Frosh contacts planned

By Jay Glass

A class-wide program of summer contacts is being added to the incoming class this year. The new R/O (Residence/Orientation) program is designed to give each MIT student a group of contacts to help them "humanize" MIT's image in an early stage of their college careers.

The purpose of the program, according to Sklar, is to "humanize" MIT's image in an early stage of their college careers. Contacts will be made in person when possible, supplemented by telephone calls if necessary.

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Nation

Nuclear protest — About 100,000 people gathered in front of the US Capitol Sunday to protest the use of nuclear power. Present were Jerry Brown, Ralph Nader, and Jane Fonda. Vehicles damaging — Recreational vehicles such as motorcycles and dune buggies are destroying public lands from California parks to Atlantic coast beaches, according to a report prepared for President Carter by the Council on Environmental Quality. The report recommends that the owners of the 10 million off-road vehicles be made to pay for maintenance of special facilities and trails.

Justice Department investigate Nazis — Walter Rockler, a prosecutor in the Nuremberg trials, will head the Council on Environmental Quality. The report recommended dune buggies are destroying public lands from California parks to the US Capitol Sunday to protest the use of nuclear power. Present were Jerry Brown, Ralph Nader, and Jane Fonda.

Legal Problems?

Landlord-Tenant, Immigration, Personal Injury, Consumer Law, and other areas.

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Announcements

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Dr. John M. Moses, internist in the MIT Medical Department, will discuss common infectious diseases in a talk entitled, "Is It Catching?" The talk will be given at noon tomorrow, in 10-105.

Freshman evaluation forms are due on Friday, May 18. The instructor turn-in deadline is Friday, May 25. Forms were sent to all living groups, and are also available in the Office of Freshman Advising, 7-103.

The MIT Technology and Policy Program is sponsoring a forum entitled "Three Mile Island: Public Faint and Technical Decisions." The program will feature keynote speakers, workshops, and residents from Harrisburg, as well as distinguished scientists. The program starts at 7:30pm, Friday, May 11, and continues on Saturday. Admission is free. For more information, call x-1388.

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UROP pay raises unlikely

(Continued from page 1) per year. Margaret MacVicar said that UROP is considering increasing the wage to $3.50 an hour, which is the present rate for teaching assistants at the Institute. This will most likely depend on an increase in the UROP allocations. The person who can increase the allocations from the general fund is Chancellor Pausl Gray.

MacVicar said that in the past the faculty has proved to be a long-term source of money, and that "they have virtually absorbed all costs for materials and supplies" for student research. This support from research groups has amounted to a considerable amount of money over the past five years. In a period from 1973 to 1974 the support amounted to $73,000. Presently it is $750,000. In contrast, the money from the general fund has remained at $240,000 per year over the same period of time.

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MIT STUDENT CENTER
Tom Curtis

Activism is back

Student activism is making a comeback. On campuses across the country students are protesting against actions ranging from university connections with South Africa to attempts to revive the draft.

Divestment major student issue

Nowhere has student activism been more noticeable than on the South Africa issue. This spring Harvard, Brandeis, and Amherst have all been the scenes of all out divestment protests in companies which do business with South Africa.

Divestment became a major issue two years ago when students at Stanford protested for divestment. This event received nationwide attention and soon students at other schools became involved. Last spring a student divestment Coalition Against Apartheid held a rally on the Student Center steps. This spring students at several schools have organized sit-ins and student strikes to protest the South Africa connection.

Brandeis was the scene of one of the most successful student strikes. In April, nearly half of the Brandeis student body participated in a two-day strike of classes. And when the strike failed to get an administrative response, the students occupied the administration buildings for two days.

Two weeks ago, students staged a similar strike at Harvard following university president Derek Bok's explanation of why the school should not divest. This strike also attracted about half of the student body.

At MIT alone, over 200 students signed an anti-draft petition.

State House popular site for activismin

The success of the divestment movement has inspired students to protest other seemingly immovable actions. On May Day, college students, including students from MIT, gathered at Government Center to demonstrate against attempts by Congress to revive the draft. This demonstration was part of a national May Day protest against the draft.

While some students were marching, others were signing petitions. At a MIT dorm, one of the students signed an anti-draft petition.

Earlier this semester, hundreds of students gathered at the State House to protest another infringement of rights - the Legislature's attempt to raise the legal drinking age. Although the drinking age was eventually raised to 20, the student effort probably kept the legislators from raising it to 21.

The State House has been a popular site for student activism, mostly because of the politics of its primary occupant. Six hundred students from four colleges converged at the State House in April to fight proposed tuition increases which would be needed if Governor Furcolo, who has said he would like to see tuition increase to triple what it is now, gets his way.

Students also protested Governor King's pro-nuclear stance following the Three Mile Island nuclear accident. Nuclear power is one of the other key issues of students.

Students have been protesting the construction of the Seabrook nuclear plant for many years. They have protested by laying construction, if not actually stopping construction altogether.

Sunday, thousands of students trekked to Washington to join in one of the largest anti-nuclear protests ever held.

The reason: human rights

This sudden increase in student activism has many explanations. Some people think it is all a part of a sixties nostalgia kick. Although this may be part of the cause, the major reason for the renewed activism is probably student frustration over the lack of respect for human rights.

The divestment issue became so big because students were frustrated by the lack of concern for human rights in South Africa; they see college administrators more interested in the value of stock dividends than in where those dividends come from. When student protests don't work, students have no choice but to take to the streets.

The draft and the drinking age are dire assaults on students' rights. Once again those in power ignore rights and students take to the streets.

Finally, student activism is so popular because it works. Before divestment protests, no one ever cared about corporate involvement in South Africa; now they do.

It's time for congressmen, state legislators, and university administrators paid to attend students. If they don't, they can expect to hear from us for a long, long time.

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Technical objects to review

To the Editor:

The review of the 1979 Techni- cian by Gordon Half in the April 27 issue of The Tech contained a number of erroneous and mis-leading comments which we wish to clarify. Two of Haft's com- ments are particularly indefensi- ble.

As no time has a member of the managing board of Technique ob- jected to copy on the grounds that it detracted from the photography, nor has anyone on the board claimed that there is not enough space devoted to such pages.

On the contrary, when the board of Technique took over last year, we wanted to encourage good writing and made a specific appeal for writers in our letter to freshmen. However, unlike many publications, we are not highly structured and a great deal of initiative on the part of the editorial board is required. If we do not hand out specific as- signments to our staff, a number of students (generally four or five) have chosen to write for Technique, with the understanding that their writing will be considered for publication. Despite (or perhaps because of) our flexibility and en- couragement, we were unable to get many people to write for us, and in general we have not been able to keep our photographic quality high enough to allow us to publish many pages which Gordon found to be poor quality.

We cannot take exception with photographs may have been in the minor. We checked the book, discounting sections like ads or the senior section, where we can't help but include people, and 2/3 of the pages had photos that were centered around or concerned with people. The 1979 Technique which Gordon praised so highly, contains only slightly more peo- ple pictures. It also contains ten pages devoted to the architecture of MIT, compared to the eight pages which Gordon found to be oppres- sive this year.

To the Editor:

The cartoons presented on the opinion page of the May 1 issue of The Tech approach issues of vital concern to the Third World community. The Paul Hubbard cartoon is a greatly one-sided depiction of the Chettle incident. The Mike Peters cartoon which may make a valid comment on the wackos in Zimbabwe is, at face value, of no interest to the student body. Unfortunately, these cartoons fall very short of making a lucid, understandable statement. They are not substitutes for a sensitive discussion of these issues. If the Tech does intend to provide a forum for these issues and pre- tend to serve the intellectual needs of the MIT community it behooves you to supply information of greater quality and depth than you do at present.

We would certainly appreciate it.

Parmeshwar Raval '79
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Paul Hubbard -

Oh no, I forgot what I was doing, this is a far as I saw in the mirror...

Feedback:

It can even remember what I said to do in the Six manual. Maybe Karen has one I can

look at...

By Kent C. Massey
Ignoring Moon may be dangerous

To the Editor:
I found the letter in defense of Sun Myung Moon, written by J. Andrew Combs (Tuesday May 27), to be quite alarming for a realization of the Kingdom of God on Earth. Watson, a former Moon disciple, gives a portrayal of cult manipulation and psychological violence, and provides a good close-up look at the realities of life in the Moon cult. One may also presume to contact Dr. J. C. Clark, Assistant Clinical Professor of Psychiatry at Mass. General Hospital/Harvard Medical School, and a leading expert on the psychology of cults, for his views on the Moon phenomenon. How can one who encourages people to lie in order to further the cause of his organization be worthy of our trust and admiration? As a matter of theology, no one should be persuaded by Mr. Combs' presentation of a God who needs our conflict, as if He is at our mercy! This feeling sorry for God is a far cry from the Judeo-Christian concept of a God who relates to us, not because He needs our love, but because we need His love, and He is kind and merciful. Who could stand for a Comic Weakling? No one should be fooled, whether you are religious or not. Although Moon's followers, such as Mr. Combs, may be quite sincere, and to some may seem quite harmless, Moon himself appears to be a very clever man, who knows what he wants, who seems to have a plan to get it, and who, it appears, will do anything to achieve that goal. Ignoring him will not make him go away — we must inform him, and we must get the message across that he is not, and all of us will suffer loss.

Jack Collins

Moon's views are sincere

To the Editor:
The "questions" raised about Rev. Moon by Mr. Styer in his letter to The Tech (Tuesday May 1) are nothing more than veiled accusations against someone completely dedicated to a life of honesty, integrity, and dignity, qualities sadly lacking in the most recent assault upon this absolutely righteous man. The fake charges of "heretic," "bluespammer," and "perverter of our young people" are the same historical accusations leveled at Socrates, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jesus Christ, and all men of greatness. This type of bigoted attack perpetrated against Rev. Moon by Mr. Styer, the media, and others, is just a cover-up for racial prejudice, for religious intolerance, and for our fear to face the challenge of great ideas.

Rev. Moon was appointed in 1956 by Jesus Christ with the mission to complete the task of Christ to realize one unified world under God. Rev. Moon seeks, therefore, the unification of worldwide Christianity. The Divine Principle taught by Rev. Moon is a consistent, logical and unified view of the Bible and creation, which reveals the fundamental unity underlying both the laws of the universe studied in science and the absolute principles of moral and ethical relationships studied in religion. From the Divine Principle issues forth a philosophy which supersedes all modern manias and materialism, an historical perspective which clearly reveals the plan of God to restore His Ideal, and an ideology which exposes the false doctrine and present day evil or worldwide communist tyranny. These are truly significant contributions, and I heartily agree with Mr. Styer's comment that the MIT community has a right to hear the truth and ask questions about Rev. Moon publicly. Yet, the MIT administration has already given an MIT audience to Rev. Moon's representatives: first to the Union Church in the spring of 1979, then to CARP less than one month ago. Coupled with the recent cancellation of the "Jews for Jesus" meeting at MIT, one cannot help but conclude that the administration is afraid to allow the free expression of ideas in a public forum. Is it because the free expression of controversial ideas may cause the wealthy alumni and big business people that pay our administrators' salaries to reduce their support? Our community has a right to know why our freedom of speech is being suppressed?

CARP and the Unification Church demand our right to speak! I personally love MIT, but let the truth be spoken, let the truth be heard!

J. Andrew Combs
The Wild Duck is not a fowl production

The Wild Duck, by Henrik Ibsen, starring Albert Ruesga, Stefano Bertozzi, Karen Larson, David Waggett, Kate Dunton. Directed by Joseph Everingham, an MIT Dramashop Production.

By Margie Beadle

This spring has brought its share of dramatic treats to MIT — first, the Shakespeare Ensemble's superlative performance of Ibsen's The Wild Duck. This staging of the Ibsen classic is obviously the result of an intelligent and careful reading of the script as well as some fine interpretive work from virtually every member of the cast.

Action in The Wild Duck centers about Gregers Werle, a conscience-driven idealist determined to help a happily-married friend, Hjalmar Ekdal, to spiritual growth by bringing him to understand the unpleasant reality of the circumstances surrounding his marriage. In an attempt to avenge his deceased mother, Gregers' father, Hjelmar Werle, was once the lover of Hjalmar's wife, Nina, and that it was he, rather than Hjalmar, who fathered Hedvig, Gina and Hjalmar's only child. However, the spiritual growth Gregers anticipates is never realized, for Hjalmar, a consummately inconsiderate man who sees himself as an ill-used creative genius, fails to respond nobly to the revelation, and instead, grows more and more frustrated with both wife and child. The play, then, is a realist treatment of the tragedy that must result when the child. The plays then is a realist treatment of the tragedy that must result when the child.

The piece opens rather slowly, and the cast soon becomes resonant, creating a convincing tone of righteous indignation, high-toned moral concern, gentleness, vengeance, saintliness, and fanatical obsession. He strikes a balance between these conflicting personality elements best in the final scenes, where he is pathetically moving as a man who fails to understand how his well-intentioned interference has brought about Hedvig's tragic death. Bertozzi is marvellously consistent and convincing as the impassioned, proper Ekdal. He traces this character's development throughout the action of the play in an emotionally spontaneous, and thus thoroughly credible and moving fashion, becoming by turns both ridiculously and tragically self-centered.

Karen Larson gives a performance of rare sympathy and grace as Gina. She is a delight to watch, for her interpretation is nearly flawless, and she serves as a soothing, yet powerful stage presence in the midst of this presentation's considerable dramatic tension. Kate Dunton is enchantingly childlike, yet possessed of a touching gravity and maturity as the fourteen-year-old Hedwig.

David Waggett portrays Hjalmar's elder father with extreme wit and sensibility, giving as sensitivity at its most amusing and affecting, while Evil Millet is most believably dignified, paternal, and even slightly stuffy as Gregers' father. There is a created sense of private humor to Matt Dahl's brief appearance as Movick, the 'domestic' warded clergyman, while Barbara Masi is charmingly elegant and matter-of-fact as Mrs. Sorty, the elder Mr. Verle's bride-to-be. Mark Schafer's characterization of Dr. Relling is perhaps the evening's weakest portrayal of a major character, for at times, Schafer seems more concerned by the significance of his lines than by the task of creating a convincing character. Nevertheless, his performance, designed sets by William Fregosi help to make the presentation a visual, as well as a dramatic delight. In short, The Wild Duck is a pleasure to watch, particularly for one unfamiliar with Ibsen's play, for the Dramashop's production is uniformly excellent.

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This year’s funding will come from the Athletic Department. Last year funds came from the Dean for Student Affairs Office. The $5000 which they will receive will be used for transportation and purchasing and reconditioning equipment. This figure is in the same ballpark as many other varsity sports. For example, hockey’s funding is about $7000.

Therrien is “looking for a winning season in the upcoming year.” He said that last year ‘we had to prove we could play.’ They feel they did that and with improved coaching the team should improve.

Next fall’s schedule, which features four home games, is a mixture of squads which the club played this past year and some new ones. Coach Stone describes the teams which the club will be playing (Norwalk, Roger Williams, Fairfield, New York Maritime, Fitchburg State, and Stonybrook) as being ‘some pretty good opponents but no one we shouldn’t be able to beat.’

Due to the uncertainty with incoming freshmen as well as returning players, Stone is as yet unwilling to pin down the team’s strengths and weaknesses. He did say, however, that the offensive backfield should be strong since almost everyone who played in those positions last year is returning. Therrien is looking for a final squad size of about 50 people which he says is ideal for a ‘low budget but well organized’ team such as MIT’s.

MIT’s football club has certainly attracted more student interest than almost anyone, including its organizers, dared believe before last season. Help continue this interest next year. Go out and see a few games. After all, where else but MIT can you hear cheers like ‘e to the x, du dx...’ and where else can you see a UMOC contest winner as a homecoming queen?

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produced by Robert Scanlan

sets by William Fregosi

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Men's rugby improving

By Tom Bryant
Editor's note: Tom Bryant is a member of the MIT Rugby Football Club.

Following a proposal made by MIT a year ago, the New England Rugby Football Union sponsored a collegiate tournament this year. Fifteen colleges showed last Saturday for two days of rugby at the Amherst campus of the University of Massachusetts. The four semi-finalists were to earn places in the sixteen-club tournament to decide the overall New England Champion. The other two entries are selected from the senior clubs in the region.

MIT's first match was against a side from the University of Connecticut. Due to several mental lapses in the MIT defense, UCConn broke through late in the game to register a 13-0 victory. The match was well-played, with the power of MIT's forwards eventually outdone by the speed of UCConn's backs. Later in the day, MIT met a side from UMass which had borrowed a few spam players from other clubs. MIT came through in the second half to record an 8-0 shut-out. Again, the dominance of the Beavers' forward pack showed as they played a tough, cohesive game. Both tries were scored by forwards -- the first by Buck Crowther '80, at open-side flanker, and the second by Tom Bryant G, playing second row when he crashed through on a short penalty play. Number 8 Marc LeMarshall G played his finest game of the season at the back of the scrum. Co-captain and scrum-half Mark Leveson G was clearly the most effective player on the field as he made repeated long attacking runs and kicks to move the ball into UMass territory.

Football prospects excellent

By Gordon R. Haff

Befuddled by an unexpected student interest last year, the MIT Football Club will begin its second year of existence next fall. Keith Therrien '90, the president of the club, is optimistic about the future of the team, as many of last year's players will be returning. In addition, Therrien says that he has written letters to about 60 incoming freshmen who played football in high school. Of course, he doesn't know yet how many of these freshmen will decide to attend MIT or, how many of them will play football. According to Therrien, one of the team's major problems last year was the coaching situation. Their coach was not on contract and did not always come to practice. Possibly, the club has contracted two people and hopes to get two more. Dwight Stone, who was the assistant coach last year, will be working full-time at the Athletic Department this year and will act as the offensive line coach. Mark Shapiro has also been reviewed by the Athletic Department and been hired as a receiver coach. The Club is also looking for one or two student managers.

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