Markham elected new UAP

By Tricia Kellow

Newly-elected Undergraduate Association President (UAP) Chuck Markham '81, and his running mate Nick Adams '81, reviewed Wednesday's elections with a first-round win gathering over 52 percent of the vote—the first time this has happened since the preferential ballot system was introduced in 1977.

Markham and Adams both feel their success was largely due to making a campaign issue of being first-round winners. They have also resorted to the key, to a healthy 11-1. "I'd like to get everyone to work who wants to work, to get someone who wants to lose elections in order to show the kind of interest and initiative we could use," Adams echoed Markham's feelings, saying "we've got a lot of projects in mind, and we've gotten a lot of positive response—now all we need is people.

A good working relationship with the administration" is also important to them, and they feel they have a good start in the area already. They are looking forward to setting up some sort of arrangement to meet with the administration on a regular basis. They have suggested of strengthening the communication between students and the Institute is the formation of a client team concerned with the needs of the main buildings on campus. Markham is also optimistic about talking with the new Dean for Student Affairs, Shirley McMillan, "since we are both at jobs we should be able to help each other."

Markham and Adams are very excited about the establishment of a student consumer interest group on campus. They hope it will provide work to services such as end-of-term bus charters, a 24-hour typing service, a refrigerator rental program and an unbiased consumer evaluation of local banks. They want to emphasize the idea that the UAP was created for the benefit of the undergraduate students at MIT. In Adams' words, "We'd like to get people working with us for UAP's benefit, for the communities' benefit, for everyone's benefit."

New COD policies approved

By Randy Hawkins

Several new policies were implemented by the Committee on Discipline at Wednesday's faculty meeting. Under the new rules, when a student is placed on probation, the Committee will decide whether to notify his advisor, his housemaster, or both. In the past, no one was specifically notified of the action, but it was automatically written into his external transcript. The new guidelines also allow the Committee to decide whether to put this information in the student's external transcript.

Professor Leon Groisser, the chairman of the Committee, outlined the changes. The reason external transcript was specified is because each student has an internal transcript used by anyone in the Institute requesting one, while the external transcript is sent to anyone outside the Institute. People inside the Institute also have access to external transcripts, however.

Commenting on the reason for the change, Professor Groisser said that students typically don't tell their housemasters or advisors since they usually figure out that no one finds out about the hearing. This was bad, he said, in many cases a faculty member on the student's side could be an asset in the hearing. By publicizing that faculty member may be advised of his pro bation, the student will be more likely to tell either his housemaster or advisor, allowing them to help. "I don't think the old system used these faculty members to their fullest advantage," said Groisser. He also noted the options allowed more flexibility in meeting the needs of the particular case. "Every case is different," he said.

Other changes included policy dealing with suspension and expulsion, which are rarely issued. Now if a student is suspended, he may reapply after the suspension period, through the Office of the Dean for Student Affairs instead of having to go through the COD.

SCC overruled by GA

By Richard Salz

The General Assembly (GA) voted 13 to 12 last night to direct the Student Committee on Committees (SCC) to reverse a previous motion denying the Technology Community Association (TCA) the use of weekend space in the Student Center to hold blood drives.

Addressing the GA, Markham was hit in the face with a pie by someone who escaped in a car driven by Mike Gerard '81. He also said a brawl outside in last Wednesday's UAP vote.

Last summer, someone from TCA contacted SCC about scheduling the spring blood drive. The two regular SCC scheduling officers were out, and the person present gave TCA permission to use the Sala de Puerto for the weekends involved, according to Chris Wheeler '81 SCC chairman.

In March, the committee passed a motion designed to reemphasize the "standard SCC policy that we do not make blood drives on weekends, and that SCC do not give the [requested] dates to TCA for the fall drive.

The intent was to deny TCA use of the Sala only, said Wheeler. He explained, "We're not saying TCA doesn't deserve space, we're saying it deserves that prime space during the weekend."

Present SCC policy gives free social events the highest priority. This is partially mandated because it's "in the Student Center Building charter," noted Sue Fine '81 SCC member.

Said Jim Murray '82, chairman of the spring's blood drive. "TCA is convinced there was no possible way to run a blood drive [on the fourth floor of the Student Center] which will encourage blood drives on weekends, and"

Florida taken off UA party itinerary

By John Shrimus

Contrary to advance publicity, the UA-sponsored "Bon Voyage" campaign party scheduled for tonight in Walker Memorial will proceed without the admission charge of two dollars or the raffle prize trip for two to Fort Lauderdale, according to Bob Stone, UA Social Committee Chairman. The Committee learned on Tuesday that to proceed with the raffle would be illegal. MIT does not have the required Massachusetts license to hold non-profit gambling, and according to Bob Hoffman and Bob Holden, Associate Deans for Student Affairs, MIT will not apply for one. Said Holden, "The license law was set up primarily for charities, and I don't know if this kind of thing [the party- raffle] could be dignified as such."