Rinehart, Brown Advocate Unlocking Women's Bathrooms

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The one issue on which Rinehart and Brown differ from the norm is the issue of women's bathrooms. Many of them are locked, and sometimes the Campus Police don't have the combinations. Brown explained, "Women shouldn't be forced to go into the women's bathrooms."

Both suggest using combination locks and making the combination available in the Chuey room. "Having the world's safest bathroom is absolutely useless if you can't find it," he said. "It seems there are also other issues in having to walk too far to find a bathroom that is not locked."

Rinehart and Brown do not think that an honor code will be effective. "Frankly, an honor code isn't going to change anything... if they're cheating, they're going to cheat," Rinehart said. In addition, he feels that an honor code would make students into a secret police. Brown suggested that professors define what acceptable collaboration is at the beginning of a class. An example is whether or not students can use "bibles," collections of previous year's problems sets and teams.

"The Undergraduate Association doesn't seem to have the position from which it can actually do anything about academic honesty except suggest to the instructors," he added.

On a similar topic, Rinehart said that MIT has shown some disregard for what the undergraduates' opinion are concerning the rules of research and teaching at MIT. "Good teachers shouldn't be fired just because they're not doing lots of research," Brown said.

"Either MIT will listen to its undergraduates," Brown said, "or [you will have to] convince them that they have the idea that you have, and then convince them that they like the idea that they just had." Brown also feels that the "things which aren't broken that the legislature is trying to fix," Brown said. "You can tell that people don't want to revamp the housing system and create a freshmen dorm or delay RO," Rinehart said.

"For IAP and housing, our biggest goal is to make sure that the administration doesn't change anything. That's probably best done by having lots and lots of students...[do] some organized petition signing," Brown said.

The candidates feel that the UA should not decide on an alcohol policy. Instead, Dormitory Council and the Inter-Fraternity Council, which are "more directly involved," should decide, Brown said.

"Undesigned drunkenness will happen even if somehow you get the houses to stop distributing alcohol," Brown said. "As far as the percentage of house tax goes, that goes straight to the students; when the response and any followup are kept; when the response is sent to the students and the administration doesn't change anything... if somehow you get the houses to stop distributing alcohol," Brown said. "As far as the percentage of house tax goes, that goes straight..."