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By Ariel Bravy/ STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

GTSMART Project Director Marsha Brinkley speaks at a Home Park meeting focusing on community concerns.

# Home Park residents call for crackdown on student parties

By Haining Yu Assistant News Editor

For many students, Home Park is an alternative to living on campus while still enjoying college life. For the more permanent residents of Home Park, however, the area is a residential neighborhood in which they own a home, go to work and maintain the regular rituals of a working life. They also live on a schedule that is mostly incompatible with that of a college student.

There is typically little interaction between these two groups of Home Park residents; often next door neighbors do not even know each other's names.

While residents and students generally live in peace, or at least tolerance, of each other, a number of complaints has surfaced recently from residents about student parties, especially those stretching late into the night. As seen by the numerous complaint

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# Teams score well in NCAA academic progress report

By Arcadiy Kantor Senior Staff Writer

In a new report issued by the NCAA, 16 of 17 Tech sports programs scored highly enough academically so that they would avoid penalties and the possible loss of scholarships.

The Feb. 28 report used a new statistic, the Academic Progress Rate (APR) to grade all NCAA sports programs and assign them a score. Tech's overall score for all sports was a 964; the required minimum score was 925. Men's baseball, the only sport not above the mark, scored a 907. However, this score falls within a "confidence boundary" established for the statistic in its first year of tracking, and no penalty will be assessed

The APR is intended to track current academic progress and serve as a better indicator than the Federal Graduation Rate statistic, currently the only standard for tracking academic performance in NCAA programs.

The NCAA judged the Federal Graduation Rate to be insufficient due to the lag between athlete performance and the statistic's publication data. "[The] old approach was The basics of the Academic Progress Rate

The Academic Progress Rate (APR) is a new statistic implemented by the NCAA this year to track concurrent academic performance in teams' scholarship athletes. Tech teams scored just above the ACC average.

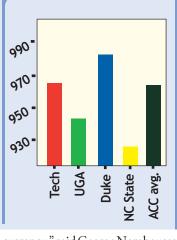
#### How the score is computed

- Each scholarship athlete is assigned two points per semester based on:
  - Academic eligibility
  - Retention did the student stay at Tech, and will he or she be returning next semester?
- The percent of points earned out of points possible is multiplied by 1,000 to get the APR.
- A score of 925 or above is considered acceptable.
- Penalties could include reduced scholarships for a team.

badly flawed and reflected academic performance six years ago," said İnstitute President Wayne Clough in an email.

The information could not be used to assess penalties because in many cases, the school's academic performance changed drastically over the course of a few years.

"The whole idea of the APR is its



2003 - 2004 APR scores

currency," said George Nemhauser, Industrial and Systems Engineering professor and Tech's faculty representative to the NCAA. "It's up to date...and in that sense it gives you a better read."

Under the APR, each scholarship athlete on a squad is assigned two

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## LCC symposium to address gaming

Next Tuesday and Wednesday, March 15 and 16, a two-day Ivan Allen College seminar will mark Founders Day. Tuesday begins at 9 a.m. with coffee at the Clary Theatre in the Student Success Center and will feature a Founders Day Panel on Community and Games as well as a public address at the Biltmore on "Stealth Communities" at 1 p.m. Wednesday features the symposium "Living Game Worlds." Events throughout the day will include a presentation from Will Wright, chief designer and co-founder of Maxis. Some events require registration; for more information, see gameworlds. gatech.edu.

## **FASET seeks** orientation leaders

Applications for FASET orientation staff are now available. Students interested in being a FASET leader can download them at www.faset. gatech.edu. Candidate information sessions will be held next Tuesday, March 15, at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. in room 101 of the Engineering Science and Mechanics (ESM) building. Applications are due Wednesday, March 30, at 5 p.m. in room 105 of the ESM building. For more information, see FASET's website or call (404) 894-6897.

# Lack of drivers causes Stingerette delays

By Gopinath Jayaprakash Contributing Writer

Some students may face problems over the next several weeks with the Stingerette transportation service, including delays and diminished numbers of Stingerettes. The problems are due to the departure of two Stingerette drivers and other recent staff changes.

The Stingerette service is composed of six drivers. Recently, two of the drivers have found other job opportunities and moved on.

One driver found a different job within Tech itself, whereas the other has moved outside of Tech.

One of the service's current drivers has been asked to take over the role of the operations dispatcher while remaining a driver. The service has also found a temporary replacement for one of the resigned employees, so they are down one full-time driver from the usual six drivers.

According to David Williamson, assistant director of Parking and Transportation Services, the program is moving as quickly as possible to bring the service back to full force. "We are looking at a time frame of two weeks here before which we go back to normal."

The Stingerette service has four operating vans in the evenings from 6:30 p.m. to 2:30 a.m. Fewer drivers operate on weekends. "We have three drivers on Saturdays and four drivers on Sundays," Williamson said.

In an average evening, the service receives 300 calls. The drivers are busy during the days with scheduled pick-ups of handicapped students, as well as others who typically use

While drivers try run as smoothly as possible in periods like these, there are often unavoidable delays on rainy days.

"We are as flexible as possible but we try to stick to the schedule pre-planned for weekdays as well as weekends," Williamson said.

Linda Dillon, administrative coordinator and human resources officer in the department, said, "It is really difficult to predict the conditions and whether it is going to rain or not...We have built up our schedule based on the number of calls we expect every day," she said.

"We have thoroughly researched when the demand for the service is the highest and have placed more drivers at these times of the week," Dillon added.

When asked whether the service will hire more drivers to increase their efficiency as well as reduce

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# Squirrel sneaks into Fourth St. Apartments

By Arcadiy Kantor Senior Staff Writer

A student living in Fourth Street Apartments recently gained a new roommate: a squirrel that had entered the apartment in search of food. The incident is the second squirrel intrusion into the Fourth Street Apartments in the past four years.

They are a hole through the wall, probably looking for food. We patched the hole up a few weeks ago," said Michael Fulford, director of East Campus Community Housing. Squirrels and other pests fre-

quently pose problems for Housing

staff, but squirrels are particularly difficult to deal with because they must be treated differently from other animals. "We have a pest

control contract with Orkin, and they take care of mice and rats. But they don't do squirrels,' Fulford said.

As a result, Housing must use its own re-

sources and staff to track down and eliminate the intruding animals. "Sometimes they spend a whole day

dealing with a squirrel. In terms of trying to track squirrels down and... get them out of the building, you could be spending hours," Fulford

"They ate a hole through the wall..." **Michael Fulford** 

Dir., East Campus Housing

to Fulford, pest invasions have a disruptive effect on other maintenance operations. "They take time away from what we might

According

say are more pressing maintenance concerns of students," he said. "If you're busy trying to chase a squirrel

down then you're not able to work on some other problems that might be going on."

The squirrels enter buildings through a variety of holes, ventilation ducts and other openings. While Housing has made attempts to block off all possible entry points in the past, the squirrels have repeatedly found their way in.

Fourth Street in particular has been a common target. "Most of the buildings on East Campus are solid concrete or solid brick. There's not a lot of ways to get in, and they're

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# Last issue's question received 91 responses. What majors need international exposure? All but engineering and sciences - 4% None at Tech - 6% Just INTA - 9% All of them - 81% By Lauren Griffin / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS This week's question: How useful is the APR? Tell us at www.nique.net



#### Like stealing candy from a baby

On Feb. 25, awoman in the Home Park Learning Center reported that sometime between Feb. 11 and Feb. 25, two Playskool wagons were stolen from the playground area. There were no signs of forced entry in the play area, which is surrounded by a locked gate. The two red and green wagons are valued at \$65 each.

#### **Obey your thirst**

On Feb. 27, an unknown person reported that a male dressed in black was using a crowbar to try to pry open the vending machines in Skiles.

## From the files of the GTPD...

# Campus Crime

GTPD checked all three floors of the Skiles breezeway and found no sign of the culprit. Three soda machines were damaged.

#### Ouch

On Feb. 27, two officers assisted a stranded motorist on Tenth Street. While helping to push the man's vehicle to a parking lot one officer cut his left hand on a broken taillight lens.

The injured officer was transported to Emory Crawford Long Hospital via patrol.

#### Take her word for it?

On March 1, ahousing supervisor reported that an ex-employee failed to return her assigned housing key

after resigning in November 2004. Upon resigning, she had made it known to the staff that she would return the key at a later date.

#### Big mack

On Feb. 25, a female Tech employee reported that a man she met at McDonald's had been making harassing phone calls for the past year. The woman said that around July 2003 she had a roughly five minute conversation with the unknown male subject and had given him her business card. The woman was advised to call the police if the annoying phone calls continue.

This week's campus crime information contributed by Amanda Dugan

#### Corrections

- The headline for an article about the golf team in last week's issue incorrectly specified the location of the tournament. It was in Puerto Rico, not Hawaii. The caption for an associated photograph was also incorrect. The team has won a tournament in each of the past two seasons.
- Last week's article "Brilliant idea? You've got 60 seconds to explain it" misstated the date for the elevator pitch competition. It was Feb. 24, not Feb. 18.

Technique welcomes your comments and suggestions, as well as information about errors that call for correction. Messages may be emailed to nique@gatech.edu. Letters to the editor may be directed to the same address, or to opinions@technique.gatech.edu.

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of the movie
starting Chris
Farley and
David Spade
(not Black Sheep)



ach week, elected members of the houses of the Student Government Association (SGA) meet to consider allocation bills and talk about campus issues. Here are summaries of those meetings.

**Graduate Student Senate** 

# Graduates combine, postpone budget bills

By Stephen Baehl News Editor

Tuesday's meeting of the Graduate Student Senate looked to be a long one, with the Fiscal Year 2006 Student Activity Fee (SAF) Budget for Tier I organizations looming at the end of the meeting.

However, when the time came to consider the bill, Secretary Mitch Keller made a motion to combine the Tier I budget bill with the Tier II and III budget in order to consider the entire budget together, as SGA has traditionally done.

Keller said, "We can create lots of legislative nightmares if we pass these two separate bills and they contradict each other." He said that changing anything in any of the Tiers would be difficult due to the near impossibility of going back and forth between two different bills to

Bills passed

- Joint allocation to Students of Objectivism
- Joint allocation to UWomen@CC

#### **Bills Postponed**

- Joint allocation to Dance Tech
- Joint FY2006 SAFTier I Budget

amend totals.

The original intent of separating the budget bills, said David Andersen, chair of the Joint Finance Committee (JFC), was to highlight the Tier I budget for greater scrutinizing than it typically receives. He said that if the senators chose to combine the budget bills, they would need to "pay as close attention to Tier I as you do

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**Undergraduate House of Representatives** 

# UHR follows GSS example in budget

By Nikhil Joshi Staff Writer

The Undergraduate House of Representatives, like the Graduate Student Senate, combined the Tier I budget bill with the Tier II and III budget. The combined bill was then postponed until next week.

Representatives also passed a total of four bills and tabled two in its weekly meeting this past Tuesday.

The first of the passed bills, an allocation to Students of Objectivism, requested that SGA fund the accommodation of a guest speaker, Dr. Yaron Brook. Organizational representatives said that Brook will speak about why the country is losing the war on terrorism.

House members debated this bill briefly because the organization had indicated earlier that it could potentially find funding for speaker fees from another source. However, organizational representatives clarified that the source was unlikely to

Funding was also given to UWomen@CC for CoCaesar's Palace, a get-together on March 31 targeting Computer Science majors. The event is open to both undergraduate and graduates of all majors; however, only CS majors will be able to get food that will be provided at the event.

This topic, as well as a question of departmental funding, generated some discussion as to whether or not the event was discriminatory. In



By Stephen Marek/STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Michael Edwards and Perry Kchao of the CRC answered questions about the CRC budget at this past Tuesday's UHR meeting.

the end, representatives agreed to fund the club because most events funded by SGA in the past appealed to one specific group, and this was an organizational request, not a departmental one.

A joint allocation to Dance Tech was tabled because of miscommunication between the club and the Ferst Center. Organizational representatives said that they expected

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#### Bills passed

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- Joint allocation to UWomen@CC
- Resolution expressing condolences
- Appointments to JCOC

#### **Bills Postponed**

- Joint allocation to Dance Tech
- Joint FY2006 SAF Tier I Budget



By Stephen Marek / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS **Tollow the Leader:** Speaker Howard Prince from University of Texas at Austin gave a talk about leadership open to all Tech students and faculty this past Monday, March 7.

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to Tier II and Tier III."

After some further discussion on the matter, the senators voted to amend the Tier I budget to include Tiers II and III, and to withdraw the Tier II and III budget bill, which was to be considered next week.

Since the senators had not yet had time to review the Tier II and III budgets, the total bill was tabled until next week.

The senators also withdrew another bill—a joint allocation to Women's Awareness Month. Senator Ed Greco, author of the bill, said he had been contacted by the organization and told they had received funding from another source.

Other bills brought before the senate faced close scrutiny as a result of warnings from Treasurer Victoria Foster about Prior Year account levels. "It is quite possible that we will be operating at zero in Prior Year if we continue as we are now," she said.

As such, a joint allocation to the UWomen at the College of Computing for CoCaesar's Palace, an upcoming social event targeting CoC students, nearly failed.

Several senators expressed serious reservations due to what they called the event's limited scope—while it will be open to everyone, only students in the CoC will receive free food. Some senators thought this fact alone would designate this as a departmental event more than

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designed that way. Fourth Street is different," Fulford said.

The building was constructed shortly before the Olympics, and while the external walls are made out of bricks it is sheetrock on the

The first time we took care of it we thought, 'Okay, we've got it, it can't get back in, we've blocked offall the places we can, surely they won't come back," Fulford said.

However, the squirrels have shown a surprising amount of resourcefulness. "We have small squirrels in Georgia, and so they tend to get into smaller cracks and crevices, but we keep going back and trying to find them," Fulford said.

The invading squirrels are responsible for up to \$15,000 to \$20,000 in damage each year according to Fran Gillis, associate director of Housing Facilities.

They will eat through the drywall because in the drywall there is a paste that is made of animal products," he said.

The squirrels also cause damage to wires and electrical switch boxes.

"They'll actually chew through telephone wires and electrical wires, and every so often you find a fried rodent at the site.'

As a result of its second squirrel incident, the Fourth Street Apartments will be the first building on campus to undergo comprehensive squirrel control procedures.

"What that entails is to actually do a complete survey of the exterior of the building, including the ground landscaping areas, as well as...roofs and pipes and any place else where a potential rodent could have access to the structure," Gillis said.

They do a survey to establish all of those holes and then go about making protective screens that will prohibit the access at all those points.'

At the moment the process is held up as Housing seeks to get its chosen contractor approved by the state, but according to Gillis the repairs should be under way in the next 30 days.

Housing hopes this process will ensure that squirrels stay out of the buildings. "It's the challenge of the rodent against Georgia Tech Housing," Gillis said. "We'll see who wins."

a bill request from Dance Tech due to reasons similar to those that

caused problems in a recent Culture Tech funding request.

The Ferst Centerhadagain been rented to the students free of charge, despite the fact that they expected less than 500 students to attend the event. A minimum of 500 students

must attend an event for the Ferst Center to be rented to student organizations free of charge, as SGA foots the bill for the rental.

chair of the JFC, explained several

in the Student Activity Fee.

III was passed. Representatives indicated that looking at all three parts of the budget at the same time would be the best way to decide what changes needed to be made. Although Tier I organizations take priority, said one representative, changes made to any one part of the budget would affect the other parts.

bills were moved from new business to old business and brought up for consideration—an appointment of undergraduate members to the Joint Campus Organization Committee and a resolution expressing condolences for Randy Hobbs, a Tech student who recently passed

an organizational event.

However, several other senators argued that most events target

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specific groups of students and are passed regardless.

The senators passed the bill in a close 11-10 vote. The final allocation total was \$1,925.

A request for funding for a speaker put in by the Students

of Objectivism also with stood along period of debate and was passed for a final amount of \$389.

Lastly, the senators postponed

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about 200 students for the event, an annual spring concert. However, the Ferst Center usually requires a minimum of 500 people to hold an event. Representatives delayed the bill one week until the issue could be clarified.

Representatives amended and tabled an additional bill, the Joint Fiscal Year 2006 Tier I SAF Budget, after a lengthy discussion. The bill, submitted by the Joint Finance Committee (JFC), laid out the Tier I budget (Tier I includes large organizations such as the Student Center and the CRC, which are given priority over smaller Tier II and Tier III organizations). Representatives from the Student Center and the CRC were present and answered questions from representatives regarding specific parts of the budget. In his report, David Anderson,

of the cuts and changes that the committee made in the Joint Fiscal Year 2006 budget. He said that the budget assumed an increase of \$14 After the organizational representatives and the JFC were questioned, a motion to combine this bill with the budget bills for Tier II and Tier

Near the end the session, two

# Come to our weekly staff meetings for free pizza!

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the workload on the current drivers, Williamson said that they had to stick to six drivers due to budget reasons.

"I understand that the demand for the Stingerette service has grown over the years," he said. "It is well-received by the student body but financially, we can't go beyond this."

Two main groups of students tend to be the sources of most calls to the service.

"We find that a large number of freshmen, since they do not have cars, call for the service," Dillon said. "Furthermore, students who study late at night in the library call the service as well."

Among the most common callers are students who work well with the service.

According to Williams, "Repetitive users have formed relationships with the drivers and so they have arranged times when they want to be picked up from the library and dropped in the dorm everyday. This is good," he said.

When asked whether they knew that the service faced a shortage in drivers, first year Electrical Engineering major Prerna Bang said the department could do a better job in advertising their website as that is their primary means of communication with students.

Bang said, "They could be more honest in their replies on how long it would take them before picking us up. Sometimes they refuse to answer our calls."

Bang said that the service seemed to lack efficiency as compared to last semester.

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points per semester: one for being academically eligible and one for retention. Each player, then, is worth four points per year. A player who is academically eligible for both fall and spring semesters and stays in school throughout both semesters would

NCAA

earn four out of four points.
Total points earned by a team are divided by total points possible to obtain a percentage, which is then multiplied by 1000 for the resulting APR score.

Retention is defined as a player staying at his or her current school transfers and dropouts alike do not earn this point. While dropouts or

#### Home Parkfrom page 1

messages recently posted on www. homepark.org, some residents are ready to take strong measures against what they view as excessive partying. These measures include calling the police, calling the landlords and even going to the city's licensing and permits office to file a complaint.

Much of the anger seems to be directed at one house in particular, located on the corner of Hemphill Ave. and Curran St. According to the president of the Home Park Community Improvement Association (HPCIA), Shaun Green, that particular house is a Georgia State fraternity.

But due to the close proximity of Tech to Home Park, much of residents' anger and the complaints are directed at Tech. "Because the neighborhood is immediately adjacent to Georgia Tech, the first assumption is that all students are Georgia Tech students," Green said. He also pointed out that a majority of students in Home Park are, in fact, Tech students.

Atlanta Police, Tech Police and GTSMART (Students Managing Alcohol Risk at Tech) were all present this Tuesday at HPCIA's monthly meeting for a discussion of the residents' concerns.

The APD, GTPD and GTSMART each outlined their services and defined their respective roles in the community. Most of the discussions, though, have taken place on the group's online forum, where posting is open to anyone in the community. One of the most vocal residents in the crusade to curb excessive partying is Dale Torbett.

transfers may be academically eligible at the time of their withdrawal from school, they still would not earn the retention point assigned to them, just the academic eligibility point.

While this year's scores will not lead to penalties against any school because the system is still being refined, the NCAA intends to use the APR to punish schools that do not put sufficient effort into educating their athletes. "All this business is about looking at some horrible numbers that mainly occur in men's sports only—basketball, baseball and football. Just looking at some rather appalling statistics is what motivated all this," Nemhauser said.

Administrators say they are pleased with Tech's performance

In one of Torbett's postings, he wrote, "It's about time to stop this nonsense and make it clear as a community that this sort of behavior is not acceptable and will not be tolerated any longer. This is a situation that has been going on in Home Park forever. This is something that is tolerated because it is Home Park; that kind of activity would not be tolerated in other neighborhoods nor should it be here."

Not all students are taking these comments well, and one student has chosen to reply to the forum

"Really what it boils down to is communication in two ways, and courtesy in two directions."

**Shaun Green** President, HPCIA

postings.

"A lot of this talk only results in alienating more students," said Chris Dorn, a third year International Affairs major. "I agree that a lot of the partying in Home Park is over the line, and a lot of things here need improvement, but I'm increasingly feeling like the enemy." Torbett also said, "There is little to no attention given by the APD and GTPD to this ongoing problem. Calls about noise are I'm sure are a low priority to the APD...Tech Police will not even directly respond. I believe that Georgia Tech should be more responsible

on the first year's benchmarks. "Our

overall APR scores and sport by sport

scores are excellent, particularly for a

Division I-A university. This reflects

the quality of our student athletes

and coaches. And they accomplished

this at Georgia Tech, a university

with no easy majors or courses,"

do as well on the report as other

Tech sports, was hampered by the

number of players who are signed

to play professionally. "The whole

thing is, the better your team is, the

more chance you have of losing a

guy," said Director of Athletics Dave

Braine. According to Nemhauser,

Major League Baseball's policy

on collegiate players is generally

Men's baseball, which did not

Clough said.

"I don't think the number or intensity of the parties has increased or decreased," Green said, explaining the recent spike in complaints, "I think that the people who have lived here for a while are getting a little older...there are a lot of recent

in addressing this issue rather than

pawning it off on the APD."

to a college," Green said.

Other residents also feel that GTPD should be more involved in the Home Park situation, but the jurisdiction of the GTPD does not

move-ins that are not necessarily

aware, or in denial that they live next

extend into most of Home Park. According to Tech Police Captain Hembree, GTPD only has jurisdiction over "everything south of Tenth Street and any property owned by the Board of Regents." As for the APD, according to Sergeant Dixon of Zone Five, the department is "busy and shorthanded. We are doing what we can." While Dixon said that noise complaints are lower in priority than more serious incidents such as car accidents or stabbings, he said that an officer will be sent eventually. "Some nights there's nothing going on...sometimes we are very busy.

Dixon urged residents present at the meeting to not be afraid to "call too much" about a complaint. "We're going to deal with the problem," he said. Dixon also said the APD is not unwilling to make arrests.

"If I hear the same address keep on coming up a few times a night, we will bring out the paddy wagon."

GTSMART was on hand to talk about their Responsible Alcohol Sales and Server Training and Anonymous Tip Hotline. According to Marsha Brinkley, project director of GTSMART, there are "no initiatives that specifically address students having parties off campus."

Home Park residents present at the meeting were informed on how to contact the Dean of Students office to report instances of alcohol misconduct by Tech students. According to the GTSMART brochure handed out at the meeting, students who are turned into the Dean of Students office can face a number of sanctions from Tech, including: notification of parents, fines ranging from \$75 to \$265, mandatory participation in an alcohol education course, and possible probation, suspension or expulsion. However, while disgruntled residents are consistently encouraged to seek out the Dean of Students office, only one or two students are turned in each year. The reason is that residents do not have the needed information to turn a student in, such as the name of the offending student.

The lack of communication among residents is one aspect of Home Park that Green hopes to improve on. "Our responsibility is getting to know our neighbors," said Green, a 1997 Civil Engineering graduate from Tech. "Really, what it boils down to," said Green, "is communication in two ways, and courtesy in two directions." As a recent Tech graduate, and one who lived in Home Park during his time in school, Green would like to remind students that "there are certain things that you need to be responsible for to fit into the community." HPCIA meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the basement of the 10th Street United Methodist Church. "I encourage students to join us," Green said.

to sign players at the conclusion of their junior year. "Our baseball team is academically by no means the weakest of our teams," he said. "Leaving after three years is very common for these baseball players." Baseball's statistics are further hurt by the small number of players on the squad. The NCAA takes squad size into consideration when determining penalties, and baseball is within the confidence boundary for their size. This means they would not be subject to penalties despite scoring under 925. However, the confidence boundary is expected to be reduced over time. Nemhauser said at some point in the future, it would be

Tech's score compares favorably

to that of other schools around the nation, but is only average for the ACC. Duke, with a score of 984, attained the highest score in the conference, while N.C. State brought up the bottom of the pack with a 929. The University of Georgia scored a 943, one point below the average for all Division I-A schools.

Nemhauser said the score is likely to be refined further to avoid penalizing schools for academically eligible students transferring to another institution. The NCAA is also expected to introduce another measurement, the Graduation Success Rate (GSR), which will account for those students in a more appropriate fashion. The refinements would likely benefit Tech's scores.