The Provost Task Force of Excellence issued a report last week that outlined several ideas for improving student life and continuing to improve Tech’s standing as a global leader in science and technology. Composed of faculty, staff and students, the task force was created a year ago to solve issues related to undergraduate and graduate level education.

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Upstairs Flooding
On Oct. 25 an officer was dispatched to the Beta Theta Pi fraternity house regarding damage to personal property. A student met with police and stated that someone placed a water hose into a window of their house and turned on the water.

The water hose belonging to the Beta Theta Pi fraternity, and it was connected to the faucet on the outside of the house. The student’s room was located on the second floor. He reported structural damage to the floor of the room and water leakage into the kitchen below.

There were no witnesses to definitively identify a culprit. However, the resident of the damaged room stated that it could possibly be a member, or members, of the Sigma Nu fraternity who live next door. The student stated that a member of Beta Theta Pi had a verbal altercation with members of the Sigma Nu fraternity earlier in the day.

From the files of the GTPD...

Campus Crime
By William Brawley
Assistant News Editor

Drunk Chair Throwing
Police were called to Fitten Residence Hall on Oct. 25 at around 11 p.m. regarding a report of intoxicated people causing property damage. The police initially met with one of the hall’s peer leaders (PL) to discuss the incident.

She stated that she was aware of two unidentified men in the lobby area throwing chairs into the doors that lead to the staircase. The peer leader was unable to locate the individuals, stating that they seem to have left the scene. However based on input from other residents, the PL believed that they knew who was responsible for the incident. She stated that the suspected student did live in the residence hall, but was not in his room when checked.

As the police officer was leaving the building, the PL noticed a person entering a vehicle in the parking lot. The PL recognized that person as the student in question. The police asked the student to get out of the vehicle, who complied.

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**Casino Night**

This bill is the Joint Allocation to the Institute for Industrial Engineers and Hillel at Georgia Tech’s Casino Night. The bill asks for $2214 to host a free Casino Night for all Tech students. The event will be held in the President’s Suite A to D in the Student Success Center.

It will feature casino games and dealers from CCP Events Inc. SGA funding would go towards providing a craps table, six blackjack tables, stools and a roulette wheel. They would also provide funding for a DJ and for the advertising.

The organization is contributing for all the costs of food, raffle prizes and decorations.

JFC recommended that the cost of hiring a DJ and advertising around campus be cut down since the total cost would decrease to $1964.

However, GSS only amended part of the bill, retaining the original cost of a DJ.

There was some discussion on the UHR floor about which amendment the body should adopt.

Eventually, it was decided that the GSS amendment, which decreased the cost of the bill to $2034 and still included the cost of a DJ, was passed. The entire bill was then passed 36-2-1 in UHR and 24-6-1 in GSS.

**Lan Party**

This bill is the Joint Allocation to the Association of Computing Machinery (ACM).

The bill asked for $2047 to fund a LAN party and tournament, which will be held in the Klaus building.

The money is needed to buy a dedicated game server and cover building fees.

Previous attendance to events held by the ACM have seen turnouts of 250 and 350 students.

The dedicated game server the ACM requested would be a capital expense. They explained that their increased attendance made it clear that the organization needed to provide their own server.

The bill was passed after little discussion, 33-6-0 in UHR and 24-2-0 in GSS.

**Fencing**

This bill is the Joint Allocation to Yellow Jackets Fencing.

The organization asked for $2132.67 to purchase new equipment, liability insurance and fees to pay for tournament referees.

The JFC amended the bill and struck off the funding for tournament referees, since the competition would be held on Tech’s campus.

The total cost of the bill decreased by $400 to $1732.67, and the bill (amended per JFC) passed UHR 37-1-0 and GSS 21-2-0.

**Outdoor Concert**

This bill is the Joint Allocation to Musician’s Network Outdoor Show.

The organization asked for $29,659.84 to fund a large, outdoor concert in the Burger Bowl on Nov. 14. Admission for Tech students is free and last year had an attendance of 740 with minimal advertising.

This year attendance is projected to be much greater (around a thousand students and several hundred non-students) due to increased advertising initiatives.

The bill passed UHR 29-8-1 and GSS 24-3-2.

**DIVERSITY: A LATITUDE ADJUSTMENT**

**Diversity Week 2008 • November 10th-14th**

Monday, November 10th 11:00AM-10:00PM
Come and find out what Diversity Week is all about! Student Center Commons - Organization Table 8-2
**SUBLIMINAL SEXISM**
Co-sponsored by the Women’s Resource Center, joins us for a stimulating discussion on sexism’s presence in various forms of media, featuring a guest panel of experts.
Student Services (Frog Bridge) - Room 117 6-10PM

Tuesday, November 11th 11:00AM-6:00PM
Religion in the Age of Science: Four Approaches
Presented by Professor Mary Bijckendorp, Weyer Foundation at Georgia Tech.
Student Center - Room 229 6:00PM

November 10th, 11th and 13th
Dr. Leon Bass, Guest Lecturer
Dr. Bass is the keynote speaker for the Power Over Precipice conference. Bass is a retired principal from Philadelphia who served in the Washington, D.C. area. His 23 years of service included several years in the White House and as a member of talks against African-Americans. Dr. Bass uses his experiences to speak about diversity awareness on many levels. He lectures free to the public.
Student Center Commons - Room 200 9:00PM

Wednesday, November 12th
The Skin I’m In: A Celebration of Diversity through the Arts
Featuring the Future-Focused Georgia Tech Dance Teams as well as other forms of cultural expression.
Georgia Tech’s Future-Focused Teams will have the opportunity to showcase their art in the Student Center Commons during their weekly rehearsals. They will take place on Friday, November 1st at Center Stage. Attendees is a new of food performance competition that involves Atlanta-area artists in performing different cultural groups to form new genres of sound and medium.
Check out www.diversityatgtc.org for events.

For more information contact the Office of Diversity Programs at 404-894-3384 or TDD 404-894-1666.
Please let the sponsors know if you need special accommodations in attendance to these events.
www.diversity.gatech.edu

Thursday, November 13th
Difficult Conversations in the Classroom
This program is targeted towards faculty, graduate research assistants, and teaching assistants.
Participants will be able to discuss anything they might tell any student.
Student-Wide Student-Director of Diversity Programs - Neely Room 2 (2:00PM-1:00PM)

Friday, November 14th
Safe Space Training Part II
The Safe Space Program is designed to teach attendees how to be knowledgeable about diversity and resources to our LGBTTQ community and the allies. Safety Space will give more education to help students create a safe space.
The Space will be held in the Student Center.
Students Center - Piedmont Room 6:00PM

WHAT STANDS BETWEEN US?
*The 50,000 to 100,000 mínimoos who immigrate to the U.S. are those who are estimated to be the first generation of children.*
Lori Weis has collected ideas from the 50,000 mínimoos who immigrate to the U.S. and compiled a list of the things that are most important to them.

Weis found that most of the mínimoos have been here for less than a year and are still learning English.

The list includes:
- Learning English
- Finding a job
- Finding housing
- Finding food
- Finding healthcare
- Finding family
- Finding community

The list is intended to help minimums feel supported and included.

This is an important and educational step in the conversation on immigration.

Facilitated by Stephanie Ray, Associate Dean of Student and Director of Diversity Programs - Neely Room 2 (2:00PM-1:00PM)

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**Breaking the Bubble**

A lot of things went on in Oct. to build the bubble of Tech in the past week. Here are a few important events taking place throughout the nation and the world.

**Anthrax Scare for Calif. Congressman**

The office of George Radanovich, United States representative, in Modesto, California was evacuated on Wednesday when a package arrived with an letter labeled “anthrax,” reported United National International. The package arrived at the Republican’s office by mail containing a CD and a smaller package. Police, fire, ambulances and a hazardous materials team responded to the incident at the office building.

Several newspapers and television stations also received anthrax-labeled envelopes on Wednesday, reported The Associated Press. Investigators with the FBI have analyzed the contents of envelopes, which have turned up negative for anthrax or anything dangerous so far. All of the mysterious packages had the same false Sacramento return address.

There were not any reports of any people becoming ill. A staffer of the California congressman opened the package, and some of the employees went to the hospital as a precaution but were released later after tests were negative.

**Probe Finds Mercury had Huge Volcanoes**

NASA’s MESSENGER spacecraft has discovered that Mercury has sustained massive amounts of volcanic activity, reported the National Geographic News. The spacecraft’s recent flyby revealed around 3,600 cubic miles of solidified lava inside a single crater. That amount of lava is enough to fill the whole Washington-Baltimore metropolitan area.

Scientists believe that the large volcanic activity occurred 3.8 to 4.1 billion years ago. According to Maria Zuber, a MIT scientist, the volcanic activity on Mercury could have continued much further into time.

The new evidence suggests that planetary size affects the rate of cooling. Additionally, rockier planetary bodies such as the Moon and Mercury are believed to have seen more volcanic activity in their history.
Tech Promise given to 202 students

By Zimu Yang
Contributing Writer

The new Tech Promise is a program providing financially needy students with opportunities to cover all their student costs by giving them a comprehensive package of scholarships, grants and work study opportunities.

Although the promise program is not a full scholarship, it alleviates the recipients of student debts by providing them with opportunities to earn the balance of costs not covered by scholarships such as Hope.

The program was initially introduced last year and is now benefiting over two hundred students.

This first of a kind program in the state of Georgia is the brain child of former president Wayne Clough.

"The cost of attending Tech still prevents some talented students from applying and others from coming after they are accepted. Georgia Tech Promise gives them the opportunity to realize their dream of a Tech degree and we need to expand this program to other worthy students as we are able to," Clough said.

"Our goal should be that no academically qualified student will be denied a Georgia Tech education because of parental financial circumstances." Due to his assiduously avid and vocal support of the program, it will be later renamed in his honor.

"Through his leadership they were able to launch this program," said Marie Mons, director of Financial Aid.

She also hopes further publicity of Tech Promise will encourage more high school counselors to direct additional students with diminished financial capability to Tech.

Last year Mons and others at the financial aid office examined approximately 700 possible recipients. After selecting an initial pool of potentials, Mons narrowed it down through further interviews and questioning with the students.

"It was rewarding to meet with so many students and with so great ambitions. Students said this program was what made it possible to come to Tech. They were already admitted and were searching for a way to make the finances work," Mons said.

Of those, 202 were chosen for the program. One of them is Emilly Weigel, third-year BIOL and IAML major.

"Tech Promise is the primary reason I am still in school. Despite getting scholarships and having a job, I still had several thousand dollars of unmet needs. Now, being able to finish college and go on to graduate school is looking like a great possibility," Wiegel said.

Students hoping to benefit from the program need not fill out additional applications. The financial aid office gleans potential recipients through information gathered from FAFSA forms.

The requirements for consideration into the program are a minimum of 2.0 GPA and a family income of $33,000 or less, a $3000 increase from last year’s maximum of thirty thousand.

Other stipulations are that the student must be financially dependent and that their family must be eligible to file the regular 104A tax forms. This means the Promise program is intended for use by families without assets or businesses.

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The responsibilities of Mr. and Ms. Georgia Tech to campus are up in the air. According to Widmaier, he and Smith will host the Up with the White and Gold Awards Ceremony in Spring 2009.

According to Smith, the application stated that Mr. and Ms. Georgia Tech may be called upon during their tenure.

Widmaier will be graduating in December, at which point he will be going to work for an energy developer, Allied Energy Services, based out of Conyers, GA. He plans on marrying Amanda Hughes, a 4th-year Industrial Engineering student, in July 2009.

Smith plans on continuing to stay involved on campus and maintaining the relationships she has made here. She is interested in working abroad, and she hopes to work as an international consultant once she graduates.
USG recognizes campus staff for exemplary service

By Vijal Narayanan
Contributing Writer

This past week three Tech staff members were awarded the University System of Georgia (USG) Chancellor’s Customer Service Awards. The awards were set up in August of 2007 and were created in order to boost awareness about customer-friendly service within the USG. This year, all three of Tech’s nominees won awards in various categories. These awards exemplify Tech’s ever increasing emphasis on better, more efficient and customer-oriented service.

Rosalind Meyers, the associate vice-president for Auxiliary Services won silver for the Outstanding Customer Service Leadership award. She oversees the management and direction of Parking and Transportation, Housing, Dining, BuzzCard Center, bookstore, Student Health Services, and Student Center. This award recognizes leadership on campus to improve customer service. Meyers designed a customer service satisfaction survey that has proven very effective in improving customer satisfaction and spans all auxiliary service departments. The results are then used to make improvements. Each year, the ratings from students have improved as we have worked to improve our services based on the feedback we receive and student suggestions,” Meyers said.

Looking to the future, Meyers outlined some of the projects that she and her department have under way. “We are working on a Parking and Transportation Master Plan and a new contract with our bus service. I think I will consider looking for an XS bus service,” she said.

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Sumerlin also recognized that there is room for improvement in the Student Center. “You can always get better, more efficient, and more customer-oriented,” he said. As an example he cited the newly implemented online reservation system for rooms, which gives instant feedback to users. “Before we had a three-day turn around for our room reservations. Now you can get instant feedback for your requests. We lose a little customer interaction but we gain customer satisfaction, and that’s really our main goal,” he said.

Sumerlin is responsible for ensuring that the Student Center is properly maintained and ready to address any questions that students, faculty, or parents may have. “We process about 15,000 meeting requests per year. To facilitate all of those requests and make sure that we get answers back to the students and departments as quickly and efficiently as possible it is a difficult task,” he said.

Sumerlin is the operations manager for the Student Center and is in charge of coordinating the day-to-day activities of the Student Center. “I don’t think I do anything that is that tremendous or out of the ordinary. Everyone comes to us with a question. To take those questions very seriously and honestly and answer them passionately is our goal,” he said.

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Debate tournaments tend to be far away, and it’s really impractical to pay for the high travel expenses out of the registration fees, said Wang.

“Another thing we thought about is having Bob Barr to come speak on campus. I got to introduce Bob Barr in an introductory speech as the co-president of Debate Team, which was very interesting to do. We hope that the GT community can move up the ladder,” said Patrick Donohue, first-year AE major.

The event enabled students to engage directly with a member of the current presidential election. “I did not necessarily agree with a lot of what Barr spoke, but he was nonetheless very eloquent. I thought his speech was helpful in broadening my perspectives on the election coming up,” said Vito.

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Another issue that the graduate committee will pursue is the mechanism for hiring and promoting interdisciplinary faculty. “We want to allow professors to be half time in one department and half time in another, but we have to discuss the basis for hiring individuals and how they can move up the ladder,” Vito said.

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2008 Election Ballot Guide

PRESIDENTIAL
Barack Obama, Joseph Biden (D)
Obama: U.S. Senator (Ill.) 2005–present
Biden: U.S. Senator (Del.) 1973–present

John McCain, Sarah Palin (R)
McCain: U.S. Senator (Ariz.) 1987–present
Palin: Alaska Governor, 2006–present

Bob Barr, Wayne Root (L)
Root: TV personality, author

CONGRESSIONAL
U.S. SENATE
Jim Martin (D)

Saxby Chambliss (R)
Incumbent senator (since 2003)

Allen Buckley (L)
Attorney, certified public accountant

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
District 3
Lynn Westmoreland (R)
Incumbent congressman (since 2005)

Stephen Camp (D)
GT alumn (PSYC ’96), attorney

District 4
District 5
District 6
District 7
District 13

Tom Price (R)
Incumbent congressman (since 2005)

Bill Jones (D)
Saxby Chambliss (R)

Doug Heckman (D)
Investment banker, ex army colonel

Deborah Honeycutt (R)
Eagle’s Landing Family Practice M.D.

David Scott (D)
Incumbent congressman (since 2003)

Amendment 1
To encourage the preservation of Georgia’s forests through a conservation use property tax reduction program.

Amendment 2
To authorize local school districts to use tax funds for community redevelopment purposes.

Amendment 3
To authorize the creation of special Infrastructure Development Districts providing infrastructure to underserved areas.

REFERENCE
Amendment 1
“Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to provide that the General Assembly by general law encourage the preservation, conservation, and protection of the state’s forests through the special assessment and taxation of certain forest lands and assistance grants to local government?”

Amendment 2
“Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to authorize community redevelopment and authorize counties, municipalities and local boards of education to use tax funds for redevelopment and programs?”

Amendment 3
“Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to authorize the General Assembly to provide by general law for the creation and comprehensive regulation of infrastructure development districts for the provision of infrastructure as authorized by local governments?”

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can we hire maids for campus apartments?
WTF is this?
Sarosh is slow!
If it weren’t for Slayer I wouldn’t get half as much done.
you guys need to stop doing all the weird stuff you’re doing at 4
AM in the morning in the hallway
AS can use Centergy deck as a wind tunnel!
JL is the PL
To the BO guy in the front row of my physics class: take a
SHOWER!!
This iPhone sliver app works great.
Please Technique! Shrink your crossword so I can fold it properly.
Don’t make me pay attention in class.
Hot CA in 4th Street with red hair, do you have a boyfriend?
TA for Physics 2212 section Q07 will you marry me?
Let’s make the Dean and President take the classes we have to,
and see how they do...
I’m surprised GT’s suicide rate isn’t higher
search box?
moe’s and joe’s tuesdays!
speros i like your pants
Bring me more toasties!!!!
No, it won’t
Rutechie
Exit 9
Good times ahead... One night stand December 5th
To Hell With Yellow and Green Skittles!!
won
I feel like wrestlers just want to be hugged
damn you pharos keyboard, why are your keys so close together?
Sleep! I don’t understand.
What girl in the CRC do you think is hot?
OMG, GTLogin FTW!
Who Dey!
Thank you girl in physics 4 retards, you got me sick
Why is psychology even a major??
SOMETIMES PEOPLE ARE DUMB!!!!
To the fraternity that played music until 5 am last Friday that
could be heard across the highway, if you are not aware of sound
ordinances, I’ll be happy to have a police officer inform you about
them next time.
Honey mustard!

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Task force ideas

The Provost’s Task Force recently submitted a report filled with suggestions for improving undergraduate education. Many of the proposed plans seemed unsubstantiated, and not enough information was provided to help students decide whether Tech should really implement these changes.

Among the suggestions was a transition into a trimester system (which would also change the way professors and students enroll and change lengths for fall, spring, and summer). The primary reason provided was to increase the low four-year graduation rate, which Tech is infamous for. While such a system would also offer students additional flexibility, the tradeoffs are unclear at best and could include overhauling the existing system, which supports participation in study abroad, co-ops and internships.

The four-year graduation rate is not the best metric for the quality of the student experience at Tech, but even if improving it were made into a priority, there are other possible solutions that could better serve students. One example, which some colleges and schools, including the College of Computing and School of Electrical and Computer Engineering, have already implemented would entail all academic departments listing their course offerings as much as two full years in advance. This would allow students to plan ahead and make the most of their semesters without necessitating a drastic change that could have significant time and financial implications.

Other suggestions included instituting mini semesters in January and May (which would depend on the switch to the trimester system) and creating an emphasis on interdisciplinary minors. These seem more like buzz words of higher education than well thought out reforms that could benefit and interest the majority of Tech students on a practical level.

Student input on undergraduate education that goes beyond the exit surveys given to graduating seniors is needed. The task force should elicit the valuable opinions of both current students—especially fourth and fifth years—and recent alumni already in graduate school or in the work force.

Election thoughts

After what seemed like the longest election season in recent history, Election Day is now upon us. Voters should be well informed on the candidates beyond the sound bites heard in recent weeks, remember the congressional elections also taking place and be aware of what else will be on the ballot. Before you vote, make sure you do your homework.

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America is a country that doesn’t know where it is going but is determined to set a speed record getting there.

—Laurence J. Peter

Friday, October 31, 2008
Electoral College should be eliminated

The presidential elections are less than a week away and because I just turned 21 this year, this will be the very first presidential election in which I will be able to vote.

With all the tension and excitement running up to the historical choice that Americans will have on Nov. 4, I have decided, in all good faith and certainty, to abstain from voting for a presidential nominee this year because my vote is essentially worthless.

As a citizen of the great northern state of Massachusetts, I will assure anyone who doesn’t know that all 12 electoral votes will go directly into the pool for the Democratic nominee, Barack Obama. Maybe I am in favor of seeing the Democrats take the White House or maybe I’m for keeping the Republicans installed in the executive branch. But that doesn’t really matter because a left-leaning state like Massachusetts will vote Democratic. Unlike states like Nebraska and fellow New England state Maine, if one party simply wins the majority of the votes cast, all 12 votes will go toward that party’s nominee.

Unlike the archaic and outdated Electoral College, which is a system that is both nonsensical and a stain on our national psyche, this system is a deviation from the general public voting trend. Each and every state in the nation has the right to select their own way of expressing their opinion. But Massachusetts is not. At a time when there are wars in the world and economic crises, the Electoral College is an archaic, broken and at times unfair system that deserves to be abolished.

“The Electoral College is an archaic, broken and at times unfair system that deserves to be abolished.”
Corbin Pon
News Editor

Electoral College failure

The Election College is not a system that deserves to be abolished. When we realize that this system elects the most powerful person in the world, it seems like a viable problem when it was proven in 2000 that the presidency can be won without the majority of popular votes.

The Electoral College needs to be thrown out for the 2012 election and simply replaced by a nation-wide popular vote. We have the resources, the voting infrastructure would not need to be changed. We have the models, as large states like California have serious issues running popular vote elections for their chief executive officers. We have the motivation, as the smothering embers of the Gore vs. Bush presidential election still flare up now and again with the fact that Gore lost while holding the popular vote.

It is imperative that as a democracy we ensure that every vote counts and that every other vote is not tossed to the side as worthless since the winner always takes all. Even if you rationalize that the winner-takes-all strategy doesn’t make the votes worthless, some individual votes are undoubtedly worth nothing to others.

The 2007 population of Wyoming was 492,830 and the 2007 population of Massachusetts was 6,499,755. Dividing the population by the number of electoral votes each state has, Wyoming’s three electoral votes represents about 174,276 per vote. Each of Massachusetts’ electoral votes represents 373,479 per vote. That translates into a vote cast in Wyoming being more than three times more influential than a vote cast in Massachusetts. I really don’t even have to argue this point, and I will simply point out that this is not egalitarian.

The arguments for keeping the Electoral College are an archaic, broken and at times unfair system that deserves to be abolished.
Obama signifies best hope for U.S.

By the GT College Democrats

For college students, the bright future we hope for is starting to feel like the light at the end of a tunnel. Graduates struggle to find jobs in the worst economy since the Great Depression and those who do find employment can barely afford to live on wages that have fallen below inflation.

For most Tech students, the next four years will determine whether we begin our careers in prosperity or adversity. We cannot afford more failed leadership in Washington or more borrowing-and-spend deficits and deregulation that in eight years undercut economic instability and doubled the national debt to China and other foreign powers.

It will be our generation that pays down George W. Bush’s $10 trillion national debt. It will be our payroll taxes that fund Social Security and Medicare for our parents because Congress spent instead of saved. It will be our generation that suffers the consequences from decades of inaction on global climate change and it has been members of our generation serving in the military who have paid the price in blood for Republican mismanagement.

We need a president with the vision to see crises ahead of time, the intelligence to act before they are upon us and the leadership to enact realistic solutions by investing in American innovation to create positive outcomes for the future. We need Barack Obama.

Obama has a strong vision. He predicts that invading Iraq would lead to violence unanticipated by the Bush administration. Five months before the March 2003 invasion, he stated at a rally that “even a successful war against Iraq will require a U.S. occupation of undeclared length, at undeclared cost, with undeclared consequences.”

He anticipated the housing crisis, sending a warning letter to the Federal Reserve and the Treasury in March 2007 of a “coming wave of foreclosures.”

Obama has great intelligence. He graduated near the top of his class from Harvard Law School, where he was the first black president of the Harvard Law Review. During the primary campaign, he refused to use typical Washington double-speak, instead giving speeches that demonstrated a nuanced and deep understanding of any other candidate, including the most popular person on race since Dr. King’s “I Have a Dream” speech.

More of all, Obama has remarkable leadership. He has run a near-perfect national campaign for almost two years now with a consistent message and without the staff infighting that has marred other campaigns. His platform prioritizes the American people through policies that return common sense to politics. He wants to use regulation as a tool to prevent market failures to direct industry towards positive economic outcomes and redirect the federal budget to invest in the American people.

His plan to fix healthcare utilizes market incentives to drive down costs by increasing private sector competition, allowing buy-in to the existing federal plan, a small business health tax credit. He will invest $15 billion a year in the energy sector to accelerate development and commercialization of alternative energy vehicles and renewable or nuclear electricity.

He will use tax incentives to keep jobs in America and reinvest in infrastructure, stimulating $35 billion per year in economic activity and creating millions of new jobs.

He wants to secure America’s future by providing $4,000 a year to cover tuition for anyone willing to perform 100 hours of community service.

People are calling this election the most important of our lifetime—the economy is failing, people cannot afford their mortgages, gas prices are at unprecedented levels, and one of the most beloved American institutions is crumbling. McCain’s plan will exacerbate consumer choice. He proposes a $3,000 tax credit for every family ($2,500 for individuals), which would encourage and empower individuals, especially those who are unemployed or not covered under employer health insurance, to buy their own insurance.

This plan would drastically reduce insurance premiums and the number of uninsured Americans. Just impose this with Obama’s plan of coerced healthcare coverage and exploiting federal expenditures.

Obama would penalize small businesses who can’t afford to pay for the healthcare of their employees, and businesses would have to reduce wages, reduce benefits, or lay off workers to survive economically. This is not the American way. In the long run, almost everyone would be better off under McCain’s healthcare plan.

With regard to energy, McCain advocates an “all of the above” approach that embraces an assortment of clean energy solutions. Nevertheless, he recognizes that America will not transform overnight from an oil-dependent nation to one whose energy consumption is carbon neutral.

While Obama reluctantly said he would “consider” opening areas offshore to oil exploration, McCain is a firm believer in offshore drilling. Although America is not currently importing oil, he believes the United States must work to end our dependence on foreign oil.

With regard to nuclear energy, Obama has reluctantly embraced a technology that provides one of the cleanest, safest and most reliable energy available. Opposition to nuclear power is completely irrational in the 21st century. While many liberals invoke horror stories of Chernobyl, American nuclear facilities have always been safe, and are even more so now.

But above all other issues, the contrast between Obama and McCain is starker with regard to foreign policy. McCain is a military hero who was tortured in Vietnam for five years, refusing to go home ahead of his fellow POWs, which would have handed the communists a propaganda victory. What are Obama’s foreign policy credentials?

As much as we all want our troops to come home from Iraq, we must bring them home with victory and honor. McCain knows what it’s like to lose a war because of a flaky Washington political establishment. America is winning in Iraq, and McCain intends to hold on to that victory while gradually reducing our presence there.

Obama has proposed a precipitous withdrawal and said he would meet without preconditions with anti-American despots whoponsored terrorism against our troops and endanger our allies. Soft power is meaningless unless the military option is left on the table. McCain would use diplomacy in combination with the threat of hard power.

At the end of the day, with all the threats in the world, who is more fitting to lead this country: a distinguished war hero or a community organizer?
Students start CoC-focused newspaper

By Chris Russell
Contributing Writer

A few weeks ago, several professors in the College of Computing (CoC) showed a video in their classes featuring a series of exciting, seemingly disconnected scenes that ended with the words, “The FIREWall. Feedback. Information. Representation. Entertainment. Coming soon to a College of Computing near you.” Flashing onscreen, Students, however, were forced to puzzle out what this meant on their own, as no explanations were offered.

On October 17, however, students’ questions were answered, as The FIREWall was revealed to be the CoC’s new student-run newspaper.

“Originally we were going to start off with a newsletter that gave students updates regarding technology and the academics and facilities of the College, [but] we started getting really good feedback from students, organization leaders and contributors to the newsletter[,] and it just grew from a two-page paper to a 16-page newspaper,” said Mansi Sharma, a third year CM major and founding co-editor.

As it originated as a humble newsletter, the FIREWall isn’t yet a fully fledged, independent organization.

“The FIREWall was originally planned by the Undergraduate Council, or UCouncil. Right now we’re making FIREWall into an organization, but currently it is still a spinoff organization of UCouncil,” said Aja Karlhkeyan, a second-year CS major and a FIREWall co-editor.

Karlhkeyan explained that the paper’s spinoff should be complete over the course of this semester, setting the paper up for stability in the future.

In order to ensure this stability the paper is now also starting to look for additional staff. “What we’re trying to do for the next issue is have [Mansi and myself] on top, and every one else as an equal…their judge them on talent and their dedication to the FIREWall,” Karlhkeyan said.

“What we’re trying to do for the next issue is have [Mansi and myself] on top, and every one else as an equal…they judge them on talent and their dedication to the FIREWall.” Once we...
Candidates’ religious beliefs influence voters

By Maria Carter
Assistant Focus Editor

Sarah Palin’s evangelical ties and self-description as a “Bible-believing Christian” may explain why John McCain chose her as his running mate. White evangelicals – a group Palin likely appeals to – gave 78 percent of their votes to George W. Bush in 2004, according to a Pew Research Center analysis.

Just how much importance voters place on the candidates’ religious beliefs may affect the upcoming election. Seventy-two percent of Americans agree it is important that a president have strong religious beliefs, according to an August 2008 survey conducted by the Pew Forum on Religion & Public Life and the Pew Research Center for the People & the Press. Of those surveyed, 45 percent of Republicans said they completely agreed with this view. By contrast, slightly more than one-in-four Democrats (27 percent) and Independents (27 percent) said they completely agreed.

Both John McCain and Barack Obama have distant religious affiliations; how strong their beliefs are, however, is open for interpretation.

Although raised in an Episcopalian household, McCain has had his own share of controversy from religious backers. At first proud of Rev. John Hagee’s endorsement, McCain later rejected the conservative Christian leader’s support after some of Hagee’s radical opinions surfaced. In one of his comments, Hagee speculated that Adolf Hitler had fulfilled God’s plan by quickening the desire of Jews to return to Israel in agreement with biblical prophecy.

After severing ties with Wright and Trinity, Obama expressed his intention not to find a new church during the campaign. “There’s an aspect of the campaign process that would not make it a good time to figure out whether a particular church community worked for us,” Obama told Newsweek.

McCain also took into account how his religious choices might affect the race. Although the Southern Baptist Convention encourages adult baptism as a symbol of faith, McCain has not been baptized in the church he currently attends.

“I didn’t find it necessary to do so for my spiritual needs,” McCain said in June 2007. He has continued to attend services, he said, in order “to discern the desire of Jews to return to Israel in agreement with biblical prophecy.”

McCain’s hope that education might rekindle the Christian conscience in America is open for interpretation. Although their approaches are not noticeably different, McCain advo-
There’s some change,” Karthikeyan described a large variety of plans for future content that could be useful to the students, faculty and staff of the CoC. “There were three main things for the original newsletter—the academics follow-up from ‘Town Hall, which I wrote, Chris (Stuckey’s) TSO technology article… and the events calendar with all the CoC events that were going to take place.”

Many of these features will be carried over to future issues. “For the TSO and academic activities articles, there will be a follow-up or something similar every time there’s some change,” Karthikeyan said.

One of the FIREWall’s goals in its inaugural issue was to provide interesting people in the CoC community. “Along with the academics there was the student life section as well. For student life, we tried to put in two articles: ‘To freshen from seniors,’ which is like a word of advice section, and the undergraduate and graduate student spotlights, where we just wanted to focus on students who had done something noteworthy and get the word out to inspire other students,” Sharma explained. This section highlights members of the faculty and staff, who were asked about the things they would like to achieve in their current academic positions and other questions.

In addition to these articles, the first issue featured a section where each of the eight main College of Computing organizations (Women @ CC, Minorities @ CC, the Student Activities Board @ CC, the Association for Computing Machinery, Anime O-Tekku, the Entertainment Software Producers, U Council and Upsilon Pi Epsilon, the computing honor fraternity) were given one page each to describe their organization and any recent or upcoming events tied to it. According to Sharma and Karthikeyan, this section will most likely be a permanent feature of the FIREWall.

That is not, however, to say that the format or content is set in stone. The current issue of the FIREWall has a survey on the back page where students can voice their opinions on what they do or do not like and what they would like to see more of. There is also a suggestion box in the CoC Commons area, and the editors distributed an online survey to everyone in the College last week.

It appears that the suggestions are being taken seriously as well. ‘Something we’re planning on doing in the future is an opinions section, which was actually a suggestion we received in an email when we sent out an online edition to the students,’ Karthikeyan said.

Sharma and Karthikeyan also said that many of the ideas for articles and formatting changes for the next issue have also come from students’ suggestions. “We’re hoping to have the format mostly finalized by the end of the semester,” Karthikeyan said. Sharma and Karthikeyan say that the plan right now is to release one issue per month, with the next one coming out on November 12, 2008.

FIREWall editors Mansi Sharma and Ajai Karthikeyan collaborate on the upcoming November issue. Sharpa says they plan to incorporate formatting changes and articles based on reader feedback.
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organization development and member of the 10th anniversary event planning committee, remembers a time when in "a class of 150 people, there might have been two women." Riggle states, almost in reply, that the WRC is there for situations like those, to fill in any gaps we might have on campus.

Dan Morrison, director of residence life and 10th anniversary event attendee, remarks that residence life partners with the WRC in part because the "vast majority of women students live on campus." residence life utilizes the WRC in training peer leaders and community advisors to handle specific women’s issues like harassment, stalking and "—not just the high-profile things"—women in male-dominated majors.

Riggle seconds Morrison’s statement: the WRC not only exists for women’s crises, but also "for the good things going on in women's lives." Scott said that women can come to "get involved, meet people, make a difference and plug in."

The 10th anniversary event showed a video called “Ten Years Is Only the Beginning” that reinforced that the WRC is "a place for action, healing, acceptance, a place to gather and to work together" for women at Tech. There are no fees to join the WRC, nor is it something one joins like she does a club or sorority, as Riggle maintains that the WRC is "not trying to compete with anything else." Morrison describes the WRC as a "support network"; Yvette Upton, assistant dean of students and director of the Women's Resource Center, calls it a "small office, a small building, but a mighty heart," open to all women "regardless of major, background or political beliefs."

As Upton wrapped up her speech of humble thanks to all those involved in making the last ten years successful, Laura Stritz, a fourth-year MATH major and 2008 WRC Chair, walked up with a plaque for "Outstanding Leadership and Supportive Partner" and posed for, and said: “And you thought you could thank everyone else and not us have thank you.”

Upton replied, as if she hadn’t served in the office for eight years and overseen those who have attended WRC programs, “I was trying!”

Members of the Tech community gather at the celebration of Women's Resource Center's 10th anniversary. Attendees enjoyed tea, listened to a guest speaker and participated in a silent auction.

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Witches and wands and roommates? Oh, my! Wicked is playing at Atlanta's Fox Theatre this Halloween weekend, and will be leaving the Fox stage with a final performance on Sunday evening. Dealing with the magic of witches, Wicked is a wonderful way to celebrate the conviviality of this holiday and visit the majestic Fox Theatre before it is too late.

Wicked is based on the Gregory Maguire novel Wicked: The Life and Times of the Wicked Witch of the West, setting itself in the land of Oz from The Wonderful Wizard of Oz before young Dorothy dropped in. This musical theatrically reshapes Maguire's tale of green-skinned Elphaba, the future Wicked Witch of the West, and her past. Elphaba's life is given a wonderful score by Stephen Schwartz as the transitions from school outcast and strong-willed activist revolutionary to public enemy number one. Ironically enough, she always tries her hardest to do right. Wicked is delightful because it puts Elphaba's perspective center to the story and carries the lesson not to judge a book by its cover with it.

Having grown up enjoying the 1939 movie The Wizard of Oz, introduction to the new characters of Wicked felt familiar and made sweeter by the magic of Broadway. Every time a player appeared on stage, new tales of the denizens of Oz flooded my mind. Although not a true prequel, Wicked takes the realm of Oz and presents it well. The talking animals, witches, munchkins and sorcery are given bright new flair. Phenomenal production of the play made grand all these things with spectacular music and amazing acting.

Through good times and bad, the music keeps playing, carrying the show along on heavenly solos. Stephen Schwartz's lyrics and music are stirring and make the spirit soar. In 2004, one year after Wicked opened on Broadway, the album remained one of the most purchased Broadway albums. Any fan of musical theatre will enjoy the show's wonderful score and continue to enjoy it as it runs blissfully through the mind for days, weeks or even years after the players take their bows.

The play does cause confusion when compared to the novel Wicked. The book is of much more serious nature and contains more details which are never mentioned in this adaptation. Many of the characters are changed for the production and some are omitted. This drastically changes the plot from Maguire's novel at some points. In essence, Wicked is similar in manner to The Wizard of Oz, as it loses many details from its inspiration, L. Frank Baum's The Wonderful Wizard of Oz. Such trifles may be forgiven for sake of the astounding performance of Wicked, but be warned that Wicked has very limited ties to any precedents and should be viewed as its own.

Fortunately, time is still available for those that have not seen Wicked: The Life and Times of the Wicked Witch of the West, and nothing comes close to this.

I went with some friends including my boyfriend (who is 6 feet tall and built like a football player). Needless to say, he is not the type of guy you imagine running down a hallway screaming for his life. It was a sight to see, that's for sure. He left me to fend for myself in the maze of a house that could take 30 minutes to navigate through! Once they lead you into the house and tell you a little story to start you off, your rational mind takes a backseat and everything seems shockingly real. Once you're in this mood, Netherworld is sure not to disappoint.

As soon as you get out of your car, you are transported to a world of clowns, demons and chainsaw-wielding psychos. Many haunted houses have cheap-looking costumes and hokey props that look like they were made in someone's garage. Netherworld, however, has top-notch makeup artists and costume designers to make sure the experience is as realistic as possible. It duplicate props, scenes and illusions make you feel like you're on sensory overload.

Every year there are two completely unique haunts. You can pay to go to one, or both. This year there was Carnivore, with a story centered on a pack of werewolves, and The Mangler, who is a disfigured serial killer who performs many gruesome murders for you to watch. Each house has a ton of gore, and you are constantly worrying about where the next monster will pop out to chase you down the hall.

While sitting in line, prepare to look over your shoulder and find a werewolf breathing down your neck and ghoulish monsters hiding in every shadow; all are waiting for their next unsuspecting
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ing victim. As you get closer and closer to the front of the line, the screams of the people who entered before you add to the mood and jumpstart the adrenaline that will continue to pump throughout the rest of the house. Walking down a pitch-black hall, not knowing when something or someone is going to jump out and scare you is bad enough, but Netherworld doesn’t stop there. Along with the gore factor, they use a lot of different methods to freak out nearly anyone. There are optical illusion tunnels that spin with bridges that shake, along with movie quality special effects that both confuse and frighten. The walls themselves move and grab at you, and water squirts on you as you watch a body being hacked up with a chainsaw. You never let up on the stuff. You will feel like you just ran a marathon and that your throat is hacked up with a chainsaw. There are even levels in which you feverishly work through shadowy corridors that make every step echo. Isaac must venture into zero-gravity, vacuum, or both in order to complete an objective. As I’ve walked through an airless stage, it’s even more nerve-wracking to be immersed in silence as clawed flesh-bags ambush you.

However, ambient music and environmental sounds send chills through your body as an ever-present whispering leaves the player more understanding of how the crew of the Ishimura might have fallen to mass psychosis. The creators even minimized the use of menus and HUDs, instead relying on various counters and meters flashing from your suit and weapons. Despair comes in giant, heart-bursting moments when a level is utterly flooded with a half-dozen killer body parts, but fortunately players can take a breather as the checkpoint system allows for non-frustrating retries and the use of shops to buy better weapons and equipment, as well as a work bench that allows Isaac Clarke to upgrade firepower and armor.

As I played into the night, skipping half my sleep-pattern to complete the game in its entirety, I could not help but feel that EA has created a monster which horror and sci-fi fans alike will enjoy. Even though the missions feel too clean-cut and require a good deal of back-tracking; experiencing the last moments of the Ishimura entails fast-paced, extrememly violent gameplay with all the engaging backdrop and immersion to bear fruit to a new franchise for the game industry.
Ten spooky movies sure to thrill on Halloween

**The Exorcist**
By Andrew Ho
Contribution Writer

The Exorcist is undoubtedly a masterpiece among horror flicks given the chill it has inspired in audiences for years with wonderful performances and lines. Starting with an archeological dig of a sinister origin, the tone remains set at "ominous" even as the story moves along into the lives of an aspiring actress and her daughter. The little girl goes from cute and bubbly to disturbed and dangerous within minutes of screen time. It’s certainly hard to forget the split pea soup scene or the moments the darling little devil-girl displays a few neat contortionist tricks. The Exorcist is a sure bet to scare the pants off of anyone who thinks that the modern demon children and special effects are frightening enough.

**A Nightmare on Elm St.**
By Chris Ernst
Contribution Writer

A Nightmare on Elm Street is a classic, and this is Johnny Depp’s first movie! All you fans can see the 20-year-old dreamboat in the making. With a budget of less than 2 million dollars in 1984, the result is some fantastic ‘80s cheese. Enjoy the big hair, the parents who just don’t understand and the awesomely dated technology. The small budget gives it a very claustrophobic feel that really adds to the scariness. The kids in the movie didn’t do anything to provoke Freddy. They just went to sleep. There’s no way to really fight fatigue, try as the characters might. Freddy is a man in a dream, both very comprehensible things. The movie keeps you off balance by not letting you know whether or not the onscreen characters are dreaming.

**Hocus Pocus**
By Philip Tharp
Senior Staff Writer

Despite the film’s classification as more family friendly (affirmed by the constant airing it receives on children’s channels), the awesomely juvenile comedic and horror aspects of Hocus Pocus make the movie a treat to watch each Halloween. The story follows teenager Max, his younger sister Dani and his high school crush Allison as they try to correct Max’s unfortunate mistake of unleashing three witches. The sister-witches, Winifred (Bette Midler), Sarah (Sarah Jessica Parker) and Mary (Kathy Najimy), need a virgin to light their Black Flame candle during a full moon on a Halloween night, which would bring them back from the dead after being hanged three hundred years earlier. However, in order to stay alive, the witches require the life force of a young child, which they hope to find in one of the three children. Along the way, the trio of scared adolescents tries to convince the town of the witches’ plot with the help of a talking cat (a young boy transformed by the witches in 1693) and a reanimated corpse named Billy (Doug Jones in an early role).

**Scream**
By Daniel Spiller
Entertainment Editor

In 1996, Wes Craven singlehandedly saved the “slasher” genre with his very smart and very scary Scream. By pointing out the overused plot devices in horror movies, Wes Craven was able to make something very original and refreshing out of the same exact stuff he was making fun of. Thanks in large part to writer Kevin Williamson, the movie works so well because of its self-aware script and a cast that can deliver it. All of the characters are parodies of themselves, yet not in a way that detracts from the film. And though the audience is constantly reminded that they have seen all of this stuff before, we’re still tricked into getting scared of something that we knew was coming all along.

**The Silence of the Lambs**
By Swathi Narayanawamy
Contribution Writer

This eerie suspense thriller tells the story of a young FBI agent in training, Clarise Starling (played by Jodie Foster) and her investigation of a rampart serial killer, Buffalo Bill, who is killing young women across the Midwest. To understand more about this killer and hopefully save the last hostage, Clarise meets with imprisoned murderer and cannibal, Dr. Hannibal Lecter (played brilliantly by Anthony Hopkins). In exchange for information about the killer, the deranged Dr. Lecter uses his trained skill as a psychiatrist for his twisted gains by asking Clarise questions about her personal life. Clarise is challenged now not only by her assignment but also by her own thoughts and her past. A film about mentally unstable murderers and a cannibal has, of course, glorious scenes of blood and gore. However, the effects in this film are a bit disappointing. They cannot go unnoticed, but can be forgiven by the genius acting, direction and music that fit perfectly together creating perfect nightmares of Anthony Hopkins eating your guts out.

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Saw V
Chock full of blood-spattered torture, Saw V does little to really deviate from the torture formula but ties up enough loose ends in the story and has enough screams to please the fans. Starting like all the other movies with a gruesomely-designed game and its hapless player, the audience is subjected to what is basically a series of flashbacks and flash forwards. While it’s nice to see how some events in the past movies played out in detail, with a good number of plot holes being filled, much of the developing plot is predictable. To its credit, Saw V is easier to follow than the previous two sequels, and the visuals are nice in the sense of the foreboding feeling they inspire. If you just happen to be into splatter flicks or you are a fan of the series, then it’s worth watching. Waiting. Though the stellar ending provides the perfect segue into a sequel, see him standing in a yard across the street, obscured by the shadow of the house. Just pop-out moments to scare the audience, the real terror comes from the overpowering feeling they inspire. The tension subtly increases throughout the film, and though there is a fair share of pop-out moments to scare the audience, the real terror comes from the overpowering sense of dread that is evoked. Is it when the knife-wielding Myers hangs out of a closet at an unsuspecting teen that the audience are most afraid? No, it’s when we see him standing in a yard across the street, obscured by the shadow of the house. Just standing. Waiting. Though the stellar ending provides the perfect segue into a sequel, it never should have happened; the original stands alone as a masterpiece.

By Daniel Spiller
Entertainment Editor

The Texas Chainsaw Massacre
Known for its gritty look and gallons of gore, The Texas Chain Saw Massacre actually has very little of either. The film is so well directed, the audience ends up seeing more than was actually presented onscreen. Tobe Hooper effectively uses camera angles and tight sets to give the film a dirty and claustrophobic feel. Combine that with a good script and surprisingly solid performances, and suddenly a little Texas movie about a deranged family has become a cult classic. Though the 2003 remake wasn’t horrible and can be admired for trying to add something new to the story, it doesn’t come close to capturing the same personal (almost documentary-style) feel of the original. The abruptness of the ending still remains as one of the greatest ends to a horror film.

By Richard Otis
Staff Writer

The Shining
Stanley Kubrick’s masterpiece of horror, The Shining, continues to entertain nearly three decades since its 1980 original release. Though the film received a lukewarm critical reception while in theaters, the movie has since been lauded for Jack Nicholson’s brilliant portrayal of a man falling victim to supernatural forces far beyond his understanding. The movie was the source of some of the most memorable lines in cinema, like the iconic scene where Nicholson busts through a door with an axe and leeringly calls out, “Here’s Johnny!” Stephen King, the author of the novel, had mixed feelings about the film’s accuracy to his original story, but the ability of The Shining to send chills down the spines of audiences, even in broad daylight, has been rarely matched.

By Daniel Spiller
Entertainment Editor

Halloween
John Carpenter’s original Halloween is absolutely relentless. Though it’s guilty of spawning the “slasher” genre which is inundated with predominately horrid movies (and not horrid in the way they are supposed to be), all is forgiven considering just how good this movie is. The primary strengths of Halloween are its simplicity and its pacing. The very oversimplified summary of the plot boils down to a crazy man escaping from a mental institution who returns to his hometown to wreak havoc. Though the story is clearly a little more complex than that, it doesn’t matter. The film itself took documentary-style feel of the original. After a brief recapitulation (albeit using re-shot scenes) of the brutal and horrific events that occurred as a result of the mysterious Necronomicon Ex-Mortis (“Book of the Dead”) in the first Evil Dead, Sam Raimi’s Evil Dead 2 plunges the audience directly into the horrors that S-Mart employee Ash (Bruce Campbell) is experiencing as he runs from the demonic “deadites.” Joining forces with two archeologists and two unwitting locals, Ash works to fight off the evil forces that claimed both his girlfriend and his hand in the small, creepy cabin isolated in the woods. The second movie also introduced us to the legendary chainsaw that Ash used to replace his sawed-off hand and his unforgettable boomerang (for the unacquainted: sawed-off shotgun). This movie is a must-see for any film lover or horror-buff.

By Philip Tharp
Senior Staff Writer

Evil Dead 2
Who can deny Evil Dead 2’s status as a cult classic (and, for that matter, the other two movies in the trilogy)? Both the movie and the entire series reinforced the fact that Sam Raimi is a brilliant director and solidified Bruce Campbell as one of the best B-movie actors to ever grace the screen. The film itself took a more comedic approach to the gruesome horror storyline introduced in the first film (and serves as somewhat of a sequel/semi-remake). After a brief recapitulation (albeit using re-shot scenes) of the brutal and horrific events that occurred as a result of the mysterious Necronomicon Ex-Mortis (“Book of the Dead”) in the first Evil Dead, Sam Raimi’s Evil Dead 2 plunges the audience directly into the horrors that S-Mart employee Ash (Bruce Campbell) is experiencing as he runs from the demonic “deadites.” Joining forces with two archeologists and two unwitting locals, Ash works to fight off the evil forces that claimed both his girlfriend and his hand in the small, creepy cabin isolated in the woods. The second movie also introduced us to the legendary chainsaw that Ash used to replace his sawed-off hand and his unforgettable boomerang (for the unacquainted: sawed-off shotgun). This movie is a must-see for any film lover or horror-buff.
I’d like to talk to you about zombies, ghouls, vampires and other denizens of the night (and no, I’m not talking about the cast of America’s Next Top Model). Once per year millions of children dress up as these spooky creatures in an attempt to not only horrify you with the exponentially worse quality of costume, but to make you out of your mind, sweet “fun-size” candy bars. Every year, costumes get crappier and crappier, until one day the only thing that will be required of children on Halloween will be to collectively bargain with their neighbors, demanding candy in exchange for not egging their house. You can already see unions forming under banners such as “Stacey’s mom’s cat.” Oh yes, the end is nigh.

Last Halloween was particularly tragic, as it was the first time I have made an effort (read: spent money) to scare children who were trick-or-treating. I did what every red-blooded American is supposed to do and bought a mask, dressed up as a werewolf and hid in bushes waiting for children to come along. The ultimate goal would be to jump out holding a rusty gardening tool I found in the garage while simultaneously causing significant mental anguish to the victims.

While hiding in the darkness waiting for the next lock-step group of children from the Trick-or-Treat Teamsters Local Union 312, I thought about all the times I had been scared in the exact same way as a kid, and I got excited. Unfortunately for me, I was only able to scare a handful of kids the entire night.

So what was the problem? Little did I know that the last time a werewolf costume ever genuinely scared someone was the year 1995, but experts say it was more of a light startled. It’s not just limited to werewolves; most horror creatures remain less effective at eliciting fear than Fox News is of convincing me that they are “Fair and Balanced.” Werewolves, ghosts and zombies now rate lower on a scale of overall fear than Amy Winehouse – how times surely have changed.

Costumes nowadays have taken all the fun out of Halloween. Any department store will have entire sections of the store dedicated to buying pre-made costumes, including an entire armory of plastic, fake-blood-soaked weapons. While the boys’ section reeks of the foul stench of mediocrity, the girls’ section is no better. I can’t imagine the strategic marketing done to promote the new line of Disney’s My-Little-Tramp costumes. Costumes are supposed to be creative, scary and simple. What could be more appropriate than an amateur piranha and mutant ninja turtle knocking at your door asking for candy? I can tell you with absolute certainty that the answer is not some kid wearing a sixty dollar grim-reaper costume purchased at the local Party City with a blue minivan perched 25 feet away. To be fair, the kid is only being a maverick by trick-or-treating with his mommy; God bless him.

As I get older, I’ve started to notice more and more that the Halloween spirit is present year-round (and not just the tradition of stuffing ourselves with candy or women dressing up as whores). Who can deny that even the government of the United States keeps the Torche of Halloween Spirit lit during the other 364 days of the year? Next time you watch the news, pay close attention to the ghoulish Nancy Pelosi, the bloodsucking Rudy Giuliani or the ghost of Ronald Reagan. These heroes bravely keep the spirit alive until the next Halloween season, and for that I humbly thank them.

So remember what Halloween is really about. It’s not about scaring kids anymore, because that ship has sailed; kids nowadays have seen it all. Halloween is really about reliving your childhood through old horror movies such as Friday the 13th, the Evil Dead series or even newcomers such as Freddy vs. Jason.

So gorge yourself on the “fun-size” candy bars you bought to give out to trick-or-treaters (lets be serious here, you were never going to give the Milky Way bars away). Enjoy what little remnants of your childhood you have left, because one day they’ll be nothing more than a memory locked inside a DVD case sitting in the attic of your moon-house. You’ll be too busy watching High School Musical 13: A Time to Kill on your plasma-powered hologreen to notice that the best day of the year has all but disappeared thanks to the marketing monstrosity it has become. And that’s what’s really scary.

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DOES ANYONE KNOW THE ROOT CAUSE OF OUR PROJECT’S FAILURE?

I'M A DETERMINIST, SO I'M HAVING TO SAY THE PROBLEM GOES BACK TO THE ORIGIN OF THE UNIVERSE.

WHY ARE YOU LIKE THIS?

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IT'S THE FIRST ONE PAST THE RECTANGLE OF FUTILITY.

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I'VE SEEN YOUR RESUME AND I SENSE DESPERATION.

OUR JANITOR RECENTLY PASSED AWAY, SO I HAVE A JOB FOR YOU.

YOU WANT ME TO CLEAN TOILETS?

NO, I WANT YOU TO BURY THE JANITOR.

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IT'S NOT OUR JOB TO ASK WHY WE GOT A GRANT TO RESEARCH WHY IT CROSSED THE ROAD...IT'S OUR JOB TO PRETEND WE'RE EARNING IT.
combined loss of 36 yards. As he was sacked four times for a defensive penetration by Virginia, Nesbitt was also struggling with just 1:18 left in the game. Jackets, as the Cavaliers took over line and ended the game for the Jackets first loss of the season, and more than 100 yards rushing. The first came in the near upset by Gardner-Webb. The second came while Dan Voss. /T_h e second came while
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Michael Johnson forces a fumble while he tackles Marc Verica during Saturday's game. Derrick Morgan recovered the fumble.
Hockey from page 28

hospital immediately after games. However, the late coach could always rely on hockey to help him overcome the many obstacles he faced over the years.

"He had a lot of illnesses since he was young, but hockey was something that he could always find comfort in. If he wasn't feeling well, he could turn on the TV and have friends over...When I first met him, he was like, "You'll love me in the summer, but come winter, I can't give up hockey. It's a part of my life, and it's something I can't compromise, but I want you to be a part of that," said Maryann, Stathis's wife of 17 years.

"He was a very passionate person all along, and this was just another way that you could see what a passionate person he was. He put his heart and soul into [hockey], no matter if he was having a good day or feeling horrible; he was definitely dedicated to it.”

The health issues never got in the way of his personality. Stathis treated his players and fellow coaches, and really the entire Tech hockey community, as an extension of his family.

"He was an educator, so his health issues never got in the way of his passion. He never once let his health issues stop him from giving his all to his players. His dedication to his players was truly incredible.”

However, the late coach could also be quite demanding, as Assistant Coach Kenny "Sarge" Day, who also not only coached Tech's Pep Band, but also the hockey team, said. "Greg was very loud, but he was also very predictable...before a game, he would always have written out a game plan..."These are the 15 things we have to do tonight." It was always the 15 things. And by the time he got to #3 on the list, everyone had forgotten what the first two were," Day said.

Stathis's coaching career began long before his time at Georgia Tech. As the head coach at St. Peter's High School in Staten Island, NY, he led the team to a number of state championships. He also coached at the collegiate level in New York with considerable success. In 1991, Stathis took over the Georgia Tech hockey club and quickly grew it into a nationally competitive team in the College Hockey South, winning five division titles. Eight years later, in 1999, he played a key role in the founding of Division III of the American Collegiate Hockey Association (ACHA), and he led the Jackets to the title game in the league's first season. Though Tech lost the title game 1-0 to Butler, it was at that tournament that Stathis pulled off perhaps his most notable on-ice victory.

An honorary banner for former Head Coach Greg Stathis hangs alongside the retired numbers of Georgia Tech hockey players.

"[The tournament] was in Annapolis, Maryland, at the Naval Academy...and the first night, we beat the U.S. Naval Academy 3-2. And they were ranked #1 in the country at the time with a record of 29-2. Greg said that was one of his most memorable wins," Day said.

"Tech hosted the ACHA D-III national championships for the next two seasons, and both years the team finished in third place. The team consistently excelled throughout Stathis's tenure, posting winning records in 15 of his 17 seasons as head coach. Stathis was also responsible for starting a major part of Tech hockey's culture—the Pep Band, a small group of students that occasionally play at Tech games and have earned the collective nickname of "the seventh man.""

"Perhaps the most notable statistic relating to Stathis's career lies off the ice, though. During his 17 years as Tech's head coach, every single player who took the ice for Tech went on to graduate. "We talk about academics first... if anyone has a smart kid who's not going NCAA, but wants a world-class education and wants to play competitive hockey, then we want to talk to them. They can play competitive hockey here, but the focus has to be on education," Day said.

The team has continued its strong play under new coach Brian McSparron, who has deep ties to Stathis; he captained one of Stathis's championship teams at St. Peter's High and served as an assistant coach at Tech from 2000-04. McSparron left the team to take care of his young children, but decided to return and assume the head coaching duties on hearing of Stathis's passing.

"The way I looked at it was this: When he left our high school, the program went downhill. He was also coaching a college program back in New York, and when he left, that program went down. I didn't want to see a third program go down. He put a lot of time and effort into this program, and it became his baby," McSparron said.

"Stathis's presence remains strong among the players and coaches even today, even to those who never met him. "I was honored that guys look to me and ask me about him...ten of these guys [the freshmen] aren't going to know who Greg was, so hopefully...they can appreciate what he meant to this program," McSparron said.

"He will be sorely missed, but...his spirit lives on. I think this will be a great season, because this season is really dedicated to him," O'Connor said.

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as well. Tech took a 10-5 lead and kept it until the Tar Heels took it back with a point to tie it at 19-19. The Tar Heels won the next six points to win the set and the match.

The Jackets are currently tied for fourth place in the conference. There are three teams currently tied for the lead in the conference, Virginia Tech, Duke and Clemson. Miami, Tech and North Carolina are tied for fourth. With just over half of the conference schedule under the belt, Tech hopes to run the table in the second half in order to put them in a favorable position to win the ACC Tournament. The Jackets most recent run at the NCAA tournament was in 2004, when they lost to fourth ranked Minnesota in the Minneapolis regional. The Jackets start their run this weekend when they play Virginia Tech and Virginia in Atlanta.

Volleyball from page 28

Head Coach Bond Shymansky coaches his team during a match at O’Keefe Gymnasium. Tech lost to UNC after beating NC State.

Battle of the White and Gold: The Tech Baseball team held its annual white and gold series from Oct. 19 to Oct. 22 at Russ Chandler Stadium. The white team lost the series in fourth game, forcing Head Coach Danny Hall to send the series to a sudden death situation. In the playoff, white was able to win the series.

I hate Atlanta weather. rock band has taken over my life. rock band goes up - grades go down.
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Girl: do you know what team this is?
I: FC Beastly
Girl: Beastly??
I: yes, as in we are.
pwrd!
I miss K to...KK just ain’t the same. But is it right to blame it on M?
K and C are beautiful people, luv L.
Windbreakers are so last year. This season it’s straight from t-shirts to Himalayan animal pelts.
THE SEC?!!!
Why would anyone ever want to go th the SEC.
It is full of hicks and the people that don’t know anything.
ACC forever!!!
I don’t think we are going to be bowl eligible, and that’s really sad.
You know what my favorite team is? Not Texas Tech. You know why Texas Tech is not my favorite team? Because they are the worst. Nice try HL.
Sometimes, slivers are just printed that make NO SENSEEEE.
MFBBBBB
MFFFFF
I love it when teachers accept birthday cakes ... what are teh chances of that?
After ascending to 15th in the BCS rankings, the Seminoles look to stay perfect against Coastal Division opponents this Saturday against Tech. Florida State enters this game with a four game winning streak which includes a 30-20 win over Virginia Tech in Tallahassee.

Florida State sits atop the Atlantic division of the ACC with a record of 6-1 with that loss coming to Wake Forest in third game of the season. They currently lead the ACC with 36.1 points per game, 406 yards per game, and 50 percent third down efficiency. However, they are the most penalized team in the conference at nine penalties per game. The Seminoles are currently led by Hall of Fame Coach Bobby Bowden. Bowden is second all time in NCAA Division-I wins with 379. Saturday’s showdown will mark the thirteenth time that Bowden and his Seminoles play the Yellow Jackets. Currently, he is 12-0 against Tech with his last victory coming in September 2003, but he has never coached against a Paul Johnson team.

This game should be a battle of wills, as Florida State attempts to stay perfect on the road this season. The Seminoles will have to rely on their No. 7 nationally ranked rushing defense, which has held opponents to 79.9 yards per game to counteract Tech’s effective rushing attack, an offense that boasts the ninth best rushing offense in the nation with 236.6 yards per game.

Tech looks to regain ground in the race to Tampa after a heart breaking 24-17 lost to Virginia. The Jackets are No. 2 in the ACC Coastal division after Saturday with conference record of 3-2. Tech will have to correct some of the miscues on offense to get a victory against Florida State. The Jackets have had at least two fumbles lost and one interception in both losses this season. One main focus should be to get the ball to sophomore B-back Jonathan Dwyer. He has rushed for over 100 yards in 5 of 6 Tech victories this season, but he has not rushed for more than 70 yards in each loss.

Another key to a Jackets victory will be defensive pressure currently ranked No. 2 in the nation at 8.88 tackles for loss per game.

Florida State brings a completely balanced attack on offense with 197.9 rushing yards per game and 196.7 passing yards per game. Seminoles quarterback Christian Ponder has thrown for nine touchdowns this season, but he has been known to make some mistakes with six passes intercepted. That should provide opportunities for sophomore defensive back Morgan Burnett, who is tied for the lead in the nation with six interceptions.

Tech is 7-6-1 all time against Florida State in Atlanta, with its last win in 1975. The Jackets look to become bowl-eligible and hand Bobby Bowden his first lost to the Ramblin’ Wreck.

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Jackets lose first homecoming in 13 years

By Matt Hoffman
Sports Editor

Tech suffered its second loss of the season on Saturday at Grant Field when the Jackets fell to the Cavaliers from University of Virginia, 24-17. This loss was the first Homecoming loss for the Jackets since 1996, and moved this year’s Jackets to 6-2 overall and 3-2 in the ACC.

It wasn’t enough mistakes in about every area to lose the game about twice over…. You have to give [UVA] credit. They came in here and did what they needed to do to win the game, and we didn’t get it done,” said Head Coach Paul Johnson.

Throughout the game, the Jackets struggled to get their offense onto the field. The Cavaliers held the ball for almost nine more minutes than the Jackets, and Tech’s defense was only able to force one punt during the entire game.

“We could not get [UVA’s offense] off the field in the first half. We had four possession in the first half… When you get the ball on offense in this type of game you better maximize it and take advantage of the [possession],” Johnson said.

Virginia topped Tech in just about every offensive category. UVA had 270 yards passing compared to Tech’s 105 yards. The Cavaliers completed 29 of 39 passes attempted, while the Jackets only pulled in seven of 15. Virginia also had 18 on third downs, while Tech converted only four of 10. While the Jackets were struggling to get their offense in rushing yards, the 30-yard difference was not enough to carry the Jackets to a win.

“We missed a ton of tackles. We have been getting a lot of pressure on the quarterback, but [UVA] protected their quarterback pretty well,” Johnson said.

The injuries on the defensive side of the ball also hurt the Jackets. Senior cornerback Jahi Word-Daniels did not play due to a hamstring injury he suffered last week during the Clemson game. Sophomore free safety Dominique Reese went out at halftime with an injury after picking up an interception and two tackles for losses in the first half. The loss of those two defensive secondary leaders hurt the Jackets in the first half.

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Jeremy Spafard and teammates participate in the pregame ceremony. Former Head Coach Greg Stathis was honored pregame.

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Volleyball splits weekend matches in N.C.

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The Tech volleyball team split their matches last weekend in the state of North Carolina. Senior outside hitter Talia Kellogg posted a match-high of 16 kills at both games. Senior middle hitter Callie Miller added 11 kills while hitting .611 to aid the Jackets in their win against the North Carolina State Wolfpack. This was the Jackets’ fourth consecutive 3-0 win. Senior setter Allie Niekamp directed the offense by assisting in 31 situations and posting four kills. The defense was led by Michelle Kandell, who had a match-high of 15 digs.

Tech cruised by in the first set with a 25-12 victory, due in large part to Kellogg’s efforts. The Jackets started the match with a 5-1 run and then a 13-5 lead later in the set. The Jackets fell behind early in the first set and dropped a 25-21 decision. Tech evened up the score with a win in the second set. The Jackets trailed the Tar Heels 11-12 before going on a 10-2 run to take a 21-13 lead that would lead to a 25-17 win in the set.

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