Eight people to receive new Bush Fellowships

By John J. Ying

The newly created Vannevar Bush Fellowships in technology and science journalism were awarded by MIT to five women and three men. The recipients plan to use their fellowships to study environment, energy, medicine, and science. "The high quality of work, strong commitment to popularization of highly technical subjects, and varied background of the first applicants was very impressive to the selection committee," said Victor K. McElheny, head of the Vannevar Bush Fellowship program. The fellowship program was founded last October with grants from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation and the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation and administered by the Program in Science, Technology, and Society. The purpose of the program was intended to foster "a richer partnership between the technical and journalistic communities," said Dr. McElheny. He said the goal of the partnership was "continuing improvement in public awareness about technology, science and their growing influence on our lives and aspirations." The fellowships enable the journalists to study at MIT for one academic year and are open to writers and broadcasters whose primary work is informing the general public about developments in technology and science.

The recipients of the fellowship are: Paula S. Apsell, senior producer at WCVB-TV, Channel 5, Boston; Karen L. Bechard, reporter for the National Radio News, Canadian Broadcasting Corp.; Diane M. Dumaszczok, reporter for The Boston Globe; Catherine Foster, writer for The New Yorker; Linda J. Garmon, head of the Vannevar Bush Fellowship program; and Richard C. Saltus, writer for The San Francisco Examiner.

The fellowships are named in memory of Dr. Vannevar Bush, World War II presidential science adviser and chairman of the MIT Corporation.

Mac Gregor gets new faculty

By David S. Rho

Trevor Alan Haton, assistant professor of Chemical Engineering, and his wife, Marianna, will become the new residents in MacGregor House on July 1, according to Robert A. Sherman, associate dean for student affairs.

The present MacGregor junior faculty residents, Derek Rowell, associate professor of Mechanical Engineering, and his wife, Sherrid, will move to the New West Campus House to become the housemasters there. Rowell and his wife have been junior faculty residents in MacGregor for the past two years. The position of housemaster at New House had been vacant since October, according to Trevor, when James H. Williams, Jr., '67, professor of Mechanical Engineering, resigned the post, citing strictly personal reasons.

The duties of a junior faculty resident are similar to those for a senior faculty resident; he must provide academic and social counseling to dormitory residents, hold study breaks, and give general advice to the students. Sherrid explained that the only difference between senior and junior faculty residents is that a housemaster must be a tenured faculty member.

"He is "very excited" about the move and is looking forward to assuming the position of junior faculty resident," said Trevor. "It's good to be on the campus. I will be able to give direction to the students," said Haton. He hopes to give a "family presence" to the position of faculty resident, and stressed that he wished to be "friends with the students."