

**IFC Convicts Six Fraternities**

**JudComm Issues Comm. Relations Violations and Fines**

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This year, the Interfraternity Council Judicial Committee is taking a tough stance against fraternity-related violations. Since last summer there have been community relations convictions against six fraternities, according to IFC JudComm President J. Daniel Dunn.

These charges range from noise disturbances to the incident in which members of Lambda Chi Alpha painted homophobic slurs on a MIT dormitory walls.

The convictions have led to community service hours and monetary fines.

"The fact that MIT fraternities regulate themselves is important," Dunn said.

"It is the usual punishment is community relations fine and adviser to fraternities, seniors, and living groups. In the most recent conviction, Sigma Phi Epsilon, was fined for a second time.

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In addition to the fine, SigEp agreed to have Dorow and the IFC placed the fraternity on social probation until Mar. 31. During this time, BTP cannot serve alcohol at parties or co-sponsored parties where alcohol is served.

After the LCA-TEP incident last term, IFC JudComm imposed a sanction requiring LCA to conduct a homophobia awareness program on a campus-wide scale.

Along with judging community relations violations and Rush violations, the IFC JudComm also considers party violations.

Sigma Chi has received the only conviction for a party violation this term. This charge came as a result of having used a direct reference to alcohol on posters advertising a SC party.

There are seven outstanding charges for unregistered parties that are in the process of being reviewed. Convictions on these charges carry a $50 fine to make fraternities abide by the rules, Dunn said.

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Compared to other universities, the MIT IFC is unique in that it is self-regulating, Dunn said. Greek

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