Students to vote on Homecoming Queen

By Max Halperin

MIT students will vote in March to decide the future of the Homecoming Queen contest as the General Assembly (GA) voted Thursday night to place a referendum on the ballot for next year's contest on the March 14 general election ballot.

The referendum presents four alternatives: "A Homecoming Queen, gender unspecified," a female Homecoming Queen with a male Homecoming King; UMOC (Undergraduate Men of Color) will be Homecoming Queen, elect no form of Homecoming Queen; or allow no Homecoming Queen.

According to GA resolution, the purpose of the referendum is "to determine that next year's decision on the Homecoming Queen controversy represents the interests of MIT undergraduates." All undergraduates will have the opportunity to rank the four options in preferential order. The UA Election Commission will tabulate the results using the procedure described in Robert's Rules of Order.

Skip Butler '82, chairman of the UA Social Council, expressed satisfaction with the arrangement. "I feel that it is reasonable for an election that's going to elect someone to represent MIT to be run by the Election Commission," he continued.

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CP arrests one, others flee after Student Center party

By Howard D. Trachtman

MIT Campus Police arrested a Northeastern student early Saturday morning after the suspect allegedly attacked and injured an MIT student after a dance held by the MIT Chinese Students' Club (CSC) in the Student Center.

Several non-MIT Chinese students entered the Sala de Puerto Rico during the dance, according to Tony King '81, President of the CSC. These students have been known to cause trouble at Chinese activities on other campuses, said King, who added that nearby Campus Policemen that problems could be expected.

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Dean to hold forum

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The forum is set for next February, after the Council has met for a second time. "This time is the lower of all evils," McBay concluded.

McBay noted that the idea for a forum is a result of a similar forum held last year. The previous forum, however, was held after the tuition decision had been made. McBay explained that "We just need to establish certain that this year we would hold the forum before the decision making." The Academic Council's discussions on the budget begin in early December and continue through February.

Members of the Academic Council include the Institute's Deans and Vice Presidents. In addition, John DeRubes '83, Undergraduate Association President, and Nancy Wright '81, President of the Graduate Student Council, were present at the meeting. McBay said that the pair will be invited to all of the Academic Council meetings on tuition.

The Academic Council establishes a budget and recommends it to President Paul E. Gray '54. Gray then recommends a budget to the MIT Corporation which makes the final decision.

McBay noted that many faculty and administrators expressed an interest in attending the forum. She listed several of those who might be present, including John Carne, Director of Finance; Jack Friedly, Director of Student Financial Services; Frank Perkins, Associate Provost; William Davidson, Vice President for Operations; and Felix Villerne, Chairman of the Faculty.

Whitehead approved

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$100 million upon its death for its permanent endowment. Johnson said the "process for choosing joint MIT/Whitehead faculty members for the $100 million endowed four financial hazards" were stated concerns of the Corporation. "Some of these issues have been satisfactorily resolved in the agreement," Johnson noted.

Six of the 77 Corporation members were present for the debate. "It is believed that this is the largest attendance ever for a December meeting," said Bob Bever, Director of the MIT News Office. Corporation members also attended because of events such as the opening of 300 Memorial Drive and the Athletic Center, noted Bever.

A tentative site for the Whitehead Institute has been chosen in Kendall Square and only one open space on the Whitehead Institute Board of Directors' remains. Bernard J. axiom, chairman of 

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