Committee Seeks Child Care Options And Solutions For Tech Parents

By Vera L. Dudley

The decision isn't as easy today as it was two or three generations ago. With the tremendous increase in two-income families, child care and its cost have gone from a secondary thought almost taken for granted to one of today's major issues. The lawmakers are dealing with it, the media is covering it, and its cost have gone from a typical living salary increases, parking deck bonds, planning money for new residence halls and approval for a system-wide optional retirement plan, according to Office of Civic Affairs Director Tom Hamall and Assistant Director Sarah Eby-Ebersole.

Funding for the system-wide resident instruction formula was increased, but fell $500,000 short of full funding. The Special Funding Initiative, of which Tech's share is largely used to support faculty salaries, remained constant at $14 million system-wide.

The legislature appropriated funds equivalent to a 1.5 percent cost-of-living salary increase and a 2.5 percent merit increase as recommended by Gov. Joe Frank Harris. Actual salary increases will be determined at the institutional level within the limits and guidelines set by the Board of Regents, Eby-Ebersole said.

Bonds for parking decks in Tech's central campus were authorized at $5.5 million, and $1 million of planning money was approved for new residence halls for 600 under-graduates and 400 graduate students. The decks and residence halls were among several pay-back capital projects approved around the System in which the institutions will pay for the construction bonds using revenues generated by.

Crecine Outlines Administrative Responsibilities For New Positions

This March 26 memo from President John P. Crecine describes the administrative responsibilities for Vice President for Planning, Budget and Finance, Vice President for Operations/Assistant to the President, and Vice President for Strategic Planning/Executive Assistant to the President.

"The Board of Regents approved the establishment of three new positions last fall: a Vice President for Planning, Budget and Finance, a Vice President for Operations/Assistant to the President, and a Vice President for Strategic Planning/Executive Assistant to the President. Having now had several months experience with these new positions, certain duties and responsibilities of each have been more clearly defined.

"Linda Martinson, the Vice President for Planning, Budget and Finance, serves as the Chief Financial Officer and is administratively responsible for finance, budgets, and activities related to the development and implementation of an integrated administrative data processing system—a complex and extensive under-taking which impacts directly on all campus units. In addition, there is the long range objective of establishing a single budget and accounting system for GTRI and the remainder of Georgia Tech.

"Richard Fuller, the Vice President for Operations, is administratively responsible for Personnel, Plant Operations, Auxiliary Enterprises, and the Campus Police and Parking.

"Joseph (Tim) Gilmour, the Vice President for Strategic Planning, is administratively responsible for Institutional Research, Design and Construction (formerly administered by Clyde Robbins) and capital budgeting and capital project planning. (Dr. Robbins asked to be relieved of his vice presidential duties on April 1, and will retire at the end of this fiscal year.)"
Nonlinear analysis, approximation lay in mathematical optimization, and his Ph.D. in 1964 from Carnegie Institute of Technology (Carnegie Institute of Technology), mathematics at Western Reserve University, Carnegie Institute of Technology, the University of Maryland, and the University of Brasilia in Brazil.

Prior to coming to Tech in 1978, Karlovitz was program director for Classical Analysis with the National Science Foundation for one year.

While actively serving as dean at Tech, Karlovitz also served the Institute as chairman of the United Way Drive (1983), chairman of the Centennial Convocation Committee (1983-86), co-chairman of the Georgia Tech Centennial Committee (1985-86), and as a member of the National Advisory Board (1985-88).

A mathematics major (he received his B.S. in 1959 from Yale University and his Ph.D. in 1964 from the Carnegie Institute of Technology), his fields of expertise and interest lay in mathematical optimization, nonlinear analysis, approximation theory and applied mathematics.

On Oct. 23, 1989, the Tech community hosted a reception in honor of Dean Karlovitz and his wife, Julie, to celebrate his new position as Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at Western Washington University.

In an article in the Oct. 30, 1989 Whistle, Karlovitz said that he felt "fortunate to have been part of Georgia Tech during its most progressive decade-to-date. It was an exhilarating time of significant progress across the entire institution."

During his tenure at Tech, he was very involved in bringing the college up to the forefront by improving and adding to its educational and research programs, by hiring outstanding faculty and by providing opportunities for students.

Karlovitz was an avid teacher and taught more than 3,000 students in his own classes while at Tech.

Karlovitz is survived by his wife, Julie; son, Max; daughters Leslie Karlovits-Tennis, and Jennifer, father, Bela Karlovitz; brother, Bill Karlovitz; and sister, Marta Peters. His father, brother and sister are from Pittsburgh, Pa.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that contributions may be made to Hospice Northwest, Virginia Mason Hospital, Seattle, Wash., or the American Cancer Society. The address for the Hospice is: 1550 North 115th St., Seattle, Wash. 98195.

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the projects.

"For the first time, a break with traditional funding of capital projects was made," Hamall said. "Dormitories, student recreation facilities and parking decks were separated from traditional academic funding needs, because these facilities generate revenue from their usage that can be used to help pay for their construction."

Twenty-five students, chosen by the Student Alumni Association and the Student Government Association, worked with the Civic Affairs staff to bring housing concerns before the legislators and encouraged students' parents who live in Georgia and students who are Georgia residents to write their legislators about these issues. The student group also met with the leadership of both bodies of the General Assembly and presented a petition signed by 1,000 students in favor of more campus housing.

"Our students made the difference," Hamall said. "They brought a level of credibility to the process because they face this issue first-hand every day."

Alumni around the state were also actively involved in contacting their legislators on behalf of Georgia Tech during the legislative session.

Legislation introduced last year to provide an optional retirement plan for University System faculty was passed this year.

"The optional retirement plan is an important alternative to the Georgia Teachers Retirement System (TRS)," Ely-Ebersole said. "Because people move around the nation, there is increased pressure to have pension arrangements that are more flexible and portable. The TRS does not accept credit from another faculty retirement plan, and a faculty member must stay in the University System for 10 years to become vested and draw any benefits from the TRS."

The resident instruction formula is the mechanism by which basic operating costs of the University System are funded, according to Hamall. A lump sum—roughly $70 million for next year—is generated by the formula to be appropriated by the General Assembly; then divided by the Board of Regents among the 34 units of the University System. The Chancellor informs the presidents of each unit of the amount their institution will receive, and in turn the presidents receive, and in turn the presidents make to Hospice Northwest, VA, for the coming year's budget. The president then goes to the Board of Regents for approval on the proposed budget.

The formula is largely enrollment driven, and the increasing enrollments around the System called for $40 million in new money to keep the formula fully funded. The Governor recommended full funding; however, austerity cuts made throughout the budget by the legislature reduced that amount by $500,000.

The austerity cut was originally proposed at $2.6 million by the House of Representatives, but was restored in its entirety by the Senate. The $500,000 cut, proportionately one of the smallest in the budget, resulted from conference committee negotiations that resolved the differences between the House and Senate.

Hamall attributed the passage of the optional retirement plan and the reduction in the austerity cut to coordination among staff from the Board of Regents and the major University System units. "Over the last few years, Georgia Tech has strongly collaborated with its sister institutions, particularly Georgia State University and the University of Georgia, and with the Board of Regents staff to work for system-wide issues," he said.

"It is possible to have a break with traditional academic funding because these institutions are funded using different formulas. We need to coordinate these efforts and resell the need for full funding to the legislature and not take it for granted, especially with the prospect of a revision of the formula in the near future."

Nett Earns Honor From Eta Kappa Nu

Carl N. Nett, associate professor in the School of Aerospace Engineering, was among seven IEEE members who were among the 1989 winners and finalists in Eta Kappa Nu's (HKN) Recognition of Outstanding Young Electrical Engineers. The winners will be honored at the HKN annual award banquet in New Brunswick, N.J. on April 27.

Nett received honorable mention for "his significant contributions to control systems research and applications and his support of cultural and community activities."

HKN, the honorary fraternity of electrical engineers, presents the awards every year to electrical engineers under the age of 35 for outstanding achievements in their profession as well as for service to humankind.
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ed to offer information that will enable parents to evaluate their child care options and pick the one that's best for their family.
A day care program for Tech, which has been studied for several years, may be getting closer to reality. Established last year, the Child Care Development Center Committee has made long strides in educating themselves on the subject and determining where and how child care could fit into the Tech community.
An added challenge is initiating an early developmental program rooted in education, according to Mandock. It is intended to go far beyond the custodial care offered at other establishments. Unfortunately, after extensive research, the committee concluded that Tech doesn't have the resources to staff and manage its own day care program.
"We do not have a school of education, school of developmental learning, a nursing school or the resources that a liberal arts school would have to draw upon," Mandock explained. "President Creecy would like to establish a child care program which will be the model program for university-based child care in the state of Georgia." Because of the limited resources at Tech, the committee is considering other care authorities such as Kindercare, Prodigy and La Petite Academy in hopes of contracting their expertise.
"Ideally we'd like to have Tech be the facility. The fees that the parent would pay, would finance the management and operation," said Margaret Horst, senior research engineer in GTRI and active member of the committee. Since committee members have little expertise themselves on the subject, much time has been spent on research.
"Members of the committee have been invited to join the Atlanta City Council Child Care Task Force established to develop child care policy for the City of Atlanta," Mandock said. "I'm encouraging different members of the committee to accompany me to the briefings. We'll learn a lot more about regulations and the business aspects after the briefings."
According to Horst, committee members have also considered obtaining the services of a professional consultant. There is also a possibility of conferring with other child care experts at other universities in the system.
"The state rules and regulations for licensing are extremely complicated. There are so many things to consider. There are regulations about the rooms, the width of hallways, kitchen safety, the number of steps outside of the building," Horst explained. "That's the reason we need a third party. We want to do it right. We want to have a top quality program."
The committee members welcome the Tech community to their next meeting, which is scheduled for April 12 at 11 a.m., Room 332 of the Student Center. Call Margaret Horst at 4-8578 for more information.

Support For The Jackets Extends To Washington, D.C.
During the March 27 session in the U.S. House of Representatives, Congressman John Lewis (Ga.), did his bit to spread Yellow Jacket fever among his Washington, D.C. colleagues with a statement in recognition of the Final Four basketball team that was entered into the record.
"Mr. Speaker, I want to extend my congratulations to Georgia Tech President John Patrick Creecy, Coach Bobby Cremin and the players on the Yellow Jackets' basketball team. Among those Georgia Tech players deserving special mention are Brian Oliver, Kenny Anderson, and Dennis Scott, known as the Lethal Weapon 3.
"By defeating the University of Minnesota's Golden Gophers on Sunday, the Yellow Jackets qualified for the Final Four for the first time in its history. On the way to Denver, the powerful sting of the Yellow Jackets has proven deadly to sunken Buccaneers, sleepy Spartans, and buried Gophers."

People

Georgia Tech Places Second In Metro Atlanta In The United Way Campaign

By Jackie Nemeth

When the Georgia Tech community was asked "to give a piece of your heart," people responded by contributing over $190,000 to the 1989 Charitable Campaign, according to Campus Coordinator Debbie Bradshaw. The United Way recently honored participating companies and individuals at the organization's annual meeting and awards banquet.

For the first time, Tech entered the United Way awards competition and received second place honors in the Overall Campaign category. Second place honors and a Special Merit Award in Writing went to the News Bureau's Jackie Nometh and Pamela D. Rountree for on-campus publicity for the campaign.

"I am very excited about having won the awards, especially since it was the first time we had entered the contest," Bradshaw said. "They were nice recognition for the hard work and effort of those people who organized, initiated and implemented the campaign."
The campus Campaign Chairman Dr. Dick Fuller said Tech's success was indicative of the total Tech team effort given by volunteers, coordinators and donors.

"One of the most pleasant surprises I had in 1989 was the unprecedented response in the campus community in support of the 1989 campaign which resulted in Georgia Tech being recognized by the United Way board as one of the best of hundreds of organizations that participated in the campaign," Fuller said. "I think most fund raisers would agree that once you establish a certain level of giving, it is important to strive for the next and better level."

Bradshaw echoed Fuller's thoughts. "The Tech campaign set a precedent for giving back to the community which will hopefully continue in future years," she said. "It is nice for Tech to be recognized for its humanitarian work as shown by the campaign's results."

"The campaign was a wonderful opportunity to meet people at Georgia Tech and for people to get involved with United Way," she continued. "I wish next year's leaders lots of luck."

The 1988 Charitable Campaign committee members were Linda Heika, Financial Data Applications, Rebeca Harrell and Georgia Power, Accounts Payable, George Smedberg, Information Systems and Applications; Beverly Edwards, Payroll and Records Services; Debbie Bell, Research Administration; Bill Lee, Office of Planned Giving; Paul Thomas, Printing and Photographic Center; and Richard Combes, of the Economic Development LaboratoryGTRI.

Electrical Engineering
Kevin Brennan has been selected to serve on the National Science Foundation panel which reviews Presidential Young Investigator Awards.

Stephen Wicker and Douglas Browning delivered a report at the U.S. Army Signal Center at Fort Gordon. The report was part of an ongoing contract entitled "Message Handling Systems in the Post-2000 Era."


This student participated in bridge building at Tech Search '90 held recently in the Student Center Ballroom.
Classifieds

For Rent - 2 BR, 1 BA condo close to Tech, W/Dr, fireplace, pool & tennis, balcony w/wooded view, close to Tech & Emory, Decatur. $850/mo. Professional or grad. students only. No pets. Call 825-0021 days, 238-1584 nights. 

For Rent - 1 BR apt., grad or post grad only, must have own transportation, Dunwoody, Call Jim at 396-0603.

For Lease - 1 BR efficiency in quiet Cobb community. Only 5 min, from Cobb facility, $285/mo. Call Ann at 429-0940 or 4-8989.

For Sale - 1989 Ford F-100 Pick-up in good condition, Makes good work horse, V-8, $1,300. Call Doug 429-0940 or 4-8989.

For Sale - Ladies' solitary ring, 14K, yellow gold, 6-prong setting w/50 ct., round brilliant diamond, appraised at $2,750, will sell for $1,300. Call 4-3987.

For Sale - Motorcycle, Yamaha Verigo 750 w/fairing and many extras, 5,000 mi., $1,300 or best offer. Call Neil Christiansen at 789-8922.

For Sale - 1981 VW Rabbit LS, Diesel, 4-door, 4 spd, silver wmaroon interior, AM/FM cassette player, 30 mpg., 139,000 mi., still a great little car, $1,500. Call Megan at 4-8597.

For Sale - 1978 Alfa Romeo red convertible Spyder. Good shape, could use syncro. $2K original miles, $4,000 or best offer. Call David 4-8378.

For Sale - Brick house, Tucker, Gwinnett County school district, 3 BR, 2 full BA, panelled den w/fireplace, new roof & kitchen appliances, double carport, ½ acre fenced yard, located close to 1-85 & 285 on quiet street, $85,000 or best offer. Call Carol Hubbell at 491-0518 or Anni Hubbell at 4-3820.

For Sale - 1987 Toyota 4Runner, Black w/ Burgundy interior, 5 spd., SR5 package including pwr. win., doorlocks, cruise, sunroof, AM/FM cassette stereo w/4 speakers, excellent condition. $13,000 OBO, call Tim at 353-5843 (work) or after 6 p.m. 985-0657 (home).

Miscellaneous

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Second Chance To Take This Course! - The Personnel Division is offering a repeat course of "Performance Appraisal" for managers and supervisors who are responsible for preparing appraisals. The course will be held on April 20, 9 a.m.-noon at the Personnel Office. Registration is required. Call Deborah Covin Wilson at 4-3850 for more information.

One Hour Workouts Available Now! - Aerobic Fitness classes will be held on a daily basis beginning April 9 through June 6. There is a one-time fee of $35 for the quarter. The schedule is as follows: Mondays 7 a.m., noon, 4:30 p.m.; Tuesdays & Thursdays - 11:30 a.m., 4 p.m., 7 a.m.; Wednesdays & Fridays - 7 a.m.; 4:45 p.m., 5:45 p.m. For more information, call 4-3887.

Volunteers Needed - EDUCOM '90, "Preparing for the Renaissance: Computing and Communications for Technology, Science, and the Arts" will be hosted by Georgia Tech Oct. 14-17, 1990, and volunteers are needed to help with this conference. Featured speakers at EDUCOM '90 are Jimmy Carter, former President of the United States; Steven Jobs, president and founder of NeXT Inc; and John Portman, chairman, the Portman Companies. For more information about volunteering, call Linda Cabot at 4-4590, via PROFS LCABOT or via email leabot@jgr01.georg.edu.