Rush unaffected by FRC

By Lee Giugere

The Fraternity Radical Caucus' proposals for the abolition of phone tapping and the admission of freshmen into houses on an equal basis appeared to have little effect on Rush Week.

According to Tom Mikus '70, IFC Rush Chairman, "the things [phone tapping, hard flushing] that the FRC is talking about are on the way out."

Howie Siegal '71 of SPE, a member of the caucus, felt that their major influence was probably that houses made changes that went "much further than they had in the past" in liberalizing their rules.

Siegal noted that the FRC might have helped progressive houses this year by raising the issues in the minds of freshmen and by encouraging some radical freshmen who might not have attended Rush Week to visit fraternities.

Mikus however, pointed out that in general "liberal houses did more poorly," while "conservative houses did well."

Neither Siegal nor Brewer nor Mikus felt that there had been much friction between the IFC and the FRC. Siegal felt that the Caucus' ideas were "well accepted" by fraternities although some houses disliked the idea of the FRC as an outside influence.

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