Simones to announce DSA reorganization

The internal reorganization of the Office of the Dean for Student Affairs is nearly ready for implementation and the search for a new Dean to head the Office should begin within a month, according to Vice-President and Secretary General Ed Diamond.

Simones, who has been con- trolled by the Office of the Dean and Office and other student-related services since the resignation of Dean Carola Eisenberg in August, told The Tech that he expects the announcement of the new Dean to be made next Monday night (see article below). He stressed, though, that the review process had not yet run its course, as the questions of future leadership of the OSDA has only just begun to be con- sidered, while the examination of student services (Admis- sions, Medical, Student Ac- tivities, etc.) was not yet in the OSDA had not yet begun.

Simones said he was biding his recommendations for reorganization of the Office of the Dean for Student Affairs (ODSA) at Feedback '79 and other student-related services for the Office of the Dean for Student Affairs Office review. Since the resignation, a student-faculty committee under the aegis of the CEP has been collecting student input, next Monday night.

The ODSA reorganization has been a means of communication for the student-faculty committee and an opportunity for the Undergraduate Dean to hear student opinions. The faculty members of the CEP who said his recommendations are "just great," according to Joan Hakala '81, who stepped down so that he could be available for Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Financial Aid. This term NomComm has also initiated a policy of collecting reports from student representatives. The reports contain a summary of events at a committee meeting, and also include the minutes after they are approved. They are to be turned in after each meeting.

NomComm hosts Feedback

The Undergraduate Associa- tion Nomination Committee (NomComm) will sponsor Feedback '79, an open forum to present and discuss the benefits of student committees and receive student input, next Monday night, February 26, at 7:30pm in room 9-150.

All student-faculty committee undergraduate representatives will have been asked to attend, while those who are not on the Committee on Educational Policy (CEP), the Advisory Committee, the Corporate Joint Advisory Committee and the Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Financial Aid, and those in attendance will not be included in the review. He also indicated that all students will be able to attend, and that the audience will be limited to those in attendance who have been functioning with only nine members for several months since the resignation of Carola Eisenberg. Hakala '81, who stepped down so that he could be available for Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Financial Aid. This term NomComm has also initiated a policy of collecting reports from student representatives. The reports contain a summary of events at a committee meeting, and also include the minutes after they are approved. They are to be turned in after each meeting.

A student caller at the Alumni Association Student Telephone. See additional photos on page 11. (Photo by John O. Borland)

Alumni Assoc. holds Student Telephone

By Eric Sclar

MIT's first student telethon is running for six days, due to the dedication and efforts of the students who have been "just great," according to Jean Sclar, who is in charge of the effort.

Although the emphasis is on raising funds for the Campus Residence Fund and the Independent Residence Development Fund, alumni are invited to donate to MIT for any purpose they choose to designate, including unrestricted funds. Alumni are also reminded that contributions made during the telethon are considered to be their donation for the Alumni Fund year, which runs through June 30, and that they will not be solicited afterward by the Alumni Fund, although at least once, if not more, "We don't want anybody to feel left out," said Sclar.

The Bush Room is equipped with twenty calling stations, each with a placemat, cell phone, and twenty calling stations, each with a placemat, cell phone, and twenty calling stations, each with a placemat, cell phone, and twenty calling stations, each with a placemat, cell phone, and twenty calling stations, each with a placemat, cell phone, and twenty calling stations, each with a placemat, cell phone, and twenty calling stations, each with a placemat, cell phone, and twenty calling stations, each with a placemat, cell phone, and twenty calling stations, each with a placemat, cell phone, and twenty calling stations, each with a placemat, cell phone, and twenty calling stations, each with a placemat, cell phone, and twenty calling stations, each with a placemat, cell phone, and twenty calling stations, each with a placemat, cell phone, and twenty calling stations, each with a pla...

On February 26, you’ll experience, probably for the first time, a Solar Eclipse.

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World

Vietnam and China still in battle — Vietnam is sending more troops to the north to counter the invading Chinese army. China invaded Viet nam last weekend in retaliation for Vietnam’s invasion of Cambodia. If the fighting continues, the Soviet Union may intervene because of a defense treaty with Vietnam.

Khomeini government sets new policy — In a policy-setting move, Iran’s new government broke all relations with Israel and received PLO leader Yasser Arafat Saturday night. The new government will resume oil shipments to the United States but not to Israel or South Africa.

National

School bus drivers strike — Defying two court orders, 2000 New York City school bus drivers struck this week, stranding 130,000 students, many of whom are handicapped. The drivers are striking for a better contract, including job security. Drivers have attacked and vandalized taxis hired to transport handicapped children, with the children on board in at least one case.

Local

Girls killed in drunk driving accident — Four North Reading high school girls were killed and one was injured when the Volkswagen they were “cruising” in Monday crashed head-on into a station wagon. The Registry of Motor Vehicles disclosed Wednesday that the four girls killed were drunk at the time of the accident; furthermore, the blood alcohol level recorded for the driver was .47%, the highest ever recorded in Massachusetts.

Senate and House at odds over drinking age — The Senate approved and sent to the House a measure to raise the state drinking age to 21; it will not consider the Senate’s measure until Monday.

Weather

Increasing cloudsiness with winds shifting to southeast and south during the day. Highs 48-52. Rain beginning by early evening and continuing through the night with gusty winds. Increasing cloudiness with winds shifting to southeast and south during the day. Lows in the middle 30’s.

Next time you’re in Mexico, stop by and visit the Cuervo factories in Tequila.
When is news editorializing needed?

Leigh J. Passman

When is news presented as fact and when does it verge on editorial comment? For the last two weeks, The Boston Globe has been giving the executive and legislative action to raise the state's legal drinking age from 19 to 21. However, in this past Wednesday's (Feb. 21) morning edition, what had become the familiar triple-deck, two-column headline — "A new drinking age — was not to be found on page one, but rather on page 17, the first page of the new Metro/Region section.

Instead, the Wednesday morning Globe featured a front page banner headline "At 11:17 p.m. 'Cruising' Became Deadly for 4. The accompanying article reported the death of four women under 18 in what appeared to be an unquestionably alcohol-caused tragedy.

What makes the article fascinating and potentially controversial is its timing and its placement within the paper. Accident fatalities, even ones as tragic as this one, are seldom reported as a news story without a banner headline. They are not usually considered the "desirable" types of stories that make the paper's readers and reporters on a large metropolitan newspaper think of the treatment of the story significant and alarming.

One possible hypothesis is that the inability of the drinking age debate, the Globe story cannot be viewed as an "important" story, as "important" stories are always seen as "important" stories. The Globe decided to publish the story in its normal coverage for such incidents. The Globe should strive for a combination of accuracy and accountability that will permit the reader to know that the Globe's version of the legislative proposals on Beacon Hill belong in a can- did, explicit editorial.

Proxy input requested

To the editor:

Spring marks the beginning of the annual corporate shareholder meetings. These meetings generally occur throughout March, April and May. MIT, as a stockholder, plays a role — albeit limited — in running a corporation. By voting 'on matters relating to the business of the corporation, a stockholder is entitled to have a copy of all proxy proposals have been submitted. The seven member Advisory Committee has the power to accept or reject any proposal submitted. The seven member committee will examine the proposals and then make a decision on whether to accept the proposals for the annual meeting. The proposals will be voted on by the stockholders present at the annual meeting.

Proxy proposals have been submitted by individual shareholders or coalitions of shareholders concerned about social and environmental issues. The proposals may address environmental objectives and corporate actions or inactions in the US and abroad.

Under SEC proxy rules, a shareholder is entitled to have a proposal included in a corporation's proxy statement. The seven member committee opposes adoption of a proposal, the shareholder is entitled to a 200-word statement in support of the proposal. Although support for the proposal must be included in the proxy statement, procedural requirements are determined by the company. The shareholder may request special reports on corporate activities in certain areas or recommending that the corporation pursue certain policies are generally valid proxy requests.

The seven member Admistry Committee on Shareholder Corporate Responsibility (ACSR) was established in 1972 to recommend how the MIT Corporation Executive Committee should vote on shareholder proposals. The ACSR consists of faculty members, two students, one non-academic employee, and one representative of the MIT corporation. As the committee's composition may suggest, diverse perspectives on the notion of corporate responsibility exist.

In the past, active input from the MIT community on the issues before the ACSR has been lacking. I urge anyone who has special knowledge of, or who feels strongly about a particular proxy proposal, to contact me, other committee members, Walter Miller (Secretary of the ACSR, 208, a5209) or to attend our meetings.

Our first scheduled meeting is on Monday, February 26 at 2:30pm in room 3-308. These meetings are open to the MIT community. At this meeting the ACSR will discuss the content and nature of the first crop of proxy statements before us. I will be happy to furnish feedback on the first crop of proxy statements to interested persons. The ACSR will post a summary of these proxy proposals published in a future edition of The Tech.
feedback

Paul Hubbard

DSA deplores vandalism

To the editor:
The blatant insensitivity of a few to the rights of members of minority groups in the MIT community was exhibited again recently by further vandalism of the bulletin board maintained by Gays at MIT. GAMIT has been a recognized and responsible student organization for some years, trying with considerable success to support and enlighten those in our community who have deep and honest sexual preferences different from the majority.

Ignorance, misinformation, and fear have characterized the "education" of most of us about sexual development and change despite the large and growing literature which more often now represents even-handed, broadly literate scientists. I estimate that at least several hundred undergraduates and a similar number of graduate students are predominantly homosexual and at the same time quite ordinary members of the community. I have come to know several dozen gay students over the last half dozen years and am privileged to count several as close friends.

If your reaction to anything gay is a deep fear and a quick grab for a narrow conventional "wisdom" which reflects a history of conflict and persecution, it is not an abnormal human response. (I grew up in a New York seemingly populated by "kikes," "micks," "spics," "paleeks," and many others, as well as the good guys like my friends and men.) Why not make an honest effort to sort out the best current knowledge about human sexuality in its many facets and dimensions? It is more satisfying that the sneer, the putdown, or even the honest outrage against the unknown foe.

Robert L. Hallman
 retired student of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology

GAMIT members ask "Why?"

To the editor:
From the middle of December to the middle of January the GAMIT (Gays at MIT) bulletin board was vandalized on five separate occasions. Each time all of the materials inside were lost. Some of these were personal property which unfortunately cannot be replaced. To replace the present bulletin board with one that cannot be forced open would cost GAMIT upwards of $384, a burden which we shouldn't have to bear and one which we presently cannot.

We found that the Campus Patrol could do little but increase patrols in that area. Even when we consulted the MIT psychiatric service, it was the hope of finding out what would motivate an individual to do this and how to deal with it, we found that little constructive advice could be offered. But we were made aware of an interesting quote by the Kahné, in the 1979 "Report to the Chancellor":

"Conventional wisdom among media observers celebrates a 'return to tradition' on the American college campus. A more apt description would stress the fearful conformity and anxious subordination of intellectual curiosity and moral concern among students, faculty, and staff in the interests of furthering their careers. It seems rather strange and disquieting that such an academic ambiance should be regarded approvingly as 'traditional.'"

We find it disturbing that this fearful conformity and moral subordination appears to have stepped into the MIT community. In an intellectual community where the free expression of ideas in an enlightened, unselfish manner is practiced, we think that it is unfortunate that some individuals have taken it upon themselves to decide exactly what the MIT community will and will not read. We believe that this right is reserved for the individual. GAMIT has no intention of retaliating by becoming a vigilante group. We are only interested in resuming the use of our bulletin board without it being destroyed. It is hoped that these incidents will spontaneously stop or if necessary with the help of the MIT community and Campus Patrol that the offending individuals will be identified.

If there are any individuals who have strong objections to our bulletin board, we would appreciate it if they would have the courage to take responsibility for their opinions and that they would either express them in print or voice them at one of our meetings. They are open to the entire community and everyone is welcome to come and talk. The date and time is always posted on the bulletin board in advance.

The Members of GAMIT

Opinion

by Kent C. Massey

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**NomComm seeks feedback**

(Continued from page 1)

Previously, representatives would only report informally to one member of NomComm or occasionally to the student group as a whole. Compliance with the report requests has not yet been proven, and Irwin said that if necessary, "NomComm has the power of taking a member off his committee if he is not fulfilling his responsibilities." Reports approved for release by NomComm are on file in the UA Office (Rm. W20-401).

NomComm is a student group empowered by the Undergraduate Association to select student representatives, and it holds hearings for new reps each Monday night. "We try to choose students who represent present student feeling on a position," said NomComm member Jerry Hammond '80. The NomComm selection is only a recommendation, though, and the committee generally sends more than one recommendation to the faculty chairman for his final approval. Chris Wheeler "I explained: "We try to find people who will interact well with the committee they will be on."
Pro Arte delivers uneven performance

Pro Arte Chamber Orchestra, Larry Hill conductor. watch Washington Square No. 202, Locke Cupid and Death were taken from Mendelssohn's A Midsummer Night's Dream, Haydn's Creation, Mozart's Magic Flute, and Stravinsky's The Rake's Progress. At the Church of the Covenant, Feb. 18. was an uneven performance.

The program, dubbed "A Valentine's Delight," featured music with a wide sprinkling of cliches from the classical repertoire. The program opened with (what else?) the overused Wedding March from Mendelssohn's Midsummer Night's Dream; it closed with a hok on Tristan, allegedly Wagner's Double Concerto for Piccolo and Tuba.

With the incidental music to Shakespeare's comedy, Hill (an MIT chaplain) is continuing the orchestra's survey of Mendelssohn's symphonic works which last featured his "Italian" Symphony. However, the orchestra gave a disappointing rendition of the incidental music, undoubtedly the composer's greatest orchestral achievement.

The trumpet call that opened the Wedding March were a promising beginning to the evening. However, Hill chose to give the interpretation familiar to most Americans: heavy on the strings, lighter on the wind parts than Mendelssohn must have intended. The middle portions of the march dragged due to the inability of the strings to keep up a proper tempo.

Subsequent excerpts from the Mendelssohn were far more satisfying. In the Nuiturne, the strings redeemed themselves for any previous failings. In the Scherzo, although the violins again were performing up to par, it was the wind sections that carried the movement, especially the flutes and clarinets. Throughout, timpamist Richard Horn appeared to have dispelled any previous failings. In the Scherzo, allegedly Wagner's Double Concerto for Piccolo and Tuba.

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While lacking ample power in his lower range, it became clear in subsequent arias (as Papageno) from the Magic Flute that he possesses a truly first-class voice. In fact, one would suspect by the quality of his voice that he has an undeveloped tenor range, though he showed difficulty controlling the top notes of his current baritone.

Tenor Bruce Fithian displayed a much less rigorous sort of voice; his beautiful, delicate tone suggested that of an oversized boy. In fact, his singing of "Dies Bildnis ist bezaubernd schön" was sorely lacking in conviction. In the following " Ach! ich fahre," soprano Armstrong gave a much more convincing rendition of the sufferings of Pamina. However, the finest of the Mozart excerpts was the final "Pa-pa-Papa-geno" duet of Armstrong and Mad- delana. Not only were the unison violin trills superbly executed, but the efforts of the conductor nicely supplemented the expression of the two vocalists.

The final work on the program was Act I, scene two from The Rake's Progress. The conductor had little apparent control of the orchestra, while the three solos seemed to lack conviction — both a stark contrast to the preceding arias. As a scheduled encore, the orchestra performed the anonymously composed Double Concerto, supposedly written during Wagner's short piety period — 1827-1828. Other than the Tristan sixth at the opening and a rather abrupt ending, the work was even less imaginative than those of one of his earlier works.

The orchestra could show a little more care in preparing its programs, which showed several obvious (non- typographical) errors. This notwithstanding, the Pro Arte Chamber Orchestra is a professional group that fills an important gap between the various college and amateur groups, and the established professionals of the BSO. Their Sunday matinees (the next on March 11) offer a good chance to hear competent performances of small orchestral works, at a far more reasonable cost than that charged by their better-known brethren.

The Boston Jazz Coalition presented its 10th annual Jazz All Night Concert last Sunday. The concert, second of an unusual doubleheader at the Church of the Covenant, featured such artists as The Fringe, Ronald Ingraham Concert Choir, and Jaki Byard. Pictured are Steve Swallow (bass) and Sheila Jordan, who joined Steve Kuhn and Herbie King for one set. Over 1000 people attended the event, though less than one-third remained at the conclusion twelve hours later. (Photo by Joel West)
WBCN’s quality suffers due to dj strike

By Ron Newman

"A week ago today, Michael Wiener, the new owner of Boston’s WBCN Radio, called 18 of the station’s employees into his office and, one by one, told each one that he would be "terminated at the end of the broadcast day." Wiener evidently was hoping to accomplishing what he called "economic changes without attracting much attention from the listeners. Most of the people fired are not on-the-air announcers, but rather from the-listeners. Most of the people Wired from the listeners. Most of the people Wired changes without attracting much attention."

Wiener’s Tuesday broadcast. "How could we stay and set ourselves up with no protection? We are solid and united, and there is no way any of us are going to cross our own union picket line." Meanwhile, union members are trying to bring pressure on the new management. The local has asked advertisers to yank their commercials from the struck station, and Wiener admits that "some" ads have been lost. The union has also filed an unfair labor practice charge against Wiener at the National Labor Relations Board. The first real test of listener support may come tomorrow, though, when strikers plan to hold what they call "the first Duane Glasscock Victory Motorcade to Save WBCN," in which a procession of cars will leave the Prudential Center at noon to tour the city in support of the strike.

No matter how this dispute is finally settled (or not settled), it is likely to have a profound impact upon the future of WBCN. Behind the immediate disagreements over the firings and unions lies the deeper question of whether WBCN retains its traditional idiosyncratic, uninhibited air style, or instead joins the nation’s growing army of "album-oriented rock" stations such as Boston’s WCOZ and WEEI-FM.

In an interview last week just before the strike Wiener pledged that he would operate a "progressive" station, but he declined to define "progressive." "That’s just a matter of semantics," he replied. But will the listeners go along?"
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Completed applications must be received before March 1, 1979. Further information and application forms can be obtained from Dean Jeanne Richard in the Graduate School Office, Room 1-136.

Lectures

Sports

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Fencers’ record now 9-4

By Brian F. Wlcek
Editor’s Note: Brian Wilcek is a member of the men's fencing team.

The men’s fencing team racked up two wins against Stevens Tech and Brandeis over the four day weekend. This raises its record to 9-4 going into its final dual meet of the season.

The 17-10 victory against Stevens Tech on Saturday was a reversal of last year’s defeat. All three weapons won. Foil continued its excellent season with a strong 6-3 victory. Jim Freidah ‘81 and Eric de Beus ‘82 each contributed two bouts. Sabre also won 6-3, with George Gonzales-Rivas ‘80, Dalhousie Chan ‘80, and Brad Nager ‘82 each winning two. Epee did not fare as well, pulling in five bouts. Captain John Rodrigues ‘80 paced the squad with two strong wins, and Rob Schoenberger ‘81 also won two.

The team started off cold against Brandeis on Tuesday. After dropping five bouts in the first round, coach Eric Sollee called the team together for a pep talk. Things improved immediately. Sabre took two out of three, foil fenced its strongest round and epee picked up its only two wins of the night.

In the third round, Gonzales-Rivas grabbed his second win for the fourth sabre victory. The foil squad hadn’t dropped a bout yet, and started off with a tough 5-4 victory. The pentathlon foil bout first found de Beus behind 4-0, but he made a tremendous comeback to win the bout and the meet. Rich Hemphill ‘79 kept the squad’s perfect record intact with a 5-2 victory.

The end result — MIT won 15-12. Foil supported most of the weight with its 9-0 slaughter, Hemphill and de Beus each winning three. Freidah took two, and his replacement, Dave Russo ‘80, took one. Sabre won four as Nager and Chan each added a bout to Gonzales-Rivas’ pair. Epee did poorly, dropping seven. The only wins there were one each by Rodrigues and Chris Braun ‘82.

The team travels to Dartmouth this Saturday for its last dual meet. This should be an exciting one, MIT shared the New England Championship with Dartmouth last year. The following Saturday is the New England Championship meet, followed by the Eastern Championships a week later.

IM referee abuse a major problem

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Talking with Ascherman, Lowell, and Tom Potter ‘79 (assistant basketball manager), after the meeting, we discussed another aspect of the referee abuse problem. Even ignoring the physical and verbal attacks on referees, many players, in all leagues, constantly give them a hard time. Many officials don’t know enough to issue a technical foul as soon as a player starts giving them problems.

Lemme and Pettinato also discussed a possible solution to a different although related area of the referee problem — the lack of qualified refs. Both felt that a class should be initiated. However, Lemme noted that “there are problems with the [Athletic] Department doing it and students won’t be allowed to run them.”

Other problems discussed included injuries and attendance at IM Council meetings. Lemme said that “there is a problem with football injuries. A possible solution is a more non-contact type of football.” There was a great deal of discussion as to whether the IM Council constitution (which states that a team whose representation is a more non-contact type of football) should be followed. It has not been enforced in the recent past.

Three managers were also elected — by white ballots. Charles Braun ‘80 was elected chess manager, Sally Huested ‘G was reelected sailing manager, and Cindy Reedy was elected Cross Country manager. Reedy said that she wants to “make it more interesting. I’ll think of something, you guys!”

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Great performances highlight skiers’ season

By Hank Rapoport

Editor's note: Hank Rapoport is the manager of the ski team.

Surprising all expectations, the MIT varsity ski team carved its way into the NCAA Division Two championships the weekend before last, securing one of its best regular season schedules in recent memory. In the three ski carnival season, the team managed to finish fourth, second, and third in the six November open divisions, finishing third in the eastern conference of the division, and posted a fourth place overall finish for the season.

Facing a training season humbled by a mixture of rotten weather and even worse ski conditions, conditions especially hard on a city-based team such as Tech's, the Engineers still managed to put forth some exceptional performances. In their second meet of the year, the team finished second overall by one of their best finishes in many years. The meet was held at Ski Peak, New Hampshire and was sponsored by MIT, the first meet the team had ever run in its track. Following the competition, the team found itself in first place.

Gymnasts top Conn.

By Rich Auchus

Seniors Bojan Peteke, John Felker, and Howard Cherry performed in DuPont for the last time, as the men's gymnastics team took third overall at a meet with a strong 151.70-126.35 victory over Central Connecticut State last Saturday.

Harv Peteke '80 delivered a spectacular performance on the floor exercises and earned a score of 7.60, but Tech trailed after the first event, 25.45-24.9. The Beavers promptly pulled ahead in the pommel horse with a 7.45, and Rob Ando and Tom Stevens '79 rallied to score a 25.30 on the parallel bars. Harvard scored 7.4. Harvard Peteke followed with 34.75.

The men's gymnastics team has finished strong and have won their last two meets after dropping the first few this season. If the team's result is any indication, Cherry is currently ranked in the nation's top 20. Coach Brian Keshin is very proud of how well the team has done in this extremely demanding sport. He is looking forward to a strong performance in the New England Championships and possibly the Nationals in March. He also anticipates finding three men in the top 25. "We're losing only three seniors," he said, "but they'll be tough to replace. They've been consistent performers.

The team winds up its season at Northeastern this Saturday before competing in postseason tournaments.

Sports

Lemme elected IM chairman

Gordon Lemme - Before his election as the Chairman of the IM Council last Tuesday night, Peter Lemme '80 said that under him, referee problems would be dealt with more stringently than in the past.

The topic of referee problems was one of the major items brought up at the meeting. Steve Pettinato '80, who ran against Lemme for the seat, was later elected Secretary, noted that there were only four or five football referees who were not working to make money for the football club. He expects a similar problem (insufficient numbers of referees) to arise with softball. Earlier this year, Dave Michaels, the IM supervisor, pointed out that the L.S.C. problem in part to referee abuse.

In fact, of the three major items in the Friday/Comm minutes read at the beginning of the meeting, two were referee abuse complaints.

In one case, a SigEp player had told Steve Aschenbase '81, the IM basketball manager, who was refereeing their game, that if he ever worked another one of their games he wouldn't walk off the court alive. For this action the player was suspended for one game.

In another case, Gerald Adolph of the 'A' league Mack's grabbed Aschenbase's lanyard. When it was discovered that Adolph was an ineligible player, the Mack's game was forfeited. When Adolph was discovered to be playing in a later game, all the Mack's games up to that point were forfeited. As a result, the other 'A' league rosters were checked, four or five ineligible players were found with the result that half of 'A' league independent teams have been thrown out of the league.

The strongest voice at the meeting for a crackdown on referee abuse was provided by Friday/Comm member John O. Borden.

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Regrets to announce the cancellation of the Solar Laser/Music Spectacle originally scheduled for February 27 due to general lack of community interest and technical changes in the show which currently make it of a lesser quality than originally intended. Refunds will be available Monday and Tuesday, February 26th and 27th in Lobby 10, at this week's movies, and at the L.S.C. office.