Tech Draws Diverse Body to Her Gates
Georgia Tech is an institution; it has rich traditions, buildings and pavement, and an excellent faculty. But above anything else, Georgia Tech is its students. It is the students which give life to the classroom, give meaning to the traditions, keep the vitality of the Institute intact.

If it is the student body which is the real heart and motivation force of the school, then it is surely the diversity of this population that gives Tech its unique character. People of all walks of life attend Georgia Tech — there are those for whom the school is a twelve hour plane flight, while for others, it is nothing more than a twelve minute ride down I-75. Rich and poor, different nationalities, different religions, different values — Tech is an amalgamation of them all.

Textbooks, classrooms, and mechanical pencils — Tech is this, but it is also much more. Put to the test of time, the friendships fostered here will outlast the course material studied. Activities outside of the classroom are the ones which make life at Tech special, and vibrant.

Georgia Tech is truly unique as a university. Its low tuition makes it accessible, while its reputation and caliber make it covetable. As a result of these two factors, people of tremendously varying backgrounds choose to attend Georgia Tech. The effects of this mixture are manifest in the unique quality of Tech’s student life. These different exposures combine to create a unique atmosphere under which tomorrow’s technologists and managers can mature.
FASET Serves as Gentle Introduction to Rigors of Tech
Familiarization and Adaptation to the Surroundings and Environs of Tech: by its name, the FASET program purposefully created large expectations, which it must fulfill. This tour de force which the administration has developed is unique in its standing among the nation’s freshman orientation programs; most others simply do not attempt the feats of testing, orientation and acclimation that the FASET program does. In two and one half days, the dedicated and hard working staff of FASET propose to turn a naive high school senior into a worldly, or at least more worldly college student.

FASET attempts to provide a subtle introduction into college life for Tech’s incoming students. Organizationally, it is a well developed itinerary of events which consists of aptitude testing, informational lectures, and recreation. FASET is a mini-Georgia Tech; a Tech devoid of homework, perhaps, but it has the tests, the education and the social environment. The FASET staff is professional and effective. They serve to form a subtle buffer between the new student and his destiny at Tech.

What is miraculous about FASET is not that it tries to encompass so much in such a short time, but that by and large, it succeeds in doing it well.
At the foot of the towering skyscrapers of Atlanta lies Georgia Tech, and amid Tech's array of buildings and concrete cowers an amazing variety and abundance of natural beauty. But, the campus has not always been this way. Formerly, it was compact and non-descript. Modern expansion produced an extended, yet stark campus. It was not until the major campus renovation and beautification projects of the past two years that the campus began to establish a type of harmony with its environment, and come to grips with its new size.

The beautification drive has been both attacked and praised by students. A continual debate ensues over the value of pretty flowers versus more professors. It is a debate that has no resolution because it tries to quantify a quality whose value is primarily aesthetic. Furthermore, upwards of 90% of the money spent on campus beautification comes from private sources and is designated for that purpose only.

What effect has this drive had upon the campus? To be sure, the flowers and trees which have been planted in the vicinity of the Student Center have helped establish it firmly as the focal point of the campus. The landscaping of the land surrounding the Tech Tower has helped to revitalize this campus landmark. Clearly, campus greenery has enhanced the college experience which Georgia Tech offers. The face of Tech has changed, it is now brick red, concrete grey, and a little bit of garden green.

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: The Tech Tower sits stately amid a host of greenery. Tulips blaze with color along Tech's perimeter. Marigolds in planters adorn the campus. BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: Technology and nature meet outside the M.E. building. A Bumble Bee hunts pollen.
Volunteers Donate Time to Charities

Serving the community is a part of many Tech students' lives. As precious a commodity as time is, many are willing to help the nearly two million people of Atlanta. Clubs, Fraternities, and honorary societies, as well as individuals contribute social service to anyone who requests it.

Students are most involved in service to the community immediately surrounding Tech. One service in particular is the Techwood Tutorial Project, managed by the Student Center Programs Board. This big brother/big sister program involves the pairing of a Tech student with an elementary school child who lives in the Techwood Housing Project. Delta Sigma Phi annually helps these same children by hosting a Christmas party complete with Santa Claus, and the Circle K Club holds a field day each spring for the students of the Home Park Elementary School. The elderly are served by Tech organizations such as Circle K, which visits the Techwood Senior Center, and Lambda Sigma, which holds monthly bingo parties for residents of the Roosevelt House.

Students also aid groups outside of the community. Ujamma responded to a request for aid from the Help House by fixing a leaky roof. Four times a year the Co-op Club and Delta Sigma Phi conduct a blood drive for the American Red Cross. One of the largest philanthropic undertakings on the campus comes each fall when Tech Greeks unite with Greeks from the University of Georgia to raise money for Leukemia research. Through roadblocking, and events such as golf tournaments and pizza eating contests, Tech Greeks raised over $55,000 this past year.

The scope of service by Tech students is far-reaching — from neighborhood schools to national organizations. By giving a small amount of time, many people gain a great deal of self satisfaction, and the personal emotions which arise from these efforts are the key to their continual success. An act of kindness is one which is felt many times over.

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: A young student in the Techwood Tutorial Program named Elwood casts a longing glance from the heights of a neighborhood jungle gym. Theta Zi's perched outside the Student Center for days on end in an effort to raise money for Multiple Sclerosis. BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: A young lady receives some vital information from a nurse. No second thoughts!
Part-Time Work Helps Cover Costs

One reason many people choose to come to Georgia Tech is the comparatively low cost it presents for a quality education. Although Tech is still one of the biggest bargains in higher education anywhere in the country, there are still many expenses associated with the pursuit of the college degree. Tuition, books, food and the ever-present "misc." have been rising in cost by leaps and bounds over the past few years. This coupled with cutbacks in financial aid and loans have forced some students to look for other means of support — for most, this means getting a part-time job.

Living in a big city such as Atlanta has distinct advantages when searching for a job. Fast-food restaurants offer many excellent opportunities for the job hunter. Domino's, Pippin's, and Chollie's, et al employ many students, and tend to be in touch with the special circumstances of their employees. Many businesses around Atlanta employ students on a regular basis also.

Perhaps the biggest employer of Tech's students is the Institute herself. With a certain degree of academic prowess, a student can find employment with the Engineering Experiment Station, as a grader, or perhaps as a tutor. The Library offers positions to students as librarians and as operators in the copy section. SAC provides job opportunities for those with athletic inclinations, while the Student Center has openings in the Recreation Room, the Music Listening Room, the Craft Center, the Information Desk, and the Post Office. Even the administration gets into the act by employing students to assist in many clerical functions.

Economic conditions have forced many students to find part-time work. Fortunately for the busy Tech student there are a surprising number of opportunities in the immediate area. Times are tough all over, but at least the jobs are there for the students who seek them.

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: The Music Listening Room provides a pleasant working atmosphere. Yolanda Villafane paints in the Craft Center. BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: Marking prices at the Book Store. Sorting the mail. Anne Feretti in the Rec Room.
Registration at Georgia Tech finally moved into the computer age with the implementation of the on-line Optical Scan Articulated Registration (OSCAR) system. Manual registration became a thing of the past during winter quarter when OSCAR was unleashed. The motivation behind OSCAR's creation was to provide quicker registration and eliminate the inumerable hassles that have plagued registration in the past. OSCAR responds to a course schedule request in minutes rather than several days.

The on-line did well during pre-registration for winter quarter, but encountered a few snafus during late registration. At times the OSCAR system exhibited a similar temperament of its Sesame Street namesake Oscar the Grouch as the computer went down several times. A waiting period of minutes turned into hours as a log-jam of schedules was created by the inoperable OSCAR. Born again were the all-too-familiar lines of registration.

However, on-line registration, when all the kinks are worked out, should make the unreasonably long lines of past registrations nothing more than a nostalgic memory.

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: The long lines of manual registration reappear as hundreds of Tech students brave the cold of winter during late registration. A student says a few last prayers before feeding his schedule request to OSCAR — this just be the one that makes it through. The Optical Scan system makes possible much quicker processing of schedule requests, however, the procedure for making a request has remained the same. BOTTOM: The responsibility of duty at the problem desk for Joe McVer involves pacifying troubled students.
Individual Personalities Transcend Group Stereotypes

Happiness, sorrow, joy, and anger — emotions which touch us all. In a sense, it is these same emotions which make life interesting and exciting. Georgia Tech is a large school with many, many unique students. In the shadow of Tech’s magnitude, however, there is sometimes a tendency to lose track of individual personalities. However, viewed from the proper perspective, it is these personalities, and the human emotions which they produce that vitalize the school.

There are feelings of happiness and hatred that only intramural and varsity sporting events can evoke. Personal relationships naturally elicit love when they succeed, and tend to evoke sorrow when they fail. Everything from a pretty smile to an ugly scowl is the result of these emotions. Without them, life would be very bland indeed.

More than just faces in the crowd, Tech’s individual students and their emotions are what give the school its magnetism. Instead of being overshadowed by the sheer size of the school, Tech’s students stand apart from the crowd and let their inner emotions shine through.

Major Construction Gives Campus New Look

If ever there was a group of people who were men of action, it is the people in charge of campus planning. For these men there is no choice but to suffer the slings and arrows of outraged students. It seems as though it is their fate, as virtually every Tech student has criticized them at one time or another. Although few students have applauded every change the campus has witnessed, there are very few students who have not appreciated or benefited from these changes in one way or another. Over the course of the year construction began on the Peter's Park Parking Deck, and continued on the new West Campus dormitory and the IE/IM Complex. Also, a new beautification program was initiated campus wide.

The IE/IM Complex was erected out of a need for more space. It will afford the two schools much needed flexibility and facilities. The building was scheduled for completion in spring 1983.

As construction on the IE/IM building entered its final stages, ground was broken on the fringes of campus to provide a place for a new dormitory. A dormitory yes, but not an average dormitory by any means. The dorm has elevators, living suites, and most novel of all, it will be co-ed. The dorm, code named project C-71, will hold 520 students.

It has been said that what goes up must come down, and such was the case with the late Peter's Park. Trees and tennis courts alike came tumbling down in early October as construction began on the parking deck which is prophesied to alleviate Tech's nagging parking problem. The project stirred a great deal of controversy among the student body as some protested the destruction of the last spot of greenery remaining on East Campus. Other voices viewed the construction as a perhaps painful, yet very practical decision.

The campus beautification efforts marked a commitment on the part of Tech's planners to upgrade Tech's sterile environment. The Student Center is now alive with color when spring rolls around, and the Tech Tower has regained its position as a focal point on the campus.

As the student population has expanded, the need for housing and educational facilities has also increased. It is interesting that a drive for campus beautification has existed simultaneously with so much construction projects. Student opinion on these projects is mixed, but friend or foe, the projects of campus change continue on.

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: The placement of the first of a multitude of red bricks begins on the IE/COM complex. Tell these Physical Plant workers that London has bad fog as they contemplate beginning their day's work. The careful and conscientious efforts of campus planning have helped to transform much of a formerly sterile campus into a vibrant and aesthetically pleasing environment. BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: Dean Dull and President Petit flank visiting dignitaries at the ground-breaking ceremony of the new West Campus dormitory. Peter's Park slowly transforms into Peter's Parking Deck.
Star Tech Homecoming Launches Tech Into 21st Century

Perhaps the focal point of Homecoming is the Saturday football game, but the activities which comprise the preceding week are of equal importance in their contribution to the Tech community. The week consists of a multitude of traditional events that have stood the test of time, but each year, events arise which are unique to the week's theme.

The 1982 theme of "Star Tech" proved to be as versatile as it was appropriate. It produced events that challenged students to put their aerospace background to good use in the Space Ship Building Contest, fill their stomachs with moon pies in the Outer Space Olympics, and to take the first step toward a square on Hollywood Boulevard in the search for a Star Talent Show. True to the theme, the list of events was capped off by a rousing performance by the Athens-based new wave band R.E.M.

For most students Homecoming Week is a break, or at least a diversion, from the academic pressures of the quarter. Unfortunately, unsympathetic professors think the week is just like any other. Despite this potential barrier, Homecoming succeeds in offering a post mid-term break from the classroom and unites the students in a common objective.

While Homecoming Week is traditionally Greek dominated, the Homecoming Committee strove to present activities that would encourage individual and independent participation in an effort to break this stereotype. Judging from the scope of participation, it would appear that Homecoming Week accomplished this and more. Some may say the activities are passé, but to be sure, Homecoming is much more than a football game.
Fever of Homecoming Produces Heightened School Spirit

The foundations of Homecoming lie with the annual traditions that separate the week from any other at Georgia Tech. These are the events that draw alumni back to Georgia Tech and mark continuity amid rapid change between the tradition-filled Tech of the past and the everchanging Tech of the present.

The week is highlighted by the spills, thrills, and chills of the mini-500 tricycle race and the examples of true engineering prowess that typify the Ramblin Reck Parade. The freshman cake race and of course, the eventual crowning of a Homecoming Queen are also events which grasp this continuity. Not to be forgotten are late nights that go into work on displays and recks. Most certainly, these after hour activities are no less a part of the aura which surrounds Homecoming than the great traditions themselves.

So much work into such ephemeral projects — what is it that drives students to such endeavors? Perhaps it is self-satisfaction, or the spirit of competition. Regardless, it works, because Homecoming lights a fire beneath the student body as no other tradition does. Rules for events may change, as the voting procedure for Homecoming Queen did this year, but essentially, the week is a replay of years gone by. What changes though, are the names and the faces.

When the showdown finally arrived the trials of the week were forgotten, and only the joys remained. At half-time, junior Kristi Carley emerged from the court as Georgia Tech's 1982 Homecoming Queen. As the second half came to a close it was evident that the Duke Blue Devils had returned to Grant Field to personally hand the Yellow Jackets their second Homecoming defeat in as many years. No matter though, the week is still the best there is.

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: The ZBT bowling ball powered reck rolls down Fowler Street. Kristi Carley, escorted by Glenn Owens, is all smiles after being named the 1982 Homecoming Queen. Reck construction demands long hours of hard work. BOTTOM: Co-eds race for the gold in the annual Freshman Cake Race.
Spirit Thrives on Student Originality

Pep rallies, pranks, and outlandish skits: ingredients of Georgia Tech curriculum which cannot be found in any textbook or course offering. These are the activities which make the college year memorable. There is no set categorization which unites these activities, but they do fall loosely under the heading of school spirit.

Sometimes corny, and sometimes clever, pep rallies serve as an official display of school spirit. Thursday evenings prior to home football games are not complete without the traditional pep rally in which fraternities and sororities fight for the kegs of beer given away as prizes for attendance and banner design, while the loved and unpredictable Techwood contingent makes its overwhelming presence known — bass drum and all. An essential part of the spirit blitz, Tech's cheerleaders, underwent a revitalization during the summer of 1982 and proceeded to provide the student body with an array of acrobatic talent never before seen on the turf of old Grant Field.

Not satisfied with the status quo, students took spirit into their own hands. There were those who revelled in traditions of comrades from years gone by, recreating pranks such as redesigning the letters on the Tech Tower and turning the library's normally placid water fountain into a large capacity washing machine. And through it all, new expressions of spirit are born. Most notable of these was the unveiling of Georgia Tech's unpretentious, and immodest "Nads."

These acts of spirit are such that they seem to supercede the events which they honor. And regardless of whether the team wins or loses, the spirit of the fans carries on. It is the indominable spirit of the Georgia Tech student which can suffer through heartbreaking football losses, and turn the mundane into the unpredictable.

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: A blizzard of paper engulfs loyal fans. A naughty Rat gets a haircut that he will never forget. BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: The Tech Tower the morning after. Buzz gets a ride without flapping his wings. Go Nads, go.
Thirsty Tech Students Support a Multitude of Nightspots

Not more than one hundred yards beyond Georgia Tech's monastic borders exist a host of nightclubs and taverns which cater to the entertainment needs of the Tech community. The college student is portrayed as facing a ceaseless financial crisis. However, hard times will come and go, but the collegiate thirst for alcohol and amusement carries on, unabated.

The Tech campus is encircled by a myriad of entertainment facilities. Each enjoys its own special theme in an effort to appeal to the diversification of the Tech population.

Tech beer drinkers suffered a crushing setback during the summer of 1982 as a Tech landmark, One-Eyed Jack's closed its doors forever. Gone forever were the Thursday nights of quarter beer in Jack's nostalgia-filled cavern. Alas, not all legends can live.

In the wake of Jack's demise, a new powerhouse arose as a party-time heavyweight. P. J. Haley's Nest has succeeded in pacifying the mourners of Jack's with good beer prices, reasonable management, and football season campaign blitz.

If food is on the agenda also, then the row of establishments on North Avenue have just the thing. The typical college fair of pizza and beer can be found at Chollie's and Pippin's, while Reck Shaw's offers oriental food to those with a taste for Eastern culture. Even Tech's avant-garde are not without a nightspot. The 688 Club on Spring Street promises unique shows, late, late night activity, and a very unique crowd.

But, whatever the mood, whether it be eating and drinking, drinking and dancing, or just drinking, Tech's social elite are no more than a hop, skip and a jump away from their favorite watering hole.

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: K. G. Grumpy's provides an afternoon relaxer for a Tech professor. Anita Prather and Henry Lyautey look on with eager eyes as they pour life-giving fluids down the throat of Erik Magnuson at P. J. Hailey's Nest. Having just saved the Universe from complete destruction, this Tech co-ed beams radiant pride.

BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: Frank of P. J. Hailey's Nest readies a pair of chilly ones for his clientele as John Hensley and others socialize. The 688 Club has become the home of Tech's late night crowd. Dancing is a great way to stretch tight muscles.
Atlanta Brews Late Night Adventure

On occasion Tech students want to get away from it all and check out the real world, and sometimes, they just want to get away. For both of these moods, Atlanta offers a number of opportunities. Many students jump at the chance to meet some of the other jet setting singles that hang out in Atlanta’s night spots.

Once you step into Atlanta’s premier disco, the Limelight, you know that you are no longer in Kansas! As the playground of Atlanta’s most bizarre, the Limelight offers uncomparable entertainment at outrageous prices.

For those with more of a taste for the soothing sounds of the Carolina shore than flashing lights and 10 inch records, Buckhead Beach on Peachtree Street is just the place. Live bands, two dance floors and a wide variety of video games enable the Beach to attract swarms from the legions of the pink and green.

Further north, on Roswell Road, Confetti’s has become one of the most popular hot-spots for the social climbing patriots of the White and Gold. Featuring a terrific happy-hour, after-hours fun, and some of the hottest singles action in the city, “Atlanta’s multi-fun place” becomes just that.

Atlanta’s late night establishments offer the Tech student an opportunity to rub elbows with the “beautiful people” that make the town tick. Truly a fantasy land in comparison to Tech’s demanding constrictions, and it’s all there waiting. All it takes is the desire to explore. Ah, brave new world!

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: Casanova gazes intently as his pretty partner evades his question. The Limelight hosts Atlanta’s most bizarre as evidenced by these two young ladies dancing atop a huge speaker.

BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: The bartenders at Confetti’s are not only skilled with mixers, but also serve as acrobats and pranksters. A lull in the conversation forces this couple to gaze intently into their beer.
Campus entertainment has a competitive edge over the mainstream of entertainment in Atlanta. Campus events and activities are tailored around the desires of students. Admission ranges from free to cheap — exactly what a student wants to pay. An attempt is made to please every student in one way or another, and as a result, the events reflect nothing short of diversity.

The Student Center hosted quite an array of amusing and amazing events to enhance the time students spend between classes. Tech TV's lineup included such favorites as S.C.T.V.'s Fantasy Island, Frisbee Dynamics, and Animal Farm. The Brown Bag Series brightened lunch hours with everything from concerts featuring local musicians to reptile exhibits and juggling magicians. Students also have the opportunity to purchase items at a holiday craft fair. The Student Center Gallery displays several exhibits comprised primarily of student creations.

There were even more sources of entertainment beyond the Student Center. For the moviegoer, the cheap and often rowdy screenings at the E.E. Auditorium provided three motion pictures each week. Films ranged from Oscar winner “Chariots of Fire,” to Monty Python’s “Jabberwocky.” For students who preferred live entertainment, there were DramaTech productions, several concerts, and other special events.

Those who felt that they needed to hear just a few more lectures were addressed by some rather distinguished public figures. Among the visitors that stood behind Tech lecterns were Watergate insider G. Gordon Liddy, Georgia gubernatorial candidates Bob Bell and Joe Frank Harris, astronaut John Young and “Star Trek’s” James Doohan.

Campus entertainment is diverse in form and in subject matter. However, there are two words that describe all of the entertainment — inexpensive and interesting. The sponsors of the activities somehow managed to maintain a high level of quality while charging low admission prices. Students were fortunate that they did not have to leave the confines of Tech to satisfy their tastes in entertainment.
Campus Events Touch All of Tech
Random Match-Ups Give Flair to Dorm Life

For some, a dormitory is a permanent place of residence and a source of fierce pride. To others, however, a dormitory is just a place to sleep, or a weigh station in the quest for an apartment or a room in a fraternity house. This volatile mixture of desires is perhaps the very ingredient that makes dormitories such an important part of college life.

Dorm life, like P.E. 1010, is one of the few elements of Georgia Tech which virtually every student experiences at one point in his or her college career. It is a bag of mixed blessings and pitfalls. Students are quick to enter complaints about the defunct air conditioners of West Campus and the unsavory food served at Brittain Dining Hall, but in the same breath, they are eager to point out that dormitories offer easy access to virtually the entire campus.

Dormitories are something about which very few people hold a neutral opinion. Stereotypes fall along lines of allegiance as a constant war of words ensues between Greeks and Dorms. But, the fact remains that a dormitory still offers the students of Georgia Tech many options that can be found in no other form of residency.

By randomly uniting an incredibly diverse group of students, dormitories provide for exposure to many different viewpoints and lifestyles. If it can be said that the educational experience Georgia Tech provides goes beyond classroom academics, then dormitory life is certainly a textbook in human relations.

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: Steve Notarnicola and Tony Noto practicing backstage. The ever present Domino pizza man. Another quick nap with her favorite bear. BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: Eating some real food in Techwood. A Tech coed wonders if this could be her lucky day.
RHA Week Promotes Pride in Dorms
The past year has shown that Georgia Tech's dormitories are more than simply places for Tech students to hang their hats. Fresh, sweeping innovations were adopted in an attempt to establish a better relationship between dorm residents and the housing office.

Among the most popular of these was the initiation of a spring quarter RHA Week. The festivities were the brainchild of the Housing Department's new Director of Housing for Resident Life, Frank Kelly. The week was successful in that it promoted dorm life to the entire student population. Furthermore, the events were such that dorm residents and non-residents alike were encouraged to participate. The activities included the Armful Kissing Booth organized by Armstrong and Fulmer dormitories, a pie throwing contest originated by Fitten dorm, and a huge "End of the World" party on West Campus to cap-off the week's festivities.

The more traditional dorm activities also were subject to dramatic improvements. Band parties, for instance, developed a campus-wide following as a result of better promotion and a concentration on theme parties. Caldwell and Fitten's "Limelight Party" was a prime example of this type of creativity. Intramurals were also a bright spot for the dorms, especially when the male and female school football championships were captured by Towers and Fitten dorms, respectively.

All of this has done a great deal to improve the quality of dorm life for Tech students. Future improvements, such as the completion of a co-ed dorm in the fall of 1983, promise to go even further in the movement to make Tech dormitories a much more desirable place to live.

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: Ready, aim, fire. There is sanity in cool water on a hot day. An armful, indeed. BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: Mud Wrestling lives at Georgia Tech. A pie in the face is nothing to ruin an otherwise successful day.
If a student enters the Price Gilbert Memorial Library and turns right, then he probably plans to do some serious studying. If he turns left, he has intentions of doing something else.

The east side of the library is commonly called the quiet side. It is used for private study and research. Students doing research can choose from more than two million volumes and microtexts. The library also houses the largest collection of patents in the Southeast. More than 10,000 serials are currently received as well as publications from government organizations that range from NASA to the U.S. National Ocean Survey. This is one of the South’s most complete collections of materials on science, engineering, architecture, and management.

The west side of the library is a horse of a different color, however; while students do gather for group studying and group discussion, they also do a good deal of group socializing. It is a great place for commuters to bide time between classes or for classmates to get together and prepare for tests. There is a collection of unbound current issues of several newspapers and magazines and a copy room available.

The east-west division gives the library a split personality. It is both practical and functional. The social and the serious, perhaps, more than anything else, the library personifies the two faces of Georgia Tech.
Library Typifies Two Faces of Ma Tech
Whitehead Infirmary Is the First Word in First Aid
Although sometimes referred to as Tech’s House of Horrors, as the home of the school’s injured and infirm, the Georgia Tech Whitehead Infirmary provides students with quick and professional medical advice. Despite the good Samaritan image it strives to maintain, the facility is under constant fire from the student body for everything from dispensing too many drugs, to dispensing too few. Indeed, it seems to be a no-win situation for the able-bodied staff of the Infirmary.

Rumors have circulated of students entering the clinic and never returning. Others talk about finishing the copies of War and Peace that are available in the lobby for students to peruse as they patiently await their fate.

Considering the circumstances under which it operates, the Infirmary certainly does not deserve the bad press which it has received. The Infirmary is where Ma Tech takes her wounded. The scores of injured from the intramural battlefield are carried to its steps to be repaired. Tech’s intoxicated weekend warriors, and victims of covert bottle-rocket wars, also often land in the facilities’ cots for minor reconstructive surgery. Daily, the Infirmary heals the sneezes, sniffles, and coughs which afflict the student body. There are days when the waiting room is literally filled to capacity with students suffering from the virus which is running rampant on campus.

The Whitehead Infirmary serves the campus with professional medical service. Headaches, sprains, cuts, and bruises — the Infirmary fixes them all. The Infirmary offers sound medical advice at a very attractive price. It operates under the most strained of circumstances and despite the complaints, the Infirmary truly stands as a tribute to modern medicine.

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: The Whitehead Infirmary is prepared to handle most any minor medical problem, even vaccinations, as this apprehensive Techman can attest. His fear of pain is abated by the soothing bedside manner of an Infirmary staff nurse. Personal confidentiality is keen on the mind of this confused young man as he discusses some intimate personal problems with an Infirmary doctor. BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: A student searches for his ever-elusive ID while members of the Infirmary staff silently question his identity. The Infirmary even has its own pharmacist, Joe Miller.
Students Sprint to SAC in The Wake of Fitness Craze
It has been said that the essentials for a good life are a healthy mind and a healthy body. Tech’s academic requirements certainly provide for the mental enrichment of students, and in a similar fashion, the Student Athletic Complex provides the facilities needed to obtain a healthy body. SAC’s massive structure encloses six full basketball courts, eight racquetball courts, and two squash courts. Additionally, the complex contains facilities for tennis, golf, and archery practice, men’s and women’s weight lifting equipment, and an olympic size pool.

More than anything, though, SAC provides a change of pace for the students that visit the complex. It is a place where friends can meet for a gentle game of ping-pong, or a fierce game of racquetball. It naturally affords students an outlet for their academic frustrations and athletic aspirations.

The same competitive spirit that makes Tech students winners in the classroom and the job market comes out in every game played on the court or in the field. And, for fitness or for fashion, SAC continues to be the most popular facility on campus as the student body strives to maintain its bodies.

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: Sit-ups help tighten the tummy muscles of a Tech co-ed. Curls for the girls are an integral part of a solid weight training program. BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: Recreational basketball helps students keep in shape. No escaping the lines. SAC’s nice pool.
Student Center Teems With Activity

Perhaps Tech's most appropriately named building rests on the edge of campus. The Student Center is the hub of activity for Tech's commuter population and serves as the center for Tech's many clubs and organizations. It also houses the post office, meeting rooms, and administrative offices. But it is much more than just bricks and mortar. The Student Center doesn't put forth an ominous front as do many Tech buildings, but rather beckons students to its steps.

The Student Center houses a fine video game room, a dozen bowling lanes, pool tables, a music listening room, and an art gallery. The design of the building also makes it an ideal place for social intercourse. The steps in front and the cafeteria dining area serve as locations for students to congregate for a brief reprieve from scholastics.

Whenever a student should happen to find himself with some free time, wants to get away, or is just bored, the Student Center is the place to head for. When quarters are begging to be spent, when you desire to withdraw to the sounds of your favorite album, or when you just want to stretch out and relax, the Student Center is the place to go.

*TOP:* Scores of Techmen are drawn to the sight and sounds of the Student Center Game Room. *MIDDLE, LEFT TO RIGHT:* Mike Spears zeros in on the corner pocket. The music listening room provides a break in a busy day. *BOTTOM:* The stakes are high as students play Go Fish.
In between the weekends are five days of school, and as a result, free time during the week is among the most highly prized commodities at Georgia Tech. It is the breaks between classes spent at the water fountain and the lunch hours spent talking on the steps of the Student Center which Tech students cherish.

No, these moments do not offer the escape from school that long weekends spent at home or skiing in North Carolina afford. However, they do succeed in providing precious moments away from everyday pressures and hassles of academia. On nice days the frisbees fly on campus grasslands. During periods of inclement weather the video games and pool tables of the Student Center game room are filled to capacity. Free time is a chance to catch up on gossip with friends, watch Tech T.V., or just stretch out under the sun.

Some consider such activities to be a waste of time, or a socially acceptable form of procrastination. To the bulk of Tech students, however, these moments are as therapeutic as they are enjoyable. For four and one half days a week, from Monday morning until Friday afternoon, these interludes provide the momentum to carry the student body through to the weekend.

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: Bill Rigdon braces for a rocky ride down the waterfountain’s lower waterfall. Frisbee acrobatics performed at the foot of the Student Center. A Techman tries to proposition a co-ed with an offer that she cannot refuse. BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: An international war game provides reprieve from a hectic schedule. Grant Beach hosts a trio of co-eds.
Coming and Going Strains Patience

The peace and serenity of the quarter break which was just beginning to become common is rudely disturbed as first one, then two, and finally hordes of cars begin a siege upon the campus that lasts the better part of two days. Soon the dust will settle and the normal rhythm of campus life will emerge, but for now, the campus is gripped with the worst of parking problems and traffic jams.

It is not a pleasant sight. In an atmosphere of cut-throat competition, students vie for choice parking spots, and double park indiscriminately — knowing full well that they may elicit the wrath of the GTPD. Such is the scene as students move back onto campus after post-quarter breaks.

Moving out at the end of the quarter is a different story, however. The scene is as confusing, although it is by no means as hectic. Exam week takes something away from Tech’s otherwise energetic and zealous students. The urge to leave is restrained by a keen absence of sincere motivation. The activity is diffuse, and the pace is slow.

Moving in, an obstacle which must be overcome before the quarter can start. Moving out, a barrier which must be surmounted before the vacation can begin. Moving in and moving out are activities innate to the structure of Georgia Tech. Together they are a cyclical event whose repetition carries on stride for stride with the Institute itself.

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: Cars parked three-deep make passage impossible at the end of the quarter. Elizabeth Smith suffers through the pain of moving back into her dormitory on a hot summer’s day. BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: Pete Friedman contemplates the start of yet another quarter as he carries a load of shirts from his car. Kathy Sklenak and friend are all smiles as they pack their final bags.
Apartments Offer Personal Freedom

Got the dormitory blues, eh? Fraternity life is just not right, you say. Well then, why not rent an apartment and escape from the cause of your afflictions. Or perhaps you have maintained your allegiance to the dormitory system, but were just served with an eviction notice when your number was just a little too high on the dormitory lottery list. In any event, it is time to look elsewhere for a place to hang your hat.

Living off campus is a condition of mixed blessings. On the positive side, it offers immense freedoms not to be found on campus. Privacy is foremost among these, along with greater living space, and kitchen facilities. On the down side, however, are the age old problems of parking on campus. Living off campus can truly be a case of the best of times and the worst of times all rolled into one.

The decision to live on or off-campus is not always a matter of personal preference. With the recent growth in student population (and the resulting housing shortage) on-campus housing is at a premium. This has made moving off campus more of a requirement and less of an option for many Tech students.

Commuting can certainly be a problem, but on the other hand, living in an apartment offers a refreshing change of pace. The compelling motivations for a move off campus are clearly the desire for more freedom and the ominous housing shortage. The school has witnessed an exodus from campus as, by fate or free will, students have been flocking to the apartment communities of Atlanta.

Atlanta Beckons Tech’s Young and Restless
Atlanta is one of the most unique cities in the country. The changing face of Atlanta reflects the changing moods, ideals, and lifestyles in the world, intertwined with the traditions and friendliness found only in the South.

Whether it's the lights, sounds, and mixture of people at the Limelight, or the culture of the Piedmont Park Arts Festival, Atlanta offers a place for everyone. Concerts ranging from the Metropolitan Opera to Bette Midler pack the Fox and Omni year-round. The eclectic blend of places and people help to make Atlanta more than just another big city.

Atlanta has its quiet side too. A weekend outing to Stone Mountain, or a summer concert in the park add spice to urban life and help foster an appreciation for Atlanta all the more.

The building boom in recent years has changed both the face of Tech and Atlanta. The skyline of downtown is everpresent and visible from almost anywhere on the campus. Tech occupies an advantageous spot in the city. The close proximity to downtown and midtown Atlanta makes escape possible from the sometimes drab life on campus into the South's liveliest city.

*TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT:* Home of the Braves, Fulton County Stadium. The projecting rock of Stone Mountain forms a natural pathway. *BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT:* Jugglers perform at the Arts Festival. Lenox Mall. Skating in the park. One big Bud.
The number four holds a warm spot in the hearts of the student population of Georgia Tech. There is the coveted 4.0 which Tech's men and women pursue with ardent fervor. And of course, four is the number of years in which we all hope to graduate. Also, there are four terms which comprise the academic calendar, and coinciding to each of these quarters is a corresponding season. The Four Seasons: Autumn, Winter, Spring, and Summer, each parallels a respective quarter during the year, and help to give each one of Tech's academic divisions a flavor of its own.

Autumn initiates Tech's calendar. The weather is perfect for Rush, Football, Homecoming, and the Ramblin' Reck Parade. It is also a season of many changes — College is a new experience for freshmen, and for Tech's veterans, fall poses new challenges after a restful summer. It is a time for cookouts, for enjoying the last warm days of the year, and for watching, helplessly, as the leaves change; foretelling the coming winter.

If Atlanta has an unpleasant season, winter is it. It seems to rain every day. Streets flood and mud is everywhere. The weatherman says that it is 34 degrees outside, but this translates into 17 degrees when the wind-chill-factor is considered. But, when it snows, things are much different. Snow in Atlanta is great — everything stops, and everyone has a good time. Gradually the days begin to get longer. By the time exams roll around it is clear that spring is just a breath away.

Spring is the season of dogwoods, shorts and T-shirts, Greek Week and frisbees. It is the last quarter of the year for most Tech students; some will graduate, but the majority will return in the fall. There are warm days, outdoor parties, and a sense of renewed vitality around the campus. However, as pleasant as the spring is, it cannot overpower the longing for summer to begin.

Most students eagerly go home, but the ones who stay at Tech find many ways to occupy their time. The heat and humidity are cooled by a trip to the lakes, the mountains, or simply a ride down the Chattahoochee. Life on campus is slow — but the days grow shorter, and then it is time again for the cycle to repeat.

The seasons of the year are each distinct, and each helps to shape the activities of the academic quarter which bears its name. They each differ so that as soon as one season gets a little old, a new one arrives to take its place, and bring with it a new experience.

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: First came the rain, then the cold, and then finally the snow of 1983 that turned Grant Field into a carpet of white. The fountain lends itself well to sunning on a hot summer's day. Guitar music provides a refreshing change of pace on a beautiful day of autumn. BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: The Beaux Arts Festival of the Architecture School signals the official arrival of spring. The cold, rainy weather of winter in Atlanta tests the endurance of students.
Romance Transcends Tech Barriers

Picture this classic college scenario: boy and girl leave home and go off to college, meet each other, and fall in love. Can this college possibly be Georgia Tech? With an ever increasing female population on campus, it would appear that the answer to that question is "yes," or at least more often than in the past.

Despite a seemingly sterile environment, the Tech campus unceasingly provides the fertile atmosphere necessary for young romances to blossom. The oak trees around the Student Center provide an intimacy comparable to the most isolated wilderness forest, while the library fountain serves as a stomping ground for Georgia Tech’s young wolves and foxes. The moments for such interludes are rare, but they are dearly cherished by Tech’s eligible bachelors and bachelorettes.

The school offers many activities which lend themselves to the dating scene. Athletic events, DramaTech, and Student Center programs provide the bulk of these events. Georgia Tech is no longer a community devoid of social life.

Tech’s current male-to-female ratio is hovering just above 4-to-1. This figure has had an interesting effect on the dating mores of Tech students in that they find it is no longer necessary to go off campus for a date. Simply put it has led some Tech men to the conclusion that they need look no further than their own back yard to find the girl next door.

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: A couple makes a splash with each other. Dancers enjoy a dorm party. BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: Greek Week entertains two friends. Jeff Beech and his date cheer on the Jackets. The fountain is a popular place to meet the opposite sex. Sunning and socializing make the Student Center exciting.
Seniors Chase Elusive Opportunities

The pressure is intense, and the anxiety even worse. It is time to shed the blanket of security that Georgia Tech provides. No more class curves, no more crib sheets, the moment has come to head for the big time. But long before this move, and long before graduation, the search for a job must begin.

The scene is set: the resume, the dark room, the late nights spent pecking at the keyboard of the typewriter, just the facts — but there must be more. Next day: an uptown haberdasher’s; sifting through thousands of ties, checking for a positive make with a pattern in John Mallory’s Dress for Success. And then — the encounter. It is a far cry from the ninth grade interview for summer employment with McDonald’s, because now, the stakes are high, and the money is real.

Things were tough all over. Unemployment was up, and in turn, hiring was down. Gone were the days of wine and roses and 4.5 job offers for each Georgia Tech graduate. Interviewers by the score cancelled their visits to town, and the struggles began to uncover few opportunities in interviewing. Finding a job is like the tale of Cinderella — it’s a matter of being the foot that fits the glass slipper. Persistence and determination are the key elements needed to track down the ever-elusive job of jobs.
There is a certain mystique that surrounds college. It is true that for most, it represents the first time that they have been away from home for an extended period of time. But, more than this alone contributes to make college such a unique experience. What is it that makes college life so special? What is it that makes Tech unique among the ranks of colleges and universities?

College life in general is most likely so unusual because it provides for an atmosphere which is totally geared towards the young adult. In fact, it can probably quite honestly be said that it is these young adults which create the atmosphere under which they live. Seldom in life do humans have such freedom. It is this quality too, which gives Georgia Tech its unique atmosphere.

Georgia Tech is where the interests of Georgians, Japanese, Egyptians, and New Jerseyites meet. The sheer number and variety of the clubs and organizations reflect the diversity of the students, while the mood of the campus is a direct product of it. A student can walk around campus and within a short time hear three different languages being spoken — and think nothing of it!

Georgia Tech is by and large a technical school. Most of the degrees the college confers are in engineering fields, and those that are not have a heavy emphasis upon technology. Tech students for the most part frown upon the liberal arts just as those with liberal arts’ backgrounds have traditionally frowned upon technology. But the students of Tech are no less worldly than their counterparts. If anything, perhaps as a result of their training, they are more prepared to enter into a highly technical society.

Georgia Tech is shaped by the interests of her students. The Reck Parade, the dormitories, the fraternities, the clubs, the programs of the Student Center and so on are a direct reflection of these interests. Georgia Tech is by no means a traditional college experience — it preaches maverick innovations in technology and skims over the liberal arts. Technology, and interests and backgrounds from all over the world unite within a breath of the south’s most prized city to create our beloved Georgia Tech.