

party in Ross do it more safely than on most other campuses.

"For the most part, people are somewhat responsible when it comes to alcohol," Baich said.

She said there seem to be fewer alcohol drinkers in Ross this year than in past years. She also said most students who drink go someplace else to do it.

Unfortunately, they often return to the dorm intoxicated, and this is when much of the property damage in the hall occurs, according to Gilgallon.

Rhea said he once saw shattered alcohol bottles all over the bathroom floor. An emergency clean-up was necessary to take care of the mess. He said there is too much vandalism of personal property in Ross.

"The vomit on the floor can't be very good," Rhea added.

Haag agreed.

"I wish there was less stomach lining in the stairwells and other random places," she said. "I don't drink, so I don't like it."

She said that most of the partying remains on male floors and that the women's floor is usually quieter and cleaner.

"Guys just don't seem to realize that they have to live there," Baich said.

Along with beer bottles and vomit, Rhea said he has found a lot of diversity among the basement residents. He enjoys the fact that everyone's nearby and said he has made a ton of friends.

Despite the many opportunities for socializing, Rhea said Ross residents still find time to study. He thinks Ross provides a good environment for both academic and social learning. Haag said everybody studies at some point, and Gilgallon said he sees many students studying in the kitchen, TV lounge, and laundry room.

Haag summed it up nicely.

"The Ross experience is what you make of it," she said.