Participation in activities on the decline

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Alphie Pitt, former APO (a campus service organization), has noticed "overall somewhat of a decrease in participation... which is a continuing trend over the years," said Michael Druding '85, president of APO. "A heavy emphasis on academics, finally, has curtailed student involvement," Druding added.

Druding predicts an upcoming trend. "I look for an increase in the next few years," he said.

Student Center Committee (SCC) Chairman James S. Person III '86 said, "I have noticed a decrease in student participation in SCC... due to greater student involvement in other activities and academic and financial pressures."

SCC has taken steps to combat the problem, however. The group changed its constitution and reconstructed itself in March, 1984, to "create an environment for better involvement," Person said. "SCC is very rewarding, but very frustrating," he commented. "We're frustrated by the lack of cooperation."

Not all groups have experienced a decrease in participation, however. "Participation has definitely gone up," said Carl Manning '85, president of the MIT Concert Band. Manning also noted that "people already dedicated musically" come to MIT and "they find that the MIT Concert Band fills [their] need to be involved in a musical group."

"[Drumshop] has many more people than it can deal with. It is frustrating," commented Anna Lisa Fear '85, president of MIT Drumshop. The membership is limited by available resources — "we're frustrated by the lack of facilities and money," she said.

"We've always had good participation," she continued. "We seem to have a great number of women, more than ever. We've made an effort to get shows which have more women in them."

"The Tech has attracted more new people this year than in previous years, but that was probably because we had a particularly strong recruitment campaign," observed Martin Dickas '85, chairman of The Tech.

"The number of new staff members is about the same as it has always been," he added.

MIT students must serve jury duty

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firmed that MIT releases the names of dormitory residents to the census commissioner. "Since both of these are for students to vote, some tradeoff the census commissioner. "Since the names of dormitory residents to confirmed that MIT releases the jury summons risk being called summer. Students who ignore inconveniently serve, such as IAP or the

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