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Dr. Kennelly rocks

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Japanese thrillers

Members of Anime-O-Tekku have a huge video collection of Japanese cartoons for the couch potato in all of us. **Page 20**

Fall break opens the door for long weekend adventures

By Julia Trapold
I went to Boston

Fall break is a happy little weekend, somewhere in between Labor Day and Thanksgiving, where Tech students finally get a break from their busy schedules. Even though many teachers still assign homework over the break, most students ignore it and do what their hearts desire.

Whether students decided to stay at school, travel, or do something useful or relaxing with their time, the four day weekend was a well-deserved—and much needed—break.

Several students went home to visit family and relax during the break. “I went to DC over fall break. I have family that lives there, so I went to go see them,” said Neha Sachdeva. “While I was in DC, I went to Pentagon City and Pentagon Mall. The mall is really nice and open. It is ten times better than Lenox.”

Others went home for different reasons. “On Saturday I

was the maid of honor in my older sister’s wedding. It was the first time someone that close to me had gotten married, and it was an incredibly happy time for my whole family,” said Kay Hill. “Plus, it was great to see

“The weather was beautiful and the foliage was just changing. We went off the trail and found a huge, three-tiered waterfall.”

Andrew Bonzanic
Fall Break Vacationer

the leaves changing back in the beautiful Shenandoah Valley—not to mention actually seeing stars at night. Unfortunately, while my sister and her new husband flew off for their honeymoon, I had to fly back here to

return to school.”

Many students decided to travel with friends, rather than go home to visit family. “I went up to Charleston for the weekend with ten friends,” said Amanda Gard. “We rented a house and just hung out.”

“I went to visit all my high school friends at Virginia Tech and got to see some ‘techies’ from the north,” said Alissa Aiken.

“I went to South Florida and Key Largo,” said Chris Kavanaugh. “I had to buy a beating stick to keep all the ladies off me as I flexed on South Beach in Miami.”

Others went on relaxing trips. “For fall break I went to Asheville, North Carolina, with my parents and we stayed in a really quaint bed and breakfast that is typical of the small town,” said Holly Hance. “Then we went to see the Biltmore, a tourist place owned by Mr. Vanderbilt’s grandson. It is a 350 room, 42

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Student Center Birthday



By Scott King / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Jugglers entertain students at the Shaft fountain, as part of the many festivities that celebrated the 30th anniversary of the Student Center this week.

Hall councils find creative ways to spend money and have fun

By Han Chang
Housing Havoc

“Ever seen two thespians masquerading?” asked the sign in the bathroom of Towers Residence Hall. While the question intentionally sounded lewd, it was in reality advertising an upcoming meeting of the organization known as hall council.

A subsidiary of the Residence Hall Association (RHA), hall council allows residents to help make their living communities a more hospitable place. According to the constitution of the Towers and Harrison Hall Council (THHC), the full purpose of the organization is “to foster a firm spirit of leadership and citizenship, [to] provide the cultural, educational, and social atmosphere most beneficial to those who reside in the residence hall housing, [to] encourage participation in extracurricular activities, [and to] aid the housing administrators in improving living conditions and represent the interests of the hall residents.”

Although the most noticeable method of doing so is through the allotment of funds upon request from residents, hall council also fulfills this purpose through other means. Accord-

ing to Danny White, THHC advisor, “It also acts to disseminate important information to its residents, to determine hall policies such as quiet hours, and to initiate new community-building events such as finals food. It is the residents’ arena to make their living environment a better place.”

The funds disbursed by hall council come from residents of campus housing. Each semester, students are assessed an additional fourteen dollars by the

Housing Department. This money goes to RHA, which in turn allocates half of these funds collected from this surcharge to the hall councils based on the number of residents. During the 2000-2001

academic year, an estimated \$84,000 will be allocated to the sixteen separate hall councils to spend as they see necessary. These financial resources, believes Alexa Kulczyk, President of the Sixth Street Hall Council, “can be used to broaden horizons and to do tons of awesome activities.”

The types of activities and projects on which hall councils spend their money run the gamut. “We try to encourage cre-

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“We try to encourage creative bills rather than trying to pay for a meal from the Varsity for everyone.”

Andrew Skaggs
THHC Treasurer

Chess club is king of new organizations

By Wendy Voget
Surprised to see this printed so soon

The chess club is one of campus’s newest student organization and already actively participating in competition. The club, which has already organized and won the Georgia Collegiate Chess Championship last year..

The current focus of the Chess Club is giving Tech students and faculty the opportunity to play and study chess. They also keep up with chess events like the World Chess Championships.

The Chess Club meets three times a week, but only Friday meetings are open to non-dues paying members. This is when the club meets in the Student Center with the purpose of attracting new members. Students can join games from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., or as long as members are willing to play. On Tuesdays, players analyze games and receive instruction.

Currently, Wednesday meetings consist of a tournament playing members. Winners receive gift certificates to the Atlanta Chess Center.

“Study after study has shown the relationship between chess and grades. Chess has also helped my patience. It teaches a lot of critical thinking skills,” said Chess Club President Anthony Ritz.

Of course, chess can also be a distraction. “Actually, it’s hurt my academics because I play chess when I should be doing my work,” E. J. Summer said. Summer is not a paying member, but he occasionally plays games at the open meetings.

“I was looking for some kind of

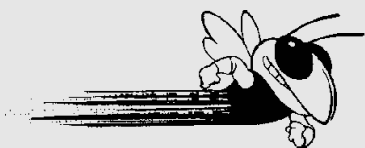
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By Alisa Hawkins / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Chess Club members set up game boards at the Student Center every Friday. This is part of the new student organization’s drive to get more members. Members participate in intercollegiate competition and practice.

Buzz Around the Campus



Question of the week

“Who are you voting
for and why?”

Feature and Photos by
Scott King



Kenneth Snyder
ME Senior

*“Bush. Ranchers of
the world unite!”*



Andrew Allen
CE Senior

*“Gore. Because he
invented Napster.”*



Ben Hanson
EE Sophomore

*“Write in Mary Mar-
garet Kutz. She’s the
most beautiful girl on
campus”*



Mary Margaret Kutz
ChemE Senior

*“Write in Ben Han-
son. He’s the most
eligible bachelor on
campus.”*



**Christopher
Armstrong-Reiner**
Future GT Student

*“Burdell. He’s more
qualified than both of
them.”*



Kimberly Hinckley
ME Junior

*“Denzel Washington.
He’s noble.”*



Christina DeVrioste
ME Junior

*“Bush. Because he’s
pro-life.”*



Christina Freyman
MSE Senior

*“Gore. So my children
will have an ozone
layer.”*

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- Profile on Ivy Kennelly-

By Leslie Jackson
Campus Life Newbie

Usually seen walking through campus on her way to teach yet another class, Ivy Kennelly can be described in one word - Cool. Although a demanding professor, her students describe Dr. Kennelly as "in tune with society," "a good mediator," and "awesome." Born in North Dakota, she is the middle child of three girls. After college, she came to Georgia to pursue her Ph.D., and later moved to Atlanta to teach, initially at Georgia State, and later she was offered a job at Georgia Tech.

"Both my sisters live in Houston, together, but I like Atlanta, it is a great place to live." Dr. Kennelly says that what she enjoys most about teaching at Georgia Tech is the energy that she receives from her students. One of her main objectives is to have an impact on the world.

As faculty advisor for a newly formed student organization, IMPACT she is working to have an affect on Georgia Tech's campus.

IMPACT is a student organization proposed by Charles Lumpkin, a student in Dr. Kennelly's Race and Ethnicity class. If approved by the SGA, it will address racial problems, and raise general awareness of racial issues through discussion, education, and programmatic initiatives.

One thing that sets Dr. Kennelly apart from most professors is her age, at 29 (No, she's not ashamed of her age!). She is just old enough to be mature, but not too old to forget what college life is all about. "I feel I can really relate to her," says Becky Glatzer, a senior Public Policy major. It is common for her students to drop by her office, just to talk about class, a new CD, or a recent movie.



By Scott King / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Dr. Ivy Kennelly is a new and young professor. She is currently advising a new student organization, IMPACT, to help address racial problems and raise awareness of racial issues on campus.

"I love Ms. Jackson, by Outkast," said Dr. Kennelly, when asked about her music preferences. However, while she is knowledgeable on the latest rap music, she can also challenge her students to discuss controversial topics in the classroom. "I want my students to get the point of the material," said Dr. Kennelly. Her tests definitely show her attention to detail. "I encourage [them] to organize study groups, and to have interaction outside of class."

By requiring that students do a critique on material discussed in class, she motivates them to think about how issues reviewed in class have real world application.

This semester, Dr. Kennelly is teaching classes dealing with race, ethnicity, and gender in today's society. In dealing with such touchy subjects, Dr. Kennelly says that the best part of her classes is the class discussions when her students really seem to be making connections.

Break

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bathroom (none available for public use) mansion on an estate of roughly 7 acres."

"My boyfriend Omar and I went horseback riding up at Lake Lanier on Monday to celebrate our two-year anniversary," said Alix Wilcox. "It was a beautiful day for it and was very relaxing. We even saw some deer while we were out on the trail. Nothing too exciting, but it was a nice way to unwind!"

Some students decided to go on adventures during their long weekend.

"I went backpacking with seven other people in the Pisgah National Forest in North Carolina for three days. The weather was beautiful, and the foliage was just changing. We went off the trail and found a huge three tiered waterfall," said Andrew Bozanic. "Surviving without society for a few days was a great experience."

"Four other Tech guys and I left Friday afternoon and drove about 24 hours straight to get to the Black Hills, South Dakota. We stayed in a cabin with an outhouse and no running water," said Brian Tate. "We saw the Corn Palace, the famous Wall Drugstore, Mount Rushmore, the Crazy Horse Monument, Custer State Park, the Badlands, and the hometown of Superman - Metropolis, Illinois. Then we drove the 24 hours straight back and completed our journey with dinner at the Big Chicken in Marietta. We traveled over 3200 miles in 100 hours."

"I went multi-pitch climbing in Linnville Gorge, North Carolina. It was extremely awesome," said Liz Gooding.

"The leaves had turned colors and the views were spectacular. We started about 1500 feet from the bottom of the gorge and then we

climbed maybe another 500 or 600 feet up."

Some even made use of their free time to do something productive. "I helped to create an animated sitcom, called *Graffiti Drive*, for a company that will launch on Halloween," said Adam Coker. "Obviously, it was a Halloween episode, and it is an urban style sitcom." Several others had some excitement during their break. "On the way back to Atlanta from Nashville my engine caught on fire," said Kristin Wilson.

"The alternator randomly caught on fire on our way descending Monteagle Mountain in Sevannee, Tennessee. Kristin Parks and I called 911, and then rode in the back of a state trooper's car. Then we hung out at a truck stop for three hours while they fixed my flaming car."

"I saw a dead body in the middle of highway 85 Sunday night," said Laura Frick. "Not very exciting, but how often do you drive by something like that?"

Even those who chose to stay on campus during break still had fun. "It all starts off on

Friday when everyone and their mom decides to leave campus. Of course, little me is one of the mavericks who decided to stay, and attend the random small parties thrown on campus," said Linda Kang. "I went to Kappa Sig's band party thinking the worst of all boring parties, but I ended up leaving the party with a semiformal date. Then Saturday my friend Iva and I went to Cheesecake Factory and ate \$41 of food together. It was nice, relaxing, and delicious."

Overall, fall break is very beneficial - to the mind and the body. Andrew Bozanic summed it up well by saying, "All in all it was a good break, and a great way to escape the stress of Tech."

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Kristin Wilson
Student

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chess club. I used to play in high school,” freshman Aaron Fisch said.

Last year, the Chess Club held the first Collegiate Championship, which included teams from four other schools.

Winning the Championship helped strengthen the new club. Plans include sending a team of four to the Pan-American Chess Conference in Milwaukee for four days over winter break, and once again organizing the Collegiate Championship with more schools.

The club was founded last year by students who wanted to play chess in a social setting.

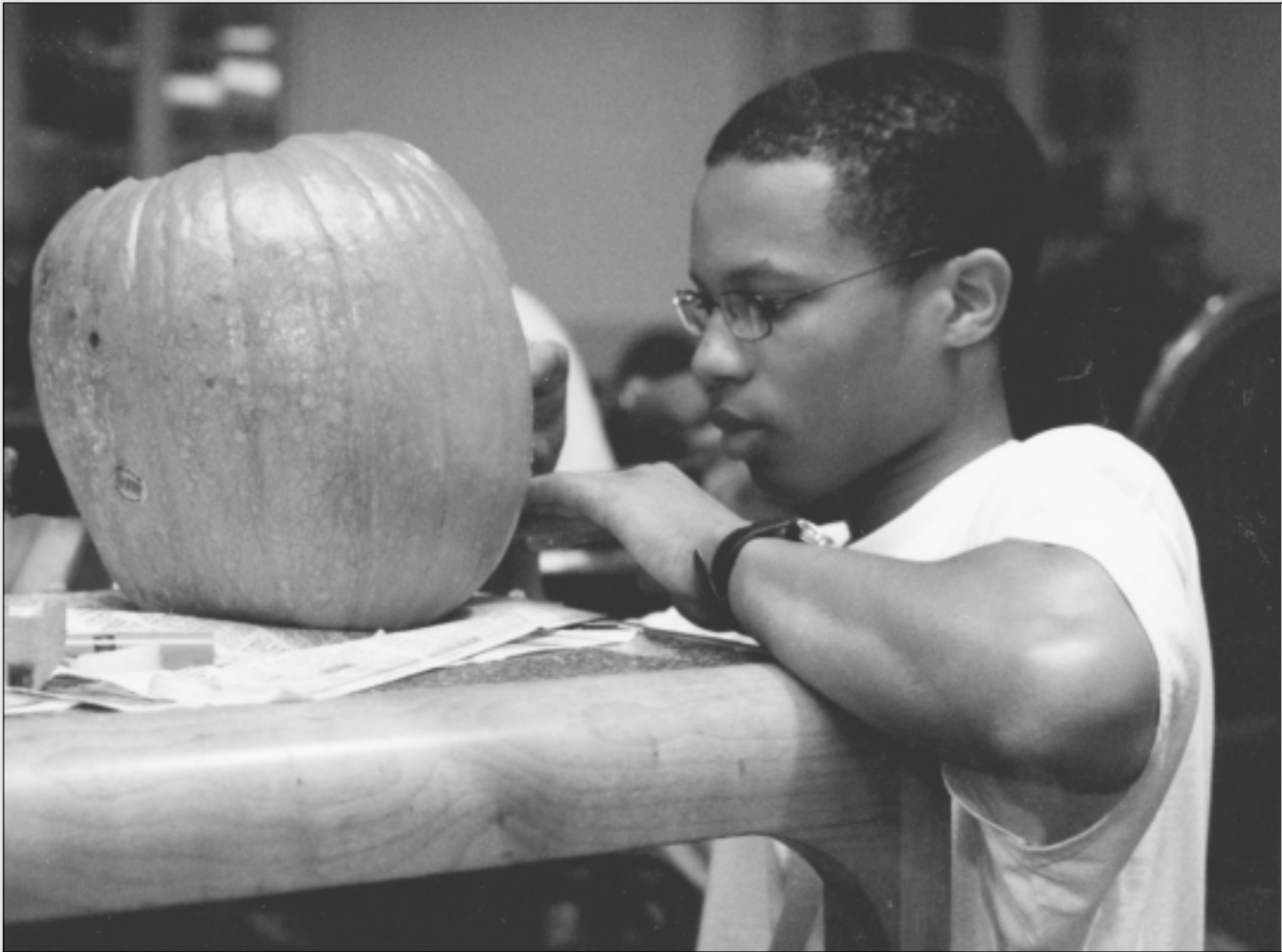
“Chess is addictive, and it’s interesting to play. It’s a great way to meet people if you’re serious about playing chess,” said Julien Scharl, the club’s vice president and co-founder.

Another activity of the Chess Club is a bold request, though likely ill-fated attempt to be the first non-physical varsity sport at Tech.

Another interesting fact about the club is that their constitution is now under review because of a naming conflict as the name “Chess Club” still belongs to a defunct club chartered many years ago. Until the old charter is revoked, no other organization can technically call itself the Chess Club.

In the future, expect to see one of our newest student organizations maintaining their strong presence in Friday afternoon games, and their more committed members spending their time improving their playing strategies.

Halloween Spooky Students



By Daniel Uhlig / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Students celebrated the spookiest day of the year with costume parties, haunted houses, and carving pumpkins. Here Chris Booth participates in a pumpkin carving event sponsored by Freshmen Experience. Campus thankfully was free of smashed pumpkin mischief this year.

Campus briefs

Be in the audience for TalkBack Live’s elections edition

CNN’s *TalkBack Live* will be holding a special elections edition on Monday, November 6 from 8 to 9p.m., at the CNN Center downtown. Join Wolf Blitzer for a comprehensive look at the latest news and live reports from the campaign trail, featuring CNN’s renowned political correspondents and analysts. For reservations, call 404-827-3527. Seating begins at 7p.m., and dinner coupons will be included with your free ticket.

Register for game tickets using the Web and your ID

The Georgia Tech Athletic Association has developed a unique way to distribute tickets and reward its fans. Rather than having students pick up paper tickets, the Athletic Association has adopted a new technology to help fans manage their tickets. Students will now use their Buzz Card at venues instead of paper tickets. To register for this new system and get more information, go to www.ramblinwreck.com, and then click on “Tickets” and then “Student Tickets.”

Professor seminar gives advice on getting better grades

On Tuesday, November 7, D.W. Tedder, a chemical engineering professor, will be holding a seminar titled, “How to Make Better Grades and Have More Fun!” The seminar will be held at 7p.m. in the Van Leer Auditorium, which is located in the Electrical Engineering building. The seminar outlines seven principles to help students improve grades at Tech and have more fun in the process.

Basketball teams participate in children’s charity event

Get your first look at the 2000-2001 Yellow Jacket Men and Women’s Basketball teams at the Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta Intrasquad Scrimmage. The event will be held at the Alexander Memorial Coliseum on Saturday, November 4 at 5p.m. One student will have a chance to win \$10,000 in the Shoot For Loot Contest. There will also be a 3 Point Challenge and a Dunking Contest. If you are interested in entering the Dunking Contest, please e-mail your name, address and telephone number to kolivett@at.gtaa.gatech.edu. Only current GT students are eligible to enter. Admission is free for GT students with their Buzz Card. Enter the Coliseum at Gate 2.

Send your event to campus.life@technique.gatech.edu

Mysteries of athlete drug testing revealed

By Kim Holton
Took a long, long time

Athletics is a Tech tradition, just like rat caps and the shaft, and a part of athletics is drug testing. Georgia Tech has a two-tiered drug screening policy. The first tier is the testing conducted by the NCAA. The NCAA tests three sports year-round: men and women’s track and football. At the beginning of each year, the Athletic Association (AA) submits rosters of teams to the NCAA. At random times throughout the year, random students from the roster are chosen to be tested. Failure to appear for the test results in a positive result. By NCAA rules, a posi-

tive result is punished by a one-year loss of eligibility. The second portion of the NCAA testing policy is championship testing. This is testing for athletes who advance to bowl games or tournament play. The second tier of Tech’s drug testing policy is the Institute testing. This refers to the testing that is conducted for all Tech athletes. For Institute drug testing, the AA uses a lab based out of Nashville. This lab is home to a computer that houses the entire roster of Tech athletes. In this roster, each athlete is assigned a specific number. Each week, the computer randomly chooses numbers to be tested. The list is then sent to the AA, which takes the number and finds the corresponding ath-

lete, notifies the athlete, and has them appear for the testing procedure. According to Larry New, “The entire procedure is conducted by outside technicians. No member of the staff is involved in the procedure.” If an athlete receives a positive test result during the Institute testing, he or she is then referred to an educational program that is detailed in the athlete handbook. The decision to remove a player from competition is made by trained medical personnel, not coaches or their staffs. “I feel as though our testing program is one of the best. It has the best interests of the players in mind,” says New.



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NCAA requires random drug test of athletes, by selecting athletes throughout the year. The Georgia Tech Athletic Association also has its own independent drug testing program, employing an independent lab.

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Anime-O-Tekku feeds Anime lovers

By *Anthony Ritz*
Birthday boy

“There’s always time to study later.” So claims the Web page of Anime-O-Tekku, the only official Japanese animation fan club on campus. In this great spirit of procrastinating Techies everywhere, Anime-O-Tekku offers over four hundred alternatives to cracking a book.

Those of us on the outside looking in at the Anime phenomenon may not quite get what it is all about.

Anime-O-Tekku president Jeffrey Crider says it is a combination of the alternative genre with a wide range of content. “It covers everything from little girls’ TV shows to action, comedy, even dramas,” he said.

“It’s different from anything that runs mainstream over here,” said interested student Justin Purdy.

Many American viewers are introduced here to idioms and conventions that they may not have been exposed to before. This, together with generally greater plot development than found in analogous American fare, is the root of the allure for an Anime fan. Furthermore, the wide variety of Anime means that once hooked, fans can branch out within the genre.

Anime-O-Tekku was created over five years ago, when a bunch of Tech guys interested in Anime got together and pooled

their video collections into a club library.

Anime showings in the student center theater came a bit later, and the rest is history. Now, Anime-O-Tekku features a video library of more than 400 titles. The list continues to grow, as club dues are used primarily for new acquisitions. The club recently bought a DVD player

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Jeffrey Crider
Anime-O-Tekku President

as well.

Now, Anime-O-Tekku has showings monthly in the student center theater and meetings about every three weeks. Showings are generally for three or four hours during the week, with the next showing on November 10. The next meeting is this Saturday.

Crider says the club will probably meet in room 319 of the student center from noon to 8 p.m. During this time, the club shows and discusses parts of several commercial Anime series from their video library.

Under copyright laws, of course, Anime-O-Tekku has to have permission to reshow these titles, but club members say that companies are usually very flexible. Companies are generally delighted just to get the free publicity, and charge no fees for Anime-O-Tekku to hold showings.

Anime-O-Tekku dues are the SGA minimum \$8 per semester, and the club has around thirty or forty paying members. All Anime-O-Tekku meetings and showings, as well as the mailing list, are open to non-members.

“It’s not like we do anything to turn [people] away; we’re very open,” said Crider. The main benefit which is for members only is check-out from the club library. Members can take out up to three titles at a time for as long as a month.

According to Crider, this is the main purpose of the club. “All we are about is basically meetings, showings, library, and discussion,” he says. “We’re just a bunch of informal, fun-loving guys.”

For more information on Anime-O-Tekku, visit their Web page at <http://cyberbuzz.gatech.edu/anime>. If you are one of those people (and you know who you are) who refuses to schedule anything at 5 p.m. lest you miss even one episode of Dragon Ball Z, then Anime-O-Tekku may be just the club for you.

Changing Seasons Leaf me alone



Photo by Daniel Uhlig / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Fall has descended on campus. Students are enjoying the temperate weather and the scenery of the colored leaves. You can almost see the pretty colors of the leaves in this black and white picture. Trust us, its pretty.

Housing

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ative bills rather than trying to pay for a meal from the Varsity for everyone,” said THHC Treasurer Andrew Skaggs. “For instance, we passed a skydiving bill, had a section build their own teddy bears, and put on a haunted house. We voted down everyday ideas like a section going to Quizno’s and a section going to see a movie.”

Some hall councils choose to help pay for activities undertaken by specific sections. “Hall council has willingly provided funding for several fun activities for my hall,” said Harrison resident Lauren Weatherly. “We’ve done awesome stuff like going to Shakespeare Tavern to see *Dr. Faustus* and eating at Bridge-town Grill [a local Jamaican restaurant]. Hall council provided over 50 percent of the money for each person at those activities.”

Such outings help to foster a sense of community in the residence halls and allow for a brief respite from Tech. “Hall council funding is a super way to help people get out of Tech World, while also allowing them to bond with their hallmates,” said Weatherly. Woodruff resident Richard Lau said, “At Woodruff, everything that they talk of promotes gathering an entire floor or hall together for a social event. The activities that I’ve been able to participate in have been loads of fun. I’ve gotten to meet many fellow students in this way.”

Other activities sponsored by hall councils include a whitewater rafting trip to North Georgia and a large Thanksgiving dinner for resi-

dents of the Hemphill Apartments and the Graduate Living Center (GLC), both sponsored by the GLC Hall Council; a weekly movie pass raffle, sponsored by the Sixth Street Apartments Hall Council; and a pizza scavenger hunt, sponsored by the Undergraduate Living Center Hall Council (ULC). In addition, a condom distribution plan was sponsored by Glenn and Cloudman Hall Council, but was not implemented for reasons outside of the control of the hall council

Although hall council seeks to involve all residents, participation in activities appears to be sparse. For example, THHC recently had difficulty finding the requisite number of residents interested in competing in an annual sports competition to form teams. In addition, council officers, section representatives, and peer leaders are usually the only residents in attendance at meetings. The majority of students find no reason to attend these meetings.

Michael Murphree, a resident in Caldwell, said that members of his hall’s council “are readily accessible, but I just do not feel the need to request money and as such, I stay out of touch.” He adds, however, that he stays current with their activities as minutes from recent meetings are posted in the bathrooms.

Cloudman resident Jill Martell, whose council also does the same with minutes, finds entertainment value in these postings. “I like the UGA jokes [posted with the minutes] in the bathroom,” she said. “They make my bathroom experi-

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Lauren Weatherly
Harrison Resident



By Daniel Uhlig / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Hall councils across campus sponsor a variety of events to build communities. One of the more famous hall activities is Towers of Tower, where residents turn their dorm into a haunted house for Halloween weekend.

ence much more pleasurable.”

Participation is even less among upperclassmen, the majority of whom live in residence halls or apartments that lack a sense of community.

According to upperclassman Jason Dooley, a resident of the ULC, “Hall council affects people who want to be affected by it. . . The other 95 percent ignore hall council altogether, which is a large part of the reason it is viewed as inactive.”

Most of the upperclassmen in-

terviewed for this article attribute their lack of interest to having competing demands for their time or already having friends with whom they spend the majority of their time. However, many of them believe that hall councils are successful in helping to build communities among the freshmen and remember benefiting from hall council during their first year at Tech.

Although participation and interest in hall council among residents is less than optimal, this

organization still has the potential to make the Georgia Tech residence hall experience a more enjoyable one.

“Many people do not realize the potential hall councils have to make an impact on campus,” said Eighth Street Apartments resident Rusty Johnson. “They have relatively large budgets for such small constituencies, and can thus promote community by getting neighboring students involved in varied and interesting activities.”