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EXCERPTS

"You know, I wonder what the *opposite* of a nerd is — have you ever thought about it?"

With that, Warren and I set out to design a poster that describes the characteristics of the non-nerd. Obviously, there are many varieties, but one archetype made itself clear:

- Rugby shirt — we weren't sure why this is so popular, unless it's to imply an athletic aura (even for those who have never seen a rugby ball). Football jerseys are cool, too.
- Slacks — any style, but the lighter in color the better; best is dazzling white, even when it rains. This lends a "California look."
- Shoes — very important. Expensive running shoes for daily wear are absolutely *de rigueur*; especially flashy are those with waffle soles that are obviously designed only for running.
- Books — none in sight, if possible. Best is to carry none at all, lest someone get the notion that you are a red-hot. If you must carry books, put them in an expensive Sierra Designs knapsack — no one will know if you're going to the library or to Yosemite.
- In the pockets — car keys, of course (how else can you get to the O, or Carmel, or Tahoe?); oh yes, and money. Money is at the heart of it all, really, since it makes everything else possible. . . .

— Nick Burbuley
The Stanford Daily

UAP/VP candidates express views

By Richmond Cohen, Kent Pitman, and Mike Ries
Editor's Note: Students must select one of six teams running for UAP/UAVP in tomorrow's election. In order to aid in the decision, our reporters attended last Thursday's UAP forum and subsequently interviewed the candidates. Following are some of their findings. The order of presentation is entirely random, as is the order on the ballot, and bias was avoided as much as possible. Abbreviations used include those for the Undergraduate Association (UA), UA President and Vice President (UAP/UAVP), General Assembly (GA), and Nominations Committee (NomComm).

Students are reminded that they must present MIT IDs to receive ballots.

**Lisa Masson/
Paul Hoffman**

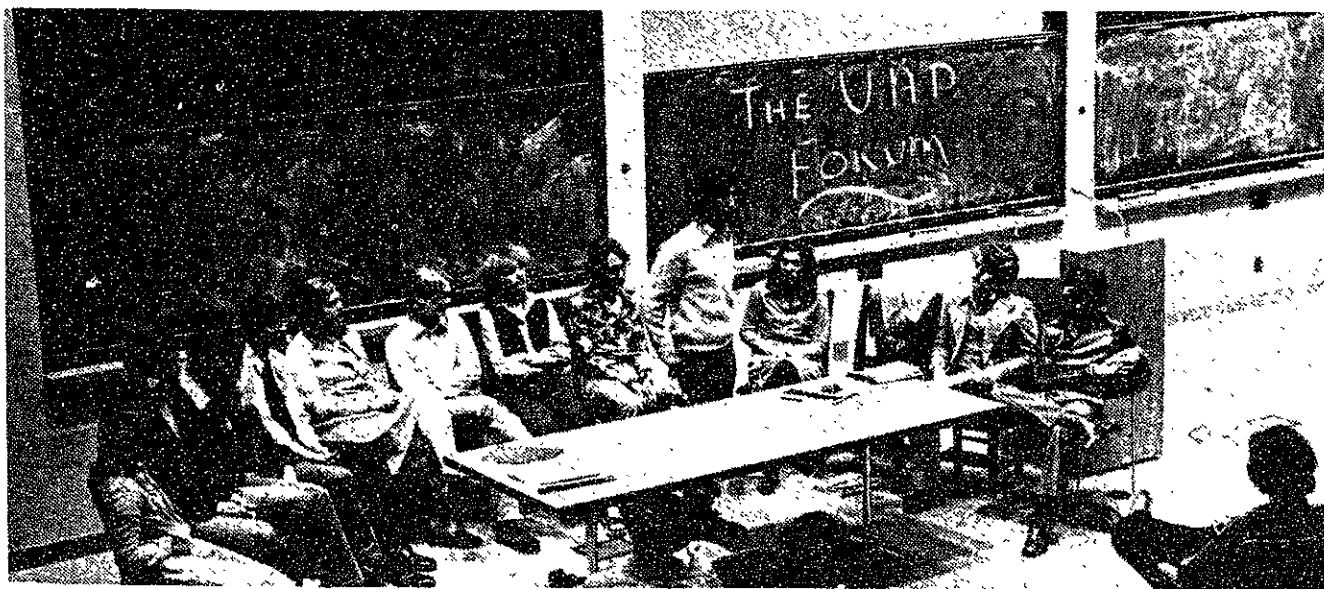
"Both of us have not only the desire but the ability to speak before the faculty and with the faculty," UAP candidate Lisa Masson '80 remarked about herself and her running mate Paul Hoffman '79 at the UA Forum last Thursday.

The first thing Masson plans to do if elected is to "run the NomComm out of the GA." She said that the present NomComm is completely inbred, existing only to nominate its own members into committees, and lacks accountability to the student body.

Hoffman voiced his views on the power of the GA, explaining that he has talked to several professors about his views on drop date, and encouraged them to attend faculty meetings. This, he seems to feel, is the secret to success in setting Institute policy. He said that students should speak directly with faculty members rather than "scream bloody murder" during the faculty meetings.

Both Masson and Hoffman are strong supporters of a better social life on campus. "If everyone got off campus more often, it'd be a lot more fun," Hoffman stated.

Among several plans Masson has for the office is the use of the UA as a centralized communications link between student organizations and the student body. She intends to have a bulletin board put up in the main corridor which would facilitate



The candidates for the offices of UAP and UAVP, to be elected tomorrow, spoke and answered questions at an open forum last Thursday. Shown standing is Dan Nathan '79. (Photo by John Grunsfeld)

this communication by announcing campus events in a central location

**John Stenard/
Joann Stock**

John Stenard '80, a member of the Phi Kappa Theta fraternity, is supporting a better communication network on campus and plans to "use the funds that are allotted to the UA for more social activities."

About the current grading policy debate he commented, "I really don't see anything wrong with the present system of grading. If a person deserves an A, he should get an A; if he deserves a B he should get a B." He said that if people want to talk to him, he will listen to what they say and will work toward the goals in which they express interest.

When asked if he planned to attend all of the faculty meetings, Stenard responded, "No, I don't see any point in going to a meeting where there's no conflict." He said, however, that if the students talked to him and he felt that there was some message to convey at a given meeting, he would then go and speak in their interest.

"You ask, 'Do we really need a UAP?' I suppose we don't. . . . We need a leader to be a figurehead to the faculty," Stenard noted. "I very much like to work hard on a job I am interested in. I am very interested in the job of UAP. . . . I will listen to the people's desires. . . and make my own decisions [based on what

he has heard]."

The rest will be up to the students, said Stenard. "You can lead a horse to water but you can't make him drink; but what we propose is to make the water and lead the horses to it."

**Barry Newman/
Timothy Morgenthaler**

UAP/UAVP candidates Barry Newman '80 and Tim Morgenthaler '80 feel that communication between students, student government, and faculty must be established in order to have a productive UA. They intend to inform students of pertinent issues regularly through both newspapers, *thursday* and *The Tech*. UA funding would be used, if necessary, to obtain newspaper space.

Newman expects to push for GA representatives committed to communicating students' needs and views on issues which affect them. He feels that "the problem is that students don't hear about the issues and don't have a place to go where someone will listen". He and Morgenthaler would like to have student representatives on faculty committees report on developing controversies.

These candidates are opposed to the proposed drop date change and grade deflation, because they would only "create additional pressure" and "are not in the best interest of education."

Newman, the current NomComm Chairman, admits that the present way in which NomComm is run could be improved. One possibility would be to have the

GA approve the appointment of NomComm members chosen by NomComm. However, he feels that once the committee has been established in this way, it should operate independently of the GA, because "the GA should not have to deal with time-consuming interviews when more important issues need to be confronted."

**Daniel Nathan/
Marcia Grabow**

Dan Nathan and Marcia Grabow, as UAP and UAVP candidates, want to make the GA "a body to meet the students' needs". They intend to establish these needs through a series of forums and surveys. Nathan feels that "student input is necessary, such as in a forum on how the GA should be run, before the GA is to work effectively". With a "GA set up as the students want it", Nathan believes that different viewpoints on issues will be presented.

They feel that a booklet with grade distributions for courses "is a good idea, because it would give students and faculty a better idea of what various grades represent". They also added that "such a change would not necessarily be needed to aid graduate schools and industry in evaluating students."

These candidates are opposed to the proposed drop date change, because "it would restrict students from exploring different courses". Nathan received input on this issue from his advisor (who "did not recall the conversation") and from students.

They intend to maintain the regular calendar which publicizes "everything that happens on campus which affects students." The calendar includes events ranging from faculty committee and GA meetings to SCC, LSC, and other social activities. They also want to publicize procedures such as "how to get on student and student-faculty committees" when these committees are being formed.

**Michael Brzustowicz/
Rebecca Waring**

The primary goal of the Michael Brzustowicz '79/Rebecca Waring '79 team is to enhance the representation of the student (Please turn to page 7)



As of midnight last night, the Cambridge Fire Department was still fighting a five-alarm fire which broke out around 6:20pm at the corner of Putnam Avenue and Pearl Street. The large commercial/residential building collapsed completely before midnight. (Photo by Gordon Haff; other photo page 7)

The body of Vyacheslav A. Gorlov '79, who has been missing since April 2, was found in a closet in Building 4 Sunday by two students on their way to class. The cause of death is believed to be suicide.

Students to vote on referenda

By Alf Geller

Four referenda will be on the Undergraduate Association (UA) ballot tomorrow, concerning (1) rejection of the Ad Hoc Committee on Grading's proposals, (2) greater accountability of student representatives on faculty committees to students at large, (3) opening faculty committee meetings to students, and (4) direct student-faculty referenda on policies which affect students.

The referenda were largely inspired by the recent furor over the ill-fated drop date change, the grading proposals, and students' lack of influence in the closed policy-making process surrounding these and other proposals.

The first resolution recommends that "the recent recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee on Grading be rejected." The committee proposed placing grade distributions for each course on transcripts, instituting Letters of Commendation for not more than five percent of the students in each class, and redefining grades.

Many of the students who gathered the signatures for the

referenda view these proposals as Orwellian newspeak for imposing increased pressure, more competition, and grade deflation.

The second resolution calls for a "new framework . . . to make student representation on faculty-student committees more accountable to the student body at large . . ." While 90 percent of the students were against the drop date proposal according to the poll conducted last term by the Student Committee on Educational Policy, the three students on the Committee on Educational Policy voted in favor of the proposals. In the same poll, two thirds of the students were opposed to placing grade distributions on transcripts. The

grading committee's proposals, however, were approved unanimously — even after a student was appointed.

Virtually no students know exactly what a committee is discussing until the formulation of the proposal is a *fait accompli*. Many students maintain that students should have an active role in the ongoing policy debate, thus making knowledge of committee deliberations essential. One way of obtaining this information is to require the student representatives to provide it; another is to open to students all faculty committee meetings at which policies affecting students are discussed.

The fourth resolution provides (Please turn to page 3)

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notes

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* Scheduling for Residence/Orientation week 1978 activities will begin on April 17, 1978. Scheduling forms are available in the R/O office, room 7-105. For more information, call Dave Plotnick at x5-7213 or leave a message in the R/O office, x3-6771.

* Activities who have not submitted an updated officers list to the ASA (W20-401) must do so immediately. Activities from which we do not have such a list are in danger of being derecognized at the General Committee meeting of May 1.

* The Department of Civil Engineering welcomes all freshmen to an Open House, in the Bush Room, 10-105, on Wednesday, April 19, from 3:30-5:30pm. Refreshments will be served.

* A team for the Energy Efficient Vehicle Competition (sponsored by SCORE — Student Competitions on Relevant Engineering) will be organized at the MIT Automobile Club meeting tomorrow night, Wednesday April 12, at 7pm in the Student Center, Room 491. The competition involves the design and construction of an, intercity passenger vehicle. For more information, call David Schaller, x5-9640 or 494-8534.

* Fusion Power, Solar Energy, Increased Use of Coal and Fossil Fuels, More Nuclear Reactors, Space Based Solar Power, Future Energy Employment Outlook. These are among the future energy topics which will be discussed at a Special Conference, "Energy Technology: Meeting Tomorrow's Needs?" which will be held at the MIT Student Center on April 14, 1978. Registration fee is \$10, which includes symposium materials, lunch, and an evening banquet. For further information, contact the MIT student branch of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics, x3-2278 or x3-4926.

* Free tickets to *The Advocates*. "Should the U.S. reject détente as its strategy in dealing with the Soviet Union?" will be debated Thursday, April 13, at 8:30pm at Faneuil Hall. For tickets, call WGBH-TV, Channel 2, 492-2777, x786.

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Nation

Former FBI heads indicted — Former FBI Director L. Patrick Gray has been indicted on conspiracy charges related to wiretapping and other activities during what Attorney General Griffin Bell called an era when the FBI was after radical fugitives. Gray and two other key FBI officials, former Associate FBI Director Mark Felt and former Assistant Director Edward Miller, who were also named in the indictment, face maximum sentences of 10 years and \$10,000 if convicted.

Carnegie Commission to issue report — On the average, blacks today make only 59 percent of the earnings whites receive, according to a report by the Carnegie Commission which will be officially released this Friday. The report expresses the commission's feelings that both conscience and protest have become dormant in society today.

State

Tax collection procedures questioned — Republican gubernatorial candidate Francis Hatch yesterday called for the establishment of a special committee to investigate the state's tax collection procedures. Hatch called the situation "a smoldering, festering scandal which has cost Massachusetts taxpayers dearly but which has so far been white-washed by the Dukakis administration." Administration Secretary John Buckley denied Hatch's allegations that the state was trying to "white-wash" its failure to collect back taxes owed by those who have political influence.

— Kent Pitman

Referenda will be on UA ballot

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that "faculty committees which consider policies affecting students be required to 1) hold open meetings when said policies are to be discussed, and 2) promptly make public all minutes and reports of such committees." The proposal would not apply to discussions concerning individual students or faculty members, such as those held by the Committee on Academic Performance.

Though the referendum itself is not binding, adoption of this resolution by the faculty at large would open such committees as the Ad Hoc Committee on MIT and Intelligence Agencies, which Chancellor Paul Grey has refused to open to even to a single student representative.

Many students who gathered petition signatures believe that open committee meetings would allow students to participate actively and creatively in policy formulation involving issues which affect them. Previously, students have been relegated to a secondary role in discussion of issues such as grading policy, the academic calendar, and covert spying on students.

Yet a third way of realizing wider "grass roots" student participation is embodied in the third resolution: "Resolved that policies affecting students be

decided by both students and faculty via some type of referendum system." The referendum proponents realize that faculty have had more experience in policy-making, but they argue students can evaluate arguments and have a huge stake in the decisions involved. It is therefore high time that the student body — the largest single group in the MIT community — should be enfranchised here at the Institute.

There is agreement among the students who gathered the signatures that the referendum, if passed, would be merely a first

step, and that strong student efforts must be forthcoming if the referendum are to be realized.

All six UAP/UAVP candidates states have endorsed the referendum. One of the UAP candidates, John Hakala '81, gathered 100 signatures for each of the four referenda. John LoManto '80, Hakala's running mate, helped compose the text of the referendum with Peter Cariani '78, Ron Newman '78, and others. Another UAP candidate, Barry Newman '79, had intended to seek signatures, but was incapacitated by a severe cold.



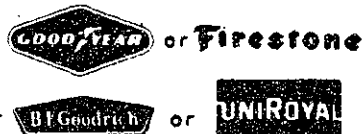
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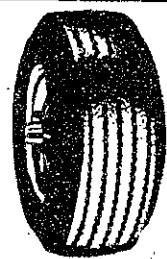
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Suicide is tragic for everyone

By Bob Wasserman

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To answer why a suicide at MIT is committed is not an easy task, and perhaps the reasons lie both within and without MIT itself.

Although there have been a number of suicides at MIT in the recent past, this is not a unique situation. College campuses all over the country have seen a high number of these tragic events. The college years are naturally a very trying time for a person: this is the time of youth when decisions concerning careers and even marriage and family are made. The pressures from these decisions often contribute to a suicide, and are particularly evident in the cases of college youth.

An interesting aspect of suicides is the seasonal consideration. Are suicides more frequent at certain times of the year? Oddly enough, suicides during the winter are rare, but suicides during the fall and spring seem much more frequent.

Fall is generally the time of beginning a new school or new program for members of the college community, and as such can be the period of

something else

greatest anxiety.

But why are there a large number of suicides in the spring, the most beautiful, hopeful, and lively time of the year? Could it be that all winter long people look forward to the springtime and when it comes and all the problems of the winter are still there, it causes great disappointment?

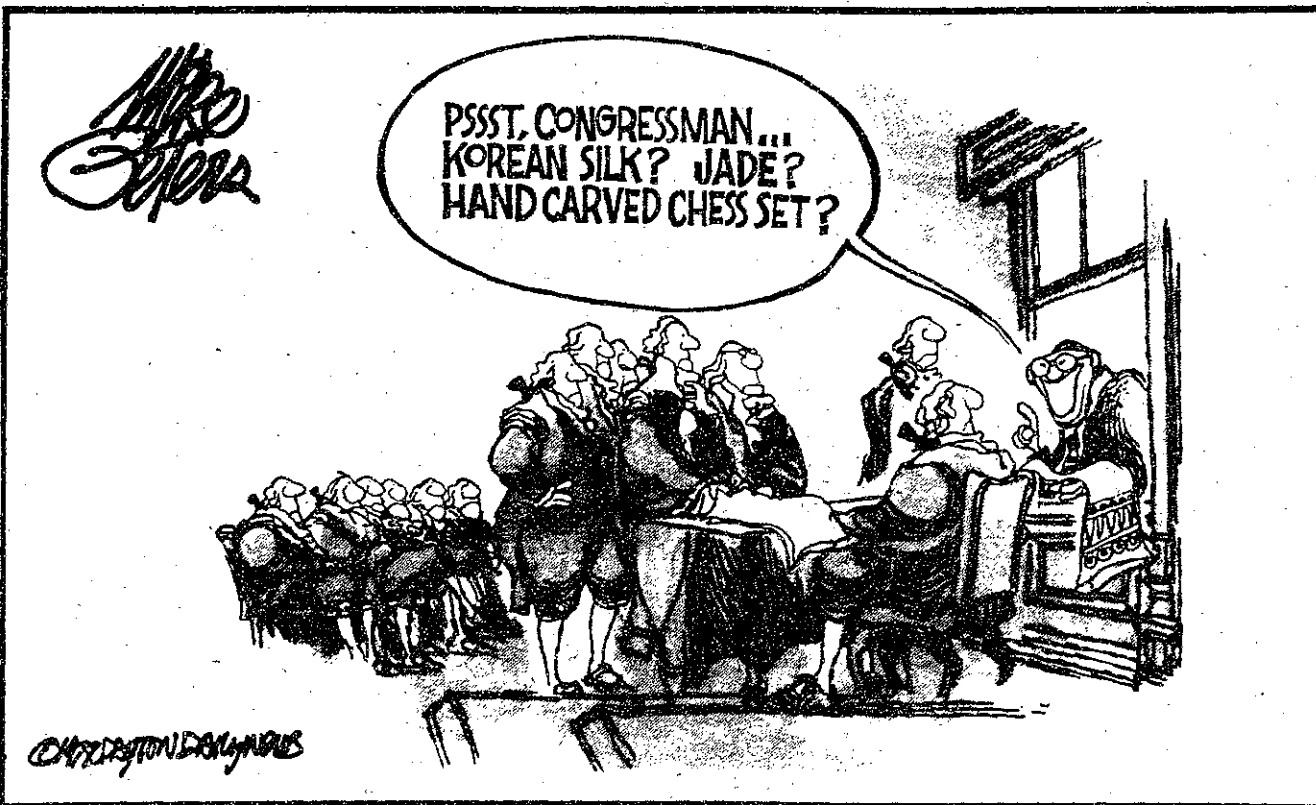
Returning to the situation at MIT, the atmosphere here must be considered wmes to the suicide situation. Let's face it, the MIT education is not as wide as it could be, and it is much too pressured. Nor is the social situation here what it could be: single sex dorms are a crime to everyone concerned.

And about the small number of women, did the MIT administration ever consider helping this situation itself, rather than throwing the problem to the Admissions office? Is it possible that MIT might recruit women more successfully by changing its curriculum requirements and subjects, than by sending out individual letters to female applicants?

The atmosphere at MIT is not entirely the fault of the administration, however; students also contribute to campus life. Everyone here, not just those "undesirables", is much too serious and goal-oriented. College should be a place to expand areas of knowledge, not narrow them down, and it is amazing that students consent to the demanding requirements of their majors. Also the Humanities offerings are abused; why would anyone want to concentrate in economics, sacrificing their liberal arts education?

Interpersonal relationships are really the key to solving the pressures at MIT. Perhaps all of us should walk down the halls with smiles on our faces and say hello. More importantly, however, if you know anyone who is seriously depressed, talk to him and urge him to seek out a counselor or a psychiatrist. What's more, concern should be given to anyone who seems unhappy, or really to anyone at all, because many people are quite good at concealing their emotions and discouragement.

Tragically, it sometimes happens that a suicide touches off other suicides, either by depressed friends of the first suicide, or by someone who is simply effected by the this event. Suicides certainly cause a great deal of pain to everyone, but perhaps these events will lead to introspection of ourselves and our friends. Maybe the small amount of time we spend to consider whether or not we are happy could make all the difference in our lives.



Political Commentary

Wide variety marks UAP race

By Steve Kirsch

This year's race for Undergraduate Association President (UAP) has something for everyone. Six teams of candidates, all with different priorities, are running for this office. Which team will be elected tomorrow will depend a great deal on what role students feel the UAP should play.

Hakala

Jonathan Hakala '81 and John Lomanto '80 are the team which has shown the most concern for student welfare. Hakala made notable remarks at the UA Drop Date Forum and is actively involved in the grading proposal debate. His running mate helped organize the drop date opposition.

Hakala is the only candidate who has expressed concern about financial aid for students. He has an impressive arsenal of facts and figures at his fingertips and says that he intends to use them. He successfully took his financial aid case all the way to the office of the Vice President of Administration and Personnel, John M. Wynne. He says he is willing to do the same for other students.

Hakala is a freshman, and though he has adapted well to college life, he hasn't to college politics. Hakala by his own admission "came on a little too strong" at the UAP Candidate Forum held last Thursday. His inability to scale down his temperament from the high pace to which he is accustomed as a member of the MIT Debate team, could make him an unpopular representative of student opinion at faculty meetings.

Hakala is an inexperienced candidate with a great deal of optimism and a contagious enthusiasm. If elected, he may spend too much time debating things he can't change. But he has the potential to accomplish more of lasting significance than any other candidate.

Newman

Barry Newman '79 is the most experienced and polished candidate in the race for UAP. Newman is NomComm chairman, 1978 R/O Coordinator, a member of DormCon and has held positions as chairman of the Student Center Committee (SCC) and as Kaleidoscope '77 Director.

Newman is basing his campaign on the premise, "If you have someone to spark some action, there will be some action." His campaign is people-oriented: he wants to see the UA act as a coordinating center for student activities and events, and he

wants to release the pressure on students. He stressed that "people are more important than grades."

Newman thinks that interest in student government has increased recently, and that by getting people "to do things gratifying to them" he can make the GA work. Based on his past record of dealing with people, Newman has a good chance of coming through on his claims.

According to SCC members, Newman has a tremendous amount of drive and takes on more than most people can handle. In their opinion, he is unsurpassed when it comes to dealing with people and getting things done quickly. He has read all reports on issues of concern to students and has demonstrated that concern.

Nathan

Dan Nathan '79 and Marcia Grabow '79 have no special qualifications for the office of UAP. In an interview with *The Tech*, Nathan demonstrated that he is unfamiliar with how student government functions. He wants to use his office to make MIT "more accessible to students."

Nathan clearly outlined his goals in his statement in *The Tech's* election supplement last Friday. However, his concern for student welfare appears to be superficial: Nathan claimed in an interview in *thursday*, as well as at the UAP Forum, that he had spoken with his advisor about drop date. When contacted, his advisor could not "confirm or deny" whether this conversation took place. Apparently, Nathan hadn't made much of an impression on his advisor. Would he be more effective as UAP?

Brzustowicz

Michael Brzustowicz '79 and Rebecca Waring '79 are running on a platform of providing leadership and increasing communication between students and faculty.

Brzustowicz was LSC Publicity Director for 3/4 year — longer than many have survived in that position. Waring has been Managing Editor of *The Tech* and is now that paper's Production Manager. They cite this experience as important in achieving their goals.

Brzustowicz claims that he and Waring would work well together, but some people doubt that social partners make good business partners. Waring is hard-working, and when she takes on a job she gets it done. However, the same statement cannot be made about Brzustowicz, according to two LSC ExecComm members. Brzustowicz says this was the only time in his life that he feels he did

not exceed what was expected of him.

Masson

Lisa Masson '80 and Paul Hoffman '79 are by far the most unconventional pair running for UAP/UAVP.

"We're weird," Hoffman told *The Tech*. "We like to have fun." He admits that Masson might have chosen a better running mate, but that "it wouldn't have been as much fun."

Masson and Hoffman say they are serious about their campaign and say they want to win "very much." Hoffman was very disappointed by the editing of Masson's remarks in last week's *thursday*, saying it made her look stupid.

Masson feels that the UA is powerless. Her method is to "get to know the faculty and swing the votes." The GA under Masson's administration would "do whatever they want or it [the GA] will die." Masson and Hoffman see the role of the GA as providing a forum for feedback and dissemination of information.

Stenard

At the UAP Forum, John Stenard '80 and Joann Stock '81 conveyed the impression of being very honest, sincere people. According to Stock, they are running to "provide an alternative for people who don't like grease."

Stenard's major campaign emphasis has been on increasing communication between people. His objective is to provide a good social atmosphere. Stenard offers "beer blasts, parties and pie-throwing contests" as ways to realize this goal.

Stenard says that "if people get to know each other on a social level, it's easier to get unified on other levels."

Stenard appears to be too naive to be a successful politician. When asked how he would get people to come to the GA, he replied, "I would expect them to show up." He believes cutting the size of the GA will allow it to function effectively.

Contrary to the claims of many of the UAP candidates, the office of the UA President is a powerful position. Though not as attractive a position as it once was when the UAP was given a tuition waiver and free room and board, the UAP still commands an \$8,000 discretionary budget which can be used for anything he wants. In reality, the UAP has an infinite budget since the Finance Board must back up any check the UAP writes. With the right person in command, the UA can accomplish a great deal.

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UAP offers views on candidates

Editor's note: Peter Berke '78, the current UAP, requested this space to comment on some of the candidates now up for election. The views expressed are Berke's alone and do not constitute an endorsement by The Tech.

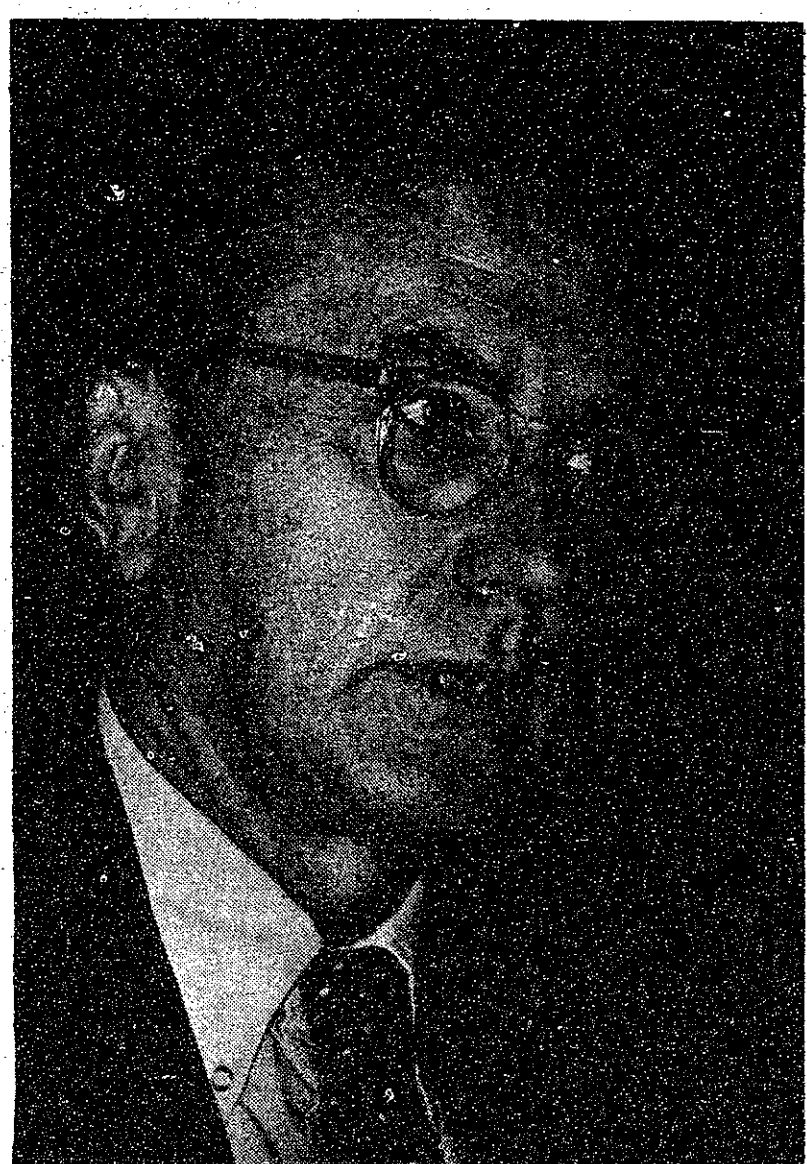
I offered the UAP/UAVP candidates a deal: Pretend you've already won, use my office and my budget, and do whatever you'd do if you won.

Jonathan Hakala '81 and Lisa Masson '80 have taken me up on that. Lisa and Paul Hoffman's campaign is part of what they say they'll do. I think they have a good perspective on the jobs and would be entertaining and exciting as UAP and UAVP. I agree with many of the things they've written and think their approach will work.

Hakala and John Lomanto have organized a student committee to affect Institute policies that affect you. Hakala would be a vocal, insistent, and thoughtful UAP. Since he is a freshman, he'll be less inclined to accept the status quo to which we're all housebroken here.

If you like what these candidates are trying to do, help them. If you want something else done, start it yourself, or with others. These people will help you — whether or not they win.

Remember, vote.



Former CIA director William Colby spoke to a capacity audience last night at an LSC lecture in Kresge. (Photo by David Schaller.)

Gray refuses GSC request

By Ron Newman

MIT Chancellor Paul Gray has refused the Graduate Student Council's (GSC) request that students be appointed to the Ad Hoc Committee on MIT and Intelligence Agencies.

In a letter dated March 23, 1978, Gray stated that, "Contrary to views expressed in the student press, I do not see this Committee's task as that of investigating past activities involving intelligence agencies and their relationships with individuals or groups on this campus." The letter went on to say that the Committee's primary aim is to draw guidelines for the activities of faculty members related to intelligence agencies. "As you know," the letter continued, "other faculty committees concerned with faculty activities do not have student members."

Gray's letter was written in response to a March 21 letter by GSC President Steven Horlitz G, which stated that "to the extent that the CIA might have an influence on our education, as well as finding out about us through our activities on campus, I feel it is very much the business of students to be actively involved in such a committee." Horlitz wrote the letter on behalf of the GSC after two students contacted him asking for representation.

According to Professor of Mathematics Kenneth Hoffman, Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee, the possible CIA-Institute relationships to be studied include "the identifying of students and faculty by colleagues as potential intelligence agency employees without the knowledge of the individuals so named," and "the formal and informal recruiting of students and faculty for employment by the agencies." The 1976 report of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Activities reported that such activities are common on US campuses.

Gray's letter claimed that "it is quite likely . . . that in the process of its deliberations, the Ad Hoc Committee may well gather information and discuss . . . policies and practices that go beyond the

activities of faculty members." It went on to assert that student views would be solicited, possibly through open meetings. "The primary charge, however, remains in the area of faculty activities," the letter continued.

Horlitz said in an interview last week that he felt "fairly satisfied" with the response, and that he would not pursue the matter

further unless "we got indications that graduate students would be affected." Undergraduate Association (UA) Nominations Committee Chairman Barry Newman '79 said that a letter similar to Horlitz's had been prepared on behalf of the UA, but had not yet been sent due to the absence of UA President Peter Berke.

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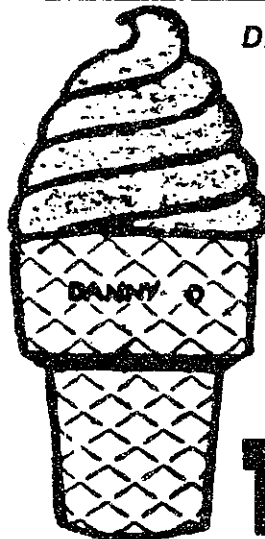
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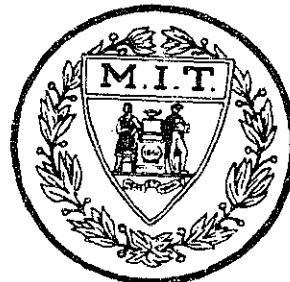
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A Song for All Seasons Renaissance at their best

A Song for All Seasons — Renaissance on Sire Records

By David B. Koretz

Hoping to recover from the dismal sales of their last album, *Novella* (it became a cut-out only a few months after its release), the five musicians of Renaissance have put together their best album since *Turn of the Cards*.

A Song for All Seasons is a well-planned mix of traditional Renaissance orchestrations and a few above-average pop melodies. The problem with many of the group's albums to date has been with the lesser songs thrown in for filler between the major works.

The major cuts on this disc are *Day of the Dreamer* and the title song, which is the

better of the two. *A Song for All Seasons* has a marvelous theme, my favorite since *Mother Russia*. Its overall pattern and changes of mood, however, aren't very original. That seems to be a big problem with a lot of the music on this record: I've heard much of it before.

Back Home Once Again, the theme from a British television series, has an interesting twist in the tune of its chorus; other than that, there's nothing special.

Just because there's nothing special doesn't mean listening to the album isn't enjoyable. I can listen to Annie Haslam's "golden voice" any time, and Renaissance has the least oppressive orchestrations of the progressive classical/rock groups flooding the market with fancy chords.



The Committee on the Visual Arts sponsored a preview of a model of an artwork by British artist Richard Smith. The committee proposed that the work be permanently displayed in Lobby 10. The committee displayed the model this past week, eliciting comments from the MIT community. (Photo by John Grunfeld)

AROUND MIT

Guys and Dolls, the Musical Theatre Guild's spring production will play Thurs.-Sat., at 8pm. Tickets \$3.75 or \$2.50 with MIT ID. Call x3-6294 for reservations.

Sangam, the Indian Student's Club at MIT, is sponsoring a musical soiree with Parween Sultana and Ustand Mohammed Dilshad Khan, two acclaimed Indian performers, Sun. April 16, at 3pm at Kresge Auditorium. Tickets range in price from \$4-\$10, \$1 discount with ID. For reservations call [phone] check (payable to Sangam) to enjoy Maxumdar, 509 Westgate, Cambridge, tel. 494-8713.

Spring Fever Dance, sponsored by the Gays at MIT disco dancing party, Sat., April 15, 10pm, Sala de Puerto Rico, Student Center. Free with MIT/Wellesley ID; drink \$1.

Chapel Carol Epple & Nancy Roth, flute; Laura Jeppesen, viola da gamba; Gisela Krause, harpsichordist, playing works of C.P.E. & J.S. Bach, Thurs., April 13 at the Chapel at 12:10pm; free.

The Role of the Music Critic in Society, Richard Dyer, music critic for the Globe, Wed., April 12, 5pm in Rm. 14E-304; free.

Richard Smith Exhibition of the artist's paintings, drawings, and graphics in the Hayden Gallery and Corridor Gallery through April 19. Filmed BBC interview at 12:45 and 2pm. Gallery hours: Sun.-Fri., 10am-4pm.

The Mezz, Fri., April 14, from 9-12pm, performers, refreshments in a relaxed atmosphere; Mezzazine Lounge.

AT THE MOVIES

This weekend's LSC movie lineup:

Flesh Gordon (X-rated) (Fri.) 7 & 9:30 in 26-100.

Papillon (Sat.) 7 & 10pm in 26-100.

Bridge on the River Kwai (Sun.) 6:30 & 10pm in 26-200.

The Charge of the Light Brigade, the MidNite movie, Sat., April 15, bring a blanket and sit on the floor; 2nd floor of the Student Center; free.

Independent Film and Video Spring Series. Barry Gerson, in person, for the showing of *Inversion*, *Celluloid*, and *Translucent Appearances*, Fri., April 14,

8pm. Also showing, Bobby Roth's *Independence Day*, Sat. & Sun., April 15 & 16, 7:30 & 9:30. Carpenter Center for the Visual Arts, Quincy St. off Harvard Yard.

The Hiding Place, co-sponsored by the MIT Seekers, Sat., April 15, Hayden Hall, Boston U. (School of Management); tickets \$1.50 at the door; only N.E. appearance this season.

Unreel: A Collection from the world's finest short films has returned to the Off the Wall Theatre, 861 Main St., Cambridge. Playing Fri. & Sat. at midnight, admission \$1.50; call 547-5255.

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Roots of Contemporary Art — Prophets: Pont-Aven, the Nabis, Toulouse Lautrec, at the Inst. of Contemp. Art, 955 Boylston St., Boston, April 13, 2pm; call 266-5151 admission \$1.

Chuck Mangione and his Quartet, with the Children of Sanchez, April 14, 8:30pm at Symphony Hall; tickets \$6.50-\$8.50.

Noel Paul Stookey, former member of Peter, Paul, and Mary, at the Berklee Performance Center, Sat., April 15; tickets

\$5.50-\$6.50; call 426-8181.

Stanley Clarke, with Pat Metheny Group, April 16, 8pm at the Orpheum; tickets \$6.50-\$7.50.

Tower of Power, with Lenny White, April 21, 8pm at the Orpheum; tickets \$6.50-\$7.50.

Marshall Tucker Band, April 22, 8pm at the Boston Garden; tickets \$6.50-\$9.

Robert Palmer, April 22, 7pm at the Orpheum; tickets \$7.50-\$8.50.

Art Garfunkel, at Symphony Hall, Tues., April 25, at 8pm; tickets \$7.50-\$8.50.

IN THEATRE

Anything Goes, presented by the Dunster Drama Society April 14, 15, 21, and 22 at 8:15 & 11:15pm at Dunster House, Harvard; tickets \$2; call 498-2203.

Ruddigore, presented by the Harvard Gilbert & Sullivan Players, at the Agassiz Theatre, Radcliffe Yard April 13-29; Thur., Fri., & Sat., 8pm and Sun., 2:30pm. Tickets at Holyoke Center; call 495-2663.

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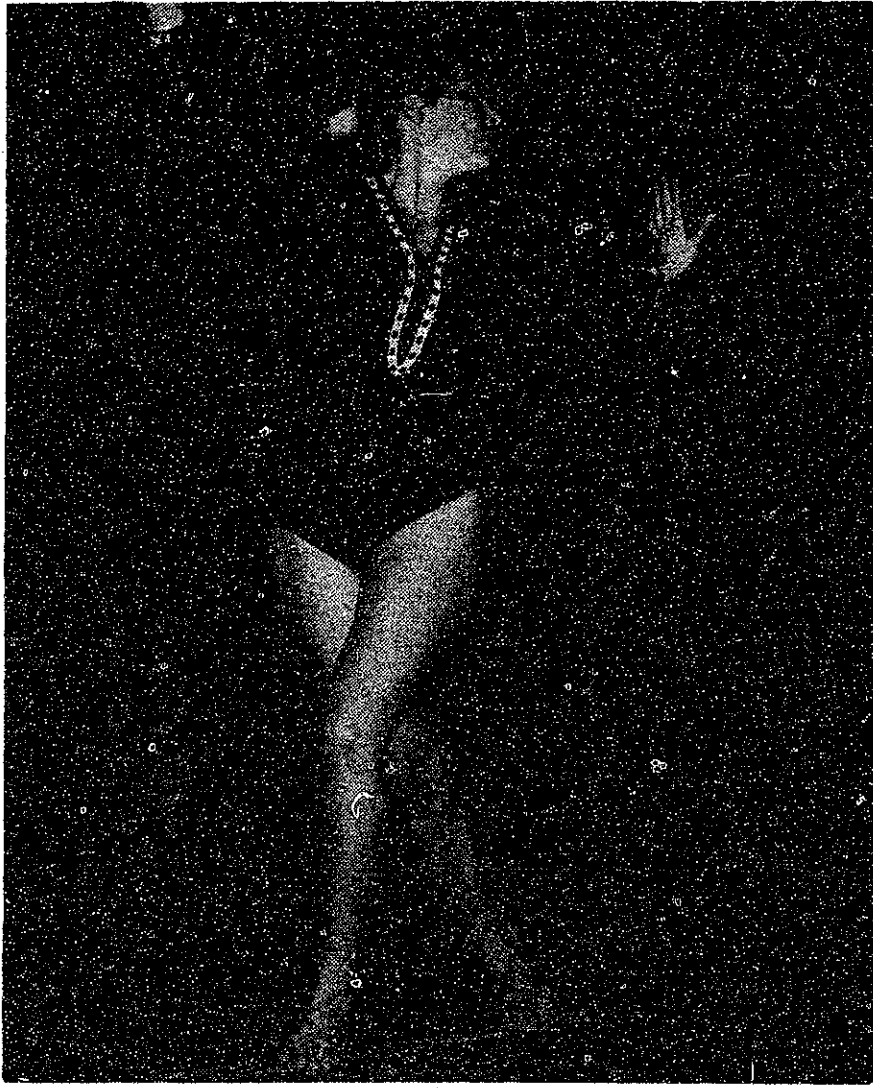
Harris makes All-American

By Helen Miyasaki

Leslie Harris '81 became MIT's first All-American gymnast at the Small College Nationals held at the US Air Force Academy in Colorado March 31 and April 1. Harris, who has amassed a number of firsts at MIT, finished an undefeated season with a fifth place on uneven parallel bars during the finals.

In the preliminary competition, she had a rough start with two falls on the balance beam that dropped her score a full point to 7.55. On floor exercise, she scored 8.2. She qualified for the finals in vaulting with a well-executed handspring full-twist (8.75), and in bars (8.6). In order to qualify for the finals, one must be among the top ten scores.

Harris has been a very consistent, strong competitor in the intercollegiate meets and was one of the fourteen all-around gymnasts selected from across the nation to participate in the Nationals. In addition, fifteen qualifying teams were invited. The team champion was Centenary College (La.) and the all-around champion, also from Centenary, was Kathy Johnson. The top six competitors in each event were named All-American gymnasts.



Leslie Harris, MIT's first female All-American

Men's tennis loses first home match

By Helen Miyasaki

The MIT men's tennis team dropped their first home match to Wesleyan by a score of 8-1. The lone winner was third singles Stan Drobac '79 who defeated his Wesleyan opponent 6-1, 7-6.

On a very chilly, windy Saturday afternoon the Tech men were plagued with physical as well as elemental problems. Members of both teams suffered muscle cramps from the cold. In addition, tennis strategy was often foiled when the wind carried lobs out of bounds.

First singles Neil Rockowitz '78 played an exceptionally tough match against a ranked junior from New Jersey, who came back after losing the first set 3-6 to defeat Rockowitz 6-2, 6-4. Varsity coach Ed Crocker remarked, "Neil played the best I have ever seen him play here at MIT."

Newcomers to the team are fifth singles Joe Pasquale '80 and second doubles Mark Gresset '80. Both have played in a few matches during the fall season but are expected to play more this spring season. There may be a few

more surprises hidden in the freshman team — coach Jim Taylor feels it is the strongest team in twenty years.

The loss of the tennis bubble for early practice was felt during the team's spring break tour

down south, where the sole win was against Georgetown University 5-4. But as the season progresses, the team is expected to improve. Their next home match will be Wednesday against Bowdoin.

Simmons loses to W net team

By Mary Haran

The women's varsity tennis team opened their season with a close 4-3 win over Simmons on Wednesday. The performance was achieved despite adverse wind conditions and only two days of practice.

At first singles, Cathy Greany '78, whose forehand was shaky, dropped the first set. She recovered, taking the second set from Kim Ericson before her opponent retired. Marcia Grabow '79, playing second singles, swept a 6-4, 6-1 win. Captain Stella Perone '78 clinched third singles 6-3, 6-2, defeating Amy Perry. Perone's backhand groundstrokes were kept low, her forehands carried topspin, and her volleys were often angled and decisive. Mary Sukkar '79, back on the team after a one year absence, utilized her groundstrokes to win a tiebreaker 6-3, 7-6. Sue Tiffany '80 at fourth singles and Helen Miyasaki '78 and Nancy Robinson '81 at second doubles both dropped tight three set matches.



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