrate in other forms of competition, rallying, and autocrossing. If you are interested in any forms of auto sports, drop by our booth tonight in the student center.**

Early Monday morning, members of the auto club took off toward Lime Rock, Connecticut, for the Labor Day National Auto Race. With the Opel of Dave Ziegelheim, and the Pinto of Ed Gardner entered, prospects seemed good for an exciting race. As it turned out, Ed cancelled out since he hadn't finished moving, and Dave finished a disappointing ninth out of fourteen.

However the day was not a total loss, as Steve Cairns '74, started on the pole in the Showroom Stock race, and led for all but six of the 25 laps. A member of the auto club until his graduation, Steve has been running quite well this past year, with a second place in August at the Summit Point National, and first place at the Labor Day National.

Another MIT Alumnus, John Kelly '56, drove his Group 44 Midget 1500 to a strong second place finish, after chasing the Spitfire of Ken Slagle to the flag in the F Production race.

Coming events in the next weeks include:
- Sept. 20 Showroom Stock race at Lime Rock
- Oct. 3-5 Watkins Glen Grand Prix, Watkins Glen, NY
- Oct. 11 Car and Driver Showroom Stock Challenge