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A universe in jeopardy, a woman to save, a brother in chains—just another day in Asgard for alien superhero Thor. Thor: The Dark World, directed by Alan Taylor (Game of Thrones), is a sequel to 2011’s Thor and boasts a stellar cast, including Chris Hemsworth (Rush), Natalie Portman (Black Swan), Tom Hiddleston (War Horse) and Anthony Hopkins (The Silence of the Lambs). It is a movie wrought with friendship and betrayal, illusions and harsh realities.

The film opens with a narrative detailing how Malekith (Christopher Eccleston, Doctor Who), king of the Dark Elves, crafts and tries to use a dark weapon called Aether to destroy the universe. Years after Malekith’s eventual defeat, Thor’s love interest Jane Foster (Portman) discovers and becomes infected by the Aether, causing Thor to take her back to Asgard in hopes of a cure.

The movie has some beautiful, heartfelt moments sprinkled throughout, and the dynamic between Thor and his treacherous brother (Hiddleston) results in some of the best acting that Hemsworth does throughout the movie. Hiddleston’s character, Loki, is more human than Thor, showing his inner and outer selves and expressing more emotion than the burly protagonist.

Thor, which opened last week in theatres, continues Marvel’s second phase of superhero films.
The South’s Liveliest College ...

will continue on Nov. 15-16 and Nov. 20-22 and start at 8:00 p.m. every night at DramaTech Theatre.

LAUREN BRETT CONTRIBUTING WRITER

UNWELCOME REPRODUCE

On Nov. 1, a GTPD officer began contacting multiple victims involved in similarly reported incidents within the North Avenue North Apartment building on the fourth floor. These incidents involved criminal trespass and sexual battery between the hours of 3:00 a.m. and 4:30 a.m. In both of the reported cases, the suspect was an unknown black male with dreadlocks wearing XBox pajama pants and no shirt, found entering unoccupied apartments that were not his own.

In the first incident reported, a female resident woke up to the suspect standing over her. She told him to leave, but he kept walking toward her bed. The victim’s roommate then walked in and yelled at the suspect to leave. The door was locked behind him.

Since the incidents, GTPD officers have investigated and identified the suspect. The on-duty RA spoke with officers and stated the night of the incidents and identified a person matching the suspect’s description on the fourth floor. He also stated that he knew the suspect, both of them were members of the GT Football team, but he did not know more about the suspect or if was a team member. He observed that the suspect was stumbling and likely under the influence of alcohol or drugs, and escorted the suspect back to his own apartment.

The suspect met officers at the police department and he was informed that he was a suspect of unlawfully entering into multiple females’ private rooms.

After a few other questions, the suspect admitted that he had no memory of any of the night’s events other than drinking with friends at Kappa Alpha fraternity and a vague memory of walking back home. Both victims have since decided not to prosecute, and the Dean’s Office is now handling the review and judicial sanctions against the offender.

CRAKE GAMEFEST CONTEST P34

On Nov. 2, around 6:04 a.m., an officer responded to a report of an injured person on Cherry Street in front of the library.

The initial report was that a male fell while running the Cake Race, but two other injured persons were discovered when the officer arrived. While on this call, a report of more injured persons from the race came out at the intersection of Bobby Dodd Way and wood Drive and another officer responded to that call. Another injured person was also reported at another location on Bobby Dodd and a Grady Unit was called to assist with the last injured person. The injuries ranged from minor cuts and scrapes, vomiting due to alcohol consumption, deeper cuts, and sexual battery.

GA TECH eSports is a campus club that promotes LAN gaming hardware, posters and a flat screen TV. Georgia Tech eSports is an event called “It’s PASTURE Bedtime!” on Tech Green from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. This is a farm-themed party that will feature dancing lessons, a live band, buffet and a mechanical bull. This event is free for students, staff and faculty.

Wreckless is a student organization that sponsors dry events to give students an alternative to drinking. The timing of the event itself is intended to overlap with other parties. They encourage students to be responsible and have fun without alcohol.


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I was never one to question authority. I just did what I was told and never thought about the impact of my actions. I was just following orders.

But then something happened. I realized that I had been living a life of lies and deception. I had been manipulating people for my own selfish gain.

I couldn't continue living this way. I had to make a change. I had to stop being a puppet and start being a person.

So I decided to take control of my life. I decided to do what was right, even if it meant going against the system.

I started by speaking up. I told my friends and family about what I had been doing. I told them that I was sorry and that I wanted to make things right.

It wasn't easy. There were times when I wanted to give up. Times when I thought I couldn't go on. But I kept going. I kept fighting. And in the end, it was worth it.

I found my voice. I found my strength. I found my purpose.

And I learned that life is too short to waste. That you should never be afraid to do what is right, even if it means going against the grain.
Conference brings together female leaders

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ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

On Nov. 9th, in partnership with the division of student affairs, Tech hosted the 2013 Women’s Leadership Conference (WLC) in the Student Center.

This is the 17th conference held at Georgia Tech since the first conference was held in the winter of 1998. The event is organized by the Women’s Resource Center (WRC).

According to the website, the conference’s mission was “to inspire and prepare the women of Tech to become equal partners in the leadership of our professions, communities, and society.”

To fulfill the mission, the conference held workshops and hosted speakers in order to help educate women at Tech in essential leadership skills.

“This year we had 160 intelligent attendees, 12 dedicated committee members, 10 outstanding workshop speakers, three delicious meals, and two inspiring ‘Tech-alumnae as the keynote,’” said Jasmine Burton, chair of the 2013 WLC. “With these amazing people involved, we had dynamic conversations and thought-provoking questions all while women leaders in the GT and Atlanta community networked with themselves as well as with our fabulous sponsors. The 2013 WLC was a success because we were able to connect passionate and inspiring women leaders from all walks of life.”

The theme of this year’s conference was “Reflect,” and was designed by the organizers of the conference to provide the opportunity for attendees to reflect on their past, present and future, which was our intent,” Burton said.

Susan Davis, the morning keynote speaker and founder of a not-for-profit organization called Improve International, instructed students to “be about meaning not money” and to “keep learning [by asking] lots of questions.” Davis also led an exercise in which she asked students to think of three words that greatly influenced them. Davis’s three words were friends, laughter and meaning.

The conference workshops were intended to facilitate cooperation and inspire students. Some workshops touched on serious topics, such as Lara Hodgson’s workshop focusing on body image and potential gender issues. Others, like Kristina Graves’s workshop on “Women’s History as a Way of Thinking,” highlighted the importance of women’s suffrage and other key historical events associated with women’s rights.

Students including Kate Oertel and Amanda Francis presented with Health Professional Lee Helmken to discuss the mission of VOICE and a “peer leadership approach to preventing campus sexual violence.”

“We received really positive feedback, especially regarding the workshop speakers. We included very successful and inspiring speakers that many people connected, networked and actively engaged with,” Burton said.

This year’s WLC differed from past conferences.

“This conference was abbreviated. In the past, we have had a two day conference, but due to changes in planning, we decided to make it just a Saturday conference so that people could come and go as they pleased on one day rather than feeling obligated to set aside two days for the conference. The schedule we determined worked really well,” Burton said.

Hello, my name is Harold Solomon. I’m a part of VentureLab, this really cool group on campus that helps Georgia Tech students, faculty and staff turn their research or inventions or ideas into startups.

Are you an Entrepreneur? Cool, we need to talk! Let’s grab a cup of coffee and chat about your ideas and see what VentureLab can do for you. Of course, VentureLab is always free and we never take equity.

Got an idea or an invention to discuss? Contact Harold!

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Each week, this section of News will include the coverage of different aspects of bills that passed through the University Government. This will include the Undergraduate House of Representatives, Graduate Student Senate and the Executive Branch of both government bodies.

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GSS AND UHR TOTALS REMAINING PRIOR YEAR $125,149.59  CAPITAL OUTLAY $156,266.42

UGR $10,108.60

**WRECKLESS**

In bill 14J086, the student organization Wreckless asked for $7,600 to help pay for their farm/bedtime-themed party “It’s Pasture Bedtime” that would incorporate farm-themed activities such as a mechanical bull, corn hole, a corn maze, hay rides and a farm-themed photo booth.

The bill had been heavily debated previously. Some members of GSS and UHR thought of the event as no more than another party, while others found Wreckless and their mission to provide diversions to unsuspecting users. “An e-mail scam that attempts to obtain personal information by OIT as an email is targeted by malware. About how often the campus community is targeted by malware software is able to identify these problems, it can be targeted more effectively than ‘just another party.’”

GSS and UHR both passed the final bill with votes of 21-0-0 and 25-20-0, respectively.

**ROBOJACKETS**

In bill 14J080, the RoboJackets club brought an extensive presentation before SGA in order to explain exactly what was included in their bill, which contained 122 line items totaling $20,284.73.

Debate on the bill revolved around specific line items and why said items were allocated from the capital outlay account versus prior year. The explanation was that while some items were for long-term use, others were not and thus should be funded differently.

The bill was eventually amended per JFC policy leaving the total amount to be allocated $17,346.93. The bill was passed unanimously by UHR and with a vote of 21-1-0 by GSS.

**LEAGUE OF LEGENDS**

In bill 14J087, the League of Legends Club (LoL) came to SGA for $1,020 to pay the $15 entry fee for paid members of the club to go attend and compete in the GT GameFest this weekend.

Major concerns were raised by SGA members about covering costs for individual members when the club had $15 dues that a representative indicated had not yet been spent. Further discussion came up postulating that the people in LoL could be considered gamers who would pay for a new video game on its release date for $60, so $15 for entry into GameFest could be considered nominal.

Ultimately, the bill was amended per JFC policy, passed by GSS on a vote of 15-4-3 and failed in UHR by a vote of 1-46-0.

**HYTECH RACING AS GT**

In bill 14J088, HyTech Racing requested $8,342.67 for capital expenses related to the battery system and workstations in their offices. The money will also help pay for the cars they design and build.

The interdisciplinary team of students produce high-performance, efficient machines that they use to compete in the annual Formula Hybrid Internation Competition.

There were discussions on discrepancies in the numbers associated with their line items on the bill, but the issues were clarified during the meeting.

Discussion also compared how much had been allocated to RoboJackets earlier, but ultimately it was agreed that to fund one’s request and not the other would not be fair to either organization.

The bill was amended per JFC policy and passed by GSS 21-1-0 and by UHR 44-2-0.

OIT responds to increased malware outbreaks

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“Sometimes it happens to be one that slipped through those protection tools,” Lummis said.

The source of these scisms is unconfirmed right now, but as more malware is identified, the tools and software that are in place to combat it are updated to recognize and go on to systematically eradicate it from the system.

The main response is two-fold. OIT first informs the technical community, which responds to the threat, as well as the general public on campus to raise awareness. Once this is done and anti-malware software is able to identify the problems, it can be targeted and destroyed.

OIT then communicates back to their anti-malware and e-mail protection tool vendors to let them know.

**OIT NEWS**

Students pose with OIT T-shirts against cyber crime. Recently, phishing scams have broken through OIT’s barriers and hit campus.

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Construction on Spring St. housing underway

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Construction recently began on a new student housing complex that will be located on the Northwest corner of Spring Street and 8th Street in Midtown. The housing development is currently scheduled to open in the 2015 academic year.

Ambling University Development Group will administer this “Spring Street Housing” project and will construct the 19-story building, working in conjunction with Inland American Communities Group, Inc. (IAC), which will also play a role in managing the newest University House property and may have management offices in the building in order to operate the property until its full completion next year.

“The team at IAC places a high emphasis on developing best-in-class amenities to distinguish University House communities from the competition,” said David Pierce, Senior Vice President of Development at IAC in a press release. “Based on our experience, we recognize the importance of designing each space for the way students really live, and we look forward to providing this premium housing option for the Georgia Tech community.”

According to What Now Atlanta, the building will have 268 units available for student occupants with additional parking. The development is scheduled for completion in 2015.

An estimated $48 million will be spent to build the “Spring Street Project” and its respective parking units which will include 201 parking spaces.

Originally, Seven Oaks and Brooksdale Group, two independent real estate companies, owned the property for this project but it was sold off in order to promote further development and commerce in the area. The housing project will be relatively close to Tech Square and the Centenary One building.

In an interview with the Atlanta Business Chronicle, David Tyndall, who was behind the Centenary building project said, “In the evening it winds down a little bit. We know people come to learn here, but they haven’t yet come to live here, for now.”

While property values have risen to more expensive prices, the “Spring Street Housing Project” has been seen as an investment to Midtown Atlanta.

“We are proud to be developing our next project in the heart of midtown,” said Travis Roberts, President of IAC in a press release. “This development will be a great addition to our growing portfolio of student housing properties nationwide.”

The addition will add 7,000 beds to the student housing nationwide that IAC currently manages.

According to Daniel Latshaw, a representative of the Seven Oaks and Brookdale joint ownership, in an interview with the Atlanta Business Chronicle, “During the downturn, we saw distressed land deals in the range of $50 to $80 a foot. Now we’re getting back over $100 a foot. We’re not quite back to the good ol’ days, but we’re getting closer.”

While the new building project has been disputed by part of the Midtown community, many students on the Tech campus are interested in the new housing project and feel that it offers a safer option for off-campus housing.

“I think it’s pretty cool. It definitely offers that convenience of being off campus but still being surrounded by the Georgia Tech community, so I think it’s really cool to have that option,” said Tamiko Washington, a senior AE major. “It will certainly feel that you’re off campus, but you’ll also feel that it’s safer because you’re surrounded by you peers.”

Ambling executives say that students from local Atlanta schools are fueling the demand for new and affordable off-campus housing. The company is looking to expand further when more similar spaces open up.

Photo courtesy of Ambling University Development Group

Pictured above are artist rendersings of what the Spring St. Student Housing may look like upon completion. The 19 story building will have 268 units available for student occupants with additional parking. The development is scheduled for completion in 2015.

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know about what’s been found so that they can update their system signatures as well.

Lummin explained how the biggest issue is educating students, faculty and staff in the Tech community who may come into contact with these scams on how to spot them and not fall for them in the first place. OIT believes education and prevention is the easiest way to stop future outbreaks on campus.

OIT also outlined five common ways in that phishing e-mails will try to trick users.

“The Old Fashioned Scam,” involves the sender making a direct request for personal information or money.

“The Fake Link,” involves a phishing message that contains a link that will take users to a fake website or one that downloads a virus directly to their computers.

“The Fake Website,” involves another type of fake link that will take users to a fake website asking for the sensitive information.

“A Virus Attachment,” is something that can also come in these e-mails and may give the sender direct access to personal information on the user’s computer itself.

Fake Contact Information,” may also come through phishing e-mails to attempt to gain a user’s trust so that they will follow up with a phone call to a number listed and provide personal information in this fashion.

The OIT IS team offers training and awareness sessions for any campus group that requests them and is constantly hoping to educate users proactively as to exactly what kind of phishing and malware they may run into, how to spot it and how to correctly respond to it.

As OIT outlined on their IS website, “The biggest thing to remember is that you should never share your login and password with anyone... for any reason... ever.”

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