Alcohol policy will be revised

Kegs banned from living groups

By Prabhat Mehta

A revised edition of MIT's alcohol policy — likely to be released within the next several weeks — will include a ban on kegs from all MIT living groups. The ban, which will apply to fraternities and other independent living groups as well as on-campus dormitories, comes as a response to outside pressures from the cities of Boston and Cambridge.

The keg provision has already been publicized through this year's edition of the Basic Regulations of the Institute Houses, which states, "The cities of Boston and Cambridge have passed ordinances which effectively prohibit kegs from college dormitories, fraternities and independent living groups. As of this year, kegs will be banned from all MIT living groups."

Although knowledge of the ban has reached student leaders in the fraternity and dormitory systems through word of mouth and the Basic Regulations, rampant keg parties have continued in recent years motivated by the revisions in the alcohol policy, according to Susanna C. Hinds, director of campus activities.

In April 1980, the Boston Licensing Board passed a regulation limiting the amount of alcohol students could bring into dormitories or fraternal kegs. This policy effectively banned the use of kegs in Boston.

TheBLB decision came after numerous complaints from police, college administrators and angry residents about out-of-control "keg parties." Last spring, the Cambridge Licensing Board cited similar reasons for backing a measure which would ban kegs from all student living groups in Cambridge.

According to the CLC's chairman, James C. McDevitt, representatives from Harvard University and MIT said they would ban kegs on their own to prevent action from the city. The CLC complied, he said, and did not pass a keg ban.

Campus Police Chief Anne P. (Please turn to page 2)

MIT appeals NS decision

By Prabhat Mehta

MIT on Wednesday sent 45-page package commentaries to NSF officials of the National Science Foundation's decision-making National Science Board, asking them to "review and reconsider" their Aug. 6 decision to locate the new National High Magnetic Field Laboratory at Florida State University in Tallahassee.

Though NSF officials could not be reached for comment yesterday, representatives have previously said that the NSF will not reverse its decision and go with MIT.

The package contains three letters — by President Paul E. Gray '54, Francis Bitter Nuclear Magnet Laboratory Director, and MIT Provost Donald J. Leitner '65, and Vice President for Research Kenneth A. Smith '58 — which blame the decision on two staff members circumscribed within the NSF.

"If the staff summaries had presented a fair and adequate comparison of the two proposals, we would not contest the NSF decision," wrote Gray in his letter.

"Regrettably, it was not the case.

According to Gray's letter, the memorandum "failed to give . . . important data significant to the decision; presented incomplete and unbalanced comparisons between the two principal competitors on key issues; and provided no analytical comparison of the complex technical considerations in the proposals and their differing consequences for participants in the field and for US leadership in it."

The memorandum — written by then NSF Director Erich Bloch on Aug. 6 and NSF Assistant Director for Mathematical and Physical Sciences David A. Sanc her on Aug. 17 — recommended that the NSF overturn the decision and go with MIT.

(MIT officials could not be reached for comment Thursday."

The survey provided rough figures on the number of freshmen and new students assigned to each dormitory. Some of the numbers are inflated because freshmen currently in dorms are still pledging fraternities and ILGs.

Both the ODSA and the Interfraternity Council expect the numbers to change by today and through next week. As of last night, 375 freshmen had pledged fraternities or ILGs, according to Arild W arszawski '80, IFC Judicial Committee chair.

Although Neal H. Dorow, assistant to fraternities and ILGs, had originally put the total ILG pledge goal at 400, he said yesterday that on the average, ILS pledge around 360-370 freshmen each year.

Both Dorow and Warszawski said that the ILG rush hasn't been as successful this year. According to informal rules, ILGs must honor their bids through today. Dorow said that the numbers will continue to change.

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Crows, crowds, and more crowds

A few dormitories usually operate with "permanent crowds" — rooms which MIT classes classified as crowded but dormitory residence consider comfortable and fill each year. Baker House, for example, had 18 rooms as freshmen quadruples.

However this year the house added 10 more people, resulting in 9 quads and rooms, said Gerald R. Cain '91, Baker House rooming coordinator.

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Evelyn Murphy speaks on abortion rights

By Andrea Lamberti

In a well-received speech at MIT on Tuesday, Massachusetts Lt. Gov. Evelyn Murphy focused on the importance of the abortion rights issue in the upcoming gubernatorial election.

Murphy, a candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor of Massachusetts, pointed out differences between her stance on the issue of abortion and the positions of her opponents, former Attorney General Francis X. Bellotti and Boston University President John Silber.

Murphy called herself "the only real pro-choice candidate," claiming that both Bellotti and Silber have their abortion positions on current public opinion polls and that, deep down, they do not support abortion rights.

She claimed her opponents are "trying to use a pro-choice label to cover up their anti-choice positions." According to Murphy, Silber "has announced that giving women the right to choose safe and legal abortions is the same as giving them the right to commit infanticide."

Silber has also "been found guilty of sex discrimination by the federal courts" and guilt of "hostility toward women by those women who had to work for him at Boston University," she said.

Murphy accused Bellotti of shifting his position on the issue of abortion and recalled his support for legislation that denied "public funding for Medicaid recipients, aborting women the right to choose their own future."

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Murphy's speech focused on the issue of abortion rights in the upcoming gubernatorial election. She then questioned what his stance would be in the future, if "Roe is gone."

Court system will affect the future of abortions

Citing the impact of the court system on the future of abortions, Murphy promised that, as governor, the issue of the abortion rights would be of primary concern in making judicial appointments.

The governor of the state will "choose judges who will serve long after her term," she said. And for that reason, Murphy said she would not appoint a judge whose "position on fundamental constitutional issues" she did not know.

Murphy claimed her opponents do not hold the same position on judicial appointees. Bellotti "says he has no particular principles in mind" regarding appointees, and Silber "would never nominate a judge with the record — or the attitude — of Bork."

Crowd filled with Murphy supporters

The mere presence of Murphy and her National Organization for Women supporters energized the crowd in 6-120. Molly Yard, president of NOW, introduced Murphy, and lauded her as one of the "absolutely superb" female candidates for governor across the country this year. The Massachusetts primary election is Sept. 16.

Murphy also stressed the importance of the abortion issue this year, stating that the "lives of women in this country are on the line" because they are "very close to losing the right to have an abortion."

Rebecca D. Kaplan '92 of the Association for Women Students, which sponsored the event, said Murphy's speech an "historic event for Women."}

Alcohol policy will ban kegs from living groups

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Glavin said MIT initially had no objection to the CCL keg ban. But Harvard officials opposed the wording of the CCL proposal, she said, and their opposition eventually led to action on the university level, rather than by the city.

The changes in the alcohol policy, Murphy said, are a direct result of action by the Student Conduct Committee, which sponsored the event, bringing the issue to the attention of the student body.

Glavin conceded with that assessment, and indicated that although MIT parties often involve beer kegs, no special tactics would be employed to enforce the new ban. "We're not going out on a crusade against kegs at parties," she said.

Major impact onPortrait predicted

There has been little reaction from students toward the keg ban. Many dormitory and fraternity leaders, like Interfraternity Council Judicial Committee chair Ariel Warszawski '90, simply predicted the ban will have on party decision making.

But others, like Burton-Center President Poorti Srivastava '91, expressed concern over the impact the ban will have on party costs. One advantage of kegs, she noted, is that they are relatively inexpensive when compared to bottled or canned beer. "It will be much more expensive to get alcohol for parties," she said.

Undergraduate Association President Marish Bapna '91 criticized the lack of student involvement in the alcohol policy revision.

Hindu noted that student opinion was solicited during the revision process, but that no decisions were involved in the final decision making.

Regarding the keg ban, Bapna said, "I think MIT was caught in between and ended up taking the easy way out by appeasing the sky." The construction of keg use came from the head of residence and campus activities, James K. Twhey, according to Glavin. Despite the phone calls over the past week, Twhey could not be reached for comment.

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The Tech

Gas for the camera! A harmless-looking "SMILE" banner released 2000 Superballs hand-painted with smiley faces at the shooting of the freshman class photo last Friday.
Compiled by Dave Watt and Lois Eaton
LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Frosh must learn about AEPI, DPI

Rush is over for most fraternities. But while brothers from most houses are settling in, others are just beginning the recruitment process. Two organizations which face controversy this fall are Delta Pi and Alpha Epsilon Pi. Both face anti-discrimination charges from other fraternities because they lack a house. The events which caused this issue were made known to all students before they choose to join either organization.

Last year, the brothers of DPI were known as the Mu Tau chapter of AEPI. After years of disagreements between the under-graduate brothers and the national fraternity, the chapter was reorganized. During this process, only 10 of the 55 brothers were asked to return to continue the fraternity. All of the remaining brothers were made "instant alumni." Of the ten brothers who were asked to stay, only one accepted. This one was a senior who was to graduate in June. Everyone else was immediately evicted from the fraternity house on Bay State Rd.

The reasons given for this action were three violations of the insurance policy which covered the chapter. One of the violations was the possession of an empty keg. Another was the chapter's poster in order to publicize a party. The third happened on a trip, when three brothers failed to sign a form from a school in China.

We, the former brothers of the Mu Tau chapter of AEPI, never denied any of our actions. We always took whatever action was necessary to change our policies when we were made aware that they violated our insurance regulations. When we were told that the national organization felt that our actions were extremely serious and required strong punitive action, we did not immediately accept the type of discipline that the national had planned. We agreed that action was necessary, and were very willing to be thoroughly educated about the insurance policy in order to avoid any further violations. The surprise expressed by the brothers regarding the decision to reorganize was only exceeded by the complete shock of the decision to evict the brothers from the house.

Several other motives have been suggested for the actions of the national office of AEPI toward its chapter at MIT. The one which is most controversial is that of discrimination. AEPI, which faces controversy this fall, is a national, Jewish organization. A strong majority of its chapters boast a total or almost total Jewish membership. Of the 55 members of the Mu Tau chapter, only seven were Jewish.

Although we no longer have a house, the actions which have been taken against us have made us realize that we cannot make our fraternity the bonds of friendship and brotherhood which existed between us will exist forever. This is the reason why we have formed a new fraternity, DPI. With the support of many alumni, we have decided to continue our fraternity. As instant alumni we can share it with others. We know that it will be difficult, but it is very important to us.

Wolfe will teach 9.00 this term

In an effort to staunch the flow of phone calls on this topic, let me make it clear that I am teaching Introduction to Psychology this fall. It is not known if the course will be taught by anyone next fall. If we need to restrict enrollment, this will be done by lottery among those attending the first lecture on Wednesday, Sept. 12 at 3 pm in 10-250.

Jeremy Wolfe, '81
Class of '92 Associate Professor

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MIT appeals for magnet lab

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The board rejected MIT's proposal—which involves upgrading and enlarging the Francis Bitter laboratory—for the recommendations of three separate merit review panels.

In his recommendation, Sanchez claimed that "the level of commitment of the two institutions was strikingly different." He felt that FSU, "while not having on board at present the scientific quality of those at MIT, was clearly committed to creating a national center of excellence."

In contrast, he noted that "reviewers stated that (Francis Bitter) was put in place by the University's administration, who regarded it as peripheral."

Bloch's memo argued that "at $60 million, the level of funding which is currently recommended by NSF, it is evident... that MIT would perhaps not be able to... create a first rate laboratory, thereby placing the long-term high magnetic field capability of the U.S. at risk."

"On the other hand," Bloch asserted, "the higher risk (Florida State) proposal offers strong, long-term support from the State of Florida, and thus considerable scientific and engineering potential in terms of future scientific and technical personnel, and long-term funding stability."

Sororities successful this year

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Sorority rush successful

About 250 women attended sorority rush this year, according to Danielle J. Ford '91, president of Alpha Chi Omega, who came through were amazing rush was "excellent. The people who came through were amazing this year," she said.

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"The fact is that the NSF staff... that MIT was committed to establishing the best high field magnet laboratory in the world... ." The NSF also questioned MIT's commitment to recruiting new personnel, but Lister claimed that "while FSU as a start-up operation will necessarily be faced with the need to recruit essentially an entirely new faculty and staff, MIT will not."

Furthermore, MIT disputed the cost-sharing estimates made by the NSF. The Institute said it will provide $37 million from its own resources and $23 million from the State of Florida, and thus considerable scientific and engineering potential in terms of future scientific and technical personnel, and long-term funding stability."

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Letters protest NSB decision

(Continued from page 8) other sources for a total of $60 million — not the $18 million stated in Bloch's memo. Thus, since FSU pledged $58 million in support, cost-sharing is not a legitimate issue, said Litster.

The NSF plans to spend $60 million over the next five years on the new lab. In addition, the Francis Bitter National Magnet Laboratory, located at 155 Albany St., would probably be relocated, and the existing facility would be received for $10 million. The new lab would be a $18 million improvement on the old facility, and the added capacity is needed.

The MIT proposal involves the Los Alamos National Laboratory in New Mexico and the University of Florida. MIT's plan includes area universities and companies as well as the national laboratories at Brookhaven, NY, Argonne, IL, and Ames, IA, and the University of Wisconsin.

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Thieves leave bloody trail

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In another recent student cen-
ter robbery, a burglar broke into
the Musical Theatre Guild office,
also on the fourth floor, stealing
a Macintosh computer and a por-
table stereo and compact disk
player sometime between 7 pm
Saturday and 10 am Sunday,
according to Mary Linton B.
Thompson '92, secretary of
MTG. The stolen items did not
belong to MTG itself, but to two
of the group's members.

There was no sign of forced
entry on the office door, Thomp-
son said, but she "sincerely"
doubted that the crime was
committed by a Guild member,
because members would have
known where to find MTG funds.
The thief most likely knew
the combination on the MTG of-
fer's door lock, which is changed
after each MTG show.

The burglar tried to open a
padlocked desk drawer by clip-
ping the lock and bending the
drawer back. An internal desk
lock prevented the thief from
opening the drawer, though,
where MTG had about $3000.

Equipment stolen from
The Tech last summer

Over the summer, burglars
broke into the offices of The
Tech and steals stereo equip-
ment and telephones valued at
a total of $5000. Sometime be-
tween 2 am and 3 am on June 6,
they broke through the lowered
vents at the bottom of the doors
to get inside.

They took three digital tele-
phones, one computer monitor
and three keyboards.

As of yesterday afternoon, the
Campus Police would not con-
firm a relationship among the
four burglaries.

Phillip J. Walsh, director of
the Campus Activities Complex,
said that as far as he knew there
were no other student center
break-ins over the summer.

UA considers new
security measures

The UA office is not equipped
with a burglar alarm system, ac-
cording to UA President Manish
Bapna '91, with the exception of
the Finance Board office door.
Currently the UA is researching
alarms that would connect to the
sockets of electrical equipment,
"for all the student groups" with
space in the student center,
Bapna said.

"We [also] really have to ex-
plain the idea of getting a night
watchman for the student cen-
ter," Bapna added. With that
type of security, student groups
might not have to install alarm
systems in their offices, he noted.

Presently, the building is on a
route schedule for the Campus
Police, Walsh said. He also said
the Campus Activities Complex
is planning to write a letter to
groups in the student center, ask-
ing them to take precautionary
measures in an attempt to in-
crease "sensitivity to these
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