SGA Elections to take place from April 9 to 14

By Vijai Narayanan
Assistant News Editor

Candidates running for positions in student government have campaigned for the past two weeks in an effort to garner votes for the upcoming student body election. From the graduate side, candidates for student body President and Vice-President are running unopposed. The undergraduate field includes a total of five candidates for SGA Executive President and two for Executive Vice-President. The Executive Vice-President is responsible for running sessions of the Undergraduate House of Representatives (UHR). The candidates for undergraduate Vice-President and President of the student body participated in an hour-long debate at the campanile on Tuesday, April 6. Common themes of the debate revolved around how candidates would increase student involvement in SGA and how they would address the current shortcomings of student government. Candidates for president were also asked about their thoughts about the proposed budget cuts from the state legislature and how that would affect their goals for SGA for the coming year.

In addition to positions in the executive branch of student government, students have also been campaigning for legislative positions in UHR and the Graduate Student Senate (GSS). Over 70 undergraduate and graduate students decided to campaign for legislative positions in SGA. About 14 students decided to campaign for legislative positions in GSS. Results will be announced on April 14. Results will be announced on the full election guide to the candidates running for SGA.

Ground-breaking honors Clough

By Emily Chambers
Editor-in-chief

“As we look around this campus of course you will note many impressive facilities, many impressive new facilities going up, so one could be excused for thinking this is just a normal day at the office. However of course, it is not,” said Errol B. Davis, Chancellor of the Board of Regents (BOR) at the historic ground-breaking ceremony for the Clough Undergraduate Learning Commons (CULC). The CULC itself was highlighted at the event. The building will feature “modern facilities… refined laboratories, technologically advanced classrooms and innovative learning environments” said Davis.

The ceremony was held on Skiles Walkway at 2 p.m. on April 5. The ceremony included distinguished speakers, light snacks and artistic two- and three-dimensional renderings of both the building and the revamped Skiles Walkway that will come with the construction.

In addition to campus administrators and leaders as well as Chancellor Davis, Tech was graced with a visit from a locally famous Federal Secretary, Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution and former Tech president G. Wayne Clough.

Clough, who was also a Tech student (CE 64', MS 65) served as Tech’s president for 12 years, from 1994 till 2008. He led the Institute in an ambitious $60 million in state bonds. Some representatives questioned the need to have more fun. Then, six months later the Tech Glee Club showed up and sang at my office. People came up afterwards and told me ‘That’s what you were talking about,’” Clough said.

During the ceremony both President G. “Bud” Peterson and Senior Vice Provost Anderson Smith thanked the countless private donors who have contributed to the construction of what Undergraduate Student Body President Alina Staskevicius called “the heart of the campus.”

The participants and Davis also thanked both Governor Sonny Perdue and the Ga. State Assembly for working to help finance the project with $60 million in state bonds.

Clough was awarded the title of President Emeritus by Davis and Peterson, a title that was conferred upon him as a gesture of thanks for his focus on undergraduate education as well as his contributions to the Tech community as a whole.

Tin Building to be demolished

By Zimu Yang
Staff Writer

As part of Capital Planning and Space Management’s plan to redevelop the alleyway behind the Skiles Building, the Tin Building will be demolished at the end of this year. Students and organizations currently using the space will be forced to move temporarily before being accommodated in a new facility.

We will redevelop area between Skiles and the Weber building. It will serve as the new pedestrian thoroughfare while Skiles is being redeveloped as part of the CULC project. So rather than do [the CULC project] in two phases, [we will be able] to close Skiles walkway so that we can do it quicker and for less money,” said Howard Wertheimer, director of Capital Planning and Space Management.

Present efforts to accommodate the clubs affected by the demolition, including GT Motorsports, Wreck Racing, Robolocsters and GT Off-Road, consist of relocating their activities off campus to a facility near the corner of 14th Street and Hemphill near Home Park.

A new building will already under development to accommodate them, called the Burdell Center. However, the center is still in the early stages of planning, and will be unavailable for several more years. Some representatives questioned the reasons behind the proposed demolition, such as safety and student convenience.

“As you know Home Park is not a very safe place... One of these robberies was at the corner of 14th and Hemphill where two students were held up,” said Thomas Fraschillo, a third year ME student and GT Off-Road team leader. “It’s also a 35-minute walk from North Ave. Apartments, where most of the team lives.”

According to some of the parties involved in the relocation, little communication has been made between themselves and Facilities.

“The only information we have about this has come from our advisors,” Fraschillo said.

Facilities maintains that there is transportation available to those who need it.

“Right now our transit system does serve that building, and we do have the Stingerette service,” Wertheimer said. “We talked to the faculty and department chair first but we obviously want to get the students involved in the conversation. If it hasn’t happened yet then it will.”

Despite the issues, Capital Space and Planning believes the decision will benefit Tech.

“I think it’ll be a win-win situation for everyone involved. The idea is to allow students proper space so they can be successful,” Wertheimer said.

Institute President G.P. “Bud” Peterson joins former President G. Wayne Clough to break ground at the CULC construction site. The ground-breaking event took place on Skiles Walkway and honored Clough for his work at Tech.

Peterson presents a plaque to honor Clough’s status as President Emeritus at the ground-breaking ceremony.
Events and happenings across campus next week

Campus Calendar

By Vivian Fan
News Editor

Friday, April 9

GREEK WEEK
WHAT: The annual competition pits Greek house against Greek house through a series of academic, artistic, athletic and talent competitions, including Tug, Greek Sing and Stroll and a number of competitions.

WHO: Interfraternity Council, Panhellenic Council, Multicultural Greek Council, National Pan-Hellenic Council

WHEN: Thursday, April 8 to Saturday, April 17

SGA ELECTION POLLS OPEN
WHAT: Polls for student representatives, undergraduate vice president, undergraduate president, graduate vice president and graduate president open Friday morning at 8 a.m. on the SGA website. Students will be able to vote for their respective president, vice president and major representatives until next Wednesday.

WHO: SGA

WHEN: Friday, April 6 to Wednesday, April 14

WHERE: www.elections.gatech.edu

NIGHT MARKET
WHAT: Teaming up Asian cultural organizations from Tech and Emory, Night Market features a variety of food, games and entertainment from countries all over Asia. Tickets can be purchased at the door.

WHO: TASA, CSA, FSA, HKSA, ISO, CSFA, VSA

WHEN: 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

WHERE: Biotechnology Quadrangle

Next issue’s question:
Did you attend Culture Fest this year?

Tell us at nique.net

POLL OF THE WEEK

How do you feel about increasing the Student Activity Fee

Based on 63 responses

61.9%

I don’t think SGA should ask students for more money.

14.3%

My organization needs more money so I am for it.

7.9%

I think they should increase it, but by less.

15.9%

What is the Student Activity Fee?

14.3%

Based on 63 responses
Each Tuesday, elected members of the two houses of the Student Government Association, the Undergraduate House of Representatives (UHR) and the Graduate Student Senate (GSS), convene to consider allocation bills and discuss issues facing campus. Here is a summary of those two meetings.

By Vijai Narayanan, Assistant News Editor

Sigma Gamma Tau
Sigma Gamma Tau, the AE honor society, submitted a funding request through the Undergraduate Legislative Reserve (ULR) to host an annual banquet for graduating seniors in the AE department.

The line item funding requests included the cost of renting, clean-up and security fees for the venue. This year the event will be hosted at the alumni house. The bill generated a lengthy discussion about the purpose of the ULR, and its role in funding undergraduate only events. Some representatives voiced their concern that the ULR was reserved to special projects of the UHR, including the SGA banquet and the retreats. Therefore, they argued that this bill should not be funded using ULR. GSS did not consider the bill.

Marksmanship Club
The Marksmanship Club requested funding from SGA to purchase equipment necessary for “range outings” conducted by the club each month. The line items in the bill included the cost of ammunition, a spotting scope, and advertisement. The bill was amended to $650 from $985 in order to conform to JFC policy. The bill passed UHR 37-1-0 and GSS 24-3-0.

CanSat
The CanSat Club submitted a bill to SGA requesting funds to purchase parts to construct a robot for a competition in Ama- rillo, Texas. The organization will use the parts to build a robot capable of launching into the air, landing, and driving to a remote location in the desert. Among the line items included servo motors, parachutes and a GPS chip. The bill was amended to $2365.20 in order to reflect JFC policy regarding funding for conference fees, and passed UHR 39-0-0, and GSS 25-1-0.

Triathlon
The GT Triathalon Club requested funding from SGA in order to compete at the USA Triathlon Collegiate Nationals Competition in Lubbock, TX. Line items for the bill included race entry fees and travel expenses, totaling $2450. The club has approximately fifteen members participating in the upcoming competition. The bill passed UHR 39-0-1 and GSS 25-1-0.

ORGT
SGA passed legislation put forward by Outdoor Recreation at Georgia Tech (ORGT) to fund purchases of items related to mountain biking trips. ORGT currently has a total of six mountain bikes for these trips, and the additional funding will allow them to purchase three more. The organization also requested funding for tools and parts to maintain the bikes, including wheels, pliers, wrenches, grease and lube. The bill totaled approximately $2,323.61 and was passed 39-0-0 and GSS 25-1-0.

Confederate History Month reinstated in VA
Virginia’s Republican governor Bob McDonnell issued a proclamation on Wednesday declaring April Confederate History Month. Critics were particularly appalled by McDonnell’s decision to leave out references to slavery altogether from his declaration.

Obama announces new nuclear strategy
U.S. President Barack Obama unveiled a new defense policy as part of his Nuclear Posture Review, restricting the use of nuclear weapons. The announcement comes days before Obama signs a landmark nuclear arms reduction pact with Russia. The plan rules out a nuclear response to attacks on America involving biological, chemical or conventional weapons. However, this applies only to countries that comply with the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, excluding countries like Iran and North Korea.

Underground explosion kills 25 in WV mine
A huge underground blast caused by methane gas killed 25 coal miners at the Upper Big Branch mine in West Virginia on April 5, 2010. As of Wednesday four other workers were missing as rescue workers continued to attempt to penetrate the mountain inside above the mine, wary of a dangerous buildup of methane and carbon monoxide near the entrance. Officials hope that the four miners still trapped were able to reach airtight chambers in the mine, stocked with food and oxygen to last for four days.

Correction
In the April 2 issue of the Technique, we erroneously printed that GTPD’s new K-9 unit was trained in Chatham Co. Fla. He was trained in Ga. We also misspelled the name of Officer Jonathan Gibbons. We apologize for the error and any resulting confusion.

Don’t forget Your Permit!
Online Parking Registration: April 15 - June 30
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For Regular, Evening/Weekend, SmartPark, Motorcycle or Carpool Permits

Georgia Tech students, faculty and staff: register your parking preferences during the registration period, even if you do not want to change parking locations for the 2010-2011 academic year. Visit www.parking.gatech.edu and follow the registration prompts. Those who do not register before June 30, 2010 are not likely to receive their preferred parking locations.
Friends, Techies, countrymen, lend me your ears! I come to tell you of the campaign trail. Differentiate from the false promises and listen to my words with an open mind!

I am not going to preach to you of my accomplishments before or during my tenure at Tech. What is more important is what I am striving for in this campaign. It is time that students are fully appreciated and represented in the student government of this luscious institution. Why is it that the first time that the student body was asked our opinions in a serious manner was during the concealed weapons debate? Why is it that SGA “tries” to have meals with the general population, yet still does not seem to understand the needs and wants of the general population? Why is it that students do not know what SGA is or the functions that it serves? Obviously there is a disconnect.

We need a student government that’s accountable, using funds generated by our student fees to solve campus problems, not hide them in ineffective, “free” campus programs. I want the voting records for each member of the UHR to be online, so students know how their reps are voting. I also want a well-advertised comment period for the annual budget, so students can vote, line by line, on what they like and don’t. I also want voter statistics available online, broken down by year, major, financial aid status, ethnicity, state/country of residence, Greek/unaffiliated, and gender. We must protect the secret ballot, but all of this information is already available—let’s use it to make SGA better. SGA needs to be sure that it is representative of the WHOLE student body. If it isn’t, SGA MUST reach out to voters who are, in effect,

I am Corey T. Boone, and I want to be the next Student Body President of the Georgia Institute of Technology. Why, you ask? I’m running because I love this school and its people. I want to lead in a way that enhances the Georgia Tech Community, provides a learning environment that truly enriches lives, and proactively addresses the needs of all Georgia Tech Students.

As Student Body President, I will:
- Expand the Add/Drop Period.
- Lift Major Restrictions earlier during registration the period.
- Add a centralized platform that allows students to apply for overload requests in place on Oscar.
- Oversee the Continued Redevelopment of Course Critique
- Develop an Academic Rights and Expectations that will allow students and faculty to find common ground.
- Develop a Faculty-Student Mentoring Program.
- Review tenure to place a greater emphasis on teacher effectiveness.
- Implement a “Service Option” to be added to the curriculum of each major.
- Advocate for an i-Tunes Library of Tech’s best lecturers
- Advocate for more campus areas for students to “Hangout”.
- Advocate for a diversity component to be added to the evaluation of all Tech faculty and staff members.
- Advocate for a revision in campus alcohol policies that allow for a Good Samaritan Provision.
- Advocate for more campus services that employ students
- Restructure the Communications Board to include a Director of Student Engagement.
- Establish a workable communications platform here at Tech that eliminates the countless emails that students receive on a daily basis. Enriching your Tech Experience is
My Vision—“Make SGA for YOU”

I strongly believe that the best ideas arise from collaboration, and that the more students involved in SGA, the better decisions we will be able to make. More ideas, concerns, and information will drive SGA to improve all its areas. My platform is based on the following:

Student Government

SGA should be completely accessible to everyone. SGA will have a weekly optional diet of all the issues in EVERY COMMITTEE. Polls of the students will be used to get more feedback and ideas. I want to make a centralized formal application process for committees, so the most qualified students are the ones who are selected.

Student Organizations

I want to make the system more efficient, so organizations can focus more on their own business and less on SGA bureaucracy. I want an improved system for funding requests that is easier to use and is LINKED with the accounting. This link shall make the reimbursements faster and will provide up-to-date statistics on the monies available, as well as history of SGA funds per event, organization, semester, etc. I believe that with more data the Legislative can make better decisions. I also want to make the process of starting an organization easier by providing all the information on the website and a step-by-step checklist of the requirements.

Academics

I want to have a committee devoted to registration issues.

Experience

• President of Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers
• Junior Class President
• Sophomore Representative
• Academic Affairs Committee
• Executive Round Table
• Undergraduate Consulting Club
• Computer Science 1316 Teaching Assistant

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Since I graduated High School my dream university was Tech. After high school I started in community college after financial difficulties I had to stop school in order to work. I worked for many years before I could make a return to school, at which time I set my sights on Tech. During that down time I had many friends who attended Tech and I was on campus often. I was either visiting the friends in the dorms or Home Park. These interactions showed me the beauty of what Tech was all about. Now that I am blessed enough to be here I see it is my obligation to give back to the school and community that has given so much to me. I am ideal for this position, in part, because I have almost a full decade more life experience than the other candidates. I have seen the outside world and experienced its hardships firsthand, which allows me to appreciate Tech. I will improve our campus lives by addressing the following issues:

Golden Ratio: For too long now women have been under-represented at Tech. With a ~30% population of women on the campus it is time that we take this issue seriously and make a concerted effort to reach out to women (both high school and college age) to come be a part of our community. There needs to be specific and extensive measures taken to assure the safety and well-being of women on campus.

Safety: The safety and security of Tech students should be one of the highest priorities of the school. It’s not an issue that can be solved by one group. It requires cooperation from the administration, the GTPD and the student body with the SGA. The crime on campus is unacceptable and it’s time that real and effective steps are taken to prevent crime.

Ignoring Tech’s security problem in the name of “avoiding bad PR” is counter-productive and actively negligent.

Bridge the Gaps: It is the job of the president to be the spokesperson for the student body. This role requires dealing with administration and groups outside the school. During the last year I served on the Undergraduate Council. I facilitated and participated in a tremendous amount of communications between multiple different Deans and administrators.

My Vision—Building a Better Community

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We must address our strained faculty-student relationship and lack of interdisciplinary options in our classes and majors. I propose an Institute-based faculty-student mentor program, a redefinition of our grading practices, specialized tracks in each major, and more flexibility in allowing core classes to count towards minor credit.

Campus Support Community

Our efforts to build community will fall short if we do not provide proper support from our campus departments. We need to see Tech Square expand to include more student-friendly options.

Campus Life Community

In order to build community, we must not only relieve stress from academics, but we must build a more vibrant campus life community. There is much excitement around ideas of larger campus-wide events and an expansion of Tech Square. I want SGA to incentivize organizational collaboration with additional funding for these events, and I’d like to see Tech Square expand to include more student-friendly options.

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Experience

• Vice President of Campus Affairs
• Junior and Member-at-Large Representative
• Chair of Campus Affairs Board
• Planning and Development Committee Chair
• Co-founder of Kids@Kollege
• Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honor Society
• Georgia Tech Tour Guides
• ThinkBig@Tech Planning Committee
• Library Advisory Board
• GT1000 TL
• Freshman Activities Board

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To the girl sunbathing in the ULC courtyard in the Green Bikini on Wednesday: thank you)
STOP TEXTING ME WOMAN! GAAAAH!!!!
Single-guys heads up!: a single girl will wear a neon orange bracelet
DO A BARREL ROLL!
Searching for Nemo
red and black
All the pretty girls come out when the weather is warm.

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**BRENDA MORALES**

**Experience:**
- SGA Executive Cabinet, Institute-Wide Committees Chair
- Representative in the UHR Committee on the Presidential Transition
- Provent’s Task Force for Intellectual Community

I am currently a 3rd year CS and Mgt major. I have been involved in many organizations on campus and have founded and led a couple of them during my time at Tech. Some of these include the CoC’s undergraduate council (president), the young entrepreneurs society (founder and president) and the fireplace (founding president) and others. When I decided to run for this position, I was told by one of my friends that I was an SGA outsider, as I had not been actively involved in SGA in the past. I strongly believe that the STUDENT government association should include representation of the entire student body in practice, not on paper.

This is why I decided to run for this position. I aim to make SGA a more transparent and approachable organization which involves all students in its decision making process. I strongly hope that in the future there is no such thing as an SGA outsider and SGA.

Unlike most people who set goals for what they will do when they are in office, the first goal I am setting myself is for the election. Last year only 3,662 out of the 12,069 undergraduates Tech voted in the SGA elections. This is only 30.3% of the student body. Since, I aim to get more students involved with SGA, why not start with elections itself? My goal for this year is to double this number. While I hope you’ll cast your vote for me, the most important thing is that you participate in SGA and exercise your right to vote.

I have my vote and I am going to need your help with the remaining 7,323 votes for me to achieve this goal.

**Brenda Morales**

**HOLD BILL SUBMISSION INFORMATION SESSIONS FOR ORGANIZATIONS**

- Provide training to representatives on the ‘JacketPages’ system.
- Ensure that representatives can advise organizations on the joint finance committee policy.
- I have and will serve as an unwavering voice for students in my role in the Executive cabinet.

**Open avenues of communication**

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  - Create a board of regents graduate student committee of the graduate student presidents of GA to provide a platform for concerns.
  - Develop communication resources and ways to disseminate information on our campus.
  - Professional development—At Tech, a number of departments offer some limited opportunities to enhance professional development but my administration will work on a central plan creating programming and opportunities for all graduate students.
  - GTRIC—This year’s conference was an accomplishment. If elected, my administration will focus on the development of the conference and address the feedback offered from this year.

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disenfranchised.

Other issues:
• GT Parking – Buzzcard readers for the parking meters and selling permits per semester.
• OSCAR needs to email students when they have a hold.
• Allow students to create designs for campus to fix major issues whether it be designing buildings or creating a more “green” campus
• Origin-destination studies to help fix GT Transportation issues.

Why vote for me? Because I, like Winston Churchill, “have nothing to offer but blood, toil, tears and sweat.” The Black Stallion will always ride again.

Boone page 4
about more that achieving a laundry list of objectives. It is about empowering every Yellow Jacket to thrive during the best years of their lives. I believe that I am the only candidate with the unique experience necessary to do so. This past year, I have served as Vice President of Communications where my duty is ensuring that your voice is heard on issues at Tech. Below is my experience.

Experience:
SGA, Vice President of Communications, Chairman of the Campus Communications Board, Campus Affairs Board, Chairman Academic Affairs Committee, Management Representative, Planning and Development Committee, Internal Development Committee, Cultural Affairs Committee, Stipend Committee.

GT Student Ambassadors
Honorary Advisory Council
Student Rules and Regulations Committee
Undergraduate Academic Council
Undergraduate Curriculum Committee
Tri-mester Committee
CIOs Taskforce
GT Choral

Theta Xi Fraternity
M & M Mentoring Program
College Ladders
ACC Leadership Conference Del-egate
Sympathetic Vibrations
Student Assistant
Student Academic and Financial Affairs Committee
First Center for the Arts Student Advisory Committee

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associate Deans to the office of executive affairs—even weekly communications with State representatives. I have already established my presence with the administration and created a strong link to state government.

The second gap to be bridged is be-tween SGA and the students they represent. Too often the only time you hear of SGA is when there is an election. You usually only hear from your representatives when they are running for office—the rest of the year you have no idea what decisions are being made in your name and with your money. I will push to have stronger communications between the students and SGA, as well as creating an incentive to have students participate in the affairs of SGA.

Greek Concerns: Although the Greek community comprises only ~20% of the undergraduate population, they are the most involved segment. It is understandable that special provisions be made for the Greek community, like block seating. Additionally, the provision of adequate parking is now past due—parking should be accessible for every Greek house. Lastly, it’s important that the Greeks enjoy a high level of sovereignty for any chapter on campus. I always try to live by an old Boy Scout motto, “Leave the place better than you found it.” Tech has forever improved me and before I go I will leave Tech better than I found it. All these things I can and will do—however, I need your support on April 9. Please remember to vote for me. God bless you all and God bless Tech.

Nussenbaum from 5
This committee will poll the EN-TIRE student body for ideas, and problems they’ve had, and will then work with administra-tors to improve OSCAR. I want a centralized permit system for all classes. I believe that by poll-ing the student body, many great ideas will arise. I want to have the Academic Affairs Committee poll the student body on policy like Dead Week, Drop Date, improving Freshman For-Giveness, etc.

Student Life
I want to have a network-styled (like Facebook) website with in-formation on every event on cam-pus. This will allow for collabora-tion. I want organizations to use this system to communicate with the Student Body and advertise events. Organizations and stu-dents will be able to communicate and manage memberships. This system will also allow you to see who is in your classes, and help you connect with fellow students for projects, studying, and much more.

Tech
I LOVE TECH! I Love being at GT. I have learned so much and I want to give back. My goal is to make SGA accessible to EVERYONE. You need a President who has a vision and can bring people together, not his own personal agenda, and I am that person. Vote NUSS!

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need to optimize our transportation routes, improve our avenues for student feedback, and ensure we are not unfairly raising student fees without first looking outside of the Institute for revenue. We also need to embrace the divers-ity that we embody by pursuing additional Institutional support for diversity programming and outreach. Finally, we must create a coherent communications net-work and campus-wide calendar tailored to individual interests.

My Drive
I am running for Student Body President, not for perks or popu-larity, but because I want to serve you. I have worked with the adminis-tration in departments across campus and the issues are important to me. It is unfair to the students to have a long tran-sition period after elections, when current projects are forgotten. As President, my transition will be seamless. I will begin fighting for you on day one.

The time for SGA to excite a lar-ger vision towards building a bet-ter community and carrying our message to you is now. It is no longer enough to make information about SGA readily available on our website, and as your Presi-dent, you will hear from your rep-representatives more than just during elections. I don’t want to build an SGA community; I want to build your community. To do that every student must be involved in providing solutions to the issues we address. I have the experience, and more importantly the means, for making our vision of building a better community a true reality here at Tech. Vote Jimmy Williams for your next Student Body President!

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important in the next administration. Additionally, continuing to create new relationships and re-inforce existing relationships with the administration, faculty, staff and undergraduates will serve to increase the visibility of GSG on campus, and hence continue to encourage graduate students to be heard. Having resources to solicit advice and to offer the graduate perspectives can only serve to help graduate students in the long run.

Concerns about health insurance and professional development oppor-tunities have been expressed. In making the graduate voice heard, the next administration needs to ensure that those issues are addressed. Next year will bring the opportu-nity to select a health insurance provider. Making sure that all av-enues are explored and that a di-verse group of voices are heard will be essential. Last week, the first Graduate Career Fair was held, and feedback from that event will need to be reviewed so that the event will continue to grow, and so that new ideas or events for professional development can be implemented.

As Director of the Graduate Con-ference Fund, I have seen first-hand how valuable GSG is to graduate students. As Vice Presi-dent, I hope to find new ways to provide value to students that goes beyond money. I appreciate your support in this exciting endeavor.
Progress and sacrifice

The current Tin Building is unsafe. It is doubtful that the building lifespan is not already near its end and that a replacement is needed. The process of replacing old and out-dated facilities is certainly nothing new to campus, but many times it seems as if little regard is given to the current student body that live through the transition process.

Student organizations have the privilege and the need to have on-campus locations. The destruction of the Tin Building, however, puts this necessity at risk for several organizations. Students do not work, especially when dealing with extracurricular activities, during regular working hours. It is essential to ensure that displaced organizations are given an on-campus location as soon as possible.

Tech must continue to make progress on all fronts to ensure it stays competitive with other top institutes across the nation, on all fronts to ensure it stays competitive with extracurricular activities, during regular working hours. It is essential to ensure that displaced organizations are given an on-campus location as soon as possible.

The Consensus Opinion reflects the majority opinion of the Editorial Board of the Technique, but not necessarily the opinions of individual editors.

Technique in exceptional hands

By Emily Chambers

The Technique is important. Not just as a student organization, not just as a piece of campus history and not just as a source of Friday entertainment. The Technique is important because it is our job to inform campus, to serve as a voice and a forum for discussion about both the successes and failures of campus groups, the administration and even ourselves. It is our job to inform students of labor rights issues on campus, of horrific crimes, of fantastic events and unfortunately, of actions that we feel were not worthy of us, the Tech student body.

My tenure with the Technique is ending, and it has been my goal to serve as an accurate, diligent and respectful editor. I hope that you, our audience, have been at least satisfied with our work, and if you have not that you have felt free to critique us. As I leave office it is my great pride to entrust this paper that I love and respect to the next editor, a soon-to-be Tech undergraduate alum and Tech graduate student who I know will work tirelessly to serve you, the Tech students; Hahn, you have been such a blessing not only to this paper and me, but also to the school as a whole through your service so far. I look forward to reading the paper each week next year and watching you further our goals and visions for this great publication.

Congratulations, and welcome to the best job on campus.

Nicknames cannot be forced onto students

A lot of fuss has been made by the school over the potential nickname of the G. Wayne Clough Undergraduate Learning Center.

In truth, one cannot simply assign a nickname to a building. A building’s nickname must be earned over the years through the nature of the building. Case in point, The Campanile is regularly known as “The Shaft,” due to its tall shaft-like centerpiece and its embodiment of what Tech does to its student-body. We also have the ThrillerDome (Alexander Memorial Coliseum), the Rusty C (Russ-Chandler Stadium) and of course, The Flats. The College of Computing is known simply as the CoC. Klaus is sometimes referred to as the Super CoC. None of these nicknames was assigned. They were coined by popular opinion. It is ridiculous to expect that an administrative body assigned nickname would be capable of holding such a force of nature.

However, despite these arguments, I propose the nickname “The G-Spot.” This name incorporates the building’s namesake G. Wayne Clough, the CULC is situated to be central part of campus and undergraduate life. It is a building that all undergraduate students have to go to for learning and visiting as often as possible.

Tom Neuman
Second-year AE
**Teen pregnancy still a prominent problem**

While Facebook stalking your students from my old high school this past spring break, I made a profound discovery. Half of the teens in my hometown had babies since the time that I had graduated. Okay, so the number wasn’t as high as that. In researching my town’s teen pregnancy numbers, I counted five girls who had children. Five girls among my 100 high school Facebook friends alone. Who knew how high the number actually is?

According to the National Campaign to Prevent Teen Preganancies, half of all pregnancies in the U.S. are unplanned. Three in ten women will have at least one child by the age of 20. Ga. ranked eighth in order of teen pregnancy rates with 80 pregnancies per 1,000 girls between the ages of 15 and 19.

Unplanned pregnancies not only create hardships for young parents, but also a financial burden to taxpayers. Data taken from a 2006 analysis of the state of Georgia by the National Campaign to Prevent Teen Preganancies found that teen childbearing costs taxpayers at least $344 million in 2004. The average annual cost associated with a teen pregnancy for a child is $3,526. In terms of national statistics, teen pregnancies cost taxpayers about $1.9 billion a year.

Teen pregnancy is still a problem in the U.S., despite the numerous contraceptive methods available. TV shows like MTV’s “16 and Pregnant” (which starred a girl from my hometown last year) and “Teen Mom” try to depict the struggles that face couples who try to parent their child early in their unstable lives.

And yet, in the summer of 2008 we learned of the pregnancy pact made by a dozen girls at Gloucester High School in Mass. These younger women decided to get pregnant and raise their children together. This was not a case of accidental pregnancy. This was a case of making an irrational and romantic decision.

As a college student, I found it so hard to imagine that there are still teens out there who don’t know how to practice safe sex, or, in the case of Gloucester High School, that there are teens who delude themselves into thinking that having a child at such a young age is a good idea. Both issues, however, can be resolved through constant communication and the use of Abstinence-only education programs. Sadly, we still seem to be in an era of abstinence-only programs.

My sixth grade year, almost 10 years ago, was the first time I was exposed to any kind of sex talk in a school setting. I remember two high school students coming to my home room class to talk about the reasons why we should wait until marriage to have sex. Abstinence was presented as the only option of avoiding unplanned pregnancies. No one asked how to prevent a pregnancy if one did want to participate in sexual activity. This topic seemed so taboo at the time.

I wasn’t until high school that the topic was approached in a school setting again, this time in my health class. The tone was more educational and provided options for practicing safe sex before marriage. Abstinence was still preached very loudly and clearly, but at least other options were given.

It seems so obvious that abstinence-only education is not that effective. We all know teens will still have sex, no matter how many times they are told not to. Therefore, I was shocked when my young- est sister came back from her sixth grade class a few weeks ago and told me that she was given the exact same abstinence speech that I had received.

The most effective way of preventing teen pregnancy is through honest communication. The Guttmacher Institute reported that 75 percent of American teenagers will engage in sexual intercourse before they are 20. Only 15 percent of teens report staying abstinent until the age of 21. With these numbers, it is apparent that a majority of teens are not waiting until marriage to have sex, or waiting long enough.

With such a large percentage of teens having sex, shouldn’t we encourage open discussion when a child is first introduced to this concept? Sex is ingrained into every part of our culture, our commercials, our movies and our songs. Teens are exposed to sex in a variety of avenues. Shouldn’t we start the discussion earlier? Shouldn’t we warn young children of the dangers of having unprotected sex? We have the knowledge and power to prevent teen pregnancy, and we should share this information with others as openly, honestly and frequently as possible.

**Little things sometimes annoy the most**

After nearly three years here at Tech, some things really piss me off.

First, the people who scrape “T” off signs around campus are idiots. This stupid hobby is in no way whatsoever in keeping with the Tech tradition of stealing a T from the Tech tower; it is simply childish vandalism.

Stealing a T off of Tech Tower was an accomplishment because it took engineering skills. If the people on the roof, remove a large, and probably heavy, lit letter and not fall off and die. Using a razor blade to remove a “T” from the Instructional Center sign requires the use of a telescopic ladder, something many drug users are very proficient at.

When people familiar with Tech come on campus and see the signs vandalized, they are in no way thinking of a Tech tradition, mainly because it seems to not, to remove “T” from signs; they believe that we as a campus are unable to properly maintain our signage.

So for those who now feel deterred because they feel as if they no longer have a Tech tradition to hold on to, allow me to suggest a new case study: the unopened reser- vation; showering. While I realize that some people may not care if you don’t go to class, if they look for you, they go to class, and, honestly, I do not care how much people look either. I just care when people smell as if they have spent the night in a dump.

When someone else’s body-odor begins to affect the people around them, there are seri- ous issues. It shows a complete lack of consideration for one’s fellow student, and a complete lack of civility. So please always remember people can turn their eyes away; they cannot turn their noses off.

With the semester rapidly coming to an end, projects, tests and homework assign- ments are beginning to pile up since for some reason it seems that some professors have the time management skills of college students. I guess the line “A lack of planning of your part does not constitute an emergency on mine,” does not apply when former person referred to in the quote assigns more work.

I understand that sometimes things come up, people get sick, they drop classes, and classes get canceled. But it seems for the most part that the faculty at fault one semes- ter for scrambling at the end of the semester are also the fac- ulty at fault the next semester. Is college not supposed to be a learning experience where peo- ple learn from their mistakes and adapt to ensure a more ad- vantageous outcome the next time around?

Also, there seems to be a lack of understanding, with some of the faculty when it comes to prioritization. If a student has five classes in a se- mester, chances are good that not all five of those classes hold equal priority for named student. Chances are also good that the elective classes that the student is taking are not of major importance at the bottom of the priority list.

Now, this does not mean that students should say, “I don’t care about this class, just give me an ‘A.’” Students have to be in control of their sub- ject, that student would most likely be majoring or minor- ing in that subject. So please, esteemed faculty members, as unversed as you may be about your apathetic students, take some solace in the fact that most students are equally unver- sed to be in your class.

Probably the one group of people at Tech that get to me the most are Architecture ma- jors. We all know: studio is a lot of work, you were up all night work- ing on your studio project by 3 A.M., you hate your studio teacher, and I do, but I believe I speak for a large por- tion of the Tech campus when I say that I do not want to hear about it anymore.

As an Architecture major, I believe you should be able to complain about your studio class for the first couple weeks of your freshman year, after that please leave your com- ments to your fellow creatures of the night stuck in the build- ings between the library and Klaus.

Overall, I understand com-pletely that my complaints about Tech are, at best, minor, if not just petty and irrelevant; if not just petty and irrelevant; if not just petty and irrelevant; if not just petty and irrelevant. I am just fine with that. Be- sides, if you find the big things that get you to a Tech, chances are pretty good you will go insane. So I say, just stick to thinking about the stupid things; ignorance makes for a happy life.
Honor Code ensures the quality, integrity of degrees earned at Tech

Monday afternoon, I participated in an interview with a journalist from Azerbaijan. He had come to Tech to find out a little more about American universities and, in particular, how we handle academic integrity. He asked the other participants and me why we have an honor code, some of the details of how we run our academic integrity system, and our views on academic integrity in general.

It was fascinating to speak with the journalist because it was clear that we came from two very different cultures. He was very interested in the violations that happen most often on campus. When we told him how the cases that come up most were those of unauthorized collaboration, he was rather intrigued. He told us that the problem his country’s schools often face is students bringing professors for a better grade in class.

We did not have much time to talk about why there was such a difference, but it did get me thinking about our issues at Tech. Why is unauthorized collaboration such a big problem on campus?

I think it may rest somewhat in how we view the Honor Code at Tech. Much of our focus rests on the section describing student responsibilities. In brief, it says students must not cheat or plagiarize. We all know this, and we agreed to abide by it when we signed the Honor Agreement upon our entrance to Tech.

The system we have set up to enforce academic integrity is also student focused. The professor reports a case to the Office of Student Integrity (OSI), and then OSI takes it from there. If a violation is determined to have happened, the student receives a sanction.

Yet, the student body of Tech did not create the Honor Code to put itself under more rules. It created the Code to make explicit an agreement between students, staff, and faculty. It aims to “cultivate a community based on trust, academic integrity, and honor.”

Honor at Tech is not a one-way street. It is not the responsibility of only students to uphold our Honor Code. All of us, students, staff, and faculty, have our own responsibilities, and we all must ensure everyone else upholds their responsibility. The Dean of Students and faculty make sure we students do our part. Students, through the Honor Advisory Council and SGA, provide input on how the Dean’s Office and OSI enforce academic integrity. But who makes sure faculty are fulfilling their responsibilities?

That answer is simple. You do! Faculty must make clear their policies on academic integrity, in particular unauthorized collaboration. Many do this in their syllabi at the beginning of each semester. However, students must ask their professors if anything is unclear. Students go to each other for help first. When students go to their peers, they should know what the code can do with who. Collaboration policies should not be secret, nor complex. The only way to ensure clear policies is for students to open dialogs with their professors early and often about academic integrity.

The Honor Advisory Council is there to help open these dialogs. You may have seen us with our Honor Wall on Skiles Walkway this past week. We asked many of you your opinions about issues involving academic integrity on campus, and we will use your feedback in our future plans.

HMC’s mission is to promote academic integrity on campus, advise individuals on the policies and procedures used to enforce the Honor Code and work to educate the Tech community about the specifics of the Code. The only way we can do that effectively is by getting feedback from the campus community.

You can stop by our office hours throughout the week. We’re there to answer questions about the process and the Honor Code in general. You can look at our website for more information about the Council’s activities, at honor.gatech.edu, or send us an email, honor@gatech.edu.

The Honor Code ensures the integrity of the Tech degree. It tells other universities, businesses and official agencies that Tech grads earn their Tech diplomas. It tells them that Tech grads are people they can trust. It tells everyone that Tech is a place where honor and integrity can thrive.

Join the Technique!

We are always looking for new writers, photographers, and artists.

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Reality Unveiled brings Atlanta issues to campus

Students often talk about how being on a college campus—Tech’s in particular—is like being inside a bubble that separates them from the comings and goings of the outside world. Normally, they are thinking of things like politics and news when it comes to this, but sometimes there’s a bit more involved. Reality Unveiled is a project, hosted by the Department of Housing and the Office of Diversity Programs, that aims to educate students on what else goes on outside “the Bubble.”

While students inside the protection of a college campus don’t generally have to worry about things like poverty, genocide and human trafficking, they are a part of daily life for millions of others people in the world. “This event is about letting students and members of Tech know what’s going on in the world... How we, as part of a [college] campus, are separated from so much that is going on around us. This event helps us look around at the world, know what’s going on and take actions to change what’s going on,” said Siddharth Shah, second-year IE and an RA in North Avenue Apartments.

While many students are vaguely aware that these things go on somewhere in the world, many don’t realize how close to home some of them hit. One fact that was strongly emphasized during the event was that Atlanta is the number one city in the United States for human trafficking, particularly of a sexual nature. The ease of transport into and out of the city makes it popular with sex tourists, and that is one of the ways in which human trafficking affects the city... How we, as part of a college campus, are separated from so much that is going on around us. This event helps us look around at the world, know what’s going on and take actions to change what’s going on,” said Siddharth Shah, second-year IE and an RA in North Avenue Apartments.

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This year, there were over 2,000 students taking part in the four events throughout the week: the International Food Festival, Language Lunch, International Film Series and Night Market. The International Food Festival was Monday's main attraction. The line of ethnic foods, cooked and served by their respective student associations for $5 per person, yielded a completely packed to-go tray by the end of the line.

The Global Village, hosted by AIESEC, provided booths for student organizations to set up informational centers and, of course, more food and drinks for their club and culture. At the Global Village, students could also use "passports"—cards signed by each student organization upon interacting with their booths—to score a free t-shirt and gelato.

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blackjack, poker, craps and roulette while savoring free food and watching the NCAA basketball tournament. Sigma Beta Rho also gave out T-shirts to those that came out to the event.

To help contribute to the relief efforts, participants were asked to donate $5. With approximately 100 people participating, the fraternity was able to raise over $500. All proceeds from the benefit will go to the SOS Children’s Villages International—an international organization that provides a loving and safe environment for orphaned or abandoned children. UNICEF estimates that 20,000 were lost from their families from the earthquake that occurred Jan. 12.

Before the earthquake, it was estimated that approximately 300,000 orphans existed in Haiti.

“We decided this would be a good way to get people to come out to raise awareness and raise money,” said Jason Bapna, a co-chair of philanthropy for Sigma Beta Rho and first-year IE.

Sigma Beta Rho received help from the Institute of industrial Engineers in organizing the event and Phi Kappa Tau contributed by providing members that acted as dealers for the games. The Tech for Haiti organization also provided support by helping to market in the weeks before the event around campus.

The event was sponsored with help from the Tech Student Foundation, AT&T, CCP Events and Walmart. CCP Events helped with the logistics of the event and brought the equipment used to facilitate the games. Walmart also helped support the event by donating food.

In the past few months there have been several events that were organized by Tech students to aid in Haitian relief. On Thurs., Jan. 14 the Caribbean Student Association held a candle light vigil in honor of the earthquake victims. A benefit concert, GT Jam for Haiti, was held on Sat., March 13 and included several different local bands and comedian performances. The Angels for Haiti organization has also been taking donations throughout the last three months. Last week, on April, 2, GT-Vibha, the Society of Step and Youth Outreach sponsored a program called, “REVIVAL: Haiti Mon Amour,” where all proceeds from a salsa dancing performance went to Haitian relief efforts.

Sigma Beta Rho hopes to continue the casino themed event annually in an effort to try and bring awareness to other humanitarian issues around the world.
Culture Lunch

Language Lunch. It was a great experience. It’s always nice trying different types of foods and discovering that you like them, like Korean bulgogi or Thai iced tea,” said Pamela Chi, first-year BME. “The language lunch was really fun, even though I couldn’t pronounce any of the phrases right, because the people were really enthusiastic.”

From Tuesday to Friday starting at 6:30 p.m., the Student Center Theater and the Student Success Center’s Clary Theater hosted the International Film Series. Along with the movies shown there was a post-screening discussion on the cultural and political integration of language; those films were selected to highlight a particular language and the importance of the integration of language; those films were *J.S.A. : Joint Security Area, Good Bye Lenin*, *Lagaan*.

The evenings as a whole were intended to explore cultures at Tech and the surrounding community “in an effort to highlight the human characteristics that we all share,” according to Culture Tech’s website.

The final event will be the Night Market, sponsored by the Taiwanese-American Student Association on Friday (April 9) night. The night will host live music and dance performances by student organizations in the Biotech Quad from 7 p.m.- till 10 p.m.

As the decades-long campus tradition is one of Tech’s biggest student-organized events, CultureFest was heavily advertised, with help from several of Tech’s academic and staff departments’ advertising of the event on their main pages.

Student organizations and institute departments such as the Language Institute—who also helped with the Language Lunch—recruited and contributed volunteer support to aid in logistics for the larger events in the center of campus.

One issue this year was funding. SGA has been a major funding source for events, considering the impact CultureFest has on campus; however, SGA has recently withdrawn some funding for the event.

“Unfortunately, Culture Tech was not given all the funding [by SGA] that was asked for, despite the Food Fest being a Tech tradition for the last 27 years. Culture Tech cannot manage on a budget so low and this will negatively impact our events in the future,” Ajeya Karagjikar, fourth-year ME and president of Culture Tech, said. “This is one of the few events that caters to international students and has always had a positive impact on campus by promoting diversity.”

Culture Tech is sponsored by the Office of International Education (OIE), which advocates international curriculum and students studying abroad during their time at Tech. Culture Tech works closely with them during CultureFest week.

“There are typically two or three OIE advisors at any given time, helping out during the Food Fair event so that there is a smooth flow of people sampling the international cuisines while the students are serving what they have proudly prepared,” said Gwen Fernandes, International Student Advisor and faculty advisor of Culture Tech.

OIE and Fernandes also help new officers in Culture Tech with preparation for CultureFest and give general guidance on contacts and planning for the various events.

Culture Tech is a student organization and meets in the Student Center; email gculturetech@gmail.com to attend meetings or join.

The academic buzz around campus is of the new CommLab, also called the Communication Center. Professors in the Literature Communications and Culture (LCC) department, such as Jennifer Parrott, Marion L. Brittain Postdoctoral Fellow, are promoting this newest addition to the Tech’s vast array of facilities.

“Many schools have writing centers,” said Parrott, “and we are excited that Georgia Tech is now offering a dedicated Writing and Communication’s center to its students.”

According to its website, www.lcc.gatech.edu/writingcomm/commcenter/, the CommLab’s mission is to promote, “excellence in WOVEN communication—written, oral, visual, electronic and nonverbal—in ways that enable members of the Georgia Tech community to have greater success in their academic and work-place careers as well as in their civic and community lives.”

Tech’s new CommLab had its pilot version open on Wed., March 10. The pilot version, temporarily at D.M. Smith room 319, offers services such as multimodal project help for students in English 1101 and 1102, as well as help on resumes and applications. It is open to all undergraduate students at Tech who are willing to take advantage of such a resource.

However, some elements were put in place to help students make the most of this resource.

“We are not simply a proofreading service, and we don’t guarantee A’s” said Parrott, “but the great part is that you get to direct what you want to work on in your essay.”

The CommLab provides tutoring in all the areas of WOVEN communication, such as posters, websites, papers, presentations, resumes and even graduate school applications. This includes an e-tutoring feature, which students can take advantage of after an initial face-to-face meeting. Students can have one face-to-face meeting and one electronic meeting per assignment, be it oral, visual or written.

The CommLab is a consulting service for planning any complex communication project, whether it is in groups or in teams, and can help students and group members in developing an argument.

Also, the CommLab offers student organizations an open house on April 9th, 3 to 5 p.m. The CommLab is open in room 319 of D.M. Smith, it offers services to students looking for help with many different kinds of media. See CommLab, page 14.
One room at the event had a map where several of the areas where sex trafficking is most often practiced were marked. One of the most common was the intersection of Peachtree and North Ave. (two blocks away from the North Ave. Apartments) and another was in the middle of Buckhead.

The rooms for poverty and immigration were made to mimic the environments the homeless and illegal immigrants find themselves in. Cramped spaces, trash littering the floor and a large jug acting as a communal bathroom painted a gritty picture of what life can be like.

Other rooms contained images representing the atrocities committed in various genocides, the drug-and-violence-filled lives of modern-day slaves and images demonstrating acts and themes of sexism across the world. Each of these was accompanied by a collection of facts, figures and quotes outlining the extent of problems like these.

Laptops and speakers were scattered about each of the rooms, each with something different playing on them. One screen showed scenes from the Rwandan genocide, another showed propaganda used to trick young children into slavery and yet another showed videos of Martin Luther King Jr.’s March on Washington. Audio also played a big role in the event, through ambient noise in several rooms and, most poignantly, in anti-gay propaganda that was played in the room dedicated to the problem of homophobia.

At the end of the hall, counselors from the Counseling Center talked with students about what they saw and how they could fight issues like these.

Stephanie Ray, Associate Dean of Students and Director of the Office of Diversity Programs, was present at the event as well. When asked how she got involved, she said, “Last year I worked with Georgia State on their Tunnel of Oppression to get ideas for something similar for GT. I didn’t work with Reality Unveiled last year, so this year when the Department of Housing asked if I would help support their endeavors, I was more than happy to do so.”

Ray said GSU’s tunnel was a joint effort between GSU, Tech, Morehouse and Agnes Scott. Ray said, “Last year, about 500 students went through their Tunnel of Oppression... Each of us had a room. Georgia Tech’s room was the tunnel of slurs, the very first room you entered. On the first day, I worked with Parking and Transportation, who provided a shuttle [to] GSU all that day [and] at least 100 GT folk took the shuttle that day.”

Ray said one subject in particular sticks out to her from the exhibit. “Human trafficking is the one that gets to me, simply because it’s a major problem here in Atlanta. We’re one of the cities with the most human trafficking. It’s painful that this happens in your city,” said Ray.
How to train your DRAGON

**By Robert Solomon**
Contributing Writer

*How To Train Your Dragon*, Dreamworks Animation finally sheds the oily skin of stale pop culture references that plagued their output since *Shrek* in 2001. In this, a story and characters that can stand on their own, with surprising warmth and heart. It is a film that can stand up next to the very best works by Pixar.

One can only hope that with the impending end of the *Shrek* series this May that this film is a promising sign of a new direction instead of a forlorn detour.

The story itself is simple, and not out of place with the sort that Disney may have used in the past. This should come as no surprise considering Jeffrey Katzenberg (the K in Dreamworks’ SKG) was at the head of the animation resurgence at Disney with *The Little Mermaid* onwards. It concerns a teenage boy named Hiccup, who with his diminutive stature looks decidedly out of place next to the monstrous people that surround him, for they are all Vikings. The most disappointed of all the Vikings turns out to be the village leader, who also conveniently happens to be Hiccup’s father. These Vikings do not have the problems of historical ones, instead being plagued by raids by dragons, who snatch up livestock like a bird would snatch a mouse. Tired of this insurgency, the Vikings fight the dragons, leading to a war without a conceivable end.

Hiccup is small in size, but not height. He is the most likable character in an image that rivals the best seen in any film. As expected, Hiccup eventually frees the dragon after a battle with his conscience, but the expected taming of the dragon takes much longer than expected. In a triumph of near wordless interaction, Hiccup and Toothless (his name for the dragon) begin to learn to trust one another. It doesn’t hold the poignancy of the opening of *Up*, but what does? Every step Hiccup takes closer to Toothless feels earned, until finally he takes a leap of faith, raising his hand to the dragon in an image that rivals the best seen in any film.

In conjunction with this, Hiccup begins Viking training, but his unexpected success comes not through his strength of arms, but the empathy that lead him to find that Toothless was not the killer the village folklore lead him to be.

In summary, this seemsrote and trite, but the quality of *How To Train Your Dragon* lies in the film’s exceptional execution and its trust in the power of images to illustrate its emotions.

None of this would matter if the dragon-riding sequences were not so thrilling, but they are, even more so than the equivalent sequences in the acclaimed *Avatar*.

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Titans lacks in character development

Clash of the Titans is a "remake" of the last Ray Harryhausen film of 1981 which detailed the myths of demi-god Perseus, son of almighty Zeus. However, even Zeus has problems and his bickering with Hades might lead him and the realm of mortals to ruin.

Rather clear from everything I have stated, the story borrows heavily from Greek mythology concerning the trials of Perseus. He is challenged to save Princess Andromeda, in the setting and back story, revolving around the city of Argos rather than Joppa.

Most everything ephemeral to the major points in Perseus' quest to becoming a hero has been replaced. I suppose it is a measure to make the story less relevant to the fictional history of Perseus. Perseus even rebukes offers of Zeus and chooses to face the Kraken to foil Hades for taking his adoptive family.

However, the greatest change to arise from Travis Beacham and Phil Hay's screenplay is that the pantheon's champion, Perseus in the original, revives his role with a completely novel identity as Acrisius, who was Perseus' grandfather but is instead made his stepfather for the film.

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So, the tale takes a turn to a conflict of man against god where a group of soldiers led by a demi god travel across the wastes and to the realm of death to defeat the pantheon's champion, Perseus, his stepfather for the film.

The film, however, remains a city or changing the icoation of Perseus has little effect when paired with much more successful measures such as adding interesting new races like the Djinns.

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New *God of War* appeals to gore-loving gamers

By Yameen Huq

I don't think I've ever before played a game that made me widen my eyes in shock nearly every minute. This game puts every classical war movie to shame, calling them out on their relative timidity.

It embraces violence and destruction as the key component, which is what many gamers really want to play. *God of War III* is an example of the game every politician and social conservative loves to hate, thus making it a favorite of everybody else.

The game relishes in its brutality and is a non-stop chain of shock and awe with an emphasis on gruesome shock. Those who are able to stomach the smorgasbord of guts will experience the most frantic, fast-paced action game yet—one where style and substance are successfully fused into an amazing, albeit sadistic, experience.

The basic plot structure is simple but saves itself from being cliché with the constant twists and turns as well as inversion of common themes. Despite being the third game in the series, all one needs to know is that the anti-hero, Kratos, has been betrayed by the Olympian gods and now works with the titans to extract only the bloodiest of vengeance.

Riding on the back of Gaia, the earth titan, the game begins with him fighting off Poseidon and attempting to climb Mount Olympus and reach Zeus. However, he soon discovers that Gaia is all too willing to cast him aside for her own revenge against Zeus, and he is thrown off the mountain by her in an act of betrayal. After this, he wakes up to find himself in the Underworld with many of his powers gone. At this point, Kratos vows to kill everyone that stands in his way, including every single god on Olympus.

There are very few genuinely good people in this game. Kratos, himself, is often hard to like. Much of his dialogue is reduced to one-liners (“I will kill all of them!” and its variations), and his cruelty can sometimes be too much.

There are often random cut-scenes and moments where characters will ask Kratos for help, only to be killed or told that he doesn’t care about their problems.

An explanation of him at his best makes him only mildly more likeable. It’s an odd aspect on the game, as it has no relation to either the plot or gameplay and seems to be cruelty simply for cruelty’s sake.

The graphics showcase the PS3’s full talent. The opening level is absolutely gorgeous, featuring a seamless massive environment for Kratos to travel. The action is fast and frantic with the cut-scenes even being a part of the game,

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yet there is never any lag. Riding on the head of Gaia the titan and fighting a giant watery Poseidon is the definition of an epic battle. In certain moments, it almost seems photo-realistic.

Of course, the gameplay is where this game ultimately shines as well as horrifies. Kratos wields two blades attached to long chains, allowing him to perform feats of Spiderman-esque agility as well as kill large hordes of undead soldiers. The moves are endless and involve everything from tearing of heads to using people as battering rams. The game finds more and more creative ways to kill enemies with Kratos, at one point, gutting a giant warthog and ripping out its innards. In another moment, Kratos fights the Cyclops and rips out its eye, leaving a fountain of blood in its wake.

The violence can be a little too much at times. Kratos often kills civilians for no reason at all, and the boss fights are often a guilty pleasure. I don’t think I’ve ever played a boss fight where half the fight consisted of torturing and beating the enemy and ending with an eye-gouging. This game is not for the faint of heart and every moment is one of destruction and gore.

The voice-acting and soundtrack are both top notch. The music brightens the atmosphere, reminiscent of movies like Troy and 300. The sweeping orchestral sounds blend well with the action and add a level of depth and intensity. Overall, the music makes this game feel more like a high-budget movie in which one controls the protagonist.

This game is defined by what often makes video games controversial: blood, gore and violence. Anyone who can stomach the violence will find this one of the most high-energy and satisfying games of 2010.
**Piled Higher & Deeper by Jorge Cham**

**Non Sequitur by Wiley**

**Crossword Solution from Page 21**

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IT'S A MEDICAL CONDITION CALLED SYMPATHETIC POWER-POINT PROBOSCIS. MY NOSE GROWS WHEN OTHER PEOPLE LIE.

I'M VERY CONCERNED AND INTERESTED IN YOUR CONDITION, AND NOT JUST BECAUSE I'M TRYING TO SELL YOU SOMETHING.

IT MIGHT STING WHEN I PULL IT OUT.

MY NOSE GROWS WHEN MY CO-WORKERS TELL LIES.

DOES IT WHISTLE?

SOMETIMES, A LITTLE BIT. YOU'RE EVOLVING INTO A CORPORATE WHISTLE-BLOWER.

YOU'RE LYING?

YEAH, I JUST WANTED TO SEE IT.

OUR HEALTH PLAN DOESN'T COVER NOSE JOBS, SO I USED THE MARKET SYSTEM TO BARGAIN FOR A GOOD DEAL.

I LEARNED THAT A VETERINARIAN IS JUST LIKE A DOCTOR, BUT CHEAPER.

DO YOU SMELL A SQUIRREL?

I PROBABLY SHOULDN'T HAVE GONE TO A VETERINARIAN FOR MY NOSE JOB.

BUT AS AN ENGINEER, I VALUE FUNCTION OVER FORM, AND THE AIRFLOW IS ACTUALLY QUITE GOOD.

YOU MIGHT BE RATIONALIZING A LITTLE.

I PITY YOU WITH YOUR INEFFICIENT NOSTRILS.

OUR POLICY IS TO PUT PEOPLE IN CAREERS THAT MATCH THEIR LOOKS.

I THOUGHT THAT WAS A COINCIDENCE.

WELCOME TO THE ART DEPARTMENT.

MAN, I WISH I WAS BRAVE ENOUGH TO GET A SNOOT.

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IS THAT A BOTCHED NOSE JOB, WHICH WOULD BE TRAGIC...

OR A BOLD ARTISTIC STATEMENT, WHICH WOULD BE TOTALLY HOT?

IT STARTED OUT AS A MISTAKE, BUT I'M KEEPING IT FOR THE IMPROVED AIRFLOW. HOW HOT IS THAT?
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Meet and greet this year’s “Garden of Growth” design team including Georgia State University art Professor and recycled materials artist Pam Longobardi.

Artist Pam Longobardi works on one of her “found-materials” installations.

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Rush again got into early trouble with a one-out walk but Rush got out of the jam thanks to an inning ending 6-4-3 double play.

In the home half of the second, Yee pulled the ball down the line for a one-out double. Kuzma followed suit with a double of her own. Yee from second. Another UGA error allowed Weseman to get to first base, and moved Kuzma over to third.

McCloud then hit another Tech batter with a slow curve ball to load the bases. McCloud was able to settle down as she struck out freshman third baseman Caitlin Jordan, and Rush flew out to end the inning.

Rush started the third inning with a strikeout but then allowed UGA to load the bases. With only one out, UGA looked to take the lead away from the Jackets. However, Rush got out of the inning by recording another strikeout and inducing a fly out.

Tech looked poised to add to their 3-1 lead in the third inning when sophomore third baseman Danielle DiKe tripled with only one out. Head Coach Sharon Perkins then took out DiKe in favor of freshman pinch runner Kelly Delashmit, but the move proved to be unproductive as Delashmit was thrown out on a fielder’s choice. Yee walked again but Tech was unable to get her home.

The fourth inning passed without any major scoreboard changes but UGA struck for another run in the top of the fifth. Rush made a terrific play by snatching a line drive out for number one, but then gave up back-to-back singles and a walk to load the bases. A sac fly scored Schlopy for her second run of the game.

T e c h could not add to their lead in the bottom of the fifth inning, and sophomore right fielder Jessica Sinclair made a great diving catch to end the top of the sixth inning. T h e catch was amazing. It’s the same catch she makes every day in practice so it was pretty phenomenal,” said Perkins after the game.

Tech sophomore Chirsty Jones led off the bottom of the sixth with an opposite field single and then stole second base to give Tech a runner in scoring position. Yee was then hit by a pitch and Kuzma followed with a sac bunt to put two runners in scoring position. Weseman grounded out to first but scored Jones from third to give Tech the lead, 4-2.

Rush had a two-run cushion going into the seventh, but yet another hit by Schlopy got Rush into trouble to start the inning. Rush walked a batter to bring the go-ahead run to the plate.

The hitter, catcher Ashley Razey, blasted a three-run homer to deep center field to give UGA the lead. Tech came up to bat in the home half of the inning and they were retired in order to give UGA the victory, 5-4.

On April 2 and 3, Tech hosted a series against ACC rival Virginia Tech and swept the Hokies by a combined score of 27-3.

On Friday, the Jackets blasted Virginia Tech in the first game of the day 15-1 and won 3-1 in game two. Junior first baseman Kristine Priebe went 4-6 with a homer and six RBIs. Jones, Yee and Weseman all had three hits to lead the Jackets to two wins.

In the circle, Rush pitched her second no-hitter of the season in game one and sophomore pitcher Jessica Coan struck out 11 batters in the later game. Priebe carried her strong hitting performance into Saturday’s game. She had two home runs including a grand slam to give the Jackets a 9-1 win for the sweep.
Women’s Tennis wins road pair

Two days later the Jackets faced a Boston College road April 1 and 3 to face two northern ACC rivals.

Lynn Blau makes a return at the. Blau won two singles matches in straight sets in weekend ACC road play.

The No. 20 Tech women's tennis team went on the road April 1 and 3 to face two northern ACC rivals. On Thursday, the Jackets faced a Boston College team that has only beaten Tech once in the all-time matchups between the two.

Two days later the Jackets faced Maryland, looking to extend their 10-match win streak against the Terrapins.

Tech was able to win both matches, cruising while only losing one individual point.

Against Boston College, the Jackets took the match 6-1 starting with a sweep through doubles. Sophomore Irina Falconi and junior Sasha Krupina were the first to finish with the score of 8-1 over Alex Kelleher and Katharine Attwell. Next, sophomores Hillary Davis and Lynn Blau clinched the doubles point with an 8-3 win over Olga Khmylev and Jacqueline Matabal. The sweep of doubles ended with a freshman Elizabeth Kilborn and sophomore Viet Ha Ngo victory, 8-4 over Jina Kauppila and Brittany Delaney.

In singles, No. 1 ranked Falconi pushed Tech’s overall score to 2-0 when she shut out Kelleher with a 6-0, 6-0 win. Falconi’s successful performance has been noted throughout the season, as she earned her fifth ACC Player of the Week award before the match. The win against Kelleher gave her 17 wins in the dual-match season.

Tech’s lead grew to 3-0 when Blau knocked off Kauppila 6-1, 6-2. Davis clinched the Jackets win with a 6-2, 6-3 victory over Delaney. After Krupina had the lone loss on the day in a three-set battle with Katarina Gajic, Kilborn and Ngo each took their matches in the third set, 5-7, 6-1, 10-2 and 6-2, 4-6, 10-6 respectively.

In the next matchup the Jackets swept the Terrapins 7-0. In doubles play the Falconi and Krupina tandem ended first with an 8-1 win on court one over Jordan Hansbrrough and Lexi Brand. Ngo and Kilborn clinched the doubles point with another 8-1 victory, beating Burke Kurkan and Elenonote Paillaud. Davis and Blau were the last team to finish the doubles sweep (8-6) and solidify Tech’s 1-0 lead going into singles play.

The Jackets moved to 2-0 when Davis, who has won five of her last six matches, beat Paillaud 6-0, 6-1. Falconi extended both Tech’s lead and her own singles record (18-1) with a 6-2, 6-2 victory over Maggie Mackever. Next to secure the win was Krupina, who finished her match with a 6-2, 6-2 win over Hansbrrough. Blau brought Tech’s lead to 5-0 with a win over Jonathan Schroeder 7-5, 6-3, but Potvin’s match against Collins went to a tiebreaker in both sets. Ultimately, Potvin came through to pull out the victory 7-6 (8-6), 7-6 (8-6).

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6-2, 6-1 victory to put Tech ahead 2-0.

Sophomore Dusan Miljevic won 6-2, 6-0 on court six over Mansfield, and freshman Magin Ot-tiga took down Ryan Lissner 6-3, 6-1, clinching the match in Tech’s favor.

King, ranked No. 62, had a relatively easy victory over Kauru to add to the lead, but Potvin’s match against Collins went to a tiebreaker in both sets. Ultimately, Potvin came through to pull out the victory 7-6 (8-6), 7-6 (8-6).

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The Eagles rebounded with a pair of wins to close the gap. Muppidi edged Porvin 6-4, 6-4 in the second flight, and Miljevic put up a fight against Kreutzer but fell 6-7, 7-6 (7-4).

It appeared that Schroder had the edge over Spur in their fifth-flight match, but despite dropping the first set, Spur rebounded to win 6-3, 6-4, 7-5. King, also fell behind early but rebounded to complete the comeback victory 6-7 (6-8), 6-3, 7-6 (7-4).

Tech will make its final road trip of the year to face Duke and North Carolina this weekend.
Most Disappointing Moment: Tucker’s Buzzer-Beater
GT at Maryland, 2/20/2010

Maryland guard Greivis Vasquez hit a jumper with 13 seconds left to put the Terps up 73-72. Freshman forward Derrick Favors responded by grabbing an offensive rebound after a missed jumper and laying it in to put Tech on top with two seconds remaining.

A quick timeout gave Maryland the ball at half-court with just over one second on the clock, and in that short span, Cliff Tucker handed the Jackets their sixth road loss in conference play.

After taking the inbound pass near the wing, Tucker turned and launched a three-pointer with freshman guard Glen Rice Jr. in his face. As time ticked away, the ball dropped through the net, dashing Tech’s hopes for a key road win over a top ACC foe.

Biggest Surprise: NCAA Tournament, First Round
GT vs. Oklahoma State, 3/19/2010

Tech was predicted by many to defeat No. 7 seed Oklahoma State in the first round of the NCAA Tournament. It was the way the Jackets won that was a surprise.

The Jackets outrebounded the Sooners and finished with a career-high 20 points. They also downed Oklahoma State in three of the year’s most important games.

Most Improved Player: #41 Glen Rice Jr.
Freshman guard

After coming off the bench for most of the season, Rice joined the starting lineup for Tech’s last 11 games. Over those 11 games, he averaged 7.4 points and 4.6 rebounds.

Best Offensive Player: #14 Derrick Favors
Sophomore forward

Favors had a solid offensive season for the Jackets, shooting just over 60 percent from the field and averaging 12.4 points per game. He shot 65 percent from the field in the ACC tournament, averaging close to a double-double with 17 points and 9.8 rebounds per game.

Best Defensive Player: #1 Iman Shumpert
Sophomore guard

Shumpert emerged as a staunch defender, leading the team with 58 steals while averaging 1.9 per game.

In the post-season Shumpert was charged with defending the ACC Player of the Year (Vasquez), the Big XII Player of the Year (Anderson), the Naismith Award winner (Ohio State’s Evan Turner) and the leading scorer on the National Champions (Duke’s Jon Scheyer). He proved up to the task, forcing Turner into nine turnovers and holding the rest to low field goal percentages.

Best Moment: Beating the Blue Devils
GT vs. Duke, 1/9/2010

After losing to rival Georgia Tech, the Jackets bounced back to topple then-No. 5 Duke 71-67 at home. Duke led for much of the game, but Tech rallied behind junior forward Gani Lawal, who had 21 points and nine rebounds.

After a first half in which Duke pulled out to a big early lead before allowing Tech to go on a 14-2 run of its own, the second half proved to be much closer. Duke led by six going into half-time, and the teams remained within six points of each other throughout the final 20 minutes.

The score was tied at 60 with just under three minutes remaining, but the Jackets fought back and closed the game out to pick up their first conference win.

After the final whistle, Tech students stormed the court to celebrate the win over the eventual ACC and National Champions.

It marked the second straight year the Jackets had defeated a top-10 opponent after last season’s upset victory over No. 6 Wake Forest.

2009-10 Men’s Basketball wrap-up: Season Superlatives

By Kyle Conarro
Staff Writer

In a season that was widely expected to be a water bounce-back year after a rough 2008-09 campaign, the Tech men’s basketball team struggled to live up to lofty expectations during the 2009-10 season but finished strong. Tech encountered highs and lows throughout the year, beating eventual national champion Duke but losing to Miami, finishing strong with just over one second on the clock, and in that short span, Cliff Tucker handed the Jackets their sixth road loss in conference play.

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Best Moment: Beating the Blue Devils
GT vs. Duke, 1/9/2010

After losing to rival Georgia Tech, the Jackets bounced back to topple then-No. 5 Duke 71-67 at home. Duke led for much of the game, but Tech rallied behind junior forward Gani Lawal, who had 21 points and nine rebounds.

After a first half in which Duke pulled out to a big early lead before allowing Tech to go on a 14-2 run of its own, the second half proved to be much closer. Duke led by six going into half-time, and the teams remained within six points of each other throughout the final 20 minutes.

The score was tied at 60 with just under three minutes remaining, but the Jackets fought back and closed the game out to pick up their first conference win.

After the final whistle, Tech students stormed the court to celebrate the win over the eventual ACC and National Champions.

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Men’s Tennis extends win streak to eight

By Nishant Prasad
Sports Editor

With a pair of easy home wins over Maryland and Boston College, the No. 25 Tech men’s tennis team has vaulted to second place in the ACC standings. The Jackets swept Maryland 7-0 on Friday, April 2 and took down Boston College 5-2 a day later. Tech is now 15-3 overall and, at 6-1 in conference play, second in the ACC behind only Virginia, the nation’s No. 1 team.

Doubles play against Maryland started well for Tech. Juniors Eliot Portvin and Ryan Smith were the first to finish, taking their match 8-3 over Jesse Kiuru and John Collins. The court one tandem of sophomore Kevin King and freshman Juan Spir clinched the doubles point with an 8-5 victory over Graham Knowlton and Ian Mansield. Even then clinched the doubles point with an 8-5 victory over Tommy Lane and Sergio Wynn to sweep doubles play.

In singles play, the Jackets faced challenges in some matches but were ultimately able to win all six matches in straight sets. Gomez, ranked No. 4 in the nation, rolled to a six matches in straight sets.

Baseball cruises through four more
No. 2 Jackets outscore Duke 43-12, trump KSU

By Alex Mitchell
Assistant Sports Editor

The No. 2 Tech baseball team rebounded from its third loss of the season in strong fashion, collecting four wins over the past week. The Jackets rode an offensive outburst to three big home wins over Duke from April 2-4, then avenged the previous week’s loss to Kennesaw State with an 8-2 victory on April 6.

Tech improved to 26-3 overall, and the team’s 11-1 record in ACC play has the team atop the conference standings. As junior right-hander Deck McGuire took the mound for Tech on Friday, April 2, it appeared that he was on his way to another stellar performance. McGuire, who entered the game with a season ERA of 1.17, struck out the first two Blue Devil batters and cleared three innings without allowing a baserunner.

Jackets vs Duke: Strong Sayings from Captain Rush

Tony Plagman stretches out to catch a throw to first batter she answering UGA’s early lead as redshirt senior second baseman Jet Yee walked to lead off the bottom of the first. Yee promptly stole second base, and Kuzma bunted her to third. UGA pitcher Sarah Mcloud hit sophomore shortstop Kelsi Weseman to give Tech runners on the corners.

Weseman decided to steal second and this time, UGA’s catcher made a throwing error to score Yee from third, tying the game at one. Another UGA error loaded the bases, and Rush added an RBI to give Tech a 2-1 lead.

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Manno—who had thrown 102 pitches in the first five innings—hit Skole with his first pitch of the sixth, and junior right fielder Chase Burnette launched a drive for a two-run homer.

“We grinded some at-bats early on and got his pitch count up; you could tell he got tired there late,” Hall said.

Manno was pulled, but Tech continued to hit; the Jackets batted around, sending 11 hitters to the plate. At the end of the sixth they led 11-2. Tech added a run in the seventh and in the eighth. The game ended 13-3 for Tech.

McGuire was solid on the day, allowing three earned runs on six hits and a walk in seven innings pitched while striking out five. Freshman right-hander Clay Dalton pitched two scoreless innings.

Burnette had a strong day at the plate, going 3-for-5 with a homer, three