Cambridge residents trapped by the snow from this week's storm were aided by a team of Baker residents who came out and volunteered to help the National Guard in rescue efforts.

A little after midnight Thursday morning, MacGregor resident Victor "Bonzo" Serby '81 started walking to Wellesley College because he wanted to "see what was happening there." When he arrived at 3:30am, he remembered that he had been scheduled to work at the dining hall that morning. So he started walking back. He arrived at MacGregor at 9:30am, just missing his shift. Serby, described by fellow MacGregorites as "an odd character," was the same person who had been handcuffed to McCormick's front door last semester by then MacGregor desk staff captain John Anderson '78.

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