A professional HFH group leader shows a group of volunteers the correct way to install shingles. The extensive use of volunteer labor made Habitat houses affordable. Photo by David Pauli.

Ms. Josephine Bolton works with a student to prepare the floor in the house that will soon be hers. Homeowners were required to work on their own as well as other Habitat houses. Photo by David Pauli.

Left to Right, Row One: Alan Schiaffino, Dave Blackman, Dave Snell, Kevin Gray, Brian Evaristo, Ryan Pastrana, Danny Whitehurst, Timothy Grant, Daniel Lofrin. Row Two: Phil Decker, Christopher Lavelle, Natesh Rao, Scott Slappey, Chris Comfort, Gregory Allagaster, Kurt Hoppe, Gary Cave, Benjamin Fannon, Carl Zinn. Photo by SPI.

NROTC 3rd Class Midshipmen


NROTC 4th Class Midshipmen
Constructing Homes for Others
Habitat for Humanity Builds with Student Labor

The Georgia Tech chapter of Habitat for Humanity was a branch of a global ministry founded in 1976 by Linda and Millard Fuller. Habitat for Humanity sought to eliminate poverty housing from the world and make decent shelter a matter of conscience and action. Houses were sold at no profit to partner families, and no-interest mortgages were issued over a fixed period. Monthly mortgage payments, including taxes and insurance, were repaid over seven to 20 years and deposited into a revolving fund which supported the construction of more houses.

During winter quarter, Habitat for Humanity at Georgia Tech was able to build its own house for the second year in a row. Ms. Josephine Bolton and her family were able to move into this house in March. Georgia Tech Habitat for Humanity raised the necessary funds and provided the volunteer labor to build this house in the Edgewood community of Atlanta. Around 30 students met every Saturday morning at the Student Center and arrived at the homesite around 8am. Professional HFH work leaders were there to head up groups to do the various jobs in one day. The house was completed after only eight Saturdays.

While winter quarter was the most active time for HFH-Georgia Tech, members remained busy working other quarters on houses for HFH-Atlanta and raising money for the next Georgia Tech sponsored home. Several Habitat members spent their spring break in Americus, GA working on the collegiate challenge, a project to build 20 new homes to celebrate the 20,000th house built by HFH.

The largest fundraising activity of the year was Cow Chip Bingo held during spring quarter. This year Habitat for Humanity-Georgia Tech was joined by HFH chapters at other schools in the Atlanta area to sponsor this event.

"Being a part of Habitat for Humanity and knowing that you have helped someone else provides a tremendous sense of accomplishment."

—Alan Case

Habitat president Gates Kellet finishes work on the floor. The large number of volunteers allowed Habitat houses to be built in a relatively short period of time. Photo by David Pauli.

Habitat members take a break from installing siding. A variety of jobs were often accomplished in a single Saturday. Photo by David Pauli.

Left to Right, Row One: Jennifer Koski, Roger Garate, Kim Williams, Alison Thurman, Josephine Bolton, Raymond Kimmel, Fleurette Williams, Andrew Sain, Donna Chronic, LaShon Baker, Christine Porter, Christie Lewis, Todd Munson. Row Two: Dan Oerting, Todd Drace, Stewart Coulter, Robbie Barnes, Dennis Kelly, Robert Charles, Davis Fowler, Dave Thurman, Troy Hicks, Matthew Williams, Mark Tai, Jody Grady, Gregory Allgaier, Al Daly, Chuck Shea, David Burt, Jason Skadarek, Leslie Lissimore, Tres Tietjen. Photo by David Pauli.
Building Future Navy Leaders
Navy ROTC Trains Future Officers

In 1926, the Department of the Navy established Reserve Officer Training Corps sites at six universities around the nation. CDR J.J. Landon was tasked with the responsibility of establishing the Georgia Tech NROTC on September 10, 1926 in the Swann building on North Avenue. In 1935, the unit moved to the corner of Techwood Drive and Bobby Dodd Way. In 1980 the unit moved to its present home in the old Ceramics Building on Bobby Dodd Way.

Each Midshipman who met the challenge of the NROTC program at Tech was assured of a satisfying and prestigious career as a Navy or Marine Corps officer. The mental part of the challenge for a Midshipman was to maintain good scholastic standing in naval science as well as in his major academic courses. The physical part of the challenge was drill twice per week and a physical readiness test twice each year.

Most Midshipmen would say summer cruises were the best part of NROTC. Every summer Midshipman spent four to eight weeks on active duty. Whether it was flying 450 knots in a navy jet, being submerged hundreds of feet in an attack submarine, performing an amphibious assault on a beach, or steering a multi-million dollar ship in the middle of formation, if the naval forces did it, so did Midshipmen.

—Brad Sanders

"If a country is worth living in, it is worth fighting for.”
—Manning Coler

Rob Byers prepares to board his jet. NROTC Midshipmen performed all of the activities regular naval forces do. Photo by Navy ROTC.

NROTC Midshipmen listen intently to the lecture being held in the D.M. Smith auditorium. Midshipmen had to maintain good scholastic standing in naval science as well as in their other academic courses. Photo by David Paul.
Captain Kenneth Barker is charged with the responsibility of training and providing leadership to NROTC Midshipmen. In its many years of existence, the Georgia Tech Navy ROTC has contributed many accomplished officers to the United States Navy. Photo by David Pauli.

Jim Edwards pauses to observe the breathtaking scenery of Norway. Many midshipmen felt that summer cruises were the best aspect of the NROTC. Photo by Navy ROTC.

Left to Right, Row One: Thomas Smith, Tip Tyler, Erik Milch, Ramon Maldonado, Bret Bishop, David Simmons, Robert Eikhoff. Row Two: Eric Svensson, Stuart Greenbaum, Mike Fabricante, Robert Byers, Brad Sanders, Jason Jackson, Allyn Girling, Chris Bradshaw. Photo by SPI.

NROTC 1st Class Midshipmen

Left to Right, Row One: Joyce Ascano, James Suttles, Bryan Swann, Jon Glidden, Chuck Fortinberry, Vincent Watson, Patrick Crawford. Row Two: John Siccomando, Jody Grady, L.E. Sexton, Clifford Smith, Jason Goulas, Benjamin Nunnailee, Michael Cato. Photo by SPI.

NROTC 2nd Class Midshipmen

Purpose: To inform the Hispanic students of scholarships available from the National Society, to help the Hispanic students in their academic performance at Tech, and to assist the members in getting a job that best matches their potential.

Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers

Towers Residence Hall

ORGT members hold on tightly while white water rafting down a Georgia river. Rafting was only one of the many activities in which ORGT members were able to participate. Photo by ORGT.
Exciting Outdoor Adventures

ORGT Provides Members Challenging Fun

Outdoor Recreation at Georgia Tech, ORGT, offered a plethora of outdoor activities to Georgia Tech students, faculty, and staff. Founded in 1970, ORGT has grown to be the largest student-run organization of its kind in the Southeast.

ORGT offered classes in a wide variety of outdoor activities, including backpacking, rock climbing, kayaking, canoeing, rafting, and spelunking. Instructional classes for beginners included both classroom instruction and hands-on experience using equipment that could be rented from ORGT.

ORGT trip leaders were mostly Tech students who had experience leading groups on outdoor activities. Trip leaders conducted classes and organized trips which enabled Tech students to visit the most scenic and beautiful places in Georgia.

This year, trips to rivers, caves, and mountains both in Georgia and neighboring states took place weekly. An uncommonly diverse cross-section of the Georgia Tech family could be found having a great time with ORGT.

ORGT provided a break from the monotony of city life, as well as incredible outdoor experiences that could not have otherwise been available to the Tech community.

—Tracy Baxter

"The experience of a lifetime for the cost of a movie."
—Tony Lee

ORGT members prepare to take a break after a long day of cave exploration. ORGT travelled to many scenic and interesting places throughout the year. Photo courtesy of ORGT.

This ORGT member hikes to the top of a snow-covered peak. ORGT members went on several hiking trips this year. Photo courtesy of ORGT.

Promoting Traditions and Spirit
Ramblin’ Reck Club Keeps Sporting Interests Alive

The 1993 school year was filled with many sporting events. Football, basketball, and baseball, along with a multitude of other sports, entertained the masses of Georgia Tech. On top of all these events was the Ramblin’ Reck Club, an organization dedicated to promoting the spirit and traditions of Tech. Wherever rival teams met, Ramblin’ Reck members were there to support the Jackets. Their contributions to the athletic clubs kept sporting interest alive and well throughout the entire campus.

While students knew the Ramblin’ Reck Club for its cheers and jeers on the sidelines, they also thanked the club for organizing many events during the 1993 school year. One of its most active times occurred during Homecoming week. The Ramblin’ Reck Club sponsored its annual Mini-500 in which tricycles from fraternities and other campus organizations rumbled around Peter’s Parking Deck. It also sponsored the Wreck Parade during the Homecoming week.

In addition, the club helped in pumping up the teams for upcoming games. Before major events, club members posted fliers and banners around campus to attract students. Supporting the teams when they left home to compete abroad, the club also held many “sendoffs;” the basketball sendoff being their most popular.

Sponsorship played a major part for the club activities in 1993. Ford Motor Company, for example, sponsored the club so its members could take care of the Reck. Amoco also helped the club by donating money to the Ramblin’ Reck Club Scholarship fund. Even though Ramblin’ Reck Club activities centered on athletics, the club expanded to the academic side of life by giving away two scholarships. The club awarded two of its members $500 scholarships for their outstanding achievements.

The Ramblin’ Reck Club pursued sports with a passion this year. From their involvement, teams and fans were both able to benefit, and school traditions thrived for another year.

—Peter Newby

“...and a helluva engineer!”

Left to Right, Row One: Roddy Bailey, Phil Maxwell, Christine Sax, Thomas Penny, Wes Hendlein, Brett Bales, Jeff Walker, Vincent Cronso, Shannon Copeland, Karen Brothers, Richard Aguin, Patricia Laxton, Kevin Hughes, Lesley Gilbert, Clint Padgett, Christel Brown, Philip Bums, Michelle Lilly, Brad Sand, Ansley Davis, Brian Barker. Row Two: Jeffrey Wallis, Chris Finko, Jason Hill, Betty Tong, Mike Sloop, Gabby Kuehn, Lara O’Connor, Michael Smith, Bryan Taft, Scott Johnson, Jennifer Stanely. Photo by SPI.
Socializing during halftime, the Ramblin' Reck Club eagerly waits for the game to continue. The club ignited the fans' spirit during all home football and basketball games. Photo by Todd Sleeman.


Purpose: Solid Gold is a group of Georgia Tech students chosen to represent the Athletic Association as football hostesses.

Solid Gold


Purpose: To promote better understanding among the people of the world by providing one year scholarships for foreign students to study at Tech. In turn, Tech students are awarded scholarships to study abroad.

World Student Fund Committee
Keisha Wilson and Jennifer Scarboro perform with smiles during the FSU halftime show.
The Reckettes performed at all home football games. Photo by Ted McCrobie.


Smith Residence Hall


Purpose: To promote the idea of philanthropy by growing an endowment to be used in supporting various campus activities.

Student Foundation
Performing at Their Best
Reckette Dance Line Thrills Crowds

Formed in 1981 as a visual complement to the band, the Reckette Dance Line remains one of the number one crowd pleasers at any Georgia Tech function. This year, the Reckettes performed a number of eye-catching routines at the home football game halftime shows.

Tryouts for the Reckette Dance Line were held for two days in April. On the first day of tryouts, participants were given a dance routine which they had to learn and perform before a panel of judges on the following day.

In order to put on a perfect show for the crowds, the Reckettes attended practice six days per week during football season. The Reckettes performed routines with hoops, pompons, streamers, and swing flags. Their practices proved successful as shown by their many flawless performances.

Outside of the football games, the Reckettes managed to keep busy with various activities on campus and around town. During basketball season, the Reckettes attended the games to perform and cheer on the basketball players. The Reckettes also participated in several of the parades around Atlanta.

Although the Reckettes were held to a strenuous training and practice schedule, they were still able to have fun with their routines. Members of the dance line also formed valuable friendships with one another. The Reckettes put a large amount of effort into making their dance line one of which Georgia Tech can be proud.

—Lee Green

"Despite all of the curves that were thrown at us, this has been the most talented and close-knit danceline we've ever had!"

—Deidre Trebits

Two close friends, Deidre Trebits and Anne Blun smile for the camera during the homecoming parade. Friendship played an important role in the Reckette Dance Line. Photo by Reckettes.

Members of the Reckettes take their places on the field when it is time for their performance. The Reckettes worked hard to put on the best show possible. Photo by Reckettes.

Left to Right, Row One: Tracey Elecia Needham, Hilary Spann, Deidre Trebits, Anne Blun, Allison Williams, Tonia Brown. Row Two: Melissa Mielke, Jennifer Scarboro, Shannon Williams, Shannon Rackley, Jamie Janus, Kirsten Lambie, Keisha Wilson. Photo by SPI.
Governing Campus Residence Halls

RHA Sets Policies and Appropriates Money

Anyone who lived in a campus residence hall was a member of the Residence Hall Association (RHA). RHA was made up of 15 hall councils, and a governing body. Each hall council met once each week to set policies for their hall. These decisions often concerned visitation hours, parties, and recreational activities. The hall council was also responsible for justice in the halls. Any problems were reported to them, and they tried to resolve them. Each council had the power to remove a resident from their dorm, or completely from Tech housing if necessary.

Since residents ate, slept, studied, and partied in their residence hall, each hall council strived to form a sense of community in their dorm. This was accomplished mainly through an extensive series of activities such as pizza parties, dead week doughnut parties, and various trips. One of the main activities sponsored by RHA this year was the Winter Buzz formal, held at the Fox Theatre.

The main body of RHA met every Wednesday in the Student Services building. The meetings were a chance for representatives from each hall to learn new ideas by talking to members from other dorms. Meetings also gave members an opportunity to get involved in campus-wide planning and improve their leadership skills.

—Matt Baclar

Area II residents enjoy playing games on their computer. RHA fostered a sense of community among residents. Photo by Charles Clinton.

An RHA member studies a proposal being presented to the council. RHA was responsible for many important decisions concerning the residence halls. Photo by Matt Baclar.

Left to Right, Row One: David Griffin, Jonathan Fowler, Patrick Waldenfey, Kelly Shelton, unknown, Justin Preyer, Jarvis Jackson. Row Two: John Callahan, Lesley Moore, unknown, Joyce Janowsky, Hubert Ma, Rob Bramhall. Photo by SPI.
Members prepare for an RHA meeting. These meetings provided an important opportunity for the sharing of ideas on how to improve residence hall life. Photo by Matt Baclar.

A Fulmer resident prepares for a final exam. One of the many responsibilities of the RHA was assuring that dorms contained areas conducive to studying. Photo by Paige Penson.

Purpose: To provide a social, political, and cultural outlet for African-American students and to provide an awareness of African-American history and culture to the Georgia Tech community.

Left to Right, Row One: Lucretia Grier, Jason Tolbert, Erika Whitney. Row Two: Todd Totten, Charles Williams, Joseph Brown. Photo by David Pauli.

U.S. /Japan Intercultural Society

Purpose: To support Japanese students studying at Georgia Tech; to provide an opportunity for interested students and faculty to learn about Japanese culture; to foster cultural exchange through small group activities.

An SAE member takes notes during a lecture. Guest speakers provided information on design and operation of a variety of mobility devices. Photo by Vincent Hill.

A guest of SAE listens intently to the proceedings of the meeting. SAE brought together many different people sharing a common interest in automotive engineering. Photo by Vincent Hill.


Purpose: To further the ideals of the Democratic party of Georgia.

WREK

Purpose: To broadcast diverse programming as a non-commercial, educational, student operated 40,000 watt radio station 24 hours per day; to promote Georgia Tech; to provide practical experience in broadcasting.
Advancing the Sciences of Mobility

SAE Provides Exposure to Automotive Disciplines

During the 1993 school year, the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) worked hard as a group dedicated to the promotion of information in the automotive field. Through a combination of lectures and excursions, the group discussed and studied new developments within its field of land, sea, and air mobility.

With 120 members, Tech’s SAE chapter ranked among the top ten in the nation in membership size and was funded by dues and a grant from Mobile Oil Company. The group’s only eligibility requirement was for the individual to major in a field applicable to automotives.

The organization provided exposure to mobility sciences through visits to plants and facilities. They visited places such as the Delta Airlines facilities, the Saturn plant, and the Ford Hapeville Plant. The group also toured the Jim Downing Race Shop where Kudzu cars are designed, developed, machined, and assembled.

In addition to visiting manufacturing centers, SAE also sponsored lectures. Speakers talked about total quality management, design processes, and flexible manufacturing. In particular, one guest speaker from Lockheed lectured on the F-22 fighter while another spoke on ship building and design.

Competitions also played a role in SAE’s activities last year. GT Motorsports, a branch of SAE, travelled to the Chrysler facilities near Detroit, MI to redeem themselves from last year’s troubles. SAE also participated in the first ever aerodesign competition. In this competition, participants designed model planes and built them to be as light as possible. The model planes were then judged by the amount of weight each could carry.

“One really good thing about SAE is that people don’t have to really be into cars. You can learn a lot about manufacturing and design because we cover all different disciplines.”

—Tom Lee

Organizations 261
Fostering Interest in Engineering

Society of Black Engineers Promotes Excellence

The Georgia Tech chapter of the National Society of Black Engineers was an organization promoting excellence among African-American engineering students. With around 120 members, NSBE was one of the larger and more active organizations on the Tech campus.

Throughout the year, the Society of Black Engineers sought to provide cultural awareness and promote unity through a variety of activities and programs. The year began with a membership carnival, freshman retreat, and a word file picnic.

SBE also sponsored many events to help members make the transition from school to career. A resume jam session was held which included a fashion show of corporate wear, a resume writing workshop, and a skit, “The Young and the Resumeless.” This effort culminated in the annual Career Fair held during the winter quarter. Over 60 companies participated in this event.

Recognizing the importance of promoting engineering to future generations, a leadership conference was held. This conference was attended by approximately 80 high school students from the metro area. A high school outreach month was also held which included an essay contest, quiz bowl, and oratorical contest.

The Georgia Tech chapter of the National Society of Black Engineers was an active organization seeking to provide a positive influence on the Tech campus. NSBE provided an opportunity for African-American engineering students to meet and discuss important issues.

—David Burt

Derek Goshay and Cicily Dunlap stop to visit. SBE provided the opportunity for social interaction with other engineering students. Photo by Vincent Hill.

Students representing Mead pass out information on opportunities in the company’s various divisions. The SBE Career Fair was attended by over 60 companies. Photo by Vincent Hill.

A student discusses job possibilities with a company representative. SBE helped African-American engineering students make a successful transition from school to career. Photo by Vincent Hill.
Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities is a society which was formed for the sole purpose of honoring students with an outstanding academic record and who play an important role in campus activities. Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities honors students from more than 1,400 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations. It is considered a high honor to be named in the Who's Who national directory. Who's Who recognized students for outstanding leadership, academics, and community service. To be eligible for membership, candidates must be juniors, seniors, or graduate students with a high grade point average and be a campus leader. Since 1934, Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges has provided recognition for outstanding campus leaders. This year, 24 students from Georgia Tech were recognized as being among those listed in the Who's Who annual. They are as follows:

**Georgia Tech Who's Who**

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"Since only 24 students from Georgia Tech were selected for Who's Who, it was an honor to be considered one of the leaders of Georgia Tech and to be recognized for all the time and effort I put into extracurricular activities."

—Jennifer Koski
Throughout each year, the members of ANAK identify and work to realize projects that benefit the Georgia Institute of Technology, its students, and its faculty. Since the organization's founding in 1908, ANAK has created several campus establishments such as the Georgia Tech Honor Code, The Technique, the Student Government Association, the Mayer Japanese Garden, and most recently, the George Wingfield Semmes Scholarship. The majority of these projects are completed by the group on an anonymous basis. In addition, ANAK takes requests from students for help on various campus projects.

Membership in ANAK is highly confidential, and the members are not publicly recognized until the time of their graduation. Students who are asked to join the group are recognized by its members for their leadership ability, personal achievement, strong character, and love for Georgia Tech and dedication to its well-being. To be invited to become a part of this esteemed organization has long been considered the highest honor that an undergraduate student can receive while at Georgia Tech.

"The dichotomy of membership in ANAK is that it is at once uplifting and humbling. With some of Tech's most dynamic leaders working together, ANAK's output is uncommon."

Preparing Women for the Future

Society of Women Engineers Readies Students for Business and Industrial Professions

The Society of Women Engineers, SWE, is an organization dedicated to bringing women of industry together. This all-inclusive group invites both men and women to profit from its services. Throughout the 1993 school year, SWE sponsored many programs to help students overcome many of the obstacles associated with becoming an engineer.

One of SWE’s key ideas for a project this year was the high school outreach program. According to Amy Baker, vice president, it was “to let the girls at the high school level know that [engineering] is a valid alternative for them if they like math and sciences.” Talking with students about engineering and the role of women in engineering, SWE visited many different high schools in the area. The Society of Women Engineers also hosted seminars where students from these high schools could come to Georgia Tech for a day and become familiar with the different fields of engineering offered at the school.

SWE also had guest speakers for their bi-weekly meetings. Many of these speakers lectured on topics such as effective interviewing skills and how to create strong résumés. They also had informative meetings which integrated various other campus organizations. SWE and AIChE, for example, had a joint meeting on environmental issues.

“As long as you believe in yourself, things will happen.”
—Elizabeth Harrell, President

After refreshments, SWE member Marlene Lou prepares for another interesting meeting. SWE meetings always proved to be thought-provoking and informative. Photo by Chris Carson.

With notepads in hand, SWE members pay close attention to the guest speakers. Speakers from various industries talked about job interviews and résumés. Photo by Chris Carson.

Left to Right, Row One: Andrea Bentley, Takoi Hamrita, Marlene Lou, Linda Freeman, Trupti Desai, Lee Green. Row Two: Minh-An Arthur, Xandra Garanzuay, Myrna Grant, Kendra Kirkland, Theresa Jablonski. Row Three: Isabelle Quentin, Patricia Franklin, Lisa Wingerd, LaTonya Smith, Rebecca Carylo, Gwen Otringer, Elizabeth Harrell. Row Four: Pamela Lane, Catherine Cleaveland, Annette Vizena, Angela Blakeslee, Jany Allen, unknown, Wendy Bishop. Photo by SPI.
Uniting Students and Alumni
Student Alumni Association Aids Past, Present, and Future Tech Students

The Georgia Tech Student Alumni Association sought to promote interaction between students and alumni. Its sponsorship of programs and activities aided students of the past, present, and future. Some programs offered were the Mentor Program, Externships, GTLINCS, Dialing for Scholars, Alumni Branches, and a variety of Homecoming activities.

The programs ranged from direct interaction between a student and an alumnus to present students working with incoming students. For example, the Mentor Program matched a student who sought career counseling with an alumnus in their discipline who had similar interest. The Externship Program offered students a chance to work for up to two weeks with an alumnus to gain experience in their field. The GTLINCS and Dialing for Scholars allowed present students to welcome and assist incoming students to Tech.

In addition to the programs available to meet alumni, the GTSA serves Georgia Tech and the Atlanta community by providing student hosts through the Ambassador program. Members also participated in philanthropic activities. SAA members attended two conferences this year with SAA's from other schools across the country to exchange ideas with other student leaders.

In essence, the SAA sought to improve the quality of the Georgia Tech experience for all its alumni.

—Gail White

SAA members sell shirts displaying the purpose of their organization. SAA aided students of the past, present, and future. Photo by SAA.
Honor Society

Alpha Pi Mu was the brainchild of James French, who in 1949, was a senior industrial engineering student at Georgia Tech. Nine men, chosen through their affiliation with the Georgia Tech chapter of Tau Beta Pi constituted the original membership of Alpha Pi Mu. In 1959, full membership in the Association of College Honor Societies was attained. The major significance of Alpha Pi Mu's association with ACHS is that it is the only nationally accepted industrial engineering honor society. Chapters now exist in almost every major university which possesses an accredited industrial engineering department. While academic interests and abilities are required for membership, the society's overall goals are much broader. The Georgia Tech engineers who led the initial developmental work wanted an organization to provide an inspiration for young students, to provide a common ground on which their outstanding young engineers could exchange ideas, and to provide experiences which could help their future professional development.

"Alpha Pi Mu provides an opportunity for junior and senior IE's to be recognized for their achievements and gain additional knowledge about industrial engineering beyond classroom work."

—Kathy Owens, President

Left to Right, Row One: Kimberly Annis, Jeff Adcock, Brent Whitaker, Chris Laney, Robert Taylor, Jane White, Kathy Owens. Row Two: Jeff Fincher, Caryn Damato, Elizabeth Harrell, Neville Chen, Tom Priest, Enrique Beener, Suzanne McClary, Barbara Economy. Row Three: Jose Montero, Alejandro Penuellet, Troy Bohanon, Larry Lin, Gary Diesl. Row Four: Chad Freeman, Chong Pak, Julie King. Photo by SPI.
Founded at Georgia Tech on July 16, 1922, the Briarean Society is the oldest cooperative program honor society in existence. The Briarean Society honored co-ops who worked both fall/spring quarters and those who worked winter/summer quarters.

This year, the Briarean Society recognized the scholastic achievements of students enrolled in the cooperative program. Members were selected on the basis of having a junior class standing and a minimum cumulative grade point average of a 2.3, and must have completed at least two quarters of academic study in the Cooperative Department.

During the 1993 school year, the Briarean Society provided members with opportunities to meet other co-ops. Members were also able to benefit from learning about the experiences other co-ops encountered during their work quarter, and were then able to take the knowledge they learned back to the job with them.

One way in which members were able to get to know each other was through parties. The Briarean Society held at least one party per quarter for its members, as well as an initiation pizza party.

The Briarean Society worked hard to provide its members with benefits that could be useful both in school, on the job, and in the future.

1993 Officers:
Carol Hatfield - President
Bill Marsh - Vice President
Kathy Owens - Treasurer
Greg Willis - Secretary

"The Briarean Society recognizes those co-op students who have achieved excellence at Georgia Tech, then encourages them to use their talents to give something back to the community."
—Bill Marsh

Briarean Society

Lukas Bradle considers a proposal that has been brought to the floor. Members of USG voted on many different policies. Photo by Ted McCrobie.
Representing Undergraduates

Undergraduate SGA, Government for the Students

The Undergraduate Student Government, served to represent student interests during the 1993 school year. Undergraduate Council representatives and their officers were elected for one-year terms during winter quarter 1992. In addition to the elected representatives and officers, other interested students served on numerous undergraduate committees.

This year under the leadership of President Susan Sutherland and Vice President Emil Runge, the USG allocated over $1.6 million in student activity fees to over 70 student groups and organizations. USG also passed several resolutions voicing student concerns to the Georgia Tech Administration and the State of Georgia over issues such as Olympic planning and campus safety.

USG was made up of many different committees, each of which served a very important purpose in carrying out the goals of SGA. Several of these committees were the Academic Services Committee, the Academic Priorities Committee, the Athlete Services Committee, the Campus Planning and Safety Committee, the Elections Committee, the Campus Services Committee, the Governmental Affairs Committee, the Joint Finance Committee, the Campus Organizations Committee, and the Olympic Planning Committee.

—Susan Sutherland, President

"1992-1993 was an extremely busy and successful year for SGA."

—Susan Sutherland, President


Serving Graduate Student Interests
Graduate SGA Works to Improve Graduate Living

Throughout the 1993 school year, the Graduate Student Government served to represent the interests of graduate students in the Student Government Association.

One of the main goals of the GSG was to increase graduate student involvement in student government. Another important goal which the GSG strived to achieve was to make the administration aware of graduate student concerns such as library funding, lab safety and direct deposit of graduate assistant paychecks.

The Graduate Student Government also served to ensure graduate student input in decisions concerning the Olympics and the future of Tech.

This past year, the GSG was very active on campus. They sponsored the annual spring graduate student picnic, published a handbook for GRA's and GTA's, and sponsored orientation sessions for new students through FASET.

The GSG also took part in several other campus activities such as participation in the National Association of Graduate and Professional Students and in the Student Advisory Council to the Board of Regents.

The Graduate Student Government worked hard this year to ensure that graduate students' ideas were heard.

—Lee Green

Officers listen as a bill is read from the floor. Graduate Student Government passed many bills aimed at improving graduate student quality of life. Photo by Ted McCrobie.

Members vote on a resolution. Members of GSG were responsible for passing many policies which affect graduate students. Photo by Ted McCrobie.

Rick Peterson makes a proposal on which to be voted at the next meeting. Graduate Student Government members were encouraged to become active in the creation of new proposals. Photo by Ted McCrobie.
Eta Kappa Nu is the national honor society for electrical and computer engineers. This past year the Beta Mu chapter, the Georgia Tech chapter of Eta Kappa Nu, issued invitations to juniors in the top 5% of their class and seniors in the top 10% of their class to join. Membership was also available to graduate students who were recommended by the faculty advisor or by the Associate Director of Graduate Affairs.

The purpose of Eta Kappa Nu is to recognize outstanding students in electrical engineering who have conferred honor on Georgia Tech through distinguished scholarship, activities, leadership, and character, and to promote closer relations between students and faculty.

The Beta Mu chapter also helps members in their quest for academic excellence through association with alumni who have attained prominence and can often provide helpful information as to how to succeed at Tech as well as in the community.

This past year, Eta Kappa Nu hosted a speaker from one of America’s most successful companies, Intel. Members were encouraged to attend the lecture and ask any questions they had pertaining to Intel or the industry in general.

Meetings were held twice per quarter, and all members were encouraged to attend and take advantage of the information offered at each meeting. Eta Kappa Nu played a large role in encouraging academic growth of its members.

"[Eta Kappa Nu] is a blue chip organization that recognizes electrical engineering leadership."
—Scott Bohanan

Left to Right, Row One: Chuck Wilson, David Childress, Andrew Zambetti, Scott Bohanan. Row Two: Stephen Okelo-Odhong, Heather Stehman, George Thompson, Michelle McCalley, Geetika Bohil, Emily Sears, Katherine Lin. Row Three: Benjamin Fons, Dave S. Moon, Craig Olson, Acha Leke, Unknown, Elliot Jackson. Photo by SPI.
The objectives of Omicron Delta Epsilon are the recognition of scholastic attainment and the honoring of outstanding achievements in economics. Chapters of Omicron Delta Epsilon are limited to colleges and universities approved as senior colleges by the appropriate accrediting authority. Undergraduate candidates for election to any chapter of Omicron Delta Epsilon must have completed 12 hours of economics courses and have an overall scholastic average of a "B" or better. They do not necessarily have to be economics majors, but they must have a genuine interest in economics. Another major goal of Omicron Delta Epsilon is the establishment of closer ties between students and faculty in economics within colleges and universities, and among different colleges and universities. Omicron Delta Epsilon also publishes an official journal, The American Economist, and sponsors panels at professional meetings and the Irving Fisher and Frank W. Taussig competitions.

Omicron Delta Epsilon, one of the world's largest academic honor societies, is the result of a merger between two honor societies, Omicron Delta Gamma and Omicron Chi Epsilon. At the time of their merger in 1963, both had 28 chapters. Omicron Delta Epsilon currently has about 500 chapters in the United States, Canada, Australia, the United Kingdom, Mexico, Puerto Rico, South Africa, and Egypt. In accordance with the constitution of Omicron Delta Epsilon, the organization convenes biennially at the national meetings of the American Economic Association.

"ODE provides a unique opportunity to achieve academic excellence in economics."
Alice Summerour, Vice-President

Omicron Delta Epsilon

Left to Right: Alice Summerour, William Schaffer, Robby Abdelal, Jeff Katzman, Michelle Davis, Fred Tarpley, Rhonda Culp. Photo by SPI.
Advancing Building Construction

Student Construction Association Works on Behalf of Georgia Tech Building Construction Students

The Student Construction Association, affiliated with the Associated General Contractors, served to support the building construction program at Georgia Tech. Although the membership was composed mainly of building construction majors, it was also open to students majoring in architecture, civil engineering, and management. SCA provided opportunities for interested students to interact with the construction industry.

The 1993 school year was a very productive one for the building construction program and the SCA. The main accomplishment was the printing of a building construction résumé book that was sent to over 200 construction firms in and around Georgia. The printing of this book was a major step in gaining recognition for the building construction program. It contained not only the résumés of recent graduates seeking employment, but also those of undergraduate students looking for internships. The book included information about Georgia Tech, the degrees offered in the building construction program, a description of classes required, and a brief biography of professors. This information helped introduce prospective employers to the type of educational background students receive in the building construction program.

—David Burt

Rob Dunn looks over a copy of the building construction résumé book from the previous year. This book was one of the major achievements of the Student Construction Association. Photo by Brandon Yee.

Elsa Nieves talks to SCA president Ron Foister about the agenda for the afternoon's meeting. SCA meetings often provided information about the growing opportunities in the construction industry. Photo by Brandon Yee.

An SCA member submits her résumé for publication. The résumé book was a valuable tool for recent graduates seeking jobs and current students seeking summer internships in the construction industry. Photo by Brandon Yee.

“SCA has been a valuable source for the development of my future career.”
—Elsa Nieves
Always pushing, and sometimes exceeding, the limits of journalistic integrity, the "South's Liveliest" fulfilled its eighty-first year of entertaining and informing the Tech community during 1992-1993. Despite a round of "musical editors" and constant haggling with a computer system that no one really understood, the 'Nique staff still managed to produce a quality paper and to almost meet every deadline.

In addition to its weekly coverage of campus news, sports and features, The Technique managed to capture some of the more memorable campus events with special color sections portraying the vice-presidential debate held on campus and the centennial celebration of Georgia Tech football. The editorial board also thrust itself into controversy when, during fall quarter, it called for president Cretin's resignation in a consensus editorial.

Early in the year, energetic staff members revived two old Technique traditions: Bullwinkle and Two Bits once again graced the pages of the 'Nique. Deciding the humor was in poor taste, however, the editorial board voted Bullwinkle to his timely demise after one quarter.

Stories would usually come in by Tuesday and be edited by Wednesday. Section editors would then spend most of Wednesday night in their all-too-familiar Student Services Building office (the "bunker") in order to finish their layouts by Thursday.

Weekly deadlines meant more than just slaving over a computer keyboard. The 'Nique staff continued its tradition of athletic excellence with such deadline distractions as atrium ragball and garbage-can basketball. The staff also fared well on the intramural fields as the "Studpubs" finished fourth in their division.

—Darren Strader

"Deadlines can be excruciating, but seeing just one person reading the paper on Friday morning makes it all worthwhile."
—Darren Strader, Editor
Founded as a professional ceramics society to promote scholarship and service in the ceramic engineering field, the Keramos fraternity plays an active role in campus life. Members of Keramos attend regular meetings during which group projects and various items of business are discussed. This year, Keramos was active throughout the campus and Atlanta. One of the projects in which Keramos participated during 1993 was a display which was exhibited at Sci-Trek (Science & Technology Museum of Atlanta) upon its completion. Another important project in which Keramos took great pride was high school visitations. Members of Keramos traveled to various high schools within the Atlanta area. At these high school visitations, Keramos members talked with students who expressed an interest in engineering, especially those interested in Ceramic or Materials Engineering. The main focus of the Georgia Tech chapter of Keramos was pre-college education. For this reason, high school visitations proved to be a very important project for the members of Keramos. Although many of the projects in which Keramos was involved during the year were challenging, members found the projects to be well worth the time and hard work. Membership in the Keramos fraternity is limited to students with a Ceramic Engineering major or a Materials Engineering major. Keramos is an honor fraternity which promotes professionalism of students in the Ceramic Industries and encourages academic excellence and community service for all of its members.

"Whoever acquires knowledge but does not practice it is as one who ploughs but does not sow."

— Saadi

Left to Right, Row One: David Emmerich, Eric McEntyre, Ajit Prasad. Row Two: Todd Polley, D.N. Hill. Photo by SPI.
Membership in the Alpha Ro Chapter of Omega Chi Epsilon is an honor conferred upon junior and senior students who have distinguished themselves in their studies of Chemical Engineering at the Georgia Institute of Technology and in their service to the Georgia Tech community. The selection rules require that prospective members' grades be among the top 15 percent of the entire Chemical Engineering student body.

Activities are designed to promote scholarship, to encourage undergraduate research, and to recognize outstanding student achievement. A tutorial service is staffed by dedicated members of the honor society who assist students in the introductory Chemical Engineering courses at Georgia Tech. In addition, members compile a listing of available research opportunities in the Undergraduate Research Handbook for use by all Chemical Engineering students.

Each year the members of Omega Chi Epsilon elect and honor three outstanding students and a faculty member who have made significant contributions to the department. This recognition as well as membership in Omega Chi Epsilon are among the highest honors that can be awarded to a Chemical Engineering student at Georgia Tech.

Omega Chi Epsilon officers for the 1992-1993 academic year were Stanley Nyarko, president; Patty Laxton, vice-president; Chris Flanders, secretary; and Kim Parks, treasurer.
Advancing on Services for Students

Student Center Governing Board Makes Policies

For many years, the Student Center Governing Board has done a great deal for the Georgia Tech community. The Governing Board is an organization which serves the purpose of creating and implementing new programs which benefit the students, faculty and staff of Georgia Tech. This past year, the Student Center Governing Board was responsible for awarding the 1992 Bookstore Leadership Scholarships.

The Student Center Governing Board also functioned as an advisory committee to the Director of the Student Center. In this manner, the Governing Board assisted with the decisions affecting Student Center services such as ARA, the post office, and overall management of the Student Center.

The Student Center Governing Board was also responsible for the reallocation of the space created by the construction of the new Student Services building. On top of this, the Governing Board also served Georgia Tech and the community through their service as the administrative body for the Theatre for the Arts.

The Governing Board was made up of members of the student body, faculty and administration. Meetings were held once per quarter. In these meetings, the issues concerning the administration of the many responsibilities held by the Board were debated.

—Lee Green

"The Student Center Governing Board meets regularly to make decisions regarding policies of the Georgia Tech Student Center."

—Michael L. Emry, Student Center President

David Rodriguez, Emil Runge, and Cody Nolan listen intently to the business at hand. The Governing Board made many decisions on new policies. Photo by Todd Sleeman

Board member Rich Steele makes a proposal. Governing Board members were encouraged to comment on Student Center administration. Photo by Todd Sleeman.

Chris Dreger considers a new policy. One of the primary responsibilities of the Governing Board was to create new policies for students. Photo by Todd Sleeman.

Left to Right: Rich Steele, David Rodriguez, Cody Nolan, Chris Dreger, Larry East, Tony Chan, Russ Callen, Willie Belton, Emil Runge. Photo by SPL

Photo by Todd Sleeman.
Final Year for a Tech Landmark
Techwood Dorm to be Lost to Olympic Construction

1993 marked the closing of an East Campus landmark, McDaniel Residence Hall, better known to students as Techwood Dorm. The building was slated to be demolished at the end of the school year to accommodate Olympic construction.

Techwood Residence Hall's doors were opened to students in September of 1935. It was the first building completed in the Techwood homes project, finished in 1936. It was described as giving "the perfect life for the college student" by then Georgia Tech President, Dr. M.L. Brittain. In 1935, a student paid $36 per semester to live there—quite a jump from the $22.50 it cost to live in the other dorms.

Techwood Residence Hall had a personality unlike any other residence hall on campus. Its residents were generally proud of their home, and they showed their pride through activities such as the Techwood Spring Party and Techwood-Con. The Techwood Spring Party featured a band and dancing. Earlier in the year, Techwood-Con, a weekend celebration that included Dr. Who films and different kinds of games was held.

To commemorate Techwood's many years of operation, residents created T-shirts with the phrase "Fifty-nine years of living on the wrong side of North Avenue," on them. Students who have enjoyed the unique living style offered by Techwood will miss this Tech landmark.

—Belle Gayler

Two friends visit in Techwood Residence Hall. Students often requested to live in the dorm because of the unique parties and activities. Photo by Matt Baclar.

A student, surrounded by the normal residence hall room clutter, takes a break from his studying. Many students brought personal belongings to their rooms to make the room feel more like home. Photo by Matt Baclar.

Techwood Residence Hall as it appeared upon completion in 1935. Techwood Residence Hall was slated for demolition at the end of the 1993 school year. Photo by Georgia Tech Archives.

"Compared to anything GeorgiaTech's got, this is marvelous."
—Jack Calhoun, 1935 Tech Sophomore

Founded sixty-three years ago at Washington and Lee University, Omicron Delta Kappa strives to bring together all leaders in one body for the general good of the Institute in various phases of college activities. Omicron Delta Kappa encourages not only academic leadership but personal development as well. Academic and extracurricular education are both important to the members of Omicron Delta Kappa. Members are juniors and seniors who have proven themselves in academics, athletics, social service, and journalism. Georgia Tech’s chapter of Omicron Delta Kappa, the Alpha Eta Circle, was formed in 1930 and currently is made up of thirty-four members. The Circle sponsors many opportunities and activities for its members. The Omicron Delta Kappa Leadership Conference, Friend of the Student Award, and the Leader of the Year Award are just a few of the activities and opportunities from which Omicron Delta Kappa members can benefit. Eligibility to join Omicron Delta Kappa is based on several requirements. Qualifications for membership are exemplary character, responsible leadership and service, superior scholarship, genuine fellowship and consecration to democratic ideals. Other than students, membership can also be awarded to graduate students, faculty members and administration, alumni, and people of distinction in the community.

"I believe ODK provides a forum where student, faculty, and alumni leaders can meet to discuss the future goals of Georgia Tech and its organizations."

—Caryn Riley
Vice-President

Left to Right, Row One: Caryn Riley, Lara O’Connor. Row Two: Rita Morgulis, Betty Tong, Gina Hardin, Trina Dyan Clark, Anne D. Forrest. Row Three: Doug Bodner, Jennifer Eden, Sean Kelley, Mike Emry, Jeff Waller. Photo by SPI.
The Order of Omega is a Greek leadership honor society. Its purpose is to recognize leadership qualities among those involved in Greek activities, to encourage them to continue along this line, and to inspire others to strive for similar conspicuous attainment. Order of Omega serves to bring together the most representative fraternity and sorority members, and to create an organization which will help to mold the sentiment of the institution on questions of local and intercollegiate affairs. In addition, Order of Omega brings together members of the faculty and members of the institution's fraternities and sororities on a basis of mutual interest, understanding, and helpfulness.

The Alpha Epsilon chapter of the Order of Omega tapped and initiated 31 Greek leaders in December. In the winter, they sponsored a philanthropy project to benefit the American Heart Association. In the spring, the Order of Omega sponsored an interviewing workshop, a speaker on diversity, and the 1993 Greek Week faculty/student Reception. The year ended with the tapping and initiation of new members and the election of new officers.

Order of Omega
Serving Students Through Activities
Student Center Programs Board Enriches Campus Life

Serving Georgia Tech through various activities, the Student Center Programs Board was responsible for the variety of programs sponsored through the Student Center.

The Programs Board consisted of 11 committees responsible for the activities offered throughout the 1993 school year.

The Concert Committee sponsored concerts and music-oriented programs held throughout the year. The LIFE Committee (Lectures, Information, Forums, Entertainment) planned programs and activities related to the cultural enrichment of the student body. The Movie Committee was responsible for the films presented in the Student Center Theatre. The Special Events Committee worked to entertain students through a variety of programs. TTN presented a variety of movies. The Committee for the Arts helped in the promotion of the cultural awareness of the student body. The Homecoming Committee coordinated the Haunted Homecoming celebration. MOVE (Mobilizing Opportunities for Volunteer Experience) worked to place students interested in volunteer work with the appropriate community organizations. OPTIONS offered extracurricular classes for the students and community. The Student/Faculty Relations Committee planned programs to encourage informal interaction between the student body and the faculty and staff. The Techwood Tutorial Project helped to provide tutorial assistance to elementary school kids on a one-on-one basis.

Throughout the year, the programs offered through the Student Center helped encourage the social growth of the Tech community through interaction with other students and the community.

"The 1992-93 Programs Board has done an excellent job of continuing some traditions while replacing others with innovative new programs."
—Michael L. Emry
Student Center President

Members of the Programs Board listen as another committee chairman gives a report. Committee chairmen used the meetings to inform other chairmen about what was going on in their committees.

Photo by Matt Baclar.

Left to Right, Row One: John McCarty, Karen Bennett, Malisa Sarntinoramon, Marie Pesola, Sonya Ko. Row Two: Robert Duncan, Tony Chan, John Bragansa, Chuck King. Row Three: Larry East, Mike Emry, Debbie Smith. Row Four: Chris Tremann, Sally Hammock, Boyd Beckwith. Photo by SPI.
Keeping Vietnamese Traditions
Vietnamese Student Association Benefits Members

Preparing its members to succeed at Georgia Tech and in society, the Vietnamese Student Association encouraged anyone with an interest in Vietnamese tradition to join. The Vietnamese Student Association was formed in 1979 for the purpose of preserving Vietnamese national spirit.

This year, the Vietnamese Student Association took part in many activities and events throughout the Southeastern United States. Among these activities was participation in the Interstate Sports Tournament which was held in Alabama, a workshop and summer camp in Tennessee, and a Regional Convention in Florida.

The Vietnamese Student Association was also very active on campus and throughout Atlanta as well. The VSA took part in the International Festival on campus and also coordinated the International Culture Festival held at Underground Atlanta in the fall.

Members enjoyed many benefits throughout the year. Aside from the numerous activities, members had access to tutoring programs as well as the opportunity to help fellow students and community members.

The Vietnamese Student Association also took part in many charity events to help the needy in Atlanta and around the world.

—Lee Green

VSA members socialize and enjoy refreshments before a meeting. Meetings were always carried out in an informal manner. Photo by Matt Baclar.

Left to Right, Row One: Thanh-Trung Nguyen, Tuan D. Pham, Thanh Tran, Unknown. Row Two: Khang H. Pham, Hoang V. To, Anh Ton, Liet Hong Tran, Minh That. Photo by SPl.

VSA members greet each other before they take their seats. VSA meetings were social as well as informative. Photo by Matt Baclar.

A VSA member leans in to listen to the group’s conversation. VSA provided a forum for discussion of issues facing the Vietnamese. Photo by Matt Baclar.
Sigma Gamma Tau is the honor society for Aerospace Engineering at Georgia Tech. It seeks to identify and recognize achievement and excellence in the Aerospace field.

The objectives of Sigma Gamma Tau as stated in the preamble of the society's national constitution are "to recognize and honor those individuals in the field of Aeronautics and Astronautics who have, through scholarship, integrity, and outstanding achievement, been a credit to their profession. The society seeks to foster a high standard of ethics and professional practice and to create a spirit of loyalty and fellowship, particularly amongst students of Aerospace Engineering."

Sigma Gamma Tau was a very active part of the Georgia Tech campus this past year. In the spring, they hosted their annual paper airplane contest. This contest drew participation from high school students all around the state. With the help of the AIAA, Sigma Gamma Tau also hosted the Aerospace Engineering Senior Banquet. A new project for this year was the big buddy program designed to lower the freshman attrition rate.

"Sigma Gamma Tau provides an excellent means of meeting and encouraging future aerospace engineering students and allows current students to exercise their leadership skills within their professional community."

—Leigh-Ann Darden, Secretary
Sigma Lambda Chi is the nationally recognized scholastic honor society for students majoring in Building Construction. Membership in the society is an honor, and an invitation to membership is extended only to those Building Construction students who have shown outstanding scholarship, leadership, and character.

Georgia Tech received a charter for its chapter of Sigma Lambda Chi last spring quarter, based on a student-initiated effort. Fifteen charter members were inducted and an additional seven members were initiated during winter quarter.

In addition to recognizing outstanding students, Sigma Lambda Chi seeks to render service to the Building Construction program, and to foster good relations between campus, industry and the public. Although the Sigma Lambda Chi is one of the newest honor societies on campus, it is preparing to become one of the most active. Officers for 1993 were Bill Marsh, president; Kirk Deas, vice-president; Jay Poston, secretary; and Kyle Cullars, treasurer.

"Sigma Lambda Chi has become an integral part of the Building Construction program. It has benefitted both the school and the individuals involved, by creating an ongoing dialogue between students and faculty outside the classroom setting."

—Bill Marsh, President


Honoring Scholastic Achievement
Gamma Beta Phi Society Develops Leadership and Character

Gamma Beta Phi is a Georgia Tech branch of a national honor and service organization. As of February 1993, there were 77 chapters of Gamma Beta Phi nationwide, with an overall membership of 30,000 students. The current membership at Georgia Tech is 278. The society’s watchwords are scholarship, service, and character. Its colors are gold and ebony.

The objectives of Gamma Beta Phi are to recognize and encourage excellence in education and to promote the development of leadership ability and character in its members. The organization is devoted to improving the education of its members through various service projects for the local community.

Gamma Beta Phi members keep track of their team’s bowling score. Social activities were an integral component in the formation of long-lasting friendships. Photo by Josh Klapper.

1993 was a busy year for Gamma Beta Phi. The society was involved in various community service activities in Atlanta. A literacy drive at Techwood, volunteer work at the Atlanta food bank, a clothing drive for the Salvation Army, a book drive for the Techwood library, and volunteer work for Habitat for Humanity were among the many volunteer projects sponsored by the society.

The society is open for membership to students who are committed to excellence in education, good character, and service. Those applying must have completed 12 hours and have a scholastic ranking within the top twenty percent of their class.

—Yasser Mahmud

"Gamma Beta Phi strives to promote education and to develop leadership and character at Georgia Tech and in the Atlanta community...with our numerous service projects, we are achieving that goal."
—Michael Walker, President

Preparing to release the bowling ball, a student wears the Gamma Beta Phi letters on his sweatshirt. Membership in Gamma Beta Phi was an honor that relatively few were able to attain. Photo by Josh Klapper.

Gamma Beta Phi president, Michael Walker, presides over a meeting. Membership in Gamma Beta Phi provided important leadership opportunities. Photo by Josh Klapper.