Housing raised 7%, Commons increased

By Mark James

Housing rates will increase by nearly 7 percent and commons meal rates by 7 percent for the upcoming school year.

Both increases are slightly smaller than the 8.4 percent housing and 6 percent dining increases of last year. The January 1978 drop in the Massachusetts meals tax, from 8 to 6 percent means that students will end up paying 4 percent more including tax than last year.

Aside from the rate increases, no other changes were made in the housing rate structure or in commons plans.

Dormitory Council President Tom Potter '79 said that housing and dining rates were presented to house presidents at a meeting held March 10. Students at the meeting were told that the new rates were necessary to offset inflation and that there was nothing that could be done about the increases, according to Potter.

In past years students were involved in the process of reviewing these rates, although they were not allowed to look at cost figures — they were merely allowed to distribute among students the increases needed to offset cost increases.

Potter said he feels that students should have access to the cost figures, although he added "I don't think it will do any good." He said that since students did not have access to cost figures, last year's rate review was "a waste of time."

A report on the new rates, which was distributed to students last week, notes that "no single item dominates" the housing increase, but that a new sewer tax and an increase in dormline rates to reflect the "true cost" of the dormline system contributed to the hike.

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Intercollégiate football comes back

By Tom Curtis

After a 51-year absence, intercollégiate football is returning to MIT.

Tom Recktor '78 and Bruce Weeb '79, two members of SAE's perennial intramural foot- ball champions, are organizing a football team which should begin competition next fall.

Despite a snowstorm, 35 people came to an organizational meeting Thursday evening at SAE. According to Recktor, "99 percent" of those who came were high school lettermen. Many of them earned such honors as All-City, All-State, and even All-American. Recktor says he knows about 32 students who're not part of the meeting but are interested.

The first priority of the club is the drafting of a charter which will be completed within the next two weeks. Then the club will seek official approval through the Athletic Association.

The club is trying to be admitted to the New England Colonial Football Conference which is made up of nine collegiate club teams and the New England Intercollegiate Footbal Conference which includes the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where varsity football was disbanded last fall, is one place Recktor is checking. To pay for the equipment, the team will get loans initially. Later, a fund-raising drive may be used.

The resumption of football at MIT means students will now be able to play football at the intercollégiate level as they play all other major sports.

Students riot at BU over tuition increase

By Jordana Hollander

In a scene reminiscent of the late 1960's over 900 Boston University students trapped the Board of Trustees in the Sherman Student Union on last Thursday in protest over the planned $400 tuition and 350 room and board raises for next year.

The trustees were holding their monthly meeting when the students began to gather outside the building. The crowd was called "peaceful but determined to have their point heard" by Terri Taylor, a writer for the BC post. "Students were demanding to see the president and the trustees but the meeting was interrupted by a group of about 25 students demanding to see Silber. This larger group claimed that the four who were with Silber did not represent the full range of student opinion. Madison said that at this point Silber refused to meet with a larger student group until a later time.

He did offer to hold a meeting to explain the tuition raise on March 26 or 27 to be broadcast to the student body. Before the date could be set the students entered the building and forced the trustees back into little meeting room. After about 35 minutes Boston Police cleared the building, allowing the trustees' meeting to be moved to the Great Hall. Madison said that the meeting was moved as it was obvious the trustees were completing all items on the agenda. The tuition raise was not discussed, however, because the trustees had already approved it. The voting was held through the mail because the last trustee's vote was not turned in.

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World

UN asks for Israeli withdrawal — The Security Council of the United Nations adopted a resolution Sunday requesting Israel to withdraw its military forces from Southern Lebanon. The Council also moved to establish a 4,000-man force to prevent further disputes in the border area. The US-sponsored resolution was adopted after a vote 12-0.

French left loses to coalition in election — Contrary to indications from last week’s “primary” elections in France, the right-center coalition now in power gained a comfortable majority of seats in the French parliament after the final election on Monday. The coalition won 388 seats, 42 more than the majority necessary to control the legislature.

Huge oil spill off French coast — Supertanker Amoco Cadiz ran aground during a storm off the coast of Portsall, France, last Tuesday. The authorities cannot predict how much larger the spill will get. The uncertain number of tanks were ruptured and together, and the oil is dispersed into the sea. The uncertainty on board.

National

Byrne gives final approval on gambling — New Jersey Governor Brendan Byrne signed a measure last Friday authorizing the issuance of temporary licenses for casinos in Atlantic City. Resorts International Inc. plans to open a casino on Memorial Day. It will be the first legal gambling casino in this country outside of Las Vegas.

New rise in diamond prices reported — Increases in price speculation and demand havehelped drive the prices of diamonds up to newlevels. The diamond buyer’s market has similarly affected the prices. Tiffany & Co., New York, said of the increase, “...some speculators have driven diamond prices too high. We suggest you look before you leap.”

Local

Third stabbing in Chelsea — A 49-year-old man identified as Henry S. Rawlson Jr., was stabbed to death in his home on a street in Chelsea. He had lived on the street for five years.

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MIT increase raises campus living costs

(Continued from page 1) Administrators set the rates so they will cover the estimated coast of the system determined by the Housing Office. The rents for all dormitories except Random Hall were determined by dividing a portion of costs for the entire system among them, and adding additional items to the bill for desk service and differences in quality, according to the report. Potter concurred with the report’s statement that the quality differentials were accepted by most past participants in rate reviews as a fair measure of the differences among dormitories. Past rate review committees arrived at the quality differentials, according to the report, by comparing dormitories’ location, amount of space per resident, privacy, kitchen facilities, furnishings, age, and adding in purely subjective judgement of quality.

Potter noted that Random Hall rates were set by Associate Dean for Student Affairs Ken Brown, who later accepted the Baker commons committee’s recommendation, and it is assumed that the Baker commons committee was more active. Everyone was happy with the Baker commons committee’s recommendation. He added that he did not know whether the experiments would be continued next year, because the effect of the incentive had not been calculated.

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Charges of bribery connected to SLC

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The meeting had been scheduled during the Great Blizzard in February.

According to Madison, the students at the rally did not understand the reasons for the tuition increases. He noted that costs for the university had gone up due to increases in social security payments, in staff salaries, and in utility bills. He pointed out that these costs are fixed and the trustees cannot reduce the budget any further. Moreover, Madison said, the administration would welcome students' suggestions about the budget.

Steve Kohl, a student at BU, said that the administration's credibility among the student body had been considerably undermined. This week before the tuition raise was announced, the administration revealed the acquisition of $9 million worth of property, noted Kohl.

Potentially more damaging to the BU administration was the publication of the transcript of a 1975 meeting of the Select Committee on University Needs of the BU Board of Trustees.

The paper quoted Silver as saying that the university should "go right to the parent, the father of the person, who's been admitted and talk to him about a major gift to the school.

Louis Rosenfield, a trustee of the university, responded, "John, I'm very happy you've cleared my conscience because when I read this book now I demanded $50,000, I was greatly criticized."

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In response to Silver's statement that no examples of such expropriation could be found, Taylor commented, that employees fear they would lose their jobs if they revealed any such transactions.

Taylor called the tuition raise a very strong issue on campus. At the campus meeting was planned for Tuesday, March 28, to plan further student protest. Kohl said that student's hope for a "concrete result" from the meeting and further action.

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Beneath the psyche of the Middle East

By Rob Wasserman

Last week the Middle East suddenly exploded. PLO terrorists hijacked an Israeli bus on its way to Tel Aviv killing thirty civilians, and Israel retaliated by ordering a rollback of the recent cease-fire. All sides must take into account their opponents' feelings and hopes.

The situation in the Middle East is a complex one both politically and emotionally, and it is often hard to understand who is right.

The Israelis, too, are quite disheartened by the turn of events over the last decade. A large reason that Israel was given statehood by the UN was sympathy for the Holocaust of World War II where six million Jews were killed. After thirty years, however, the world has begun to lose interest in the Middle East.

The Palestinians, too, are making drastic mistakes by their acts of terrorism. Last month Palestinian terrorists killed an Egyptian policeman, and as Egypt has not condemned Israeli retribution in Lebanon, this situation is unlikely to change for back in the Middle Ages Moslems were much more Arab land for Israel's security.

And Greytak graffiti tasteless

To the Editor:

I am appalled that graffiti threatening harm to Professor Greytak have marred the walls of MIT. There is no place in a civilized community for threats of physical violence over academic differences, no matter how passionately held.

It must be assumed that the appearance of these anonymous threats in the weeks after the faculty debate about drop date is in response to Professor Greytak's position. To respond to his arguments in this way is intolerable. Free debate is the essence of a university.

If we are able to identify the perpetrator(s), we will press charges before the Committee on Discipline.

Carola Eisenberg
Dean for Student Affairs

March 15, 1978

Don't renovate Senior House!

To the Editor:

A recent letter appeared in this column from three residents of Senior House, who desired that this fine dormitory be renovated. The editors are naturally sympathetic to the group's concern, and it is not that the space that is lacking.

Senior House is run down, yes, but it has a personality, and one that we would like to see conserved. Though the plumbing and wiring may be old, they work most of the time — the showers here are incredible, and flicking an occasional switch to turn the power back on is far more desirable than the problems that would arise from a poorly-done renovation.

In order to do the job properly, Senior House would have to be shut down for a long period of time (Beckley was done in a summer), and we would create an additional strain on the overcrowding situation — not to mention forcing 200 happy students to find other lodgings while repairs are made.

We reside in Senior House please do not renovate it!

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Paul E. Hoffman '78
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Ken Schubitz '79
“the color-coordinated hall"
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Paul Ruster '81

March 15, 1978

Spring Drive thanks

To the Editor:

On behalf of the Technology Community Association and the American Red Cross, we would like to thank all those members of the MIT Community who contributed, in one fashion or another, to the 1978 Spring Blood Drive.

The total number of pints collected will be published in the Tech, and a special thanks is extended to the staff and students of the MIT Blood Drive Board, to the MIT Store, and to the MIT Careers staff.

To the subscribers: We would like to thank all of you for your support, and we hope to see you again at the next drive.

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March 20, 1978
TCA raises 1,176 pints; student turnout low

By Richmond Cohen

TCA's Spring Blood Drive collected 1,176 pints of blood for the American Red Cross last week, substantially less than the 1,800-2,000 pints that co-chairman Jan McCormack '79 had hoped to collect. McCormack said that because many regular blood donors had given blood during the Blizzard, it was not as successful as usual. He noted that the recent rain and snow storms may have prevented more people from coming.

McCormack and co-chairman Rob Stalsidz '79 intensified their publicity efforts to encourage people to come in on Friday, the last day of the drive. With 180 pints collected, Friday was the most active day of the drive but still fell short of expectations. McCormack said he had never seen a blind drive go to slowly over all. At the March faculty meeting on the spring blood drive, McCormack said he was not certain whether there actually was an increased faculty turnout or whether faculty donors were more noticed with the lower student turnout.

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MIT admits Class of 1982

By Steven Schick

Nearly 1712 applicants for admission to the Class of 1982 will receive letters of acceptance by the beginning of next week, according to Director of Admissions Peter Richardson.

For a small number of 'T' applications remaining, the admissions office plans to test the facility to review the 'T' applications received this far. Letters of acceptance and rejection will be mailed to applicants by tomorrow.

Richardson expects this year's total (percent of admitted students) to be up slightly over last year's figure of 35 percent. He predicted this to an increased interest in engineering as well as MIT's early mailing date, which is three weeks before the Ivy League Notification Date. "The higher the yield, the sharper our selection process can be," he said.

One important reason for the early mailing date, Richardson explained, is that it allows current students to contact admitted freshmen in their area during spring break. He is asking that no contact be made before March 27, when most applicants will receive their notices. "It's often hard to see through to the human beings at a place like MIT," he said. "One of the most important things that can happen is for them (admitted freshmen) to talk to one or two MIT students.

Twenty-one percent of the admitted class is female. While this is a modest rise over last year's figure of 17 percent, Richardson is still frustrated by the difficulties of increasing the number of women at MIT. Citing the historic tendency of feminine stereotypes, he said, "The problem is in the pool." (i.e., the lack of female applicants)

While test scores show a slight decline in the percentage of admitted minorities, 7 percent this year compared to 8 percent last year, Richardson emphasized that most of the cases which remain to be reviewed are minority students.

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Smith's canvas paintings take flight

By Leigh J. Passman

Modern canvas painting, while tremendously diverse, has for most of its history been limited to the simple rectangular stretch frame. British artist Richard Mazursky has broken that longstanding tradition to achieve a magnificently collected novel, intriguing, and expressive paintings. An exhibition of Smith's work from the years 1972-1977 is currently showing at MIT's Hayden Gallery through April 19. Gallery hours are 10am through 4pm, Sun-
day through Friday.

Smith appeared at MIT Friday night, March 17, to give a brief informal talk on the show and to elicit questions. Smith's work represents a novel divert-
ment of the prevailing form of canvas painting. He has eliminated the typical rec-
tangular stretch frame, and with it, its con-
fining nature. Instead, he has newly incor-
porated thin aluminum poles and string to give his canvas support, texture, and form.

During the talk, Smith explained that the "tiles" (as they are nicknamed) developed out of a desire to eliminate the problems of regular canvas paintings which he considered too heavy and which in-
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Yours is the earth and everything that’s in it,
And — which is more — you’ll be a Man, my son!
— Rudyard Kipling

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Fencers 19th in NCAA's; Smith All-American

By Brian E. Whelan
Mark Smith '78, captain of the men's fencing team, took sixth place in the NCAA championships in Kenosha, Wisconsin, March 16, 17, and 18, and thus became MIT's first individual All-American fencer since 1974. John Rodrigues '78, who reached the third day of competition, came in among the top six for the second year in a row. With Rodrigues and the foil potential of the others on the team, a full squad could possibly be sent next year.

Smith led the three-day competition on the first day, dropping back to sixth during the remainder. In addition to All-American status, he also won the outstanding fencer award in foil, an award given to only one fencer in each event and based on performance and sportsmanship.

Having started the meet slowly, Rodrigues barely made the final tier. He fended quite strongly over the next two days, however, and finished two places out of the All-American team, and just ahead of national amateur champion Leonid Derbenev. The pair finished 19th overall.

Squad. Jack Keane of the N.Y. Sabre squad, who took 11 bouts to finish eighth in the top pool, Geoff Pinnegar '79 won four of the matches, while Josh Perky '81, who shared the foil squad, was unable to win any bouts.

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SAE lifts weight title

By Bob Host
In the intramural weightlifting tournament held Sunday in the duPont weight room, Sigma Alpha Epsilon (SAE) won its second straight team title and had one individual champion. Fritz Bunke in the unlimited weight class. SAE was followed by Delta Kappa Epsilon, which also had one champion, Mike Piazza in the 160-pound weight class.

The competition consisted of two lifts, the bench press and the clean and jerk. Each contestant was allowed three attempts in each lift. Individual titles were based on the combined score of both. The lifter whose total was the highest total of all competitors was declared the winner.

One judge of the board had the highest total of all competitors, 649. The total was based on the combined score of both.

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