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Jazzing up the Library

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Here you will find uncountable volumes of knowledge manifested in black and white. You will also find an equally uncountable number of people - hungry to devour this knowledge.

But when it comes to satiating the real hunger of these people, the hunger which fuels their bodies, which keeps them awake and going, you will find no food!

The building in question? The Georgia Institute of Technology Library.

However, the lack of food description will soon no longer depict the Library. As a result of collaborative efforts between Auxiliary Services, GT Dining and the Library, coupled with feedback and requests from Tech students and staff, the Library will soon be equipped with the much needed fuel.

Jazzman’s Cafe is taking up the responsibility of providing refreshments and coffee for students in the Library. And Jazzman’s will be doing so in style.

Jazzman’s will provide a comfortable cafe kind of atmosphere, serving fine coffee beverages along with baked goods, sandwiches, salads - the works.

Lightening up the ambience will be jazz music playing in the background, providing students a relaxing break from their infinite academic quests.

This long awaited cafe will be opening around the beginning of spring semester.

Students who are on the Gold Meal Plan will be able to use their 50/50 dining card here.

The operating hours for Jazzman’s will be Sunday 3 to 10 p.m., Monday - Thursday 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., Friday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and closed on Saturday.

Now there will be a much bigger incentive for students to study in the Library, given that food, coffee and music are all available just a few yards away, without even having to leave the building. Studying late and during weekends will no longer be hindered by a lack of food resources.

Jazzman’s will be located on the 1st level, East Wing of the Library. "We are really excited about the opening," said Shequita Barnes, marketing manager, GT Dining. "It will bring great service to students, faculty and staff."

The Library will soon become a one-stop destination, satisfying more than one form of hunger.

Your Money: Single Parent & Impact Scholarships

Auxiliary Services added a new scholarship, the Single Parent Scholarship, to its 10 Impact Scholarships provided by Auxiliary Services BuzzFunds.

Both Impact and Single Parent scholarships are complete on-line processes, including on-line essays and letters of support.

Students may access the Single Parent Scholarship applications on Friday, Dec. 9, and Impact Scholarship applications on Friday, Jan. 20, on www.ImportantStuff.gatech.edu.

Here are the requirements for both. Read through them and see if you are a candidate. Then during the holidays, begin your preparations.

Single Parent Scholarship

Award Amount: two at $3200 each
Deadline for Applications: Friday, Jan. 27.
Purpose: To help support single parents who are attempting to continue their education at Georgia Tech while raising a family.
Qualifications:
- Single parent with at least one qualifying child
- Must be currently enrolled at Georgia Tech (undergraduate or graduate) or co-op student on work term
- Must plan to be enrolled at least part-time or on co-op for the 2006-07 academic year
- Must be in good academic standing

*Qualifying Child
The child must satisfy the following four tests:
- Relationship: Must be the applicant's child or stepchild (whether by blood or adoption), foster child, sibling, or stepsibling, or a descendant of these.
- Residence: Must have the same principal residence as the applicant for more than half the tax year
- Age: Must be less than 19 years of age at the end of the tax year, or less than the age of 24 if a full-time student for at least five months of the year, or be permanently and totally disabled at any time of the year
- Support: Did not provide more than one-half of his/her own support for the year

Impact Scholarship

Award Amount: 10 at $3200 each
Eligibility requirements:
- Must be a full-time student currently enrolled at Georgia Tech or a co-op student on work semester with at least sophomore status.
- Must plan to be enrolled at Georgia Tech for the 2006-07 academic year (at least two academic terms, Summer 2006 through Spring 2007)
- Must be in good academic standing with at least 2.5 overall grade point average.
News Bulletin
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With the holiday season underway, Auxiliary Services is writing its list of new and updated programs, services and facility upgrades and checking it twice.

Auxiliary Services Holiday List
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Yasco Sulejmanagic, a Tulane student who has been studying at Tech for the past two and a half months.

What strikes the listener most when Yasco talks is his enthusiasm about settling in a new college.

Being a Management student, Yasco's day begins as he catches the Tech Trolley at Hemphill College of Management.

"I don't think I can live without the Trolley!" Yasco said. "I do not mind walking but the campus is much bigger (as compared to back home) and it takes a while to get from one place to another. The Trolley and other shuttle services make things much easier."

He loves the size of Georgia Tech's campus. As he rightly said, "There is so much more that one can see and do."

Next on his 'can't do without it' list is the Student Center. "I go there a lot, especially on Friday and Saturday nights. I think it is a cool place to hang out. I love the Tech Rec (the billiards and bowling area) because it allows students to unwind and have a good time."

Another thing which impressed Yasco is Health Services. "I had to take a foot x-ray and couldn't make it on time," Yasco said. "I called to reschedule and was treated most cordially. They immediately rescheduled my appointment to an hour later."

"The doctor who saw me, Dr. Siegel, was an absolute top-notch professional."

"I also like the fact that they do not charge you (students) for flu shots at Health Services. At other places one little flu shot can cost a great deal."

When asked about academics at Georgia Tech, Yasco said, "It's tough but really worth it."

Yasco said that he heard the Georgia Tech College of Management is one of the top ten high-tech buildings in the south and "it is not hard to believe that."

Speaking of academics, Yasco said he is also grateful to Barnes & Noble @ Georgia Tech for working with him to get his books.

"They were really flexible to my needs," he said.

"I came in after the semester was well underway, and they still gave me around 10 days time to return the books which I had purchased from them, in case I felt the need to do that.

The 'used books' concept at the bookstore is also really nice and something which can help students save."

The Smithgall Student Services Building is another place that Yasco likes. Being born in Bosnia (he moved with his family to the United States 10 years ago), he feels proud to see the Bosnian flag flying high along with all the others in the building, popularly known as the 'Flag Building.'

"For any student at Georgia Tech, it is not just about performing and making your college look good. Be it academics or services, a whole lot of things are done for the students to make them feel a part of a bigger community and a bigger picture."

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Adding a Personal Touch
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He is among those who oversee the fitness of the Yellow Jackets. He is among those who have a final say on matters concerning whether an athlete is to play or not. He is also among those who treat patients at Health Services and while doing so, savor the relationships formed between them and their patients. He is Dr. Galante.

A first generation Italian, Angelo Galante grew up playing soccer and most other sports. His elder brother is a physician, and his father, an engineer, has many friends who are doctors. While in school, he enjoyed people's company and in general was a person who liked taking care of people. Thus, it was not surprising that he chose to follow medicine as a career.

And yet, he always had this incredible affinity toward sports which led him to do a Fellowship in Sports Medicine at Columbia University after obtaining a primary residency in family practice.

In August 1997, he was offered a job at Tech and decided to take it for a year to see what it was like.

A year? In 2005, eight years later, he sees his work here as an illustrious phase in his career which he has thoroughly enjoyed. Initially hired for the dual role of a staff physician and team physician, today he is a staff physician as well as covers interscholastic sports, primarily high profile and most injury prone ones like football and basketball.

"I truly enjoy working with younger people who are truly intelligent and interested in getting better," Galante said.

"They don't come with abused bodies demanding quick answers. It's an active population that I work with and this largely caters to my interests."

One thing he misses, though, is the medical school setting which has led him to working on building a cooperative program with Emory University so that he can work with residents and medical students.

Another thing he misses is long-term patient relationships made impossible due to the transient nature of his student patients.

"Everybody is always leaving in four years and there isn't sufficient time to build up a great relationship," Galante said.

"In private practice, you really get to know your patients over time. That is what I miss most, being the part of a permanent family [physician]."

One would expect such a good Sports Medicine Doctor to idolize a great Sports Personality. But perhaps this is where the uniqueness of Dr. Galante lies.

"It is hard for me to answer the 'idol' question now. It's much easier to answer when you are 15. As you grow up, you realize that athletes are no different from anybody else; they are doing something where they are skilled. A great player on the field could be a 'not-so-good' person off it."

"I highly appreciate anyone who adds a new dimension to the world, like perhaps discovering a new drug which cures a terminal disease."

As far as games go, his most memorable game was some years back when Georgia Tech beat Virginia 41-38. He also savors the basketball team going into the Final Four.

"Other than that, beating Georgia is always a pleasure."

Ask him what his hobby is and Dr Galante might surprise the person again.

"Right now, my family is my hobby. It has always been sports before now. But now I have two children, 20 months and 7 months old, so they take up most of my time."

A true professional, a true family man, a person who loves and enjoys his work - Dr Galante adds his personal touch in whatever he does.

Meet the Pharmacy. Viola Brown and Kauana Daniels-Stills have at least one thing in common - with each other and with Dr. Galante too - they simply love working with a group of young, lively people. Both have been working at the Health Services Pharmacy for three years now and what they like about their professions the most? “It’s a career that is not only fulfilling but really helps others too.”

Pictured (l-r) are Viola Brown, Health Services Pharmacy Supervisor, and Kauana Daniels-Stills, Staff Pharmacist.
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It houses perhaps the most calm and 'creativity-stimulating' environment found anywhere on campus. Here, one does not just let ideas run wild but rather materialize them by actually creating art, which if not for the Craft Center, would have remained as just a fragment of one's imagination.
The Craft Center is an irony in itself. Among the mish-mash of vibrant colors, among the smells of various paints and cosmetics wafting through the air, among the thousands of trinkets lying everywhere lies a constant sense of solidarity, a constant sense of creativity, a sense which manifests itself in the form of art.
Artisans, students worn out by academic demands, or simply individuals wanting to take a break and do something different will find the Craft Center as the place to be. Here one can do just about anything and most of it can be done at no charge or within minimal costs.
The 'Playpen,' housed by the Craft Center, is a place to make those pieces of artwork which only require a creative mind and a skilled set of hands, no real machinery or technical skills. The Playpen is supplied with a set of paints, jewelry making articles, button making machines, ribbons of all kinds and all sorts of paraphernalia available for making just about anything.
The Darkroom is a place reserved for developing pictures. Most people prefer black and white, but the Darkroom provides chemicals and facilities which cater to the development of both, black and white, and color pictures.
There is also a silk screen press which can be made operational to print T-shirts.
The Craft Center also hosts four kilns or ovens which are used for baking pottery along with six pottery wheels, rolling equipment, the works.
There are also tons of different molds available for making ceramics.
Among other things that catch attention are the beautiful works of stained-glass laid out on the shelves available for students (at a minimal price of $3 per semester).
Ever thought that the pottery in your house could be jazzed up a little? Well, this place allows you to paint your own pottery, providing glaze, paint and other raw materials needed to do so. All this is at absolutely minimal costs.
All of these departments are for those creatively oriented people. But what if one is not one of those who is remotely artistic in any way? Could the Craft Center be of any use? Well, of course yes. If one wanted to build a finished product for a class project or make a neat little poster for his/her residence room or make a huge banner for a club, then the Craft Center can do it.
The Craft Center offers printing services too. For a small charge, one can print posters and banners of all shapes and sizes at the 42-inch wide printer which seemingly prints almost anything. Banner tags and banner cloth can be obtained and papers of different qualities for different purposes can be purchased as well.
About 20 to 30 students visit the Craft Center every day, either to immerse themselves in the quiet and serene world of art, or to obtain, make, purchase or order items which would add just a little more color to this otherwise mundane world. Join them!
For more information on The Craft Center, visit www.foef.gatech.edu.

Scooter Winner. Housing Peer Leader Nicholas "Nick" Hansen (junior, Mechanical Engineering) will get around Housing residence halls and campus quicker now that he has his new scooter. A contest sponsored by Odwalla and the GT Dining Food Court, Hansen won the scooter through the luck of the draw. Students registered from Nov. 1-22; Hansen's registration was pulled from the box of entrants. "I wandered by the Food Court, came in and bought a Smoothie" and he won! (No purchase was necessary.)