Residence Halls
Will those students who are living in Perry dormitory please raise their hands? Good! These lucky students, unlike the rest of you, will be in an air-conditioned dorm this summer, since we do not have room for them in the regular freshmen and sophomore dormitories. So speaks a prominent Tech official as all new students are instructed in the ways of Tech’s world for the summer of 1965.

Good old Georgia Tech provides a rousing chorus of noise each morning at five minutes until eight with its many pitched steam whistle. The obvious use of this striking sound is to wake the poor, slumbering students in the dorms who cannot afford an alarm clock, so that he can be in class by eight-five. It serves a similar purpose through the day by awakening those students who have had the misfortune to fall asleep in class . . ."

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Harsh Restrictions Dominate Tech's Early Dormitory Life

The Georgia School of Technology was very similar to a military school during the pre-World War II era. Every student enrolled at Tech was also in R.O.T.C. The dorms were more like barracks than residence halls.

From approximately 1900 to 1920, the school published a small book entitled *Regulations for Students*. It contained regulations on such subjects as registration, absences, conduct, athletics, clubs, and also dormitories.

Thirty-seven rules were expected to be obeyed by the students while they lived in the dormitories. All freshman not yet twenty-one years old, and not living with their parents or other relatives were required to live in the dorm. The students who resided there were not free to roam as they wished; instead, they had “leave” privileges between 8:00 a.m. and the evening call to quarters, Monday through Friday. If they desired leave privileges, they had to submit a request for leave, including the hours desired for departure and return, and where they wished to go, giving name and street number. Leaving before the appropriate hour, returning after the leave expired, or getting leave of absence for one place and then going another was punishable by confinement, suspension, or dismissal from the school. Members of fraternities were a slight exception, being allowed to leave Saturday nights, not later than 12:00, to attend meetings of their fraternities. They were required to return within “a reasonable time” after the adjournment of those meetings.

The time of the dormitories was regulated by the clock in the academic building; the students’ schedule in the dorms was governed by bells. The rising bell rang in the hall at 6:15 a.m. daily except Sunday. Rooms were required to be in order, beds made up, floors swept, and students dressed by 6:45 a.m., when the inspection bell would ring. The bell for breakfast sounded promptly at 7:00 a.m., and the chapel bell followed at 8:00 a.m. On Sundays, however, the rising, inspection, and breakfast bells rang one hour later. At a specified time after supper, the bell for call to quarters would ring. At that time all students had to go to their rooms for study. Five minutes after the call to quarters, another inspection was held, after which no student was allowed to visit. “Orderlies” were held responsible for any undue noise or disorder in the rooms during study hours. At 10:15 p.m., the bell for retiring sounded, and all lights were required to be off and students in bed at the time of the second bell, 10:30.

Students were also required to form for each meal as directed by an appointed “Superintendent.” If any student was found with playing cards or intoxicating liquors in his possession he was forced to be expelled from school. However, firearms were asked to be deposited with the Superintendent.

An Inspector was also appointed to each “division” by the school President, and he was responsible for the order of his division. Among other duties, the inspector had to carry a lantern at taps, and was not to leave or make a report until he had recognized the occupants of each room in his division.
Housing Satisfies New Needs

Housing was not a part of the Georgia School of Technology when it opened. After a nine year wait the legislature finally appropriated $20,000 for the purpose of building Knowles Dormitory. It was first occupied at the opening of the school session of 1897. Knowles was the sole dormitory for nearly three years. In March, 1900, Mr. James Swann, one of the largest contributors to Tech's first fund drive after Lyman Hall took over as President, made a donation of $21,000. This was made on the condition that an additional $15,000 be raised. The donation made by Mr. Swann enabled the Swann Dormitory to be built.

Additional dormitories were built between 1925 and 1939: Brown, which cost a total of $85,000, Harrison and Howell, which together cost a total of $338,000. Techwood and Cloudman rounded out the pre-war era of dormitory construction.

The returning soldiers of World War II brought great numbers of married students to Tech for an education on the G.I. Bill. With these students came their wives and babies. Callaway Apartments were completed in 1946 as a service to students with families, moving MA Tech full circle in completing another housing service to her students. In addition to the post war surge of students, the admittance of women to Georgia Tech in the late fifties and early sixties created a new service need: a women's dormitory. The first housing for women was an actual house located on Fifth Street, which housed thirty-two women in 1968. In the fall of 1969, however, the number of women in need of housing nearly doubled to sixty-two. Therefore, a new dormitory on West Campus, Fulmer, was opened especially for women in the fall of 1969. When the number of women doubled again to 127, the housing administration made an already male dorm, Armstrong (which was larger), a female one and changed Fulmer to a male hall. Since then, the number of women living in residence halls has increased to 1100 this year; they live in Howell, Hopkins, Glenn, which were adapted for female occupants starting in 1974, and Fulmer, Fitten, and Woodruff South on the West Campus.

**TOP TO BOTTOM:** The Janie Austell Swann Dormitory in the early days. Construction of West Campus in 1968. Looking west at the site of the future East Campus dormitories. **LEFT TO RIGHT:** Techwood Residence Hall in the forties. Y.M.C.A.
Field, Hanson, Hopkins, Matheson and Perry Residence Halls make up that region of the campus known as Area II. These halls were all constructed in 1961 and have recently gone through several changes. Some of the halls have been improved through the addition of air conditioning. Matheson-Perry had new fire escapes installed at the ends of each building in order to comply with new Atlanta fire codes. Area II was the first group of halls to be run by an Assistant Area Coordinator. This fulltime professional, who is not a student, is trained in counselling and lives in a residence hall. Since the coordinator is full time, Residence Hall Directors and separate dorm councils are no longer needed. This has resulted in a better hall life because problems or repairs are corrected faster and more efficiently.

Area II won Most Improved Hall Council in RHA Week, which shows the new system is working. The residents also sponsored a water balloon toss the same week, featuring such notable personalities as Frank Kelly, who was treated to a "refreshing" experience. Spring also brought the famed Area II Bash, a highly successful party where everyone celebrates the arrival of warmer weather with Hawaiian shirts and Daiquiries. Money for the bash is raised through sales of key chains, T-shirts, and doughnuts.

Fall quarter was celebrated with participation in several events. The area went trick-or-treating with Glenn Residence Hall, had a Happy Holidays party at the end of the quarter, and created a banner for Homecoming.

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: Julie Egenberger enjoys dancing with a football player at the Area II Bash. Henry Strickland makes a meal. Residents talk at the bash.

BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: Mike Armour and Bobby Lane eat pizza in their room. Frank Kelly at the water balloon toss. John Lester studies in his room.
Because of an unexpected financial assistance, Area II was able to plan a large number of events spring quarter. An Easter Egg Hunt was held for the children of residents in married housing. Over 40 children came to President Petit’s lawn to search for eggs containing candy. The child who collected the most eggs was given a tricycle. A Laurel and Hardy/Three Stooges film festival was held in mid-April. A Symphony trip took place a few weeks later. A world renowned massage expert from the Atlanta Athletic Club gave a packed house demonstration of massage techniques. A local jazz band performed for free during a Sunday afternoon picnic in the Area II courtyard. In addition, grills and charcoal were available every Sunday evening to all residents. At the end of May, Area II hosted a Shoot-the-Hooch Cookout Party. In June they journeyed to Stone Mountain Park for a picnic and hayride.

**TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT:** Bert Hawkins entertains Field residents during a rough finals week. The latest twists and jives are shown here by Jon Cave and Leah Flores during an Area II party. Rich Moore posts Tech basketball scores on an Armfull hall bulletin board. **BOTTOM:** Area II residents have gotten used to being so close to Georgia 85.
This year Armstrong-Fulmer experienced a little excitement when Armstrong became a male residence hall. The two halls get along great and have enjoyed doing many things together. Pleasant evenings have been spent watching movies and the Superbowl. Armful had a fundraising breakfast, sold T-shirts, created a word file and had a homecoming party. They participated in a massage class with Woodruff and on Valentines Day the two halls got together for a secret valentines exchange. Many lasting friendships have been formed between the two halls.

Armful fielded football, basketball, volleyball and wallyball teams. Possibly due to the fact that Armstrong was primarily a freshman residence hall, the success rate was not the best, but the competition provided a lot of fun and diversion for the residents of the two halls.
Land Dispute Brings Brown to Tech

As 1985 marks the Centennial celebration of Georgia Tech, so the year marks a special birthday for Brown and Harris Halls. Erected in 1925, Brown Hall was the first residence hall to appear in the area now referred to as East Campus. Not only is this building rich in the history of its sixty years on the Tech campus, it has historical significance predating its arrival here.

The building was originally constructed on the campus of Memorial University of Newfoundland, St. John's, Newfoundland, Canada, during the college's charter year of 1925. An unsettled land dispute halted construction of the nearly complete building and forced the Council of Her Majesty's Board of Governors to rule that the building be removed from its location in Canada.

When the Carnegie Foundation heard that the building would be destroyed, it contacted civil engineers at the Georgia School of Technology to seek their knowledge of recent developments in the area of large structure sectioning. The engineers devised a way to separate the building into eight parts that could be transported by train. As conditions of the consultation, the building was transported to the Tech campus and reconstructed.

The building and its architecture became the model for other structures that followed including Harris Hall constructed several months later.

The uniqueness of Brown-Harris is maintained in its focus on the needs of the individual while providing an atmosphere that encourages community development. This is accomplished by providing more, smaller activities than large scale events. Also, unique programming is still an active part of Brown-Harris.

Brown-Harris: sixty years of unique tradition.
Weekly events kept Caldwell residents entertained throughout the year. Ranging from “Sunday Night at the Movies” to a massive fall pizza party that annihilated three dozen pies, these activities assured high hall enthusiasm.

The residents were able to channel this excitement into a competitive spirit that netted victories in both the RHA and intramural games. During RHA Week, Caldwell won its own event, the Invitational Golf Tournament, as well as the Area II Water Balloon Toss. With several places and shows, Caldwell was able to edge out Glenn and claim the overall championship. In intramural events they were able to field strong teams in football, volleyball as well as many other events. Caldwell’s many successes led to a new trophy case which was added to the hall's accouterments to house their many trophies.

With the addition of a kitchen and an indoor recreation room, complete with both a billiards and ping-pong table, Caldwell residents were able to escape their daily toils and enjoy the fellowship available in this unique hall.
Cloudman Residence Hall made great strides this year beginning in the fall quarter with a great hot dog roast at which everyone got to know each other. From then on, Cloudman became one of the most cohesive groups on campus.

The hall produced a competitive B-league volleyball team which not only won the league, but a spot in recent Cloudman history. Residents got motivated enough to construct a truly unique homecoming display entitled "The Sting." Complete with moving parts, the display rivaled many fraternity extravaganzas.

Internally, Cloudman hall was one of the most active on campus sporting weekly VCR movies ranging from drama to comedy. The vociferous hall council dictated policies as well as "get togethers" for football and basketball games in which Cloudman students partook of Coke, submarines, and potato chips.

The spirit of fun competition with "intra-Cloudman" factions were exhibited in a pool tournament and a race down the Chattahoochee river.

*TOP:* Anling Sun prepares to face the world as a Fit-ten kitten. *BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT:* Cloudman resident studies the sports page. These kittens enjoy relaxing in the sun.
FITTEN

Dorm Named After Louise Fitten

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Fitten dormitory was opened in 1971. It is named for Louise M. Fitten — a relatively unknown Atlantan. No one knows why she endowed money to Georgia Tech — only that she was a model landlady. Stories have it that Mrs. Fitten owned and operated a boarding house in Atlanta and that one of her boarders paid her in then worthless Coca-Cola stock, which later made Mrs. Fitten a millionaire.

Since its opening, Fitten has been home to many female Techies who are often referred to as Fitten Kittens. The Kittens have always been active in intramurals and love to party.

This year the Fitten-Freemont co-rec football team completed an undefeated regular season only to be beaten in the playoffs. The girls’ team did well also with the skillful hands of Tara Brew as quarterback. Fitten also played basketball and softball this year.

The Fitten girls were in a party mood last fall. They helped plan a great west campus Halloween party, a “Bare as you dare” Pajama party and a surprise Christmas party which later won program of the month for all residence halls. The party was advertised as a study break. The girls were surprised, however, with Santa Claus and presents which had been secretly sent from parents.

Not only do Fitten girls like to have fun, they also like to serve their community. Fitten helped sponsor a canned food drive at Thanksgiving for hungry people overseas and together with Freemont, challenged similar sized residence halls at UGA to do the same. The one collecting the least cans would have to fly the winner’s Centennial or Bicentennial banner. Although the west campus halls collected over 1000 pounds of food, the UGA halls collected more, thus a UGA Bicentennial banner was flown here.
This year, Folk residents strived to become involved in many campus activities while maintaining one of the highest GPA's on campus. Activities kicked off in the fall with Homecoming. Folk placed first among the residence halls in the Mini 500 tricycle race, one of our freshmen won the Freshman Cake Race, and Folk was the only residence hall to sponsor an entry in the Ramblin' Reck Parade. Also, Folk helped sponsor the West Campus Halloween Party. In the winter Folk fielded intramural teams in basketball, soccer, and wallyball, with the basketball team winning its division before losing in the playoffs.

Folk's Hall Council was greatly improved this year, with the induction of freshman officers. President Bill Marsh worked hard to get the council's programs up and running. Weekly movies, pizza dinners and study breaks sponsored by hall council helped Folk's many freshmen relax during the trials and tribulations of their first year at Tech.

TOP: During warm weather days Freemont residents can be found making the best of it with many outdoor cooling off activities. BOTTOM: Things are always rocking at Folk with Dave Collins and Don Silkebakken.
FREEMONT

Burger Bowl Mudslide a Big Success

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Freemont, made up of Freeman and Montag Residence Halls, kicked off fall quarter with a Halloween party held in Woodruff residence hall. Continuing in this spirit of inter-hall parties, the two groups had a “Bare as you dare” Pajama Party in the Fitten lounge and commons area. This party followed a canned food drive in competition with the University of Georgia in which the West Campus collected canned foods to give to the needy on Thanksgiving. Although the Tech halls were unsuccessful in collecting more food than the University of Georgia residence halls, they did collect one and one half tons of food for the needy. Fall free time, when not spent at football games, could be divided among several recreation activities such as the pool and ping-pong challenge ladder.

During winter quarter, movies were shown in the lounge, and on Monday of finals week residents consumed 35 pizzas. Hot dogs and chips were provided for watching the televised away games of Tech basketball and the halls enjoyed a successful mixer with the beauties from Bauder Fashion College.

With the coming of spring many annual events returned. One of the area’s favorite events, the mudslide in the Burger Bowl was a fun break as was the “Tube the Hooch” party. Weekly movies continued to be shown, their regularity only broken up by a hall council party and the festivities of RHA week in which Freemont sponsored the bicycle race.
Glenn Hall Council Voted The Best Overall for the Year

Under the direction of Jim Bynum and an active hall council, Glenn drew from its three hundred residents to assure success of their many parties, programs and intramural teams. Although the building is old, the residents' esprit de corps far outweighed Glenn's physical shortcomings.

Glenn hall council, voted best overall hall council for 1984, offered a wide variety of activities during the quarter including ice cream parties, aerobics twice weekly, self defense seminars, Halloween trick or treating and an exam week bagel and donut break. Glenn and Smith got together for several movie nights, including one trip to see the "Rocky Horror Picture Show."

Intramurals offered residents fun and challenging athletic competition. Glenn fielded co-rec and girls football, basketball, volleyball, and softball teams.

During the last two years, Glenn residents have witnessed the transformation of the T.V. and study lounges. New furnishings and decoration made the areas both more comfortable and useful for residents.
The newly renovated Harrison Hall is home to more than 150 students. Harrison now ranks among the finest dorms on campus with new kitchens and ice machines on every floor as well as new bathroom fixtures and carpeted hallways.

Harrison made a good showing in intramurals this year, fielding teams in football, volleyball, ultimate frisbee, soccer, and basketball. During fall Harrison’s ultimate frisbee team won first place in the residence hall division.

Active residents and a hard working staff produced a full year of activities for Harrison. Fall quarter activities began with a cookout with Glenn dorm and included halloween trick or treating with Howell dorm.

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: Glenn girls have an ice cream social on a hot day. Neatness counts at Harrison. BOTTOM: Justine Zimmer pulls up front for the Glenn tug-of-war team.
Once again, Hefner Residence Hall offered its residents a unique blend of academics, athletics, and social interaction. A large freshman class combined with seasoned hall veterans has resulted in an energetic yet controlled living environment.

Athletically, Hefner has strong support from its residents in all intramural sports. Teams have been fielded in football, ultimate frisbee, soccer, volleyball, and basketball. A very strong softball team was fielded for spring quarter. Hefner also produced an outstanding trike team which finished eighth (second for residence halls) in the annual Tech Mini 500 Tricycle Race.

On the social front, Hefner residents are quite active in both on-campus and off-campus activities. Hefner basketball fans took first place in the residence hall division of the Budweiser Spirit Night Fan Support Contest at the Alexander Memorial Coliseum. Other Hefner social activities included periodic third floor happy hours as well as organized ventures into Atlanta.

TOP: A resident reads a newspaper clipping from home. BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: Joanne Mazza shows that it is possible to study and talk on the phone at the same time. Carlene Kovatch prepares herself for the evening.
HOWELL

Charities Benefit from Many Hall Fundraising Activities

Howell Residence Hall, named for the man who gave radio station WGST to what was then The Georgia School of Technology, was constructed in 1939 as a male dormitory. From these beginnings, it has evolved into a residence hall for Tech coeds where they are offered many diversions from academia. These activities ranged from purely social events such as parties and trick-or-treating on Halloween, to participation in several intramural teams, to fund-raising projects for charities.

The residents celebrated what can be deemed a very successful fall quarter with a Christmas party during dead week. This allowed everyone to get together and enjoy a break before preparing to take final exams.

Spring quarter proved a very active one as the hall sponsored two RHA Week events, the Howell Wiener Bite and the Howell Biscuit Eating Contest. Howell took second place overall in female residence halls with wins received in the female division of the Freemont Bicycle Race, female division of Towers Tug of War, and the Roommate Game which was based on the Newlywed Game T.V. show. In addition, Howell III received the award for aesthetically best in the Best Room Contest.

Intramurals also kept the residents busy this year as everyone had a chance to participate in a variety of sports. Women's as well as some co-rec teams participated in volleyball, basketball, and flag football.
Actively participating in intramurals, parties, fundraisers, and Homecoming, the McDaniel Residence Hall had a successful year. Techwood's hall council continued to be one of the most active, working hard to provide more activities for the residents.

Showing the unique Techwood spirit at all of the pep rallies, enthusiastic residents also participated in Homecoming activities. Residents worked feverishly all week to complete their homecoming display. These sacrifices were worth the effort as Techwood won the best overall display in residence halls for the second consecutive year.

The 'wood' sponsored several successful intramural teams this year. During fall, all Techwood intramural teams made it to the playoffs. Techwood's Costume Christmas party (held on Halloween) and the annual "to Hell with Georgia" party at the end of fall quarter were also a welcome diversion from school.

Techwood won the residence hall program of the month award twice during fall quarter for their alcohol awareness mock trial, and for the "This is Techwood" slide show shown during the first weeks of fall quarter.
SMITH

Air Band Contest an RHA Favorite

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Led by an active hall council and Residence Hall Director Miller Templeton, Smith Hall had an active year. With the addition of a new wall along North Avenue, Smith proudly sits as the cornerstone of Georgia Tech. One of Tech's largest residence halls, Smith has residents representing a complete cross section of the male student body.

Smith residents were given many social and athletic opportunities during the year. Following tradition, Smith Hall again fielded many strong intramural teams. The entire campus enjoyed the Smith Air Band Contest sponsored by residents in the spring. In addition to the usual Friday night movies, Smith held movie nights with Glenn dorm and also accompanied Glenn residents to the "Rocky Horror Picture Show." Residents also enjoyed council sponsored cookouts and much needed study-break doughnuts during finals week.

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: The residents of McDaniel Residence Hall stuff an A/B room during RHA Week, and win! The residents of Smith battle Woodruff in an ultimate game.
Intramurals Maintain Perfect Record

Towers Hall, which has been traditionally strong in sports, supported several intramural teams this year. Most notable have been the Tower's Blind Mice Ultimate Frisbee Team and Towers Dead Squirrel Basketball Team, both of which had perfect all loss records for the entire intramural season. Though our other intramural teams could not boast such impeccable records, our residents had a great time playing anyway.

Towers hosted the 6th annual Bare Ass 500 winter quarter. This year's winners were: Roy Coffman, a freshman with 127 feet; Mark Long, an RA in Towers, with 100 feet; and Tom Mergen, the RHD in Towers, with 95 feet. The official record set last year still stands at 144 feet. Some other hall activities have included participation in Homecoming week cookouts, midnight art films, pool and ping-pong tournaments.

Thanks to the superior efforts of the Hall Council, Towers now has what some consider the best recreation facility in the Residence Hall System. Beginning the year with only the top of a pool table, Towers now has two pool tables, a ping-pong table, dart board and three video games, with hopes of adding a pinball and change machine. Next year's plans include a residence hall system Bare Ass 500 involving as many male and female dorms as possible with events in chest and bottom sliding.

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: A Towers resident satisfies the munchies with a yummy looking pizza. Woodruff residents. BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: Towers residents. George Woodruff and President Pettit have a private chat at dedication of Woodruff residence hall. Frisbee game with Freemont.
Dedicated last fall in a ceremony featuring George W. Woodruff, the George and Irene Woodruff residence halls became Tech's newest additions to the system. Boasting elevators and a dining hall inside the building, Woodruff Hall quickly became prime real estate on the residence hall market.

Unfortunately, its residents have encountered several "alarming" experiences such as frequent false fire warnings, elevators out of order, and rooms with no heat, lights, or curtains. However, these temporary shortcomings in building construction have only cemented its residents into a closer unit.

Hall sections maintain their cohesiveness by sponsoring chili and ice cream parties along with movies and trips to the Punch Line. Activities included a summer Hawaiian Party and a party with trick-or-treating on Halloween night.

During Homecoming, Woodruff showed its true colors by winning the "best compliance with theme" category with its display: "Chinese Theatre at Hollywoodruff and Vine." Other successful ventures included the co-rec and intramural teams with the men's football and volleyball squads both reaching the playoffs.