Prefrosh Enjoy Slice of MIT Life

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events, such as the African American/Native American and Mexican American/Puerto Rican extravaganzas, as ice cream orgy with Hard Rock Cafe volunteers serving the prospective freshmen, a performance by an MIT dance group, and the open-air barbeque on Saturday. "It went off successful-
ly, but there weren't enough people who showed up," said Deanna Williams '94, a student coordinator.

In addition to campus activities held special events, and some living halls also held parties dur-
ing this weekend. Gonzalez expressed disappointment that these parties focused on the 254 women that were only a part of a weekend designed for minorities as well women.

Many prospective freshmen explained MIT by themselves or with their hosts. "If freshmen [to the activ-
ties] are low... that's OK" because they can also learn by talking with MIT students, Gonzalez said. "In planning everything, we tried to center on answering their ques-
tions," he added.

"Talking to a lot of freshmen... they all were happy that they came up," Gonzalez said. "It's a good introduction [and it] eradicates a lot of questions and myths.

"Things went very well," Walker said. "It definitely was a good pre-
finishing weekend.

Many MIT students volunteered to help out with the weekend as air-
port greeters, hosts, and registration workers, Elsberg said. "The
tumors was real for students... There was more interest than we
could even accommodate." About 220 women and 40 men volunteered to host the visitors, and there were about 50 percent more volunteers than needed.

Many prospective freshmen were settled with the weekend's events. Some felt that the visit
gave them to decide if they wan-
ted to attend MIT. But, as Laura F.

Fitzgerald '94, a student coordinator.

"It was fun, especially the
event," said Ellis Y. Chi of Saratoga, Calif.

"MIT is a big school; it has a big
name. It's a school that you just
want to fit in...

"There was more interest than we
expected.

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