Involvement Adds to the Academic Environment

Have you ever wondered who organizes the room assignments? Who is responsible for planning improvements? The answer is the Housing Department staff who go out of their way to make housing at Tech an efficient process.

Assigning rooms and coordinating hall improvements are only two of a wide variety of duties falling within this department's realm. Such fun activities as South Atlantic Affiliate of College and University Residence Halls (SAACURH) and Resident Assistant fall staff training are coordinated by the housing staff.

According to Frank Kelly, Director of Residence Life, one objective of the department is to "add to the academic environment through activities within the hall." Close interaction with the Resident Assistants provides the kind of planned activities Kelly is talking about.

The Housing Department makes it their major effort to provide safe, economical housing. Many residents wonder about how hall improvements are handled. These improvements are financed with the interest earned on the students' original $75 deposit. This money goes into an improvements fund and housing, along with a special committee of R.H.A. (Residence Hall Association) decide upon which halls have priority.

The year was a hectic but successful one consisting of hard work and commitment extended by every member of the housing staff.

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: Two hall presidents exchange ideas at RHA workshop. BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: Frank Kelly gossips with Marcia, Rosa studies paperwork, students learn paper passing at RHA Workshop.
The Residence Hall Association (RHA) had another year of successfully planned activities. RHA is made up of the Hall Council Presidents plus four elected officers.

This year RHA sponsored delegates to the South Atlantic Affiliate of College and University Residence Halls (SAACURH) and the National Association of College and University Residence Halls (NACURH) conferences. These are held annually and serve to provide student leaders in the residence halls with valuable ideas and suggestions.

RHA week was an exhilarating week long competition between all halls on campus. The festivities included contests as well as sponsored programs initiated by each individual hall but open to all students, such as a Glenn ice-cream sale.

Exam packs were an excellent source for fundraising for RHA this year. An exam pack contains goody boxes and is sold to the parents of students so that they may send it to students to help them through exams.

Alcohol awareness week brought out the perils of abusing alcohol in a college environment. This program was offered in addition to self-protection seminars given by Roy Wilkinson.

One of RHA's most active committees is its Improvements Board. A group of representative students as well as housing department staff members make priority fund allocations to halls that request improvements such as carpet, study lounges, and chairs.
Five Halls In One Means Five Times The Fun
There are five halls that make up Area II: Field, Hanson, Hopkins, Matheson and Perry. With a combined population of 720 students, Area II does things in a very big way. For example, every year it sponsors one of the most popular parties on campus... the Area II Bash! Free spiced rum, a great band and a crowded lawn exemplified the spirit of this year's Area II Bash. But the Bash was not the only party Area II sponsored. They organized street dances and hump-day parties for getting residents past the Wednesday blues.

The residents of Area II have a unique characteristic that sets them apart from all other halls. They are always cooperative, helpful, and friendly to new residents entering the halls. This is due to the atmosphere they create to facilitate all five halls working smoothly together. In the springtime, the Area II courtyard is occupied by residents playing frisbee, baseball or just studying for their classes. As evidenced by their unique esprit de corps, Area II offered many valuable educational programs in addition to their parties. For example, an AIDS Awareness seminar changed students’ perceptions of the AIDS disease. An alcohol awareness seminar was a successful program to discourage alcohol abuse.

Finally, Area II brought out the creative talents of their residents when they sponsored a mural contest. This and movie parties represent Area II’s ability to combine big with well organized. According to the residents living in these five halls, “Bigger IS Better.”

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: A Matheson resident kicks back in the relaxed atmosphere of his room. Area II residents. BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: Ena Lopez prepares for a night out. Tech students get ready for classes. Time to study!
Creating A 'Harmful' Combination of Guys and Girls
At Armful, the combination of one female hall with two male halls is often referred to as "Harmful!" This describes what happens when Hefner, Armstrong and Fulmer each collaborate to have a good time. According to Carolin Lewis, an Armful Residence Hall Officer, Armful's greatest asset is its "Combination of guys and girls." Unlike many other halls, Armful boasts a strong participation in its many hall activities.

Study breaks became a welcome treat to Armful residents each quarter. There were refreshments and a variety of new friends to meet.

Perhaps this combination illustrates how girls and guys can peacefully coexist. Perhaps the success of Armful is a strong indication that girls living near guys is not nearly as "Harmful" as the Tech lawmakers envision. Whatever the decision, residents of Armful are pleased to have a variety of halls to make up its structure.

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: Andrew dreams of sun surfing in California. Tony enjoys a cold frothy beer. BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: Jim outsifts Raoul in chess, Bennie teaches Christie to sew.
Residents Enjoy Getting Zapped

While maintaining old favorites, Cloudman made an effort to launch some new traditions this year. The most intriguing new feature on Cloudman’s agenda was the weekly “Late Night with Cloudman” which had many factors in common with “Late Night with David Letterman.” The resident assistants strolled around the hall, visiting rooms and sections and recording the types of comedy they encountered with a video camera.

Alongside “Late Night with Cloudman” was participation in one of the most popular games of the year, Lasertag. Active residents participated in this new, exciting game by forming teams against other residence halls and campus organizations.

As these new projects were introduced, however, old traditions were not forgotten. The annual Hot Dog Roast was held for the twenty-fifth time.

The Cloudman Hall Council kept residents busy through many activities, such as intramural football and movies shown on a VCR twice a week.

Because Cloudman is one of the smaller residence halls on campus, it offers a relaxed atmosphere to its residents.
Voted Best Hall of Past Year

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With 160 residents, Caldwell boasts being "West Campus's BEST Residence Hall." While this may seem a rather outlandish statement, Caldwell backs it up with their intramural performance. Their ultimate frisbee team was undefeated this year and their flag football team was undefeated in regular season play. A sports-minded atmosphere pervades Caldwell.

Sports are not the only thing Caldwell claims to do well. Their hall activities included selling Krispy Kreme donuts, having a pig roast with their neighbors at Folk and making late night runs to the Chick-Fil-A. Once a week, Caldwell provided a movie broadcast by way of CTV (Caldwell Television). According to Caldwell residents, "Why would anyone want to live elsewhere?"

Finally, Caldwell has found its social female counterpart hall. Unlikely as it may seem, Caldwell chose the distant east campus Glenn Hall for its mixers. These two halls seem to share an equivalent commitment to being the best at whatever they do. Those that live there feel Caldwell is certainly "West Campus's Best Residence Hall."

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: A Tech student learns to enjoy some gourmet food from the "V." Caldwell residents. BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: "Hi there!" Cloudman residents. Pizza time! Time to clean up.

CALDWELL
Earned Highest Academic Record

Freemont, "The place to be somebody," had a very active year. Freemont is Freeman and Montag combined and their academic record was top-notch with Freeman ranking first and Montag ranking third in Residence Hall GPA this year.

Freemont is not all work and no play, however. The Halloween trick or treating followed by a "ghoul party" resulted in haunting but good memories for all who attended. The annual "Bare As You Dare" party with Fitten Hall helped to get residents’ minds off school and on to more important subjects.

Freemont also sponsored several service projects. Residents volunteered time in night shelters providing services for the needy. Educational programs presented by the R.A.'s gave individuals knowledge on A.I.D.S. and phasic relaxation techniques.

Boiled shrimp feasts at the Hall Council meetings and the Freemont/Fitten newsletter, a joint effort providing four pages of exciting hall information, served to round out Freeman and Montag Residence Hall activities.

Obviously, Freeman is "The Place To Be Somebody."

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: A well deserved break from studying. Men iron their clothes too! BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: Residents thumbing through a bride's magazine. Students use computer to solve problems. A phone call that couldn't wait until morning.
The Tradition of Studying and Partying Continues

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There seems to be a tradition associated with living in Towers Residence Hall. According to Kyle Boatright, President of Towers Hall Council, "The Towers tradition means partying while reserving time for studies." This is particularly exhibited by the wide variety of "party" activities Towers offered this year. The Glenn-Towers "tuck-in" service proved successful as Glenn residents brought cookies, milk and a bedtime story to Towers residents. The Towers residents also participated in the annual "Bare-Ass 500" where students slide down a greased hallway. Among other fun social activities offered were the restoration of the recreation lounge, the t-shirt design contest.

The majority of Towers' 254 residents were freshmen, which made the tradition of balancing partying with studying that much more challenging. However, the few Towers-wisened upperclassmen were always willing to offer guidance and advice to a struggling freshman or an inquiring sophomore. Perhaps the Towers tradition reveals three of the strongest assets residence life has to offer: companionship, camaraderie to augment the tough Tech academic rigors, and a needed social outlet in the form of well-organized activities. Ask any Towers resident and he'll say, "Long live the Towers Tradition!"
At Folk Residence Hall, there are some legendary people called “Famous Folks.” Carl Washington, the custodian, has been in service at Folk as far back as anyone can remember. There are two other Famous Folks which residents affectionately call “The Peepers” and “Dung Monster.” These folks are perhaps better left undescribed.

In addition to legends, Folk is famous for the shoe tree, an old tree with thousands of old dangling shoes. Residents are expected to leave a shoe as remnant of their staying in Folk.

Folk’s activities are as distinctive as their traditions. They sponsored a pig roast and a bonfire where residents shared ghost stories. Folk also provides “Folk Flicks” — Thursday night movies in the T.V. lounge. Folk also sponsored a cookout for all residents who were more interested in meeting each other. Fun and food were standard at all Folk activities.

By having such exciting inside traditions, living in Folk is more an experience than a chore. That’s why Folk considers all its residents “Famous Folks.”
Why is Glenn Hall considered the most lively girl's residence hall on campus? According to Kathy Eichert, a Glenn resident Assistant, "I think maybe our lack of air conditioning adds to our already outgoing atmosphere." Many residents cringe when they first find that they must live in Glenn, the oldest and least renovated hall on campus. But one quarter later, those same residents will be saying "I love this place. I've made some incredible friendships." One of Glenn's greatest qualities is its active open-door policy. With the help of Glenn's enthusiastic R.A.'s, residents (60% Freshmen) are made to feel welcome as a Glenn family member.

Some of Glenn's activities certainly exemplify their lively spirits. Glenn sponsored a "Screw Your Roommate" party in which one roommate would set up a date with a guy that the other roommate wants to meet. The catch is, the second roommate does not know who the guy is until the party. Of course, the most well known of Glenn's activities is the spring Ice-Cream Sundae Sale in which anyone may purchase a sundae piled high with delicious toppings.

Because of Glenn's generous number of residents, they are often invited to participate with male halls in such activities as the Towers Tuck-in and Techwood intramurals. Lively, vivacious, effervescent and downright fun-loving are all ways of describing the distinctive attitude of the girls in Glenn. Maybe that's why they consider themselves, "The most lively girl's residence hall on campus."
Students Enjoy Environment
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Why do residents of Harrison feel they have "An Ideal Living Environment"? According to Jim Pierce, President of Harrison Hall Council, Harrison has the "best view of the interstate" and the "best living environment due to renovations." As this year's council activities show, Harrison indeed offered residents an ideal environment. On Homecoming Day Harrison welcomed relatives, residents and friends with a breakfast. Another activity was an attempt to show x-rated movies; however, the powers that be ordained that Harrison only show non-x-rated movies. Despite this mandate, the movies were a source of relaxation and escape from the academic rigors of Tech. The residents were kept abreast of hall activities by means of the "Hemorrhoid Herald," a newsletter published by Harrison staff.

Another aspect of Harrison's ideal living environment was its intramural participation. Harrison's all-out participation in the Mini-500 had many residents willfully regressing towards their childhood tendencies.

The 160 residents of Harrison argue that they are the best housing on East campus. With the ideal living environment provided by the activities within the residence hall, it is no wonder that they feel this way.
Residents Win Homecoming Contest Hands Down

Smith Hall also took pride in the activities sponsored by their hall council. To give the residents something to look forward to, a weekly movie night was implemented in Smith's very own TV lounge. For something a little extra, Smith Hall held a well attended cookout for its residents. At Homecoming, Smith took the RHA banner contest hands down but suffered a crushing defeat in the Mini-500. Smith Hall now boasts one of the few change machines on East Campus. In the past, this change machine gave only 95¢ for a dollar bill. After trying to get it fixed, according to Hank Chow, "this crummy thing only gave us a nickel." Soon, however, the change machine was encouraged to mend its ways.

As evidenced by the wonderful opportunities offered to Smith residents, it is obvious that "Smith is just trying to keep up with the Joneses."

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: Student reads book for class. Planning next quarter's schedule is never easy. The Macintosh offers student a great game system. BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: Jim Pierce participates for Harrison in Mini-500.
Residents Enjoying Quality Programs All Year Long

Howell Residence Hall may be one of the smaller halls, but they make up for size with quality. Howell sponsored many excellent programs under the leadership of Melody Wood, Hall Council President. The Study-Buddy program co-sponsored by Brown-Harris allowed residents to not only meet new faces, but it encouraged a studious atmosphere as well. In addition to the Study-Buddy program, Howell enjoyed several other activities with Brown-Harris. Their cookouts and movie nights were very popular and remained successful throughout the year. Howell also participated in a haunted castle co-sponsored by Smith hall. These activities represent the creative lengths that Howell residents will go to bring about a greater quality of residence hall programs.

Howell’s emphasis on educational programming is evident by its commitment to maintaining and distributing word file to their residents.

Howell is also very proud of their new renovations which include a badly needed air conditioning system. It becomes obvious that “Quality, not quantity” is what residents most care about.

Top, left to right: Howell Resident prepares for an evening on the town. Bottom, left to right: Roommates discuss their latest heart thobs, Techwood “A” team intramural flag football playoff, Jamie Hudgins and friends at RHA workshop.
"Club Techwood" was the theme dominating every aspect of Techwood's activities. Even Techwood's t-shirts depicted Opus in a lounge chair, portraying a typical "Club Med" beach bum.

Among the activities Techwood sponsored was the Lectern Society where students were provided with educational seminars. Two successful seminars included self-defense by Roy Wilkinson and time management by John Hawkins. Since Techwood is considered the number one crime area in Atlanta, the self defense seminar was an especially welcomed education for Techwood residents.

Spring is a time when students conjure images of lying on a wind-blown beach. To make that fantasy a little closer to reality, Techwood sponsored a Spring Band party using their Club Techwood theme. Other parties included their third annual Christmas party on Halloween eve and an ice-cream social with Glenn where a slide show was given exploring Techwood and the history of Atlanta.

The most unique thing about Techwood according to co-president of Techwood Hall Council Jamie Hudgins, is that Techwood has "the best open-door policy, with a friendlier atmosphere than most other dorms." With 352 residents, the spirit of friendship runs highest at Club Techwood.

Techwood's intramural season included their flag football team 'A' earning a place in the championship playoff. Although the ATO's took the title from Techwood, they still earned a 10-2 season. Other intramurals included co-rec flag football with Glenn, walleyball, and ultimate frisbee. Surely a person living in Techwood can consider himself fortunate to be a member of "Club Techwood."
Residents Hold Food Drive Competition With UGA

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Fitten residents showed off their friendly and effervescent spirit as they launched another year of parties, service projects and competitive activities.

An active social life was in store for Fitten residents as the Fitten Hall Council went into action fall quarter. The "Things that go bump in the night" Halloween party and the "Bare as you dare" pajama party gave the girls in Fitten some memorable experiences.

Service projects were also emphasized during the year as residents helped out at food lines and a food drive that competed against UGA. The Freemont-Fitten t-shirt proved to be a proud emblem of these residents' zest for life. In addition, they were the proud winners of third place in the 85-86 RHA (Residence Hall Association) Week competitions.

The main advantage of Fitten is its freshman population. New students get the chance to make friends, receive help with their studies and find a way into student life at Georgia Tech. With the experience of older residents, freshmen have an unlimited source of knowledge and encouragement.

Overall, Fitten can boast a proud and active offering to all present and future residents.

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: Techwood in the intramural semi-final flag football game, Tina studies for a difficult test. BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: Shelly dials a friend, David woos a veiled beauty at Woodruff Halloween party.
Woodruff Hall Pursues Active Residents

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The big activity at Woodruff this year was Woodruff Pursuit, in which students match their wits in a game of Trivial Pursuit. Each resident was given a card with five categories of educational, sports/leisure, service, social and free choice. After attending a hall activity in one of these categories, the resident’s card was stamped for that particular area. At the end of the quarter a drawing was held to determine the winner of an all expense paid trip to Disney World.

The first exciting Woodruff Pursuit activity included a Make-Your-Own-Ice-Cream social. During this event guys were given trivia cards with questions and girls were given cards with answers. Everyone was asked to find their card’s match. After much socializing, the matched cards were placed in a box, and the winners received prizes such as a t-shirt.

The food drive was another competitive challenge between floors and the winning floor was invited to a pizza party.

Obviously, with the theme of Trivial Pursuit emphasized all year, Woodruff was able to encourage group activities which resulted in camaraderie and esprit de corps among Woodruff residents.