

MIT in the storm

Facilities and dining staff remain active around campus in storm

By Jessica J. Pourian
CONTRIBUTING EDITOR

While students were out enjoying the snow, MIT employees were busy keeping the campus running. Though classes were canceled last Friday, hundreds of workers for Bon Appétit and facilities were hard at work. Due to the lack of transportation, many of them remained around campus on Friday night.

Dining

Dining services remained active on campus over the weekend, as Bon Appétit is contractually obligated to provide dining as long as it is reasonably able to do so, said Dean for Student Life Chris Colombo. "They have been wonderful in meeting their obligation," he said.

Bon Appétit workers remained on campus during Nemo and also during Hurricane Sandy last October. "We worked with them to try to accommodate if there were staffing needs — people could stay on campus in apartments that were vacant," said Colombo.

Bon Appétit put many of their

staff in surrounding hotels as well, Colombo said, though he did not know which ones. It was "probably longer than a quick walk," he said.

Friday's meals went as usual, and brunch and dinner were served in the dining halls on Saturday, though the menu was limited.

Within the student center, LaVerde's, Café Spice, and Subway stayed open for the entire weekend. Anna's Taqueria, Cambridge Grill, and Dunkin' Donuts were open on Friday, but they were unable to be staffed during the storm and were closed Saturday and Sunday. Much of the food in LaVerde's was pre-made in order to compensate for the lack of cooking staff over the weekend, said Phil Walsh, director of Campus Activities Complex (CAC).

Additional personnel and workers

Dining workers were not the only staff on campus on Friday. Custodians, mechanics, service staff (people who set up rooms in the student center), and house managers are all considered "es-

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CHRISTOPHER A. MAYNOR—THE TECH

Jazz vocalist Beth Logan Raffeld performs in Killian Hall Thursday evening as Keala Kaumehe'iwa supplies the bass line. The Valentine's Day jazz concert, sponsored by MIT Music and Theater Arts, also featured music professor John Harbison on the piano and wind ensemble director Fred Harris on the drums. In keeping with the holiday's mood, the concert included sentimental jazz standards like "Taking a Chance on Love" and "My Romance."

A revised policy on alcohol

A simplified, but vague, Good Samaritan policy

By Bruno B.F. Faviero
NEWS EDITOR

MIT has recently changed its "Good Samaritan Policy." Meant to protect those who call for help for a victim in an alcohol-related emergency, the policy is designed so that the "good samaritan" will not get in trouble for calling an ambulance for someone. The old policy, largely unchanged since it was written in the mid-2000s, was several pages long, and also included minimum outcomes (e.g. a follow-up from housemaster, or review by the Committee on Discipline) for individuals transported to a hospital many times or living groups responsible for the intoxication. Last spring, Don Camelio, director of Community Development and Substance Abuse, and Judith M. Robinson, associate dean for Student Outreach and Support, conducted focus groups about the old policy, and then created the Alcohol Policy Working Group to further review it. They decided to modify the policy "to remove some of the perceived barriers to seeking help," accord-

ing to the CDSA website. Camelio described the old policy as "not user friendly."

The new policy, entitled "Practice for Seeking Help During Alcohol Related Medical Emergencies," consists of a few simple, yet broad, paragraphs. The essence of the revision is that "MIT treats this as a health and safety concern and not a disciplinary matter," said Camelio. According to the policy, after an alcohol-related emergency, students are expected to cooperate with Institute officials and meet with appropriate Institute administrative staff, and the student that received medical attention is required to complete educational and/or counseling programs. The policy does not protect students involved in "serious or flagrant violations of the MIT policy," such as violence, harassment, and "instances where groups of students require medical attention."

The policy applies not only to individuals, but also organizations, living groups, their members, and the associated responsible peo-

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DormCon lowers CPW event cap to 175

Dorms will be limited in the number of Campus Preview Weekend events that they can hold this year, according to Katherine Kelley, assistant director of admissions. The total number of dorm CPW events will be capped at 175, and the events will be divided between dorms by DormCon, according to Kelley. This is the second year that a cap has been in place for dorm events; last year, the number of events was capped at 200.

According to Kelley, the cap was put in place in response to prefrush responses to a CPW feedback survey. "We survey prefrush every year as they are exiting CPW with about a 90 percent response rate. We have seen an increase in feedback over the past few years that the number of events is too overwhelming and, for some events, the quality has suffered," Kelley said in an email to *The Tech*. According to Kelley, the number of dorm CPW events increased by 48 percent over the four years prior to institut-

ing a cap, and 259 dorm events were held at CPW 2011, the year before the cap was introduced.

The idea of a cap on the number of events has been met with resistance by some students. "We have a lot of people with creative ideas, and it's frustrating to tell someone with a great idea that they're really excited about that they're not allowed to do it because of an events cap," Kelly E. Snyder '14, CPW chair for East Campus, said in an email to *The Tech*. "We've managed to maintain having a CPW the way we want to have it for the most part, but the planning process now involves more strategizing and working around the events cap."

The deadline to register an event is Feb. 25, and the DormCon executive board has been given the task of distributing event allowances to dorms. "We are working closely with them [DormCon] leading up to the events deadline," Kelley said.

—Emily Kellison-Linn

IN SHORT

No classes on Monday due to President's Day! Tuesday will be on a Monday class schedule.

Submit an abstract to the new Course 6 undergraduate research conference, EECSCON, at eecsccon.mit.edu by 5 p.m. Friday, Feb. 15.

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Feeling under pressure recently?

Chancellor sponsors forum to discuss student stress at the Institute

By Adisa Kruayatidee
STAFF REPORTER

How can MIT students change expectations so they don't compete against each other? Should undergraduates feel like underachievers if they are taking only four classes? Can a grad student work a 9-5 schedule without feeling like they are slacking? Are certain majors "less hardcore" than others? Where does the faculty fit

into the picture of student stress?

Questions like these and many more arose during last week's discussion forum on student stress, called "Under Pressure." The discussion, which was co-hosted by the chancellor's office and *The Tech*, was held in 1-390 on Tuesday at 5 p.m. About 50 students attended.

Chancellor Eric Grimson PhD '80 set the stage for the forum by bringing up many of the issues that face

students at MIT today. Grimson spoke of the "Imposter Syndrome" — how a student can feel like they don't belong at MIT or were admitted by accident. He admitted that during grad school he felt like he spent most of his time feeling like someone was about to tap him on the shoulder, apologize, and tell him they accidentally put his application in the wrong pile. Grimson

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What do the various food venues on campus do for your appetite?

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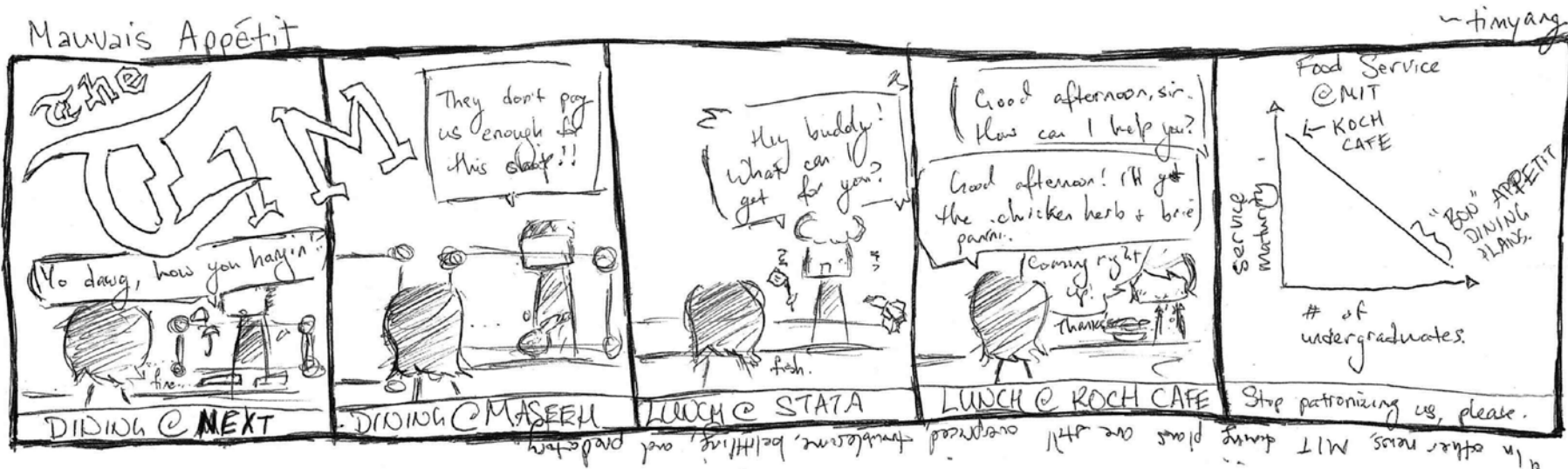
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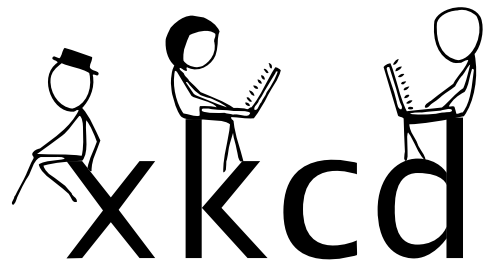
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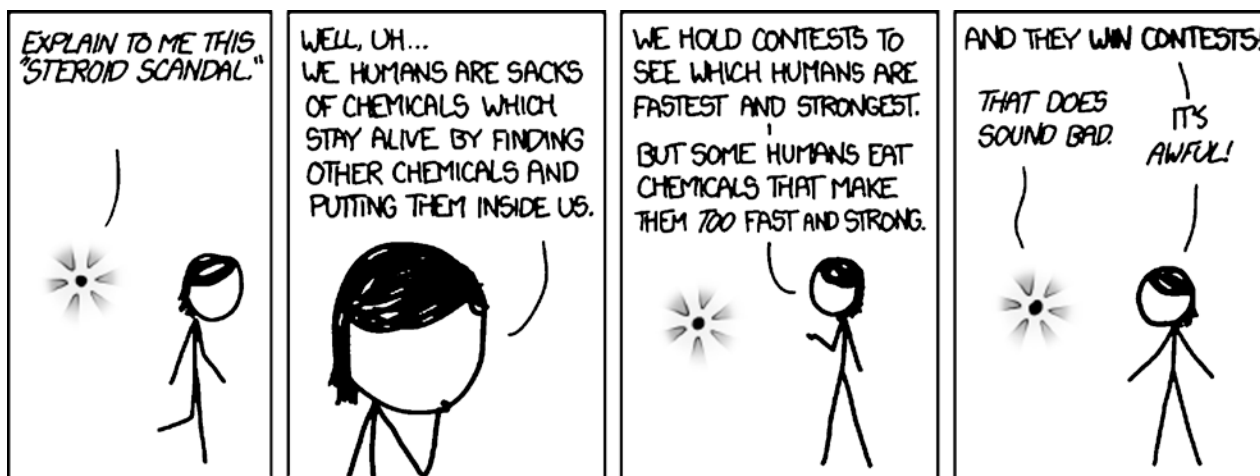
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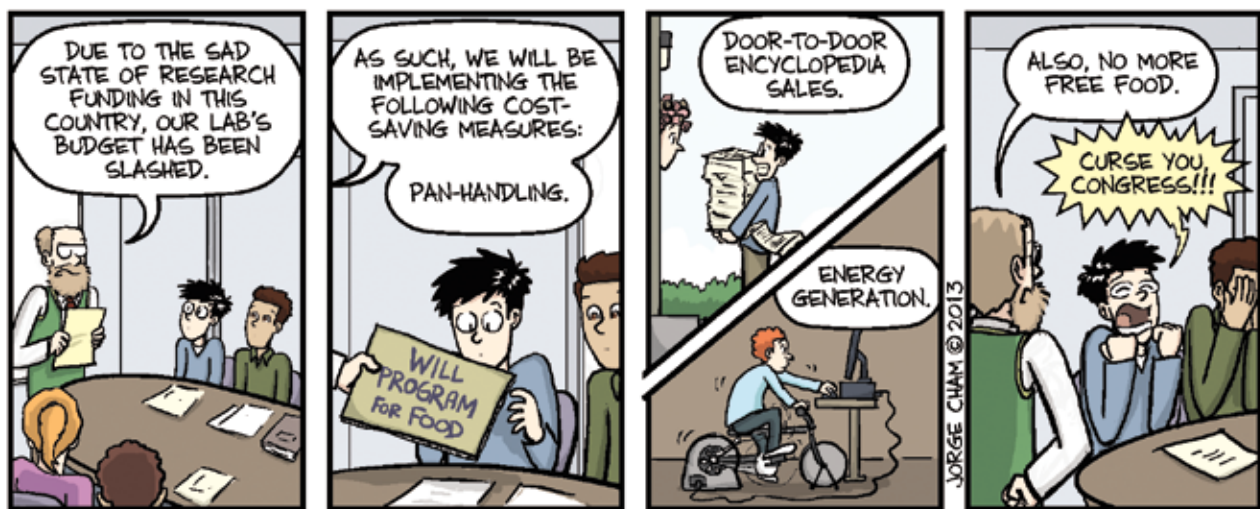
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Minimizing inconvenience to the MIT community

Facilities works to clear snow around campus, dining halls maintain food service

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sential personnel” and were either on campus or in contact with MIT on Friday.

Desk workers, who are hired in many west campus dorms through the Professional Staffing Group (PSG), are not considered essential staff. Colombo said that in Next House the house manager asked students to man the desk during the blizzard since the normal contracted desk worker could not make it in. Two students ran the desk from 8 a.m. until midnight when Nightwatch took over.

Snow removal

Nemo dumped 24.7 inches of snow on MIT last weekend, most of which was promptly cleaned up by the MIT grounds crew once the blizzard ended. The entire MIT grounds staff was hard at work on Friday. Several teams were called in, including one to staff the Central Utilities Plant (CUP) and a core

of maintenance personnel. “The way we prioritized [clearing snow] was life-safety issues first

In order to stay prepared for similar situations, MIT has an Emergency Operations Center.

(fire escapes, etc.),” said John DiFava, the director of facilities operations and security, “then, it became places that people would have to walk, and handicapped accessibility. And then parking lots, roadways. The fourth is snow removal and bicycle paths.”

With the announcement that the MBTA would cease service at 3:30 p.m. and with the road ban in effect by 4 p.m. last Friday, it was clear that the maintenance crews would be stuck at the Institute after work. “We used the dorms and residence halls, and got rooms in

the various hotels” in the area explained DiFava.

“We were certainly ahead of Cambridge, that’s for sure,” chuckled DiFava regarding snow removal.

What happens when the Institute closes?

It is rare for MIT to close. In an interview with *The Tech* last week, Chancellor Eric Grimson PhD ’80 could not remember the last time the Institute closed twice in one academic year — and he’s been here for 38 years.

“The Institute closes when the government does,” said Colombo. Since the governor declared a state of emergency, MIT closed. Dining and the dorms always stay open when MIT closes, while DAPER usually does not.

“We don’t let events continue when the Institute closes,” said Walsh. This closure allows facilities to “secure Kresge and the Chapel,” though those venues do open to accommodate religious groups, as they did last Friday for the MIT

Muslim service and for Hillel.

MIT started watching the weather on Monday and began preparation for Nemo then. During a monthly meeting last Wednesday, it was clear that the forecasts were increasingly ominous, said Walsh. Facilities listened in on a conference call about Massachusetts emergency management and motions with the Institute began. By Wednesday afternoon, MIT

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was reaching out to those holding events over the weekend asking them to reconsider their schedules. “There was plenty of panic in the media already, so a lot of people canceled their events early anyway,” said Walsh. “We didn’t cancel

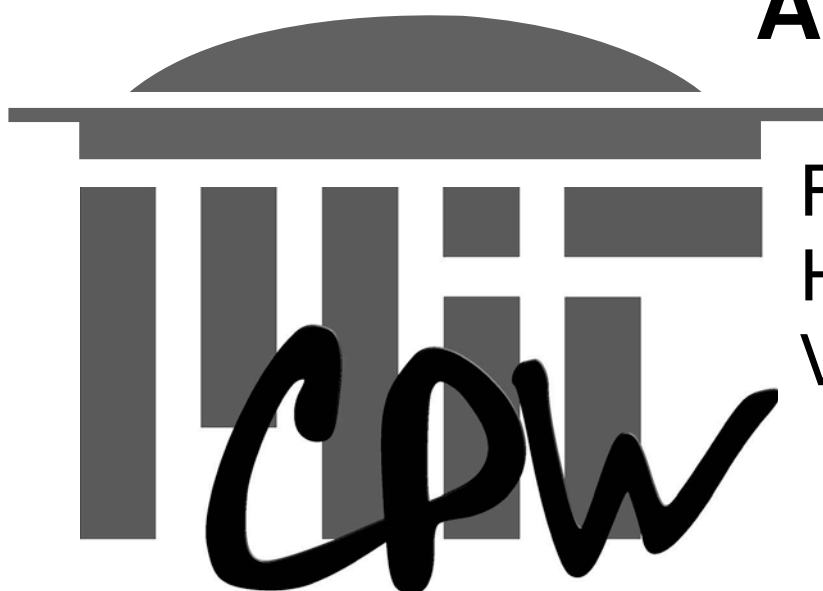
them until the Institute closed.”

In order to stay prepared, MIT has an Emergency Operations Center of which John DiFava is the head, and a number of DSL staff are involved with the center, which coordinates MIT’s emergency responses. “Basically MIT has a mechanism in place within a federal framework that all schools follow,” explained Walsh, “We’ve had this group in place for a number of

years.” Emergencies are disseminated to campus through MIT Alert and the campus emergency website emergency.mit.edu.

Bruno B.F. Faviero contributed reporting to this article.

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New alcohol policy leaves many aspects ambiguous

Changes aimed at reducing fear of calling for help, consequences purposely vague

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ple. If the incident would otherwise merit disciplinary action, according to the policy, compliance with the Good Samaritan Policy would be considered a mitigating factor. On the other hand, a "lack of response" (not demonstrating responsible, help-seeking behavior in an alcohol emergency, according to the policy) can "void all protections under this practice" and can result in follow-up, relevant sanctioning, or levying of disciplinary action.

With regards to the broadness of the policy, Camelio said that

they made the language about the post-incident education and/or counseling "vague on purpose" to allow for the flexibility to respond suitably to different situations. The policy does not mention which administrators determine follow-up programs, or even enumerate possible options.

Camelio says that they wanted to make the policy easy to follow. "We didn't want any hesitation on the student's part to use it," he said. "We wanted to make it as user-friendly as possible. That's really the biggest change."

Another key difference in the new policy is that it does not out-

line direct penalties for repeat offenses, unlike the previous policy,

ning, according to Camelio, and these groups will handle discipline

Camelio.

According to Camelio, this is by no means the final version of the policy. "The real reason that we do this is to reduce barriers so that no one dies from alcohol poisoning. ... If things change and we have to tweak it to make sure that we're doing that, [we will]."

The full policy can be found at <http://studentlife.mit.edu/cdsa/practice-seeking-help>.

This story is still in development, and The Tech will follow up further with members of the community and the administration.

Janelle Mansfield contributed reporting.

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which escalated discipline after the second punishment. With the new policy, the CDSA has been working with organizations like Dormitory Council and the Interfraternity Council from the begin-

like penalties and fines internally. "We want to make sure the number of [hospitalizations] is low because our students are engaging in low-risk drinking behaviors, not because they're afraid to call," said

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Forum fosters discussion about pressures of MIT

Grimson and Allen give faculty perspective, students elaborate on their own stresses

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brought up that while pressure is a fundamental part of MIT — it can drive many students to perform better — it can also be extreme.

While students at any university face pressure from balancing academics, extracurriculars, and other stressors, the chancellor touched on how these challenges fit in at MIT. The “I’m so hosed” game, in which students constantly attempt to one-up each other in how much work they have, helps contribute to the sometimes negative competitive attitude that pervades MIT.

Expanding on how the game can create a “culture of perceived inferiority,” was *The Tech’s* former editor in chief, Jessica J. Pourian ’13. Pourian spoke about *The Tech’s* pressure survey from last fall, in which over 3,000 students were polled about their feelings of stress and competition at MIT.

“Students at MIT feel like they work less than their peers,” Pourian said, pointing to the data from the survey about how MIT students perceive themselves as less competent than their classmates. According to the survey, MIT students feel like they put in less effort, do less homework, take fewer units, and sleep more than their peers — even

though the data shows that this is a categorically false perception.

In addition to statistics from the survey (which can be found online at <http://tech.mit.edu/V132/N59/pressure/index.htm>), Pourian shared a number of comments from the survey, ending with “Don’t let learning get in the way of living.”

Following Pourian was Sam Allen, the chair of the faculty. He spoke about how faculty could help relieve some student stress, elaborating on some rules that faculty must adhere to (such as how it is illegal for a class to grade on a curve), and how students can interface with faculty to make their lives easier. Try to get close to professors you like, he advised, go to their office hours (“I get lonely in my office during office hours,” he admitted). Many faculty members love teaching, and mentoring students is often the favorite part of their job, he said. The faculty is there for students to interact with.

“They aren’t malicious, just clueless,” he laughed.

Discussion

The central part of the forum, of course, was the discussion. After dinner from Bertucci’s, the students in the room were invited to

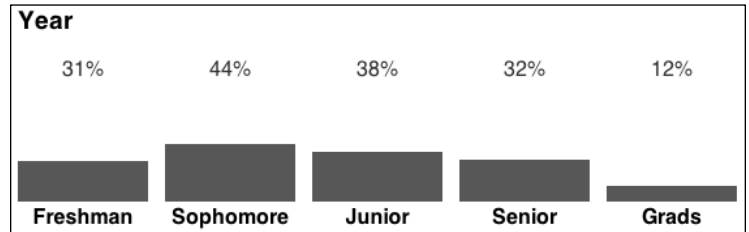
share their thoughts. In addition to Grimson and Allen, there were several administrators and deans. In attendance were David Randall, head of S³; Chris Colombo, dean for student life; Christine Ortiz, dean for graduate education; Blanche Staton, senior associate dean for graduate students; and a representative from Medical Health, among other administrators.

Most of the students present seemed to be upperclassmen, and there were many faces from the Undergraduate Association and the Graduate Student Council.

It is easy to feel incompetent when you compare yourself to other students.

Students brought up a variety of issues. Many spoke of the competition at MIT — how it is easy to feel incompetent when you compare yourself to other students. This was particularly salient for graduate students who have to spend a lot of time in lab.

If one labmate works on Sunday, said a graduate student, everyone else in the lab feels obligat-



The percent of students that play the “I’m so hosed” game at least weekly, in which students try to one-up each other with how much work they have. Pourian touched on this issue and many others from the pressure issue in her talk at the stress forum. An interactive version of this infographic (and more) can be found online at <http://tech.mit.edu/V132/N59/pressure/breakdown/year/index.htm>.

ed to go in as well. Grimson said he wished he could just ask faculty to declare “lab holidays” to avoid issues like this, but expressed that something like that would likely be impossible.

Battles over who takes more units was another issue raised. Students often judge themselves by how many units they are taking — but even this isn’t a good measure, one undergraduate pointed out.

“A 6-unit class for someone might be 20 units for somebody else,” one student said. Just because something is a certain amount of units doesn’t mean it will take a student that amount of time.

Grimson (and many students) pointed out a number of classes that don’t actually reflect the time they take. “We forgot to add a zero to [the units for] some of these classes,” joked Grimson. 2.009, 6.005, 6.006, and a number of classes were accused of being guilty of this phenomenon.

“All of Course 4!” shouted one student when class numbers were being thrown around.

The discussion continued past 7 p.m. as students and faculty brainstormed ways to alleviate student stress at MIT.

Students who have more to contribute to the discussion should contact the chancellor.

Solution to Techdoku
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Solution to Techdoku II
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A Valentine's Day vendor fair was held yesterday in the lobby of the Student Center.

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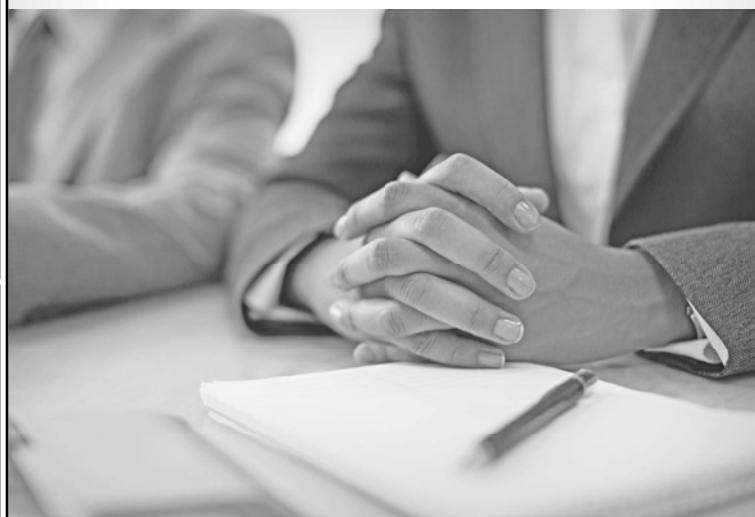
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NBA All-Star snubs and surprises

Who deserves spots on the Eastern and Western teams?

By Nick Lopez
SPORTS STAFF

This Sunday is the NBA All-Star game, and while most selections were pretty agreed upon, a few were a bit puzzling. Here are the players who, in my opinion, do not deserve spots:

Western Conference

Zach Randolph: Memphis Grizzlies

The Grizzlies are a great team this year, one of the top teams in the West, but that's it. They're a great team. They are a collection of players who all contribute equally to the team's success, so to single out one player as their 'all-star' doesn't do justice to the rest of the players who contribute just as much. Randolph is averaging 15 points per game and 11 rebounds per game. While I concede those are great numbers, especially the rebounding, in a star-studded conference such as the West, 15 and 11 aren't enough to merit an All-Star selection. Some teams just don't have All-Stars, and the Grizzlies are one of them. In this case, credit should be awarded to Coach Lionel Hollins for assembling such a flawless play style, rather than to one individual player.

David Lee: Golden State Warriors

Golden State has vastly exceeded most preseason expectations. They are currently second, behind the also surprising Los Angeles Clippers. While some of the credit should go to Lee — who is having a fantastic season, averaging 19 points per game and 10 rebounds per game — I can't accept that he has been selected as the player to represent the Warriors in Houston. Golden State has gained the image as a run-and-gun, three-point shooting offensive powerhouse. While they have been trying to establish more of a post presence with Lee and the recent acquisition of Andrew Bogut, they are still a perimeter-oriented team. When opposing teams play against the Warriors, they don't plan for a post-oriented offense — they plan for shooters. So, I am baffled by the decision to have Lee represent the Warriors in the All-Star game when he doesn't even embody who they are as a team.

Eastern Conference

Kyrie Irving: Cleveland Cavaliers

Kyrie Irving is one of the top young point guards in the league and is having an inspiring season, averaging 24 points per game and leading the Cavs at only 20 years old. That being said, he is not an All-Star. An All-Star should be a player who leads his team to victory, and the Cavs, to put it bluntly, suck. They are 16-36 this season and 12th place in the Eastern

Conference, which in recent history has been by far the most inferior conference. People argue that Irving has no supporting cast, and that you can't expect much with the roster that he has to work with. While that is true, I believe that you cannot have an All-Star from a bad team. All-Star selections have historically been used to reward the better teams with more selections, so the selection of Irving takes a spot on the team away from another player who may be equally deserving and on a better team.

Luol Deng: Chicago Bulls

Without Derrick Rose, many wrote off the Bulls this season because they would be missing their MVP point guard. However, Chicago currently sits in 4th place in the East, due to the inspired play by Rose's former supporting cast. Joakim Noah, also an All-Star this season, sets the tone defensively every game with his relentless hustle and effort. Carlos Boozer has taken on most of the scoring burden that was left when Rose tore his ACL in last season's playoffs. That leaves Deng, a great two-way wing player, one of the best in the league, yet arguably the third most valuable player on his own team behind Noah and Boozer. It was my opinion last season when Deng was selected for his first All-Star game that he benefited primarily from the Bulls' team success, and I think something similar has happened this year.

And here's who I think should have made it into the All-Star game instead:

Western conference

Stephen Curry: Golden State Warriors

As I said when discussing David Lee, the Warriors' All-Star selection needs to be someone who represents their play style. Curry is the exact embodiment of this play style. He is arguably the best pure shooter in the NBA, the only other player on his level is Kevin Durant. He is quick, he is young, he is exciting, and he is the face of the Warriors franchise. He has emerged this season as a potent scorer, averaging over 20 points for the first time in his young career, and his three-point shot is Golden State's best weapon offensively. While David Lee is a solid secondary star, this team is Curry's, and he should have been selected as their All-Star to reflect that.

Al Jefferson: Utah Jazz

The Utah Jazz always find a way to slip under everyone's radar, probably because they play in Utah, and this season is no exception. Al Jefferson has been the man in the middle for Utah a 20-point, 10-rebound player since he was acquired from Minne-

sota in 2010. Utah wins games with their rugged style of play that emphasizes defense, pick-and-rolls, and post ups, all of which Jefferson excels at. Jefferson is a dominant big man in a conference that lacks a dominant low post presence, which is why I am surprised that he was not selected. This is partially the fans' fault for voting in Dwight Howard as an All-Star starter when he really hasn't been playing like one, yet it is surprising that the coaches continue to overlook Jefferson's credentials. His stats speak for themselves: he is the highest scoring center in the Western conference at 17 a game, and his team is poised to make the playoffs. Not many of those that were selected above him could claim the same.

Eastern Conference

Carlos Boozer: Chicago Bulls

When Boozer was signed in the summer of 2010, it was believed that he would be the key second option to Derrick Rose that would put the Bulls over the top. Since then, he has mainly been seen as a waste of money. This season has seen him emerge as a leader on the court as well as an offensive threat that the Bulls can dump the ball down to and get a key bucket down the stretch. The Bulls' play has been inspiring this season, largely because of Boozer's rebound focus. I don't know if it is the burden of having a team relying on him again to produce that did it, but Boozer has been playing with a drive that I haven't seen in him since he first arrived in Chicago. No longer is he just unfocused money that Chicago fans had grown accustomed to witnessing the past few seasons, and I think his vast improvement is All-Star-worthy.

Deron Williams: Brooklyn Nets

Deron Williams is one of the top five point guards in the league, and yet not an All-Star. It's true that the East is very guard heavy, with great talents like Joe Johnson, Brandon Jennings, Monta Ellis and J.R. Smith all not receiving All-Star nods either. My main issue with Williams not being selected is not so much that he is having such an amazing season that must be recognized, but more that he is leading a Brooklyn Nets squad that used to be terrible but now has a legitimate shot at Eastern Conference Supremacy. Brook Lopez was selected as the injury replacement to Celtics guard Rajon Rondo, so the Nets do have an All-Star now, but Williams is the franchise, not Brook. He was the one management brought in to lead the Nets to the ring, not Brook, and he deserves to represent the team in the All-Star game as well.

UPCOMING HOME EVENTS

Friday, February 15

Swimming and diving vs. NEWMAC Championships
10 a.m./6 p.m., Zesiger Center Pool

Saturday, February 16

Swimming and diving vs. NEWMAC Championships
10 a.m./6 p.m., Zesiger Center Pool

Squash vs. Tufts University

1 p.m., Zesiger Center Courts

Men's volleyball vs. Emerson College

4 p.m., Rockwell Cage

Men's volleyball vs. Johnson & Wales University

6 p.m., Rockwell Cage

Sunday, February 17

Swimming and diving vs. NEWMAC Championships
10 a.m./6 p.m., Zesiger Center Pool

Men's volleyball vs. Lasell College

11 a.m., Rockwell Cage

Men's volleyball vs. Rivier College

1 p.m., Rockwell Cage

Men's basketball vs. Wheelock College

7 p.m., Rockwell Cage

SPORTS SHORT

Men's basketball dominates Clark & WPI

MIT Men's Basketball defeated Clark University comfortably Monday, 69-44. The Engineers' last game was postponed due to the snowstorm, and the week off seemed to do them wonders. In a dominant performance, MIT never trailed. Will Tashman '13 tied a career high for points in a game with 26, and set a new career high for rebounds with 20. He also set an MIT record for most rebounds in a career. The Engineers' defense was outstanding all game, holding Clark to a lowly shooting percentage of 19 in the first half and 29.5 percent overall. MIT upset nationally ranked #5 WPI 69-60 Wednesday night to pull into a tie for the NEWMAC lead.

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