Dorm is home for the holiday

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This holiday weekend, residence halls will be a little quieter and a lot emptier, as many dorm dwellers head out of town in pursuit of turkey, stuffing and quality family time. But there are some students who will stay in their residence halls this weekend, and for many of them it will be their first Thanksgiving spent away from home.

Marlene Yafuso, an architecture freshman and resident of Villa del Puerto, came to the UA this year from Hawaii. Yafuso won’t be making the long trip home for Thanksgiving, and this will be her first Thanksgiving away from her family.

“I’m sad. I wish I could go home,” she said. “But it’s too far away.”

Yafuso said she’ll miss the Hawaiian dishes that have always accompanied her holiday feast at home.

“I already miss all the food,” she said. Yafuso said she plans on going to a friend’s house for Thanksgiving dinner.

Richard Chesney, a pre-architecture freshman from Grosse Point, Mich., will also dine with a friend on Thursday, and he plans to spend the rest of the weekend enjoying the peace and quiet of his residence hall.

Chesney said while he’d like to see his mom, dad and brother, he said a $300 plane ticket and a 11 hour flight home just for the weekend would only put a damper on his holiday spirit.

“If I went home, it would just be a

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Cuts forcing campus clubs to collaborate

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Smaller amounts of money for campus organizations are forcing the collaboration board to actually collaborate for the first time.

The collaboration board is a project that started years ago, but hasn’t done anything until this year.

“It’s been in the making, off and on, with successes and failures for six to 10 years,” said Greg Bills, University Activities Board president.

Sara Bimbbaum, an ASUA senator who is in charge of the project, said it has been able to succeed this year because recent budget cuts have forced organizations to combine their funds.

Less money makes it easier to motivate people because, if organizations combine, there is more money for larger projects, Birnbaum said.

“We all came to an understanding that we...