A rare substance—free time returns

By Glen Brownstein

It’s almost the end of term, and the tradition over the past few years has been to recap the past year, to mention all the wonderful (and not-so-wonderful) things that happened at dear old MIT in 1975-76.

For many people who’s probably somewhat depressing in one area or another, so I’ll let that tradition die.

Looking ahead to the summertime. While many of us will spend 15 glorious weeks sunning and funning far from here, others will get the rare privilege of enjoying an entire summer in Boston! The problem is, what do all of us do? We’re free.

You’ll probably find that the summer session is slower-paced at MIT. For one, very few students are taking a full load of courses, and even though we have full-time summer jobs. As a result, there is lots of “free time,” an archaic concept during the winter months.

The “summer” session is from mid-May to early August, and we’ll catch most of you back in September.

To: Mr. Barry Goldman:
Ms. Jennie R. Patrick

(A copy of this letter was sent to The Tech.)

Opinion

Responsibility for the development and implementation of the Institute’s housing program rests with the Office of the Dean for Student Affairs. Therefore, it is both necessary and proper that we play a role in the selection of graduates. As the senior officer of the Institute in this area, it is my task to make certain that all processes pertaining to these programs be carried out in a fair and effective manner.

Let me assure you that the Office of the Dean for Student Affairs is here if we need them to make a right decision. In the case of Ms. Goldman (and partially in the case of the Mr. Yehobal) reliance was placed on allegations which, upon closer examination, appear incomplete and incorrect. This, it is now evident that the conclusions drawn were unwarranted.

To the Editor:

This is a response to the letter by Douglas H. Meadl in describing the political and economical status of Taiwan. I am a Taiwanese who came here as a student in 1974. Having been raised and educated in the atmosphere of Chinese culture and style, I am sure that there is a much better position to understand the situation in Taiwan than anyone else.

It is regretful to see the statements of Dr. Meadl in this view reflects a very shallow understanding of the real situation in Taiwan. For example, he could not see that we have been so suppressed and so brainwashed to the point that we in Taiwan dare not express our negative view of the Chiang Kuo regime. For instance if a Taiwanese were confronted by a reporter for his opinion on the Chiang government, he will most probably not even dare to say “no comment” in fear of being interpreted by Chiang secret police.

Dr. Meadl’s statement that Taiwanese like Chiang Kuo better than their own political leaders, obviously does not understand the psychology of the Taiwanese people. The political stability in Taiwan mentioned by Dr. Meadl is the result of ideological brainwashing. Their identification requires multiple inputs. The process can be— and will be made through, more open and more candid.

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