College World

Boston College Increases Tuition; $1200 Claimed Lowest in Boston

"Tis the season to be jolly! Finals are coming up. And with finals comes news of tuition increases. The first increase in the Greater Boston area has already been announced. The rise is $300. Fear not! It does not affect you. Involved are the schools of Business Administration, Arts and Sciences, Education, and Nursing at Boston College.

The increase of $300 will bring BC's tuition to $1200 and will become effective in September. The Board of Trustees said the increase was necessary to meet the college's rising operating expenses. It is the third such increase within the last five years at BC.

Even with this, it is claimed that BC's tuition will be lower than that of all other colleges proposed by the area's colleges for next year. To support this claim is, of course the invariable "tuition chart" — headed by MIT and followed by Harvard, Tufts, Brandeis, and Boston University (in that order) with Boston College's $1200 quite naturally being last on the list. Among the area's four-year colleges omitted from the list, however, are Wellesley, Simmons, and Northeastern.

The Heights (BC's newspaper), in an editorial about the increase, says, "Unfortunately the one consideration that hits home first is money. Nevertheless, the groundlings, and subsequent resignation to the higher cost of education, will turn to administration, if quality is ensured."

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Get's Bum's Rush

Concern for the quality of one's education is a universal characteristic. At the age of 63, Michael decided he wanted an education. Michael had never gone to school. So, at 317:1, one Wednesday morning, Michael walked a bit flabby into a calculus class at Wayne State University. That Michael was a bit flabby was no surprise, for Michael is not one to refuse exercise. In fact he usually walks a bit slowly.

Anyway, looking quite disdainful, Michael pulled up the nearest waste basket and sat down. But, alas, he hadn't paid his tuition, so the instructor asked him to leave, saying that he was disturbing the class, which looked on in silence. But Michael wanted an education — he stayed.

It was about then that the University Security Force was called into the room to take Michael away. At his trial, Michael was sentenced to ninety days for disturbance and disorderly conduct.

Yes, Michael was going home. The sentence brought his 1962 residency to 250 days (in the Detroit House of Corrections). In the past 33 years, he has run up 146 sentences and eight pages in the police record books.

Miami: At Wayne State, you might think that a whole fraction had been jelled. The house of Alpha Kappa Psi had been made practically unreachable. In fact, if you tried to go out the front door, you'd run into a brick wall.

The bricks for the six-foot high wall were presumably from nearby areas being cleared for an expressway. Evidence at the scene indicates that the cement was mixed a few feet from the door. The fraternity vice-president later commented that he had been studying late that night on the ground floor of the house and "didn't hear a sound."