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By Kyle Thomason
Editor-in-Chief

All about the Technique

The Technique is Georgia Tech’s official student newspaper. Founded in 1911, the paper has been published weekly since then, except for a brief period when it was published twice weekly.

The Technique consists of five sections: News, Opinions, Focus, Entertainment and Sports.

The Entertainment section includes features about Tech- and Atlanta-based entertainment offerings that appeal to students, as well as music, movie and restaurant reviews.

The Sports section covers a wide variety of Tech sports from varsity to club and intramural teams, as well as other news.

Each section has an editor who is responsible for its content, layout and administration.

The Technique has a general staff meeting every Tuesday night at 7 p.m. in room 137 of the Student Services Building. The meeting is open to people interested in writing or taking pictures for the newspaper and to those already involved. Section editors often meet with their staffs to assign and collect stories.

On Wednesday nights, the editorial staff works to edit stories and design the layout for the following Friday’s paper. Students interested in getting involved should email Kyle Thomason at editor@technique.gatech.edu.

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McGuire named assistant dean

Professor Peter McGuire from the School of Literature, Communication and Culture was named an associate dean of the Ivan Allen College of Liberal Arts.

Haldff becomes Miss Cobb County

Second-year Materials Science and Engineering major Lauren Haldff was recently named Miss Cobb County in a scholarship pageant on Aug. 4. For the talent portion of the competition, she sang a piece by Franz Schubert, "Gretchen am Spinnrade."

Haldff, who received $12,700 in winnings, maintained a 4.1 GPA in her freshman year at Tech. She plans to try out for Greek life and to become a practicing engineer.

Sanz performs with troupe

Horatio Sanz, from Saturday Night Live, and his comedy troupe will be performing tonight at 8:00 pm at the Student Center.

Sanz joined the SNL cast in 1975 as its first Latino member and has enjoyed recent fame with SNL as well as in Hollywood.

Phase II class registration ends

Fall 2005 Phase II Registration ends today.

Consequently, today is the final opportunity for students to register for any new classes that are still open or to drop any classes for which they are currently enrolled without receiving a "W" marking on transcripts.

Trolley nights debut in midtown

This Tuesday, Aug. 30, and for the following three Tuesdays Parking and Transportation will be holding "Trolley Nights."

During this celebration, riders on the Midtown Trolley Loop will have the opportunity of shopping with special deals from merchants in midtown. On each of these nights, a sticker with the words "rider the Georgia Tech Midtown Trolley Loop" will be distributed along with coupons.

Registration for Options opens

Registration for Options Classes offered in the fall began Aug. 24. Students can register at the Box Office, online at fun.gatech.edu/ FallOptions or by calling 404-894-9600. The end of regular registration on Sept. 10, late registration will be available until Sept. 14 with a $5 fee. Late registration will only be available at the Box Office and via telephone.

Programs receive high rankings

By Nikhil Joshi
Assistant News Editor

“Nerd Nirvana,” an article published in the August issue of the US News and World Report, praised Tech as a very technical but balanced university, stating that it competes with “top schools like MIT, Emory and Duke.”

According to the magazine’s 2006 undergraduate rankings, which were published in the same issue, Tech ranks ninth among public universities in the United States and 37th overall.

“We’re especially proud of our ability to attract an elite status among public universities during a time when our state funding has decreased,” said Provost Jean-Lou Chameau in a press release.

This is not the first time the Institute has garnered high rankings. Tech was ranked 10th last year in top public universities and has been ranked in the top 10 for the past eight out of 10 years.

“Over the last decade Georgia Tech has shown the consistency in performance that reflects the quality of this institution,” Chameau said.

Nine of Tech’s engineering programs ranked in the top 10, and five ranked in the top five. Among the highlights were Industrial Engineering, which remained in first place and Aerospace Engineering, which ranked second. Biomedical Engineering (BME) took fourth, up two spots from last year.

Wendy Newstetter, director of Learning Sciences Research in Biomedical Engineering, suggested reasons for the program’s improvement.

“Our program is certainly innovative. Perhaps one reason (for the rise in rankings) is the fact that the uniqueness of our program is becoming evident across the nation,” Newstetter said. "Having problem-based learning (in BME) 1300) for our first year students is one thing that makes us unique."

The program’s introductory class, Problems in Biomedical Engineering (BME1300), allows students to work together in small groups to solve problems relating to the different fields in biomedical engineering through research and experiments.

The class is popular among Biomedical Engineering majors. “It was a lot of work, but getting to research current issues helped me understand what biomedical engineering is really about,” said Madison Keith, a second-year BME major.

"Working with a group of peers to solve real-life problems that biomedical engineers are facing today was an eye-opening experience. Not only did we have to research and work together to come up with a solution, but we also had to present our work to other students and professors,” said Shalini Bumb, another second-year BME major.

One difficulty, according to Newstetter, is that the program has had to cope with rapid growth. The program opened up to all students last year. “We are one of the largest programs in the country,” Newstetter said. “As last week we had 195 declared majors. The field is broad enough to attract people with a lot of different interests.

“It’s going to be challenging to maintain our problem-based learning style and state-of-the-art instructional laboratories with the large number of students,” she said.

In other rankings, the College of Management dropped one spot from last year, earning the 35th spot for 2006. One program within the College of Management, Quantitative Analysis, ranked seventh.

Tech boasts pair of Astronaut Scholars

By Arcady Kantor
Senior Staff Writer

Two Tech students were recognized for their accomplishments this summer, both receiving a prestigious scholarship from the Astronaut Scholarship Foundation. The two fourth-year students are Aerospace Engineering major Jarret Lafleur and Mechanical Engineering major Isaac Penny.

Each student was excited to be named a scholarship recipient and not just because of the money involved.

“I was elated to win. It was exciting, as I had looked forward to it. It was only going to come up for grabs once while I was here. I wasn’t sure I was going to get it, but I definitely was going to try,” Lafleur said.

Seventeen students each received scholarships of $10,000 this year. Tech was one of only two schools, along with Pennsylvania State University, that had both of its nominees for the scholarship selected as winners in the final deliberation process.

Students from 18 universities around the nation are eligible for the scholarship.

Each school nominates two individuals for the scholarship, and each year’s winners are selected from that pool of 36 by a scholarship selection committee.

Undergrads, transfers move to grad housing

By Emily Tate
Contributing Writer

Because 77 percent of last year’s unusually large freshman class returned this year to housing, the Department of Housing placed under graduate students in the Graduate Living Center (GLC).

Accordingly, according to Dan Morrison, Director of Residence Life, the department observed a decrease in the number of graduate students who requested housing this year.

“Our trends have been up and down in the last few years,” Morrison said. “Since we can’t plan on either one, we have a secondary plan, and in this case it was raising sophomores and transfer students.

Some graduate students were assigned to the new Tenth and Home Family Housing to make room for rising undergraduate students because Tenth and Home did not draw as many families as the Department of Housing had hoped for.

The GLC is approximately half undergraduate students and half graduates; 31 sophomores and 72 transfer students reside in the GLC.

“The group that has benefited the most by having some of our gradu-
**From the files of the GTPD...**

**Campus Crime**

**Tell me a little about myself.**

A suspicious male was reported in the Student Health Center on Aug. 4 at 4:44. While an officer was headed toward the scene, the pharmacy alarm was set off. Upon arrival, the complainant stated that the suspect claimed to be a student asking for his records. The subject is still at large.

**Call home lately?**

An officer received a call from two worried parents at 4:05 p.m. on Aug. 10. The parents stated that they had not heard from their son in over two weeks and were concerned for his safety. Upon arrival at the student’s residence, the officer concluded that the student was perfectly fine.

**Tell me a little about myself.**

On Aug. 15, an officer was dispatched to the O’Keefe Facilities Building. The complainant stated that she refused to give her boyfriend’s cell phone back. The boyfriend then ripped her bag and took back the charger. Their supervisor called them both into his office to resolve the situation. When the complainant handed her supervisor the phone, the boyfriend snatched it and ran out of the office. No charges were filed by either party.

**Last issue’s question received 171 responses**

- Get rid of it. - 35.67%  
- What’s priority registration? - 18.13%  
- I would like to see it go to different people. - 23.98%  
- I like it how it is. - 22.22%

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**How shocking**

On Aug. 7, the air conditioning unit of the Ajax building was struck by lightning during a thunderstorm. This event caused over $2,500 in damages to the unit.

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On Aug. 9, a suspicious male was seen attempting to steal a Motorola Charger in the Industrial Systems Engineering Building. The suspect fled down the back stairway after the complainant forcibly took the charger away from the individual.

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Flood forces Ferst renovation

By Alexandra Pajak
Staff Writer

The Ferst Center for the Arts is currently undergoing technical and interior improvements due to June 2005 flood damage.

New lighting equipment, floor- ing, aisle lighting, carpeting and ticket distribution methods are among the major improvements to the Ferst Center.

Jay C. Constantz, director of the Ferst Center for the Arts, said the flooding has allowed the Ferst Center staff to not only replace, but actually upgrade light systems and flooring.

With the assistance of insurance money, the Ferst Center will acquire new lighting equipment and carpeting worth $50,000.

Improved mechanized methods of ticket distribution will replace the system the Ferst Center currently uses. “The new system will give us an opportunity to improve marketing and fundraising,” Constantz said.

Operations Manager Brian Rekhkopf described the renovations as a kind of silver lining to the flood damage. He said the flood damage actually happened during two separate storms over the past summer.

“The first storm hit us from the west side of the building, the Boggs side,” Rekhkopf said.

Both the stage and orchestra pit were damaged in the first storm. There was a drainage issue; a sixteenth inch of silk mud covering a good part of the stage. There was a waterfall into the pit...workers pumped 60 gallons of water out of the orchestra pit.

The second storm proved equally destructive. “The second storm hit us from the east side of the building,” Rekhkopf said. “The roof caved in at one of the entrances to the theater...the sheet rock was so soaked, they had to cut away the molding.”

Renovations are scheduled to be complete between August and December of 2005.

The stage floor and carpeting will be replaced from August 27 to September 12. Carpet and aisle light replacement will occur over Christmas break.

“By January 1, we will be a fairly new, renovated theater,” Rekhkopf said.

Ferst Center employee and fourth-year Electrical Engineering student Chris Dalbec believes the changes will improve the Center.

“With the new lighting systems and interior, we may attract even better performers than in the past,” Dalbec said.

Constantz said the new interior will be “very inviting” for audience members. He added that as of Thurs., Aug. 25, 2005, the price for student tickets will drop from $15 to $10.

Students can obtain two tickets at the discounted price for any show at any time during the academic year with a BuzzCard. The Ferst Center seats 1,355. It was opened in 1992 and is Tech’s venue for performing arts, lectures and film.

“Come to the Ferst Center. It’s the campus’ best kept secret,” Rekhkopf said.

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**Undergraduate SGA representatives**

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**More Information:**

To get involved in the Undergraduate House of Representatives, in Undergraduate Student Government, or to contact your student government representative, visit the SGA homepage at sga.gatech.edu. You can also contact your representative by email or telephone.

Undergraduate house meetings are open to the student body. Representatives meet weekly beginning Tuesday, August 24, in room 117 of the Student Services Building at 7:30 p.m.

Some positions remain vacant. If you are interested in a position as a representative for one of these departments, please contact the SGA office in the new Student Involvement Area in the Student Center Commons.

The Technique provides weekly reports on the proceedings of SGA meetings including lists of bills passed.
And You?
Graduate SGA representatives

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More Information

The Graduate Student Senate (GSS) is the legislative body of the Graduate Student Government (GSG). GSS has input into the annual SGA budget. GSS meetings are held every Tuesday at 11 a.m. in room 117 of the Student Services Building. Senators are elected during the fall semester.

*Due to the fall elections of senators, many positions within the Graduate Student Senate are currently vacant. These positions have not been listed, but information on what positions are available can be found at the Student Government Association Website, sga.gatech.edu. Follow the link on the left to the graduate portion of the legislative branch.

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Mullick heads Industrial Design, continues research

By Arcady Kantor
Senior Staff Writer

The Industrial Design program of the College of Architecture recently gained new leadership. Abir Mullick was appointed Director for the program, replacing interim program director Wayne Chung.

Mullick, who comes to Georgia Tech from the State University of New York (SUNY) at Buffalo, was selected to replace former program director Lorraine Justice, who now heads the Design School at Hong Kong Polytechnic University.

“I wasn’t looking for a chair or director’s position, but I was very interested in this position because it was a very good fit in terms of what I had to bring and what the school has to offer,” Mullick said. “I am a trained industrial designer. I’m also a trained city planner, but I taught architecture. So in some ways it’s automatic.

“I want to make home environments more unique, Mullick hopes to leverage Tech’s multiple research centers and laboratories, including the Center for Assistive Technology and Environmental Access (CATEA) and the Advanced Wood Products Laboratory (AWPL). “Industrial Design does wonderful work with designing, but [the AWPL] gives the opportunity to study mass production. We can really use that as a resource to focus on production, and that can really set us apart from other schools,” he said.

“We [will] look at our resources and...make something absolutely terrific, [something] which none of our peer institutions have,” Mullick said. “That’s where I want to go, but I don’t know how, yet.”

In addition to his duties as Director of the Industrial Design program, Mullick will be both teaching courses and performing research at Tech. In his current research project, he plans to study indoor play environments for children. “I’m looking at what’s called the typology of inside play and what are some of the environmental and design issues that present themselves as barriers in play,” he said.

At SUNY Buffalo, Mullick taught architecture courses and performed research in universal design, attempting to make home environments accessible to the maximum possible number of people, including those who are disabled or elderly.

One of his recent accomplishments at his previous post was the design of a bathroom that can be dynamically rearranged to suit the needs of multiple individuals.

“Bathrooms and kitchens...these are places of product environments. There is no bathroom, there is no kitchen unless you have the things in there,” Mullick said. “In a bathroom, there are three product areas: the grooming area, the toileting area [and] the...bathing area. And typically these areas...are fixed in place.

“As people we have to go and make accommodations,” he said. “And most people don’t think about it because we’re able-bodied and we can deal with it. But people who have certain limitations, because these are not adaptable, are seriously handicapped by that.”

“If there is a small bathroom and you’re a wheelchair user, you won’t be able to enter, period. And if you are able to enter, you won’t be able to move around because there’s not enough space,” Mullick said.

“But what if you were able to suddenly create space between there? And now, just the environment suddenly becomes completely different and the person is able to operate it,” he said.

Mullick’s design attempts to solve this space problem by allowing the sink and shower areas of the bathroom to be moved along walls.

“If you want to have more space, you can push the sink and the shower away and have a large toilet area. You can also move, let’s say, the sink over the toilet, and have a large shower area,” he said.

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Students worked together to move their belongings into their new dorms.

Woodruff residents used dollies and friends to move into new rooms.

Students continue the tradition of wearing the RATS cap as they listen to speakers during Freshman Convocation.

President Clough speaks at Freshman Convocation.
ate numbers down is the transfer students,” Morrison said. “Normally transfer students are put on a wait-list for housing because they cannot enroll until after housing applications are due in March. A few years ago, that wait-list would have been where they stayed. But because we have the opportunity, the transfer students were the next most obvious group to be served,” he said.

Students who have unexpectedly been placed in the GLC, expressed both advantages and disadvantages to being undergraduates living in a graduate apartment complex.

Second-year Public Policy major Reid Samuel is one of the undergraduates living in the GLC. “One of the pros is that you get to be around people that have more experience and can be helpful to you while you’re at Tech,” Samuel said.

Samuel lives in a four-student apartment in the GLC with two fellow undergraduate students as well as one doctoral student. “One of the biggest disadvantages to living there, though, is that it’s a good fifteen minute walk to anywhere you want to go on campus,” he said. Morrison indicated that this situation is the result of a dramatic increase in the student population and that many off-campus housing opportunities are outside the control of the Department of Housing. This situation is not new to the Department of Housing. A few years ago the Hemphill Apartments were graduate apartments until a much larger class of freshmen came in.

“It was only this year that Hemphill was officially declared to be an undergraduate apartment building,” Morrison said.

The available facilities on campus are currently at critical capacity, as more than 7,000 students are said to be living on campus this year, with a remarkably low number of nine no-shows.

Scholar from page 3

The nominees for the scholarship are evaluated based on their initiative, creativity, excellence and resourcefulness in their field. Generally, only a single student from any given school is chosen as a winner.

“A good example of the creativity this scholarship looked for was a wing morphing design for use on Mars I developed. It is a revolutionary concept to have a space craft that could enter an atmosphere and have a high speed and low speed configuration,” Lafleur said.

Through Tech’s co-operative education program, Lafleur has worked at the Johnson Space Center in Houston, Texas, gaining valuable experience in his chosen industry.

“I didn’t win because I worked for NASA, but the work that I did there did help me. I got to see and understand a lot of my field,” Lafleur said. “I work really hard, not only at classes but also at research and my co-op. I add my own original touch to research,” he said.

Both Penny and Lafleur have ambitious plans for the future. “My idea is to create some sort of aerospace transport system for the third world. They need some form of transportation and what they really need is speed. Aerospace transport can give them this,” Penny said. “Most airplanes that are built today are built in first world countries for first world use.”

“A big inspiration for me is President Eisenhower and his forward thinking with the interstate system. He had a dream and put in the investment even though it was not needed, yet,” he said.

Penny intends to use the money to begin accomplishing his dream. “One of the biggest things this scholarship is going to do is let me get my feet on the ground in the third world and see what they really need. I’ll be able to make a couple of visits and find out if I’m on the right track,” he said.

With a pair of Tech students receiving this award, the future certainly looks bright for the already highly-regarded Aerospace Engineering field at the school.
Overall campus crime down by 22 percent

By Emily Tate
Contributing Writer

The Georgia Tech Police Department (GTPD) reported a 22 percent reduction overall in crime from 2004 to 2005. GTPD attributes the overall reduction in crime to ongoing improvements in the police department. Substantial reductions of 40 percent or more were seen in rapes, motor vehicle thefts, bicycle thefts, and shoplifting. However, increases were reported for aggravated assault, burglary, and theft from buildings. A safety committee was formed last year, consisting of representatives from departments and student organizations. In addition, there is a crime alert email list, allowing GTPD to communicate with the entire campus community.

When asked about the GTPD e-mail list last spring, public safety officer Carla Cook said that it has helped to keep the campus informed. “When we send out a mass email it’s like 16,000 extra officers are helping us. Criminals know to watch out for police in the blue cars, but it’s not as easy if everyone is on the alert,” Cook said.

“Right now we don’t have anything to let us know how well we are doing,” he said. “If we guarantee that one bus comes every six minutes, we will now be able to judge how accurate that is.”

An additional bus on the red route will be added during the fall semester due to the high volume of riders in the past.

“Our focus is on the Trolleys and Stingers, and making service more dependable for them. We assume that if the buses are more dependable, more people will ride them,” he said.

The money for the GPS technology comes from the Student Transportation Fee. Funds were requested from SGA for GPS on the Stingers and Emory Shuttles two years ago. Tech originally undertook the project along with several other corporations.

“Georgia Tech’s OIT played a huge role in getting it installed,” Williamson said. “In addition to NextBus.com, Transtech and Cingular were also involved.”

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By Christopher Gassley
Student Publications

Captain Hembree displays material he confiscated. Motor vehicle thefts, bicycle thefts and building thefts decreased since January.

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Tech Square welcomes Samsung center

By Emily Tate
Contributing Writer

On Aug. 17, Samsung Electronics Company opened a new design center in Tech Square. Samsung decided to fund the state-of-the-art design center at Tech based on the fact that Georgia Tech produces more engineering graduates with majors that relate specifically to electronics.

"We were on a short list of choices for locations where this center would be built," said director of the Georgia Electronic Design Center, Dr. Joy Laskar. Samsung finally decided to bring its new radio frequency integrated circuit design center to Tech Square based on the fact that Georgia Tech produces more engineering graduates with majors that relate specifically to electronics. Samsung was looking for an area where the brand could grow, research could take place and the community would greatly benefit. Chang-Ho Lee, formerly with the Georgia Electronic Design Center (GEDC), was named head of the Samsung Design Center in April. The new center is housed in the Research Building with the GEDC.

The center will have research opportunities mainly for graduate students and is also beginning co-op opportunities for students.

It will also be providing job opportunities for graduating students looking for jobs as they step into the professional environment. For some students, this presents an opportunity not only to advance their careers and remain close to campus.

The center is expected to employ more than 100 scientists and engineers over the next five years.

The initial focus will be on developing communication systems. Research is aimed at expanding to system-on-chip devices for modern digital and radio frequency equipment.

Samsung opened a design center in Tech Square last week. The center will offer students research and job opportunities.

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Ivan Allen College recruitment, enrollment increase

By Grace Mookken
Contributing Writer

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Because of Tech’s reputation as an engineering school, many students overlook its other aspects. The growth of the Ivan Allen College, in particular, is changing this attitude; the college experienced a 46% increase this year in its number of incoming freshmen. Undecided majors ranked second among most popular majors.

Ingrid Hayes, director of Undergraduate Admissions, said that the increase has been largely due to the efforts of both the Ivan Allen College and the Office of Undergraduate Admissions. Elizabeth Miller, Academic Advisor and Recruitment Coordinator for the Ivan Allen College, said that the college has been working on heavy recruitment for the last couple of years.

“Our results are evidence of our plans and hard work two years in the making,” Miller said. “We strive to be innovative at looking at ways to increase student awareness and interest.”

According to Miller, as a result of the efforts, in comparison to the previous year, there was a 49 percent increase in number of applications and a 63 percent increase in number enrolled out of all those admitted. In addition there was a 71 percent increase in out-of-state students from last year.

In response to rumors that the increase in liberal arts students corresponds with a relaxation of admission standards, Miller said that the average SAT scores among these students was very close to Tech’s average SAT score for incoming freshmen.

“We promote that we are a liberal arts college with a twist, not just a regular liberal arts college, we include a technology and science component,” she said.

“IT makes students very marketable, and the prospect is very exciting to students and parents. It gives us a big edge,” she said.

The Office of Undergraduate Admissions has also made efforts to recruit a more diverse class.

“We [at the Office of Undergraduate Admissions] have put forth much of our effort to make students aware of all that Tech has to offer. Because Tech has such a strong engineering program, there is a tendency for it to be associated solely with that—but through programs like Girl’s Night Out, Preview Georgia Tech and FUTURES we try to show students the variety offered here at Tech,” Hayes said.

Preview Georgia Tech is a one-day program during which students can take campus tours and learn about admissions information, campus life, scholarship information and career opportunities. FUTURES and Girl’s Night Out are programs targeted toward young women.

Besides the increase in liberal arts students, the incoming class is different from previous ones in other ways. It is the first class for which the Office of Undergraduate Admissions did not require students to turn in official transcripts until mid-summer. Students were required to self-report all grades on the application.

Hayes also reported an increase in the use of online applications; 73 percent of all applicants submitted an electronic application.

Many students are happy to see changes in admissions.

“I think the increase [in applicants choosing Ivan Allen College] is a good thing. Tech’s following the example of other engineering schools like MIT and expanding beyond engineering,” Sunny Jolly, a second-year Electrical Engineering student, said.

“I like the fact that you have more control in the admissions process and rely less on your scatter-brained high school counselor,” Joanna Bayles, a fourth-year Chemistry major, said.

This is also the first year that Biomedical Engineering was offered as a major on the freshman application. Although the program is still in its infancy, it is the third-most popular major of the incoming class. The most popular is Undecided Engineering, which is up 24 percent from last year.

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Playing to Rankings

When U.S. News & World Report posted its rankings of best colleges for 2006, Tech again came up on top as one of the top 10 public schools in the nation, with some of the best academic offerings in the country. Industrial Engineering was again ranked at No. 1, and Biomedical Engineering rose to No. 4. While we at the \textit{Princeton Review} are thrilled that Tech continues to be recognized as a top tier school, and we recognize the important role rankings play in shaping the public’s perception of us as an institution, we feel that the administration should focus on making changes for the sake of improving the school, not for the sake of improving ratings. Good ratings should be the result of the positive impact made by well thought-out changes; changes should be not be the result of an effort to improve ratings.

On that note, we would like to bring attention to the article in \textit{U.S. News & World Report}, which called Tech a “Nerd Nirvana,” an accurate description of a place where geeky people find their niche.

\textit{U.S. News & World Report} also describes Tech as a technical, but balanced place, and compares us as rivals to institutions such as MIT, Emory and Duke.

While flattered by their comparison, we feel that there is still much work to be done at Tech to truly bring balance to the curriculum. We aren’t there yet, but we are heading in the right direction.

Evidenced by our consistently high rankings in engineering, Tech’s academics are solid on the technical side. However, we need to be solid all around. We are in the position to make this leap, thanks to the continued efforts to gradually improve non-technical aspects of the Institute.

Thanks to aggressive recruitment, enrollment in the Ivan Allen College is up 46 percent this year. But bringing more students in is only part of the game.

In order to make the school better rounded as a whole, social science and history classes should be made accessible to all. In the current situation, the liberal arts class offerings are so scant that waiting lists often exist for those who want to get in.

To alleviate this issue, more sections of existing classes need to be offered, and a greater variety of classes need to be offered to interest a greater portion of the student population. This means hiring more professors, especially for the hard-to-get-into foreign language classes, and offering a greater breadth of classes. Tech should offer courses that take advantage of the its location in a large cosmopolitan city with rich diversity. Atlanta is a world-class city that provides great opportunity for the long-term development of the school.

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Find place to truly belong in college

As the sun rises on another semester, it sets on the first half of my college career. As the editor of the school's newspaper, I am supposed to give an elephantine quantity of advice in this piece to help freshmen combat the strange new world called college that they are encountering.

Well, if you want a surplus of that advice, you can find it by looking elsewhere in this issue—there happen to be countless helpful morsels scattered throughout its pages.

The advice I am giving you though is not just for getting through your first few weeks of school. It may never apply to you, or it may fit your situation perfectly. It probably will not answer any of your questions either, but if you follow it, you will find your time here infinitely more enjoyable.

You absolutely must want to be here at Tech. This may sound silly, but if you do not have any desire to be a student here, then your life is going to range from being unpleasant to dreadful.

It is always easy to find a reason to complain about your classes are too hard, the social life is just not of an acceptable level; you are not allowed to have your car here for 19 semester hours, and you actually get a parking permit it costs way too much here than it does for your friends at other schools.

It is absolutely fine to take a minute to reflect on the fact that college is tough. You are not going to get an "A" here just for showing up in class and being smarter than everyone.

But remember, if you were not capable of doing the work, you would nor have been accepted to this school in the first place.

Every year, statistics are released extolling the new freshman class for its ridiculously impressive high school record and splendidly high average GPA. Well, guess what? The average GPA of Tech students is nowhere near that range. Everybody is not going to have as high grades as they did in high school. It is just not possible.

With all of those things said, it is pretty easy to go through the motions in a attempt to make it to the end of another semester, constantly wishing you were somewhere else.

In this case, you have two options—you can either find something that makes you want to be here or you can leave and save yourself the misery.

I was at this crossroads before I even arrived. I never really thought I would be going to college here until the day I showed up to move in. It just did not really sink in with me.

During my freshman year, my grades were fine, my roommate and I got along terrifically and I was even lucky enough to get a parking permit midway through the first semester. However, I still simply did not want to be here.

I spent the whole first semester and the beginning of the spring semester in some sort of pretended world. I imagined that Tech was a camp that I would be at for a few weeks, and then I would go home and get to pick somewhere else.

The thought of transferring was not an uncommon one for me.

But thankfully, that changed. One day, when I saw an advertisement for the volunteer tutoring programs in local schools led by Tech students, I decided to go to a meeting and give it a try.

A week later, I was headed to Benjamin S. Carson Middle School and Grady High School. I finally started to feel like I had joined a community and that I was at my college and that I was not going anywhere before I had a degree.

About a month later, a friend pulled me into a Technique meeting. I had no reason to write for a publication before, but I figured it would be a good resume booster, and the first meeting was undeniably appealing. I gave it a try and could not get away from it.

My liberal arts side that had been pulling me away toward another school had found a home. It led me to write for a publication before, but I am today—happy to be here and the Editor-in-Chief of the Technique. Of course, it would make me quite happy if a few members of the new class were also led in this direction.

But more than that, do not let the day-to-day inconveniences get to you and make you want to leave; involve yourself in the community and find some reason that will truly make you want to stay here.

Matt Frichtl
Second-year ME

“Tailgating for football games.”

Mitchell Alvarado
Second-year MGT

“Going back on academic probation.”

Jun Puthaprasert
First-year BME

“Meeting new people!”

Natalya Dahmen
First-year MGT

“Pass all my exams and have enough time.”

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Around the Campus

What do you most look forward to this year?

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A Safer World

Thanks to the constant vigilance of other police officers, campus crime decreased by 22 percent over the summer, as compared to last summer. The police are often criticized when crime goes up, but never commended when crime goes down. We’d like to take this opportunity to extend a thanks to our police officers for their contributions to the campus.

Onwards to Mars

Congratulations to Jarret Laflue and Isaac Penny for being named Astronaut Scholars for the 2005-2006 school year. Tech has the special distinction of having both of its nominees named as scholars. These scholars are excellent examples of combing engineering know-how with visionary applications.

Show Me the Money

Busy students rely on the student center ATM to be there when they need cash fast. But with the ongoing student center renovations running into fall semester, our dependable ATMs are no longer there when we need them. What’s a poor student to do when the BuzzCard balance reaches zero?

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Kyle Thomason
Editor-in-Chief

Where is the real news?

Michael Huston
Junior, State Daily

(U-WIRE) Iowa State U.— Ever heard of Natalie Hol- loway? Of course you have. Gretta Van Susteren from Fox News’ and Nancy Grace from CNN News have made it their apparent personal missions to find Natalie Holloway and to use their broadcasting abilities to bring her killers or abductors to justice. We haven’t seen this kind of a dogged chase after the perpetrators of a crime since 9/11. Oh, wait.

Why does the Natalie Hol- loway case get so much attention while other, more important stories drift away? Well, there are two groups to blame.

The first group is the journal- ists who will cover whatever story will get them the most ratings and the second group is us. We need to do our part to turn away from the car crash and try to ignore it.

This kind of sensational news reporting leads to a collective tunnel vision in our society where the story that has the best coverage gets the best coverage, regardless of the importance or validity of the story.

When was the last time you read or saw a great piece on anything going on that wasn’t in America or Iraq? There is plenty of world news out there to cover that never reaches American homes because it simply isn’t “sexy” enough for us, no matter how pressing the news might be. If it lacks the human drama that Americans can relate to, we no longer care if their news, the cable news shows won’t air it.

Now, African debt relief may not be as compelling to some as the Holloway case, but we feel we can do better. If the advertising executives at companies like Coca-Cola can make a sugar based beverage “sexy” or desirable, then CNN should be able to do more to make the world news more compel- ling and relevant to American

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**Guest Editorial: Student Government**

**Take advantage of this year’s opportunities**

On behalf of the strongest and most diverse student body in the history of Tech, welcome to the 2005-2006 academic school year!

My name is David Andersen, and I am honored to have been elected to serve as your Undergraduate Student Body President.

In this role, it is my responsibility to represent you—the students—in all institute and administrative affairs.

In the class of 2009, I am very excited to welcome you into the Tech community.

I had the pleasure of meeting many of you during FASET Orientation and Freshman Convocation, and I am convinced that you are one of the smartest and most dynamic classes ever to enter this fine institution.

While you are ethnically diverse, you should also be proud to know that you are a class which is very diverse in thought, and this is critical to Tech’s continued growth as we position ourselves to become the leading research institution of the 21st century.

Today is truly a great day to be a student at Tech. For the seventh year in a row, and the eighth time in the past decade, U.S. News and World Report has ranked us as one of the top ten public universities in the nation.

While this is something to be proud of, I feel confident that you—as incoming freshmen—will bolster Tech’s academic prowess to even higher levels in the coming years.

While the institute prides itself on its academic excellence, it also offers its students many great opportunities outside of the classroom.

We have a nationally renowned athletics program, and we saw great success from Men’s Golf and Women’s Volleyball—among other sports—last year.

In addition, Georgia Tech prides itself for having one of the strongest Greek communities in the nation.

But even if you’re not a sports fan, and even if you chose not to go to Georgia Tech, there is a place for each and every one of you on this campus.

Whether you have a desire to march in the band, write for the Technique, perform in DramaTech, participate in intramurals, or join Student Government, there are over 300 student organizations and clubs at this great institution.

Many of us don’t realize how lucky we are to be at a school that cares about—or empowers—students as much as that of Georgia Tech.

David Andersen
SGA President

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Music from page 16

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The entertainment industry, both local and global, should look for inventive ways to appeal to our need—cheap, quality entertainment. The demand for this kind of recreation will certainly make up for the potential losses from lowering prices.
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Priority registration evokes mixed feelings

By Joshua Cuneo
On-line Editor

[Editor’s Note: This article is reprinted, with modifications, from the July 15 issue of the Technique.]

Imagine that you’re in your fifth year at Tech and plan to register for your preferred LCC class. You go online only to find—surprise—the class is already full.

Class registration is based on a course credit system; the more credits you accumulate, the earlier you get to register. So who, then, are these people filling up classes before the graduating seniors?

The answer is a selective group of students with a special status: priority registration. This means they get to register first, regardless of the number of hours accumulated.

“Well, for example, the disabled students, some of them are limited in the buildings in which they can have classes, and if you’re in a wheelchair, you might not have time to get from one location to another,” Debbie Williams, associate registrar, said.

Priority registration for the disabled is common at most universities, but Tech also tacks on athletes, who have to keep their afternoons free for practice and games. Tour guides must be available at the pre-established tour times, and FASET leaders—who assist the registrar’s office—get it in lieu of monetary compensation.

And Presidential Scholars? Well, it’s just part of the package deal. Some students consider this unfair bias in favor of certain extracurricular activities.

“There are so many other ways to get involved, I don’t see why it has to be narrowed down to those listed,” Ajay Patel, a second-year Physics major, said.

Others have a more mixed reaction, understanding the reasoning behind some activities but not others.

 “[FASET leaders and tour guides] help out a lot around campus, and they aren’t exactly getting paid to do it,” Ricky Whelchel, a second-year Material Science and Engineering major, said. “[But] athletes is pushing it. A lot of them get free school in the first place.”

Priority registration can cause a lot of grief for students who try to sign up for popular humanities and elective courses or courses in their major only to find them already full.

“Most people would probably agree that the academic effort they put in should give them priority in registering for their academic schedule,” Steve Heitner, a fifth-year Biology and Biochemistry major, said.

Other students point out that any student can get priority registration if they want it badly enough.

“If people really want priority registration, they can do something to get it, like being a tour guide or helping the office,” Brian Williams, a fourth-year Discrete Math major, said.

If a class fills up early, though, the fault lies with the individual schools.

“The Registrar has absolutely no jurisdiction on how many seats are put out there,” Candy Carson, associate registrar, said. “We see it when you see it.”

Most schools try to solve the problem for some courses by restricting enrollment by major, reserving seats or requiring a permit for registration.

“So what can students do if they discover a class is full?” They should request an overload for the course and keep an eye on OSCAR during Phase II registration.

Nevertheless, the priority registration system is likely to remain unchanged for the time being.
Library adds cafe, theatre, group work stations

By Nikhil Joshi
Focus Editor

In collaboration with OIT, the Tech library has completed plans for its renovations for its First Floor East. These include a Starbucks-style coffeehouse and a theatre-like space for presentations.

Charles Crit Stuart, associate director for Public Services, played a key role in the development of the project. Stuart expects renovations to be complete by Jan. 2.

Only six years ago, he said, the library was very different. According to him, the library is really "coming out of its closet." Major changes were made, including the opening of upper floors past midnight, and, within the past few years, the hiring of a 24-hour staff and the creation of the First Floor West Commons. Working with OIT, the library was able to make these changes.

"It was difficult, since it was the first time we had worked with OIT," Stuart said. "But we ended up working together well."

To begin planning what was to be done with the space, a student advisory council was created, with nine undergraduate students and one graduate student.

"These students are committed to the entire process. They are well-coordinated and passionate, making a great team," Stuart said.

Stuart said that efforts were made to include everyone's input into the decision of what needed to be done.

"We asked them as well as faculty what they thought we should do with the space. The student advisory board also put together students in six focus groups, and asked them what the space could be used for," he said.

The newly renovated area, according to Stuart, has three purposes: to refresh, stimulate, and inspire creativity. "With this in mind, the project leaders decided to make a more casual, flexible space in which students could study together in large groups and change the environment to suit their needs."

"We are trying to provide furniture and spaces that students can change as needed," Stuart said. "We will have movable furniture and whiteboards on wheels."

This renovated space will contain a coffeehouse, called the Jazzman's Cafe, areas where students can work together in groups (a total of 30 sitting work stations and six stand-up stations) and a "movable theatre." The theatre area will contain a projection device and a number of rolling chairs; this area can be rearranged to suit the needs of the users. The circulation desk on the first floor will remain where it is. Newspapers, magazines, DVD's and CD's will also be made available in this area.

Jazzman's Cafe will sell salads, sandwiches and coffee drinks. Vending machines will be located in the same place as the cafe. The cafe has a theme similar to that of Starbucks, with comfortable furniture and chairs with laptop surfaces.

A number of other changes are being made as well, which Stuart expects to increase the amount of visitors to the library. In the spirit of promoting undergraduate research, the library is considering holding a competition among students. The Student Success Center will also be holding tutoring sessions in the library, and a writing center is also being proposed.

"Tech is interested in helping students to learn effectively and to become leaders, and the library is pursuing this goal as well," Stuart said.

Also, student art will be displayed in various places and in different forms. The library is looking for competition winners, he said.

"One goal that we are trying to accomplish is to celebrate our accomplishments at Tech. We needed a more museum-like place in the library—a celebratory spot."

Much of the library renovation is being done in order to get a feel for how the Undergraduate Learning Center (ULC) might look. The budget for the current project is about $1 million, with about one-fifth of the total coming from an endowment from the class of 1955 and approximately one-tenth from a trust. Additional money for the project will be requested from the technology fee and other sources.

For the long term, the library is looking to renovate both of the buildings and create a "student productivity zone" in the West Commons, Stuart said. The library is working together with OIT and several other major players to create a strategic vision, a for which development can begin. The planning stage for this project, however, is in the distant future, he said.

"The idea is that we're not some stuffy research place," Stuart said in conclusion. "We're also a place where students can relax, be comfortable, and learn at the same time."

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Dean Gail shares work experiences, advice
The dean talks about her passion for helping students, gives advice to incoming class

By Nikhil Joshi
Focus Editor

Dean of Students Gail DiSabatino loves the student population at Tech. Known on campus as Dean Gail, she serves as one of the primary advocates for students and student life.

“I love working at Tech. The students here and the interactions that I have with them on a day-to-day basis are my favorite parts of working here,” she said. According to Dean Gail, her most important role is to “be the friend of the student.” Her duties consist of disciplining and advising.

The Office of the Dean of Students works with students to develop new ideas in addition to helping students that find themselves in difficult situations. Dean Gail also plays a major role in student government. At meetings, she handles questions dealing with procedural and legal issues. She also assists many SGA members in their initiatives.

“I provide them with faculty connections and help them to set up plans of action for things like the Six Flags trip last year,” she said. Within the Office of the Dean of Students, there are several units that deal with specific issues relating to student life. These include ADAPTS (Access Disabled Assistance Program for Tech), SMART (Students Managing Alcohol Risk & Territories), Diversity Issues, Student Publications and Media, Student Involvement, the Women’s Resource Center and the offices of Community Service, Greek Affairs and Student Integrity.

“Our office covers a broad spectrum of issues that students may have. It is our duty to coach them on how to deal with a conflict,” Dean Gail said.

She added that the office also talks to faculty about students, and to students about faculty, although direct interactions between student and faculty are encouraged.

As she sees students on a day-to-day basis, Dean Gail has dealt with many of the typical problems that students have, especially freshmen. The hardest part, she said, is getting students to understand that college
is an entirely different ballgame than high school.

The greatest challenge in my work is that many students that come to Tech are very achievement-oriented,” she said. “They have been very successful in the past and are used to doing well. And when they find themselves doing poorly, it is hard for them to admit that and get help early on. “Some people come to me very late,” she added. “They’ve been letting things go on for so long that it’s hard to dig them out of that hole.”

It can also seem hard, according to Dean Gail, to get involved. Her advice? Take advantage of available resources.

“I recommend looking at CyberBuzz, going to the Office of Student Involvement, and trying out different things,” she said. “Go to rush, even if you think you might not join a fraternity. Go to a WREK Radio training session, or another student organization’s meeting. The important thing is to keep an open mind.”

Gail DiSabatino
Dean of Students

Interactive video game draws both praise, criticism

By Alexandra Pajak
Contributing Writer

Professor Michael Mateas and programmer Andrew Stern recently created Façade, an interactive, fully-realized one-act drama available for free download. The fifteen-minute game stands apart from other games in its applications of artificial intelligence (AI), simple graphics and a focus on character interaction. Stern and Mateas created the game after five years of development.

A player maintains his or her own gender and name as one venture into the game. The game opens with the player entering the home of the affluent and three-dimensional characteristics. Façade differs from other games in its use of natural language and continuous behavior from the main characters regardless if the player has entered conversation or commands. The control of spoken words and emotional expression through facial changes in characters is determined by artificial intelligence.

Co-creator Mateas spoke on the groundbreaking nature of the game in a recent press release.

“By treating artificial intelligence as an artistic medium, and creating story content procedurally instead of using canned cut-scenes, Façade truly breaks away from today’s games,” he said. “Procedural content will be a key technology in the next generation of interactive entertainment.”

Mateas is an Assistant Professor of Computer Science and Literature, Communication, and Culture at Tech. He is also a co-founder of Procedural Arts. In the same press release, Stern, himself a seasoned creator of virtual characters with Magic, spoke to the uniqueness and strength of Façade as a springboard into the future of gaming.

“We believe Façade can serve as a prototype for interactive drama, a new genre of character and story-intensive interactive entertainment,” he said. “Innovation like this will only come from small independent studios willing to take design and technology risks, not from large conservative game companies.”

Several Tech students have taken an interest in the game, although it
is quite different from the games which have been traditionally popular on campus, such as Halo and StarCraft.

Although it won’t be a major hit, these students claim, it is worth taking the time out of their lives to check out.

“It’s really interesting, and unlike any game that I’ve ever played,” Spencer Nettleton, second-year Industrial Engineering major, said. “It’s not the type of game you average Tech students would like to play, but it’s nice to see people taking an interest in a game that isn’t all about excitement and violence. I think it’s a very different, Kaustubh Bhardwaj, a second-year Electrical Engineering major, said. “I do think it’s worth downloading, though.”

Other students find the game compelling at Tech, complimenting that it does not match the level of excitement that other games such as Halo often create. The simple graphics are appreciated. “I have been students are not attracted to the game; there are no stunning visual or auditory effects. Copyright © 2005. All rights reserved. No part of this publication may be reproduced or transmitted in any form or by any means, electronic or mechanical, including photocopying, recording, or any information storage or retrieval system, without the written permission of the publisher.
Remembering back to a few years ago when she went back to school, Dean Gail sympathized with the freshmen as they enter a new environment. “Freshmen might feel a little scared or intimidated, because of all the intelligent people at Tech. I remember back a few years ago when I went back to school. It was a big Ivy League school, and it was kind of scary,” she said, “but the thing to remember is that if we didn’t have you to come. We think everyone here can succeed, and we want them to.”

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Façade

“It’s nothing special,” Artem Akinov, a third-year Architecture major, said. “I didn’t encounter any impressive AI or anything that would make me want to play it again. I don’t think most students would go for it; it’s just not that interesting.”

Façade was presented at the First Artificial Intelligence and Interactive Digital Entertainment conference in 2005. The game has received additional acclaim from experts. Renowned gaming expert Chris Crawford wrote, in his book Chris Crawford on Interactive Storytelling (New Riders Games, 2004), “Façade is without a doubt, the best actual working interactive storyworld yet created.”

Façade has been viewed on exhibition in Scandinavia at the Inter Society for the Electronic Arts (ISEA) and was selected as a finalist in the Independent Games Festival in San Jose, California in 2004. Gamer Steve Gaynor reviewed Façade in gaming magazine Idle Thumbs.

According to Gaynor, the game’s shortfalls include its unpredictable “shuffle” of ultimately predictable events once the player has played the game multiple times.

Steve Gaynor
Game reviewer

“We think everyone here can succeed, and we want them to. They can come to the Office of the Dean of Students if they have issues and don’t know where to turn,” she said. “We can give them advice, ideas, and support for dealing with any difficult issues they have.

“This is an exciting time for students at Tech,” she said. “We have a lot of new leadership programs, we’re putting a lot of resources into Greeklife, and we’re making a commitment to make this a more caring campus to students. It’s becoming more than just a great academic environment to excel in.” Students can fill out the General Intake Form at www.deanofstudents.gatech.edu to make an appointment to see an administrator at the Office of the Dean of Students.

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Pop culture you need to stay sane at Tech

By Hillary Lipko
Entertainment Editor

Many colleges have assigned reading for incoming students—either for the sake of it or for an English class. Fortunately, Tech requires no such thing. However, there are a few aspects of pop culture that are practically required for understanding jokes and conversational references. You can probably get by without knowing all of them, but it doesn’t hurt to get familiar with the ones you don’t know and brush up on the ones you may already hold dear to your heart.

After all, most of these pieces of popular culture are light-hearted, even ridiculous, so they’re the perfect remedy for the infamous stress which plagues most Tech students. So, for your convenience and amusement, the Technique has prepared a list by no means complete, guide to pop culture icons for Tech students.

Hitchhiker’s Guide to the Galaxy

The first book in Douglas Adams’ five-volume science fiction series, Hitchhiker’s Guide to the Galaxy is the single most important book for any Tech student to read. Although you may never understand the true importance of a towel or why the number 42 is so significant, and at a mere 206 pages (give or take, depending on the version), Adams manages to squeeze in an almost ridiculous amount of coherent nonsense and dry British humor—both qualities which make this volume so endearing.

The book has also recently been made into a major motion picture, which is still playing in some theaters. While you could glean much of the book’s significance to Tech culture from the movie, it strays from the book just enough to where if you only watched the movie, true Hitchhikers would know that you certainly don’t know where your towel is at.

Monty Python and the Holy Grail

Continuing with the influence of the British on popular culture at Tech, Monty Python and the Holy Grail is a humorous adaptation of King Arthur’s quest for the Holy Grail. Of course, in true Python style there are plenty of random interjections and interludes along with some things that just plain don’t make sense. It’s also an inspired short film that re-creates the movie’s rousing musical number—entirely in Lego.

While there are other Monty Python films, such as Life of Brian, it is this film that is most commonly referred to as “Monty Python.” While the movie is quite ridiculous and even audacious to make it through to the end without laughing, don’t come whining to us when you get thrown into a bottomless pit for not knowing the unsped velocity of an unladen swallow.

Super Troopers

As you’ve probably noticed by now, nothing on this list is particularly serious, nor does it necessarily make a whole lot of sense. That is, by and large, precisely the point. Super Troopers is an irreverent, ridiculous film that has made it through the eyes of a Tech student through stressful times just by being completely and utterly unfunny.

But that doesn’t mean we don’t like it. In fact, even if you don’t like stupid humor right now, it is likely that after six tedious hours of grum- maging without much functioning result, you’ll be just slapping your hand good enough to enjoy watching the antics of dysfunctional state troopers for an hour and a half.

Office Space

In case you weren’t quite sure what to expect when you take your first office job, Office Space pretty much nails it. While it is intended to be satirical, the more time you spend in the nine-to-five world, the truer to life this movie rings. Office Space also takes a stab at satirizing restaurant work as well.

Of course, even if you’ve never worked in an office or in a restaurant, there is enough social, sexual, and technical humor to appeal to any Tech student. (For example, how many of you have ever wanted to take a baseball bat to a malfunctioning piece of technology? Yeah. That’s what I thought.)

This film isn’t just ingrained in Tech’s popular culture, but in the popular culture of the work world that most of us will soon be joining as well. So be sure to watch it at least a couple of times before your graduate whether you’ve seen it before or not.

Homestuck Runner

You either love it or you hate it, but everyone has at least heard of Homestuck Runner. An online flash animation site, it features cartoon shorts featuring characters such as the site’s namesake, Homestuck Runner. Homestuck’s love interest, Marzipan; his arch-rival Strong Bad; and the eccentric King of Town, among others.

Quite possibly the favorite part of the site among Tech students is Strong Bad’s email. Based on the idea of Q & A, a type system, Strong Bad answers viewers’ emails in a funny, sometimes irreverent way. All of the cartoon shorts have underlying and interlinking storylines with clever one-liners that’ll have you quoting for days.

Entertainment abounds on, around Tech campus

By Hillary Lipko
Entertainment Editor

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As the entertainment editor, it seems only fitting that I make my opinion known about something related to work so I would do it on a daily basis. I’ll be candid here for a moment and confess that a very large part of what convinced me to come to Tech had to do with the great music scene here in Atlanta. I’ve always been really into seeing bands in a live and discovering new types of music. Living in Atlanta, GA, would create my opportunities to do so.

There are several places within a reasonable distance of campus where you can get live music that you can get his or her fix. Whether you’re into live concerts like me or art films, visual art or something else entirely, there is someplace that caters to your interests.

However, it may come to a surprise to some that you don’t even have to leave campus to get an occasional movie or music fix. There are all sorts of cool events that go on all the time. Take, for example, Live Lunch. You’ve probably seen the signs advertising it in the Student Center, but you’ve probably never checked it out, right? Okay, I didn’t check it out until about halfway through my second semester at Tech, either. My excuse probably is the same as yours: I had a job.

One Wednesday, though, my 11 a.m. class was cancelled and instead of hiking back to my dorm, I decided to check out the Music Listening Room in the student center. I’d forgiven entirely my misfortune as Live Lunch; I was just looking for a place to relax for an hour before I had to head off to another class.

While I relaxed in the MLR’s rather cozy environment, a local musician treated me and the few others present to a pleasant acoustic performance.

There are plethora of other regular entertainment events on campus as well. Movies are shown in the Student Center almost regularly, and most of the movies are already available for purchase, there is still a global, many scheduled for delivery on July 16 release date.

Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince does have its light-hearted moments as new Barnes are ignited between some of the characters. Some aren’t even sure they liked the book because they were so upset by the events that transpired within its pages. A few readers have claimed Half Blood Prince as their new favorite in the series, but most still hold Prisoner of Azkaban or Order of the Phoenix above the rest.

Probably, most of the people who were at the midnight parties and who waited at the doors of bookstores on a Saturday morning have finished the book at least once by now. But for those who haven’t gotten to it yet, or even don’t know the nearest library, bookstore or friend who already has it, and give it a read. Despite the serious tone, it’s still a wonderful literary escape.

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Potter book evokes mixed feelings

By Hillary Lipko
Entertainment Editor

After much anticipation, children and adults alike flocked to age appackaged bookstores around the world on the evening of July 15. The waiting for the sixth installment of the Harry Potter series was almost over. Starting at midnight in each time zone, copies of Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince started flying off bookstore shelves and into the hands of millions of eager readers. Shipsments of the book from Amazon.com, other Potter fans, stood outside the store, with the sixth installment of the Potter series now available, hoping to get their hands on a copy before anyone else

“At first, I didn’t like it. It was really slow, boring, and not nearly as funny as the first one. But then I realized there was a lot more to it, and the story really starts to get moving. I think it’s really well written, and it’s really well edited.”

Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince was released worldwide on July 16. Many Tech students purchased their copies online.
Two Bits Man imparts pearls of wisdom upon new students

On your first night at Tech, beat someone up, or become somebody’s bitch. Oh, wait, that’s what they say about prison, but Tech and prison aren’t all that different. Either way, you’re stuck for five to 10, and you’re not gonna want to eat the food.

If you’re reading this issue of Two Bits, I’m guessing that you’re either a freshman who made a grave error your senior year of high school, or you’re one of Tech’s old fans who’s still serving their sentence. So either way, I’m here to help you make the best of this coming year.

Whenever I come back in fall, I like to walk around campus and watch the smiling faces of the incoming freshmen and take their pictures. Hey, I am on Student Publications photo stuff, not just some pervert with a camera.

You know when you go to Six Flags and go on the Georgia Cyclone they take your picture right as you go down the steepest part of the ride, and everyone has that bug-eyed look as they realize that the roller coaster is, in fact, going almost straight down? Well, I’ve figured out that if I take my pictures of the incoming freshmen the week of midterms, I get exactly the same expression. If you compare them to the FASEF pictures, they’re kind of like those “don’t use drugs” pictures they showed us in high school.

The first thing you’ve probably noticed is that all of the Student Center ATMs are missing. I’m not sure that I really had a point in telling you that, but while you’re at Tech, that’s just the sort of thing you need to get used to: random inconveniences for no readily apparent reason.

It’s sort of like Kafka’s The Trial is part of the Human Resources manual here. I’d be convinced it was out of malice, but they’re not that organized. One day, it’s the ATMs, the next it’s your dignity, and somewhere in between you get to visit the bursar.

Until now, I’ve been way too cynical, and you’re probably thinking about that party school that was your second choice, but fear not. Tech has parties too. Granted, as a freshman, you’ll be expected to supply the gigan switch, but I’m sure they’re still fun.

If you’re not already trying desperately to transfer to that party school, you’re probably asking yourself, “Self, how can I find a date at Tech?” Well, if you’re a guy, the exact same way you did in high school. Google. If you’re a girl, just sit still for a few minutes. For those of you who think outside of the box and just don’t want to go with tradition, Freshman Experience has many fun-filled events for you to meet equally timid members of the opposite sex, and if that doesn’t work out, just go to a LAN party, also known as the window box for the wallflowers of life.

Now, ladies of Tech, let me start by saying that my phone number is [deleted]. Please form an orderly line; there’s plenty of Two Bits Man to go around. But seriously, I would be remiss if I didn’t address those who put the co in co-ed, so to you young ladies out there, please don’t crush our soul: the professors already do that just fine.

As an older student I feel obligated to share some wisdom of the ages with you. At some point, you will be approached by a random stranger who will want to tell you about their health problems and ask you for money. While there are many ways to deter panhandlers, I believe that it is of the utmost importance that you are polite. After all, anyone who is de-luded enough to shake down college students for money has much bigger issues. If they persist, a simple, “No thank you. I don’t wish to see your colostomy bag,” should suffice.

Although as a freshman it may be tempting to eat pizza seven nights a week, remember that Weight Watchers exists for a reason. The Two Bits speaks from experience on this one, because as a freshman, he ate at least eight kilobytes.

Likewise, when you give up pizza, remember that you can only replace sleep with Diet Coke to a certain extent. Sometimes you may actually want to stop peeing and remain unconscious for more than 30 minutes. Treasure these moments of sleep, because by the end of your Tech career, you will have pretty much forgotten them.

I’m sure there are a few of you out there that categorically refuse to be jaded by all this world weary cynicism. I applaud you for your positive outlook on life. I regret to inform you, however, that Santa Claus does not in fact exist, and neither does the Tooth Fairy. That was your mom all along.

So this is the Two Bits Man, and until next time, remember: avoid the rush. Give in to existential angst now.
Warped Tour brings bands, fans together

By Jennifer Allen
Contribution Writer

Sunburn, blisters, raw skin bruises, posers, drunkards and some good old-fashioned moshing...welcome to the past, present and future of Warped Tour.

No longer is Warped Tour just about the punk scene, but about getting as much music to kids as possible.

When the tour hit Atlanta on August 3, there were nine stages that had been set up in pairs that alternated bands, so when one band went off the other stage had a band that was just starting.

While the Ernie Ball Stage and Hurley Stage were places that featured up-and-coming bands like Mae and Motion City Soundtrack, the two main stages, Bishop Stage and Mike Stage, were where the big hitters like My Chemical Romance, Fall Out Boy, the Offspring and Dropkick Murphys came and shared their music.

The crowds were moderate sizes with the exception of two performances: My Chemical Romance and Dropkick Murphys.

My Chemical Romance had an extra 10 minutes to play because they were voted the band that the crowd wanted to see. The crowd was one of the biggest that had come to Bishop Stage, but they were not the rowdy crowd that was expected.

Instead, there was a mixture of all types—from posers, to punks, to groupies, to preps they all were there for the music. It was all in all a good show but it looks like fame has gotten the better of them, seeing as the lead singer, Gerard Way, has better highlights and a better haircut than I do.

The last band to play that night was the one that people had been talking about the whole day—the Dropkick Murphys. This crowd was the type that Warped Tour was created for: kids who idolized the Murphys for what they stand for and for their lyrics, not what they look like.

There were mosh pits breaking out everywhere and crowd surfers who were coming over the front in droves so that for 30 minutes straight the security guards had to stand by to catch people. You could see the logos of fans that followed the band by the banners that was raised during the first song and flew until the band left the stage.

The Dropkick Murphys were the first band to show their respect for their fans by having fans sing a song and then bringing half the front row up on stage.

The respect for fans is not just something that the Dropkick Murphys embody. “We have always been honest with our intentions. Fans know how much we value them, and we want to hold on to all our fans. We’ll grow with them if they’ll grow with us,” said Pete Wentz of Fall Out Boy, another band that played one of the main stages during the festival.

But sometimes the fans are not there for the just the music. Beau from Saosin talked about the downs—falls of being on such a big stage as Warped Tour. “If you have one of these passes, it’s like a groupie magnet. I have a girlfriend this tour, so it’s weird...she is totally a spectator sport for me,” he said.

And as night fell Warped Tour 2005 came to an end here in Atlanta. But the feelings were still running high as the kids walked to their cars.

They were singing their favorite songs from the bands that they had just seen. Warped Tour had a few boxes brought in different genres of music to one place where kids could just listen to music. It makes you wonder what music will be coming to Atlanta with the Warped Tour next year.

Story of the Year was one of dozens of bands to play at this summer’s Warped Tour. The touring concert festival brings together bands and fans of all types in celebration of what they all love most: music.

Do You Have an Opinion?: Garbage headlined the final Downtown Rocks concert in a series sponsored by 99X. Previous headlining bands included Cake, Weezer, Chevelle and Ben Folds.

Move Me: Up-and-coming rock quintet, Helios, opened for Garbage at the final Downtown Rocks concert on August 13. The band was featured in conjunction with the Atlanta Music Conference and Festival which coincided with the concert. Downtown Rocks was a free event for 99X’s Freeloaders members.
Music Midtown changes for better, worse

Heftened ticket prices, country stage are among the festival’s new adjustments

By Hillary Lipko
Entertainment Editor

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Over the past 12 years, Music Midtown has become a sort of early summer staple in the lives of Atlanta area residents. People travel from as far as Ohio, possibly even further, just as the weather began to show flares of summer heat.

Until this year, Music Midtown was held at the beginning of May, but because of scheduling changes, the festival was moved this year to take place June 10-12.

It may have seemed like a good idea at the time, but it turns out that the weekend on which Music Midtown fell this year was the same weekend that the Vibe Music & Art Festival and the Bonnaroo Music & Arts Festival were taking place. Undoubtedly, some festival-goers may have opted for one of the other events over Music Midtown, a choice that some never had to make before this year.

Another change affecting those attending Music Midtown this year was a sharp increase in the price of tickets. Last year, the price of a ticket for all three days of the festival cost a mere $45. This year, anyone wanting to get through the gates had to shell out $50 more. While $75 is still a comparatively good deal for a three-day concert festival featuring so many big-name acts, such a spike in price was an unfortunate downside—considering that as recently as 2002 a weekend pass to the festival only cost around $45!
Occasionally, art and foreign films are screened as well. Last year Buzz Studios, a student filmmaking organization, premiered its first feature-length film, John’s Blender.

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Annual events such as Sting Break bring big-name bands to Tech. Last year, Fuel headlined the Sting Break concert that was held in Yellow Jacket Park. This year’s Sting Break brought Ludacris to Alexander Memorial Coliseum. Several other smaller performances were held at the Campanile throughout the week, along with free food and activities for students.

There is of course a good share of pretty lame events here on campus as well. The organizers of these events mean well I’m sure, but these events just don’t manage to grab the interest of students as much as they could have hoped. Fortunately, the extent of the lameness of most of the events I’ve been aware of has been in the name only.

Take for instance the long-await-ed and much delayed opening of the Student Center Commons. CNBSee! Say what? The festivities that I was able to partake of were a lot of fun but the turnout really left something to be desired. I think that people saw the signs but really had no idea what was going on. I have a slight edge when it comes to the entertainment goings-on around campus. Regardless of poor choices in name or obscurity in scheduling or placement, I get pretty good insight into events before they occur.

However, since I doubt that the general student body wants to wade through the volume of email that I have to wade through regarding every little event on campus, there’s not really any way that everyone can have that sort of insight.

Sure, most of that information is readily available online as well but only the most hardcore of the entertainment junkies on campus are going to hunt that down.

So what do I suggest, you ask? I say check out some of the random stuff you see chalked on Skiles Walkway, wander by events set up outdoors and see what’s going on. Check out the board at the box office every now and then.

If you really think nothing fun goes on around here, you need to be a little more adventurous or pay more attention. You’d be surprised.

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Red vs. Blue

Another online animation, Red vs. Blue is an ongoing series of animated shorts made in the Halo video game engine.

A sitcom of sorts, RvB focuses upon the members of Red Army and Blue Army, who often question the purpose of the supposed war they are fighting, accidentally blowing things up and saying things that are both insightful and sometimes pretty stupid—but quotable nonetheless.

Whether you’re into Halo or not, RvB has that special brand of humor that seems to appeal to Tech students.

Combine that with just the right amount of suspense at the end of each episode, and you’ll have an addiction in no time. Not the only one you’ll get from being here, that’s for sure.

Halo

Contrary to popular belief, not everyone at Tech likes to play video games. But everyone knows Halo. It serves as a sort of centerpiece of social interaction for many students, whether they’re playing it with their new roommates or with old friends, or just sitting on the couch watching everyone else go at each other with submachine guns.

Of course, Xbox Live gives the game an entirely new dimension, allowing you to hook up with your friends from home and deal them a dose of ownage in addition to your roommates. Blowing each other apart in Halo is truly a way to bring people together.

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Ten things to do as a Tech fan

By Patrick Odean
Sports Editor

As if the "99 Things to Do Before You Graduate" aren’t enough, here are ten things every fan should do to support their teams, and have a blast at the same time.

1. Buy one of those crazy yellow wigs. They’re especially great to attract the TV cameras to get on the jumbotron or be televised on ESPN, and no chest painting would be complete without one.

2. See at least one game of every sport. As sports editor, I’ve had to go (often alone) to many of the non-money sports on campus. And let me tell you the revelation: They’re a lot of fun, and I found myself going back to watch them even when I didn’t have to write a story.

When there are small crowds, you’re closer to the action and can hear the conversations of the coaches, the players and the refs. And speaking of refs...

3. Learn the first names of refs and call them out by name. This works especially well at those low-attendance games or when done en masse.

4. Camp out for tickets. There soon will be a day when all ticketing is done online, so before that happens give the tents one final use. The memories will last forever.

5. Road trip, road trip, road trip. Sure it’s No. 57 on that other list, but it’s so important that it should be mentioned twice. There’s no better way to become close with four (or more) friends.

Want an extra challenge? How bout the away basketball game at Michigan St. on Wednesday, Nov. 30. If you drive there and back without missing a class, I’ll take you out to dinner.

6. Catch a foul ball bare-handed. This requires going to a lot of baseball and softball games. Bring some friends along for witnesses.

7. Watch cricket on TV or at the SAC fields. Bonus points if you join in on a game. Sure it isn’t a varsity sport, but cricket is one of the more amusing things on campus.

8. Talk with an athlete on a Stinger about something other than sports. Some are easier to recognize than others. They spend enough time worrying about sports already. Remember they’re students as well as athletes.

9. Pre-game (legally). Start early. Just be responsible, and have a friend to remind you of everything that you did.

10. Write at least one sports article for the Nique. Just a little shameless self-promotion. It looks good on your resume, it’s fun and all you have to do is show up to a meeting. (Plus there’s free pizza.)
Volleyball looks to defend ACC title with fresh faces

By Patrick Odneal
Sports Editor

For the past few years Tech volleyball has been building an elite national program. Last season they took first in the ACC, with a perfect 16-0 conference record.

The Jackets advanced to the Sweet Sixteen of the NCAA tournament for the second time in a row while gaining their fifth consecutive tournament berth last season.

This season the Jackets will depend on a handful of new recruits to continue the team’s success.

The loss of All-American Lauren Sauer and lynette Moster certainly has left a hole to be filled, but a recruiting class ranked fourth best in the nation by Volleyball magazine should be able to fill the void.

That’s where Head Coach Bond Shymansky and his staff take over. Shymansky, in his first years as head coach, has won either the ACC Tournament or the ACC Regular season crown each year, while amassing a 94-17 record. Last year he won the Coach of the Year award for both the ACC, and AVCA East Region.

This pre-season Shymansky and crew have been working on intertwining the new players with the four returning starters. “We’ve spent more time working on fundamentals and teaching the younger players, rather than on conditioning,” Shymansky said.

“The young players are more athletically gifted (than last year’s seniors). That’s exciting for us in the future, but right now we just need to teach patience and an understanding of the game, something that’s important for the players and the coaches,” he said.

Senior Lindsey Laband returns as the setter, after being instrumental in the offense that was ranked first in the nation in kills per game.

Senior Jennifer Randall returns as the libero and defensive specialist. She’s played in every match for the past three years and should have another excellent season as passer to Laband. Freshman Michelle Kendall will also add support in the backcourt.

“We’re pretty excited about the depth of our team, especially in defense and passing, and that’s something that can [help the offense.]”

Bond Shymansky
Volleyball Head Coach

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“Even though no other ACC team was ranked in the top 25 nationally, the ACC coaches picked Duke to finish first in the conference, and Tech is ranked No. 20. Although no other ACC team is yet to be determined, which would indicate the strengths of the younger players.

“We still haven’t solidified a starting lineup, and with our rotations, maybe we’re looking at a starting eight or nine (instead),” Shymansky said.

This year Tech looks to defend its ACC champs, but there are changes in the format of this year’s schedule. The ACC tournament at the end of the season has been eliminated, and instead the regular season will be a double round robin format.

The double round robin reduces the possibility that the season champion will be undefeated in the conference, and it gives fans a chance to see all eleven conference teams.

But more importantly is the impact that this reformating will have when the NCAA tournament begins. “The tournament was always a real physical drag on the players, especially right before the NCAA tournament,” Shymansky said.

In addition to the physical toll, the tournament penalized the RPI of the top ACC teams because it matched them up against the weakest teams in the conference. A loss to one of these teams could ruin an NCAA berth under the old system.

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Tech opens the season at a tournament in Tucson, Ariz. The Jackets are slated to play Northwestern, Arizona and Tucson. Arizona is ranked No. 17 in the country, and Tech is ranked No. 20.

Senior Lindsey Laband returns at setter for the Jackets. She is the center of the offense, in addition to being a team leader.

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Stay in shape, relax at Campus Recreation Center

By Morgan Wolfe and Melissa Gegenheimer
Contributing Writers

With Brittain, Woodruff and a skew of other eateries on and near campus, the freshman fifteen can easily creep up on the unaware. Thankfully, Tech has the ever useful Campus Recreation Center, or CRC, for short. Located on west campus, the Olympic-quality exercise and recreation facility has everything a freshman would need to ward off that terrible tummy.

Every Tech student should be aware of the competitive and leisurely opportunities that the CRC offers. Formerly known as the Student Athletic Center, or SAC, the CRC now encompasses far more than just athletics. The name change is significant because it emphasizes the availability of activities that will suit students’ varying interests. Although many freshmen may not wander past the captivating, technologically-enhanced cardiovascular equipment and countless weights, some students will desire more than just a typical workout.

Travel up to the fourth floor where you will discover several studios and a game room. Equipped with air hockey, foosball, and ping-pong tables, the game room is available to all Tech students. The versatile studios house the fifty non-credit G.I.T. FIT classes that range from martial arts and self-defense to belly dancing. Aside from these alternate options for working out and relaxing, students can enjoy other nontraditional forms of physical stimulation by utilizing the climbing wall or the CRC’s aquatic center. Home of the Georgia Tech swim team and the 1996 Olympic Games, the CRC has an Olympic size competition pool, a diving well and a hot tub.

In an adjacent part of the building is a separate leisure pool complete with a water slide and a mini lazy river. Lanes can be reserved for use, and kickboards and pull buoys are available at no charge.

For those non-swimmers, the CRC has an array of dry activities ranging from racquetball and squash to basketball and indoor hockey. The fourth floor "arena" used for hockey and soccer also doubles as an excellent dodgeball court and is used as such in many campus events like One Night Stand.

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Seating capacity of Tech’s football stadium, Bobby Dodd Stadium at Historic Grant Field, is the nation. The stadium has been expanded many times since it was built in 1913 by members of the student body. The original structure featured concrete bleachers on the west side of the field and seated just 5,600. The most recent expansion was completed for the 2004 season and increased seating capacity by about 13,000 seats.

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The pre-season ranking of the

The intramural system is broken down into men’s, women’s, co-rec (featuring both men and women on the same team) and recreational leagues. One school champion will be crowned in each of these categories per sport, with the exception of the recreational league.

Depending on the popularity of the sport, not all sports will field teams in each category. For example, Ultimate Frisbee does not have a co-rec or women’s league while Flag Football does.

Of the four leagues, the men’s league is, not surprisingly, the largest and is therefore broken down into four divisions: Graduate, Fraternity, Housing and Independent.

The teams of each of these men’s divisions play among themselves during the season and have their own playoffs. But, unlike in previous years, the top two teams from each division move on to the School Championship tournament.

The eight teams then compete for the title of “School Champion.” Anyone wanting to enter a team for any Phase I sport should attend the captains meeting Monday, Aug. 29 at 6 p.m. in room 117 of the Flag Building. Late registration for those who miss the meeting is Aug. 31 at 1 p.m. in the Intramural Office in the CRC.

Most games for Phase I of the fall semester begin in the second week of September.

Each team for Phase I costs between $30 and $45, depending on the sport. The fee for sand volleyball is $30, while Whiffleball and Ultimate Frisbee both cost $40 per team. The fee for Flag Football is $45.

To be eligible, students must also have paid the recreational and facility fee. If you’re a full-time student, you’ve probably already paid it even if you didn’t realize it.

Participants are allowed to play in as many sports as fits their schedules, but they cannot play on more than one team per sport, with the exception being that membership on a co-rec team does not make you ineligible to play that same sport in a different division.

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Yellow Jackets

**Introduction**

Just eight more days until toe meets leather and the 113th installment of Tech football begins. The Jackets open their season at Auburn, a team that was 15-0 last season and that has a 15-game winning streak.

Tech will play in the newly formed Coastal Division of the ACC along with Duke, Miami, UNC, Virginia and Virginia Tech.

**Outlook: 7 wins-4 losses**

This season, Tech will be facing one of the most difficult schedules in its long and illustrious history. The season begins and ends with SEC rivals and totes an ACC schedule in between. Here’s a break down and analysis of the team.

### Quarterback

Now in his junior season, Reggie Ball must be the upper-class team leader that every successful offense relies on. Ball has the talent and potential to be one of the premiere quarterbacks in college football, but inconsistent play has hampered his career for the past two years. A strong performance against Auburn could set the right tone for what this season will be like for the QB.

After a rough first scrimmage, Ball has performed well in the final two scrimmages and has started to look like the quarterback that has garnered praise during his first two years. A strong arm and his impressive running ability are his main strengths. A solid receiving corps also works in Ball’s favor.

### Running Backs

The Jackets welcome Oklahoma transfer Tashard Choice to an already loaded backfield. P.J. Daniels is healthy and looks stronger than ever, and the Tech offense is most deep in the backfield. Chris Woods and Rashaun Grant can build on their playing time from last season.

In the past the Jackets have been very successful in the games that Daniels has started, so a healthy starter should be the runner to overall team success.

Mike Cox and Ajenavi Enzieme will complement each other as fullbacks. These two will be called upon to clear the way for the tailbacks. Cox and Enzieme should try to emulate Jimmy Dixon, who graduated last year.

### Wide Receivers

Calvin Johnson will be the main receiver, but Damarius Bilbo and redshirt freshman James Johnson will be called on to relieve some of the double coverage that teams will put on Johnson.

Johnson and Bilbo both have looked good in the practices and the three scrimmages. But in the two years since changing from quarterback to wideout, Bilbo has caught just six passes. During the off-season, Bilbo slimmer down, losing 20 pounds, and he gained improved agility as a result.

Pat Clark, Chris Dunlap and Xavier McGuire could all see significant playing time. These guys could take the opposing defensive concentration away from Johnson.

### Tight Ends

Tech is slightly better off this year than last when it comes to the tight ends, but they still will have major question marks accompanying them. Redshirt Junior's Michael Matthews and George Cooper remain unproven in their ability to catch passes. The loss of Wayne Riles for most of the season will be a big blow to depth.

Freshman Colin Peek can step up judging from his impressive performances in the fall practices. If he continues to show improvement, he could see some significant playing time.

Peek could fill the void in the tight end position by establishing himself as a solid tight end who also has the ability to catch.
The biggest question mark on this year’s team is the offensive line. With Darryl Richard’s knee injury, Mansfield Wrotto was sent back to the defensive line. Senior Salih Besirevic has been called on to bring depth by learning four of the positions on the line. The only other senior is right tackle Brad Honeycutt. Kevin Tuminello and Kyle Rhodes both saw significant playing time last season, and Nate McMannus appears to be a solid newcomer to the line. Andrew Gardner will earn his position under fire as a red-shirt freshman. LeShawn Newberry has shown that he can add some depth.

However, how will the young unit act in the case of an injury? The line shows promise if they can avoid the injury bug, but if something does happen they may not be able to recover.

Despite losing Travis Parker to grades and Darryl Richard to a season-ending knee injury, the Jackets look to have a strong line once again. Eric Henderson will be looking to make an impact in his final year on the flats and will put himself in position for an All America season.

Wrotto has returned to the defensive line and with Joe Anaoi should provide ample reason for the opposition to stay away. Adamm Oliver will be called on to replace Parker after subbing for Henderson at the beginning of last season. Darrell Robertson and freshman standout Michael Johnson are both providing quality depth at defensive end.

Despite off the field issues with KaMichael Hall and the moving of Chris Ren back to the secondary, a healthy linebacking corps will be a one of the best in the ACC. Gary Guyton is challenging Hall for the starting job, but may get the start regardless against Auburn if Hall’s off the field issues aren’t resolved. Gerris Wilkinson will be anchoring the defense at middle linebacker with Phillip Wheeler rounding out the unit.

Dawson Landery and Chris Reis will provide the backbone of the secondary. Reis has made a position change for the second straight season, but will need to adjust back to being a safety. Joe Gaston will provide solid depth for Tenuta’s defense.

Reuben Houston was suspended from the team pending the resolution of a case in U.S. District Court in Sacramento. Dennis Davis returns to the secondary after being granted a sixth year by the NCAA. Davis missed most of last year after separating his shoulder twice in the win over Clemson. Kenny Scott will be on the opposite side of an average cover corner. Avery Roberson and Jamal Lewis are both very solid backups when they are needed.

The special teams will be an integral part in the success of Tech this season, and the Jackets appear to be able to win the field position game. Travis Bell returns as placekicker after a breakout first season. He missed just two kicks last year. Senior Ben Arnold returns as punter, after a 2004 season where he averaged 38.5 yards per punt but downed 20 punts inside the red zone.

Chan Gailey returns for his fourth year as head coach and will be looking to improve on his 21-17 record. With more than 30 years of coaching experience, including 16 years in the NFL, Gailey looks to take Tech to its ninth straight bowl berth. The newer challenge will be trying to win the first-ever ACC championship game.

Patrick Nix enters his second season as Tech’s offensive coordinator and must be willing to open up the playbook to take advantage of the talent of his players.

Defensive coordinator Jon Tenuta has kept the Jackets in almost every game since arriving on the flats, and will continue to do so with one of his most talented defenses yet. The Jackets will need the defense to excel if they are going to win games this year.
Freshman guide to football bowl games

By Patrick Odneal
Sports Editor

The first days of classes for freshmen are all about making sure students have a basic understanding of the academic knowledge they need for the rest of the semester. Professors, aware that every student comes from a different high school background, teach the basic concepts that to some is an easy review but to others is a call to catch up to pace.

In the same way, every student should have a basic understanding of the college football Bowl Championship Series (BCS). For some it will be a nice review and for others it may be new material.

So what is the BCS? It is a system in NCAA Division I-A football for determining the national champion. Unlike other sports (basketball for example) that have single-elimination tournaments at the end of the season to determine the national champion, the football season consists of 11 regular season games, a season championship game, and then one of any numerous bowl games.

The four BCS bowls (the Rose Bowl, the NokiaSugar Bowl, the FedEx Orange Bowl and the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl) are considered the "big" bowls, and in fact the national title game rotates among these four BCS bowls this year. The Rose Bowl is the National Championship Game. What's unique about these "other" bowls is that in addition to the BCS bowls there are a couple dozen "minor" bowls, which are each managed by the corporate sponsors. Last season, Tech played in the Champs Sports Bowl, formerly known as the Tangerine Bowl.

A large number of bowls always feature conference match ups. Last year the Champs Sports Bowl saw Tech, an ACC team, down Syracuse, a Big East team, 51-14. This year that same bowl will feature a match up between an ACC team and a Big 12 conference team. And next season a Big 10 team will be featured.

These "other" bowls are not as prestigious as the BCS bowls, but certainly any bowl, especially year after year, is noteworthy.

Tech has played in bowl games for the past eight years.

Why not have a playoff system? All other divisions of college football use playoff systems. But for Division I-A, it all comes down to money, and that isn't necessarily a bad thing. Bowl games boost local economies at the 28 host sites, while giving national TV exposure to many teams who may have stayed under the spotlight in the regular season.

As long as the tickets sell and the TV ratings soar the bowl system will never be changed.

The perks that come along with traveling to a state like Florida over winter break and the hospitality gifts often serve as a nice perk for bench players who never see game action.

What are these changes I've heard about with the top 25 polls? This year Associated Press Poll will not be part of the BCS process. The AP has been ranking teams since 1936.

The AP poll had used about half the criteria of the BCS in determining the top teams, and computers, two teams will play each other in the Rose Bowl for the National Championship.
Free tickets one benefit of student life

By Patrick Odneal
Sport Editor

Watching a college game is one of the most thrilling things to do on campus. If you’re a sports fan, it should be obvious that seeing the games in person is a whole other dimension from watching them on TV. You’ll be at every game, and you might even be one of those guys who paints his chest and wears the crazy wigs.

But if sports aren’t really your cup of tea, you really should go to the games anyway, if only to enjoy the fellowship of other students. There’s always that group of students who couldn’t care less about what’s going on in the game but who have a blast anyway. They enjoy hanging out with friends and meeting new ones. After all, without college sports, there’d only be studying.

Here’s the best part: Admission to all Tech games on campus is free. The cost is covered by the athletic fee you pay at the beginning of the year, so you don’t have to pay anything more to attend games.

So to go check out the game of your choice, here’s what you need to know about getting your free tickets.

In order to get your free tickets for football games you must first go to the Georgia Tech Athletic Association (GTAA) Ticket Office (at the bottom of Freshman Hill) with your own BuzzCard and pick up season coupons.

These coupons aren’t your actual tickets to the game, but are what will be exchanged throughout the season for the actual ticket. Each Monday before the home game, you can go back to the ticket office and exchange that week’s coupon for the ticket.

Students who want to go in groups are allowed to turn in multiple coupons to get block seating. Check out the student ticketing procedure on www.ramblinwreck.com for more info.

The problem with the coupon system is that while every student is eligible to get a coupon, not every student will be given a ticket. For most games this isn’t a problem, but for games like UGA, it can be. As a result, students face long lines and perhaps even camping out overnight in order to get tickets to the biggest games of the year.

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Free tickets are one benefit of student life.

Golf Digest ranks Tech No. 1 school

Based on academic reputation, superior coaching staff, quality facilities and past performance, among other categories, Golf Digest chose Tech as the No.1 golfing school in the nation.

Tech’s golfers are deserving of such high acclaim. They have finished in the top five nationally in four out of the last five years. The Jackets can boast of three ACC Championship titles as well.

Tech graduate Nicholas Thompson won his first round match 4 and 3 in the U.S. Amateur over Dustin Fink. Thompson is one of 32 players remaining in the nation.

Thompson joins a group of elite alumni golfers, including six on the PGA tour. David Duval, Stewart Cink, Michael Clark, Jr., Tripp Isenhour, Matt Kuchar and Larry Mize all carry active tour cards and receive the alumni mailings.
V-ball from page 3

By Patrick Odneal
Sports Editor

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George P. Burdell: the legend lives on

By Kyle Thomason
Editor-in-Chief

He’s the most famous, well-traveled and mysterious Tech student. Ever.

George P. Burdell first enrolled at Tech in 1927, and, since that time, his legend has become a beloved part of the Institute.

In 1930, Burdell earned a Bachelor of Science degree. He studied at Harvard for a short time before shipping off to England where he flew bombers for both the Navy and the Eighth Air Force during World War II.

Burdell is more than just a gifted engineer and patriot—he is also a prolific writer, having penned countless letters to the editor that have appeared in newspapers, and he served on MAD Magazine’s board of directors from 1969-1981.

Burdell’s name frequently appears on credit card applications. He is often paged by unsuspecting operators of public address systems at Tech away games and other large events.

Of all Burdell’s achievements, perhaps the most notable came in December 2001. Burdell garnered most votes in an online poll for Time Magazine’s Person of the Year. Then, inexplicably, Time pulled Burdell out of the running, paving the way for George W. Bush to claim that illustrious title.

The origin of Burdell may never be known for certain, but the most likely story was described in a 1977 article in the Atlanta Journal-Constitution Magazine.

The article explains that in 1927, William Edgar Smith, BS ’30, received an extra admissions application.

Instead of throwing the form away, Smith decided to fill it in for George P. Burdell, the disciplinary headmaster of his high school.

Smith changed the name at the last minute to Burdell, the maiden name of his best friend’s mother.

The prank did not end there. Whenever a professor would take roll, students in the back of the classroom would answer for Burdell.

Smith even handed in exams for Burdell, changing his handwriting enough to fool professors. In 1930, Smith and Burdell both received Tech degrees.

Smith’s creation soon took on a life of its own. Burdell resurfaced at Tech with the advent of automated registration in the spring quarter of 1969. Burdell registered for every course offered, more than 3,000 credit hours. He did the same in 1975 and 1980, despite attempts by administrators to keep him out.

Burdell seems to have found a more permanent position at Tech in recent years. “The continued clamor and ridicule of my name can no longer proceed,” Burdell wrote in a column in the AJC.

“I am and have been for 10 years dean of humanities and fine arts.”

The Tech tradition of George P. Burdell now passes to the incoming class. Both alumni and upperclassmen look forward to the creativity of the freshman class in ensuring the continued success of Tech’s most famous student.
Plethora of tutoring options aid study

By Kyle Thomason
Editor-in-Chief

Feeling nervous about your chances of keeping a high GPA at Tech? Abt worried that you suddenly don't know everything—or at least no more than your classmates? Resist assured, you are not alone. Plenty of tutoring options are available to help you cope with Tech's academic rigors.

Your first source of aid is your graduate or undergraduate teaching assistant in your specific class. They generally have knowledge of the particular class you are taking and are easily available. But when that fails, you might be able to turn to study sessions organized by individual schools. The schools of Math, Chemistry and Physics each offer study sessions for students in introductory courses. Professors, TAs or academic advisors can provide more information.

The Office of Minority Education (OMED), located in the Chapin Building, offers tutoring assistance to all Tech students. Complete information about tutoring hours can be found at www.omed.gatech.edu. The Office of Success Programs also provides individualized tutoring services, as well as workshops and seminars focusing on topics like effective time management. More information can be found at www.successprograms.gatech.edu.

The Department of Housing's Freshman Experience program offers tutors for students Sunday through Thursday nights in freshman dorms. GTCN produces a call-in show hosted by a student who explains tough problems. Another popular strategy is forming study groups. Some students find it helpful to pool their knowledge. However, students should be aware of the Honor Code and edge. However, students should be aware of the Honor Code and

Tech through time

These are just a few of the many events that have defined Georgia Tech since its creation almost 120 years ago.

Dr. Isaac Hopkins becomes first Tech president.
Administration Building and Shop constructed.
First class of 84 students enrolls.

1885
Georgia School of Technology founded.
The Tech football team defeats UGA in Athens 28-6. Irate UGA fans pelt the team with rocks.

1888
1893
1896

The first on-campus housing opens. "The shacks" have no running water or electricity.
Dr. Lyman Hall named second Tech president.
ANAK, a secret society, founded.
First Blueprint published.

First Technique published Nov. 17.
Tech football defeats Cumberland College 222-0, the largest margin of victory in history.

1905
1906
1908
1911

An AJC cartoon uses a yellow jacket to represent Tech for the first time.
First Homecoming
John Heisman retires after 16 years as football coach.

George P. Burdell attends class for the first time.
Tech awards first M.S. degree.

1916
1919
1920
1922
1925
1928
1930

Dr. Marion Luther Brittain named fourth Tech president.

The organization that will become the Ramblin' Reck Club is founded.
Bobby Dodd becomes head football coach.

1944
1945
1948
1951

The tradition of blowing the Whistle after football victories begins.
Women are admitted to Tech for the first time.

1952

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Tech is certainly too large of a school for everybody to know everybody on campus, but there are certainly people around the school that everybody knows, or at least mentions from time to time.

The people on the right represent some of the most important people at the Institute, whose names are often mentioned in the Technique and other places around campus for the contributions they make to the school.

That is certainly not to say that these are the only important people around, or even the most important, but it is a good guide to recognizing the people students constantly come into contact with on campus. So, take a glimpse at the people depicted on this page, as well as the next, as you are likely to run into many of them over your time at Tech, and take the chance to say hello if you happen to see them around; they’d all be happy to know who you are, as well.

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| Associate Director of Housing for Residence Life  |
| Rich Steele  |
| Director, Student Center  |
Deep roots, fierce competition mark Tech-UGA rivalry

By Kyle Thomason
Editor-in-Chief

What’s the good word? “TO HELL WITH GEORGIA!”

It starts at FASET and continues throughout much of the year. The students at the rival school, although rumored to be less intelligent, are not all that different; they are often next-door neighbors and friends.

As freshmen are now quickly learning, Tech and UGA have enjoyed a long history of “clean, old-fashioned hate” that dates back more than a century.

On Nov. 4, 1893, the two football teams met for the first time. Tech emerged the victor, winning 28-6.

In 1930, Tech freshmen chased a cow onto Grant Field while carrying a sign that said “This Ain’t No Bull, We Gonna Beat UGA.” During halftime, a riot broke out that police were unable to quell. The editor of the Atlanta Constitution, Ralph McGill, wrote, “A freshman is not a freshman until he has bloodied somebody’s nose, or had his blood.”

In 1946, UGA fans convinced a local union boss to call a coal strike that shut down the railroads taking Tech fans to Athens. Coach Bobby Dodd used an Eastern Airlines DC-3 to take his team to Athens.

In 1984, Tech fans tore down the goal posts after defeating UGA and paraded them onto North Avenue.

On the one-hundredth anniversary of the first Tech-UGA game, players fought in the south endzone in a brawl similar to the 1930 event.

Tech plays their arch-rival from Athens in football at Bobby Dodd Stadium on Nov. 27, this year.

Buzz and Hairy Dawg confront each other. Even the mascots get after each other when the Tech-UGA rivalry heats up on the field.
**FIGHT SONGS**

**Ramblin’ Wreck**

I’m a Ramblin’ Wreck From Georgia Tech and a hell of an engineer.
A helluva, helluva, helluva, helluva, hell of an engineer.
Like all the jolly good fellows, I drink my whiskey clear,
I’m a Ramblin’ Wreck from Georgia Tech and a hell of an engineer.

Oh, if I had a daughter, sir, I’d dress her in White and Gold.
And put her on the campus to cheer the brave and bold.
And if I had a son, sir, I’ll tell you what he’d do,
He would yell “TO HELL WITH GEORGIA” like his daddy used to do.

I wish I had a barrel of rum and sugar three thousand pounds,
A college bell to put it in, and a clapper to stir it round.
I’d drink to all the good fellows who come from far and near,
I’m a ramblin’, gamblin’ hell of an engineer. Hey!

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**To Hell With Georgia**

_Sung to the tune of “Battle Hymn of the Republic”_

Don’t send my boy to MIT
The dying mother said,
Don’t send my boy to Emory
I’d rather see him dead,
But send my boy to Georgia Tech
’Tis better than Cornell.
And as for the University of Georgia
I’d rather see him in hell!

[chorus]
To hell, to hell, to hell with Georgia,
To hell, to hell, to hell with Georgia,
To hell, to hell, to hell with Georgia,
The cesspool of the South!

Mine eyes have seen the glory
Of the stomping of the Dogs,
We will teach the poor dumb farmboys
They should stick to sloppin’ hogs.
When the Jackets are triumphant

There will be a mighty cheer—
We’ll do the same next year!
[chorus]

On the field between the hedges
There arose a mighty stench,
In the Dogs’ machine the engineers
Had thrown a monkey wrench.
When the Jackets are triumphant
We will raise a mighty yell—
Them Dogs can GO TO HELL!
[chorus]

Mine eyes have seen the glory
Of the N.C. Double-A
They’re investigating Georgia players
After counting all the cars
And the loans alumni made,
They out-pay the NBA
[chorus]
You certainly won’t find these in Webster’s…

The dictionary of essential Tech terms

A
The first letter of the alphabet. It also allegedly appears on grade reports. We’ll believe it when we see it.

Acronyms
Used for anything and everything on campus. Examples include buildings (MBDC), majors (ME) and colleges (CoC).

Brittain Beach
The patch of grass in the East Campus quad where freshmen traditionally throw frisbees and sunbathe in summer and spring.

Bursar’s Office
The place where you take your money, or your parents’ money, or the government’s money, but no credit cards...

BuzzCard
Student ID and campus debit card. Don’t leave home without it.

BuzzPort
A portal for Georgia Tech web resources, at least we think. Mention BuzzPort to an upperclassman and you’ll probably get a puzzled look.

Caffeine
Sleep in a bottle, cup or other non-bed form. See Sleep.

Capital Campaign
President Cough’s fundraising drive that concluded in spring 2001. It raised $712 million for the Institute, including the funding for many of the recently-completed construction projects around campus.

Chem Annex
One-fourth of the College of Computing’s building.

Clyde Bumps
Giant speed bumps (near the CoC and CRC, for example) that are only crossable at speeds under five miles per hour (any faster, and you’ll make the guys over at Midas very happy and very rich). Named for Clyde Robbins, who at one time was responsible for campus planning. See also Clyde Walks.

Clyde Walks
Term for the sidewalks that have bricks in them. Another useful innovation of Clyde Robbins. See also Clyde Bumps.

Coca-Cola
Obey the word of the man. This is Atlanta, after all. Use this building to locate the Student Center, which houses the only Pizza Hut in the country that serves Coca-Cola.

Coed
A female college student was first admitted to Tech 52 years ago. Although more sightings are reported each year, females only account for around 30 percent of the student body.

College of Computing Building

Complaining
Something all Tech students are expected to do often and well. Good examples can be found on newsgroups and in Technique letters to the editor.

CRC
Campus Recreation Center. A place to exercise and forget about differential equations for a while. Enjoy the fact that there is now a waterslide, which is only entering its second year of existence. See also SAC.

Cumberland College
The school that the Tech football team defeated 222-0 in 1916.

Dead Week
The (in)famous week before finals during which you are not supposed to have any tests. Be forewarned: some professors don’t understand this concept, at all.

Dean’s List
Only takes a 3.0...sounds easy, doesn’t it? Just wait.

D.M. Smith
History and Social Sciences building across from the library. Does not have a state-of-the-art air conditioning system.

Drop Day
The Friday that marks the last day to drop a class. It’s recently been moved to a point later in the semester, taking some of the guessing out of the decision to drop a class. You freshmen have it so easy...

E-Mag
PHYS 2212, considered one of the most difficult and/or confusing classes at Tech. Back under the quarter system, the saying used to

The Campus Recreation Center, or CRC, is one of the newest additions to campus. Although it is no longer the official name for the recreation center, many upperclassmen still call the CRC the SAC.

Drownproofing
A.P.E. class that was required of all Tech students up until 1988, so if you cannot swim now, do not worry. The class involved being tied up with rope and thrown into a pool. The goal was to allow you to survive indefinitely in the water through a variety of techniques.

The Tool Shed
Think really hard about your favorite CS major and you’ll understand.

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Perks, drawbacks come with living off campus

Joshua Cuneo
Online Editor

[Editor’s Note: This article is reprinted, with minor modifications, from the Aug. 20, 2004 issue of the Technique.]

To many students, living on campus may seem like the ideal arrangement. After all, friends, food, and classes are all within easy walking distance, and conventional wisdom holds that living on campus away from home is an important part of the college experience.

However, some members of Tech’s student body have elected to live far from campus—so far, in fact, that they’re forced to drive or ride their bikes to classes every morning. But they argue that there are merits to this arrangement, something they would encourage freshmen to consider after they’ve been at Tech for a year or two.

“I like having more room,” said Hudson DeLee, a fourth-year Mechanical Engineering major who drives to campus 15 minutes every morning from his apartment in Dekalb County. “Price-wise, you can get a lot better deals off campus.”

Kevin Guthrie, a fourth-year Math and Physics major, agreed. “The apartment is cheaper...Also, I had been living right next to [the 75/85 connector] for two years, so it was nice to have a quiet place to sleep back away from the highway. One big plus was not having a communal bathroom and shower.”

Some students like DeLee also leave when they become fed up with the Department of Housing’s quality of living.

“Over here, I’m not living under the thumb of Housing, my air conditioning works, and I don’t have all that uncomfortable furniture in my room that I have to keep in there,” he said.

Others even defy the rebellious college student stereotype and return home to their parents, especially if finances are tight.

“I moved in with them to save money while I looked for work,” said Charles Whittington, a fifth-year Computer Science major. “Being on loans, I did not want to rent an apartment and drive up my loan money.”

But, he said, that hasn’t kept him from reaping the benefits of living off campus.

“The best thing is that I can’t go back to my room and goof off. I get more work done during the day and the time that I am there,” Whittington said. “When I lived on campus, all I did was drink and download stuff off the web with that killer connection. I actually go out now. My spirits and grades rose dramatically after moving off campus.”

Living off campus even carries psychological benefits. Some students who commute find it easier to relax every evening because they can escape the academic environment.

“I really enjoy getting away from the campus each day, as it gives me a time to unwind and to differentiate from work (that is, school) and home,” said Frank Rietta, a fourth-year computer science major.

Some commuters can also take advantage of MARTA, Atlanta’s rapid transit system. While users argue about its reliability, it provides a cheap alternative for those who worry about transportation expenses.

MARTA is also beneficial for on-campus residents eager to explore the city. The trains can take riders to a number of Atlanta’s major hot spots, and the buses—free for train riders—drive to most of the remaining locations. But, said Rietta, he forewarned: “Walking to the MARTA station late at night is not exactly safe.” The Tech Trolley stops at MARTA, carrying students to and from campus, and the Stingerette transports students after hours.

Hudson DeLee
Fourth-year ME

MARTA offers a transportation alternative to freshmen who cannot bring their cars and students who commute to Tech each day.

Other students argue in favor of living on or near campus. Time, they say, is a premium.

“Spending 1.5 hours on average in the car takes a chunk out of the day which at some times could be used for studying,” Rietta said.

He commutes from his parents’ house in Duluth. “In addition, group classes can be harder when other group members prefer to meet late at night.”

It also means that students with early classes have to get up even earlier than their on-campus counterparts, and there’s no room
Ludacris performs on campus at "Sting Break."

The Campaign for Georgia Tech, or Capital Campaign, concludes. The fundraising drive raises $172 million, money that is used to finance a wave of new construction projects.

Tech shifts from a quarter system to semesters.

Tech campus serves as the Olympic Village during the 1996 Olympic Games.

Drownproofing requirement ends.

Dr. John P. Recine named tenth Tech president.

Student Athletic Center opens.

Basketball becomes Tech's first women's varsity sport.

Dr. Arthur Hansen named seventh Tech president.

George C. Griffin retires after 18 years as dean of students.

Dr. Edwin Harrison named sixth Tech president.

Gilbert Library constructed.

2005
2004
The Tech men's basketball team competes in the NCAA Championship game.

Technology Square opens.

New students are required to have computers.

Dr. Wayne Clough named tenth Tech president.

Vice-presidential candidates Dan Quayle and Al Gore debate at the Ford Center for the Arts.

Buzz first appears as Tech's mascot at the Tech-Florida game.

1992
1988
1987
1980

Student Center opens.

Dr. Joseph Mayo Pettit named eighth Tech president.

Bobby Dodd retires as head football coach.

Tech desegregates when Ford Greene, Ralph Long Jr. and Lawrence Williams, three black students, enroll.

1964
1961
1960
1957

Dr. Mary Katherine Cabell becomes Tech's first female faculty member.

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Sources: Georgia Tech Alumni Association; Technique archived issues; T-Book

Off from page 10 for those famous last-minute mad dashes to lecture.

“When I wake up at 7:55 a.m., for a final at 8 a.m., I’m going to be late,” DeLee said. “Whereas on campus, I can sprint out the door and get there.”

“I prefer living on campus,” said Scott Kim, a fourth-year electrical engineering major. He commutes from his parents’ home in Lawrenceville—a 45-minute drive—and regrets that the cost of housing could not justify staying on campus over the summer. “It’s more convenient, and I enjoy being around friends at Tech.”

Part of the problem, DeLee said, is that commuters often find themselves away from campus during peak social hours and have difficulty making it back to campus to visit with friends.

“You’d be going home after classes, or at dinner, and really, after that, that’s when all the fun stuff happens.”

That is why many students, including commuters, usually recommend on-campus residency to incoming freshmen.

Living with fellow students, who are facing the same challenges of being on their own for the first time and are looking to meet new people, can create good friendships.

“You can go out and meet new people and enjoy the college atmosphere,” Kim said. “It also gives a greater feeling of independence and responsibility since you are on your own.”
Get involved, it’s easy

By Kyle Thomason
Editor-in-Chief

By now, as a freshman, or even as an upperclassman, you have seen advertisements for more organizations than you ever thought existed; in fact, you probably do not think there could possibly be any more organizations around.

Well, there probably are. Tech has hundreds of clubs and organizations, and if there is not one that fits your particular interest, you can start one.

If you’re at Tech because you have always wanted to be an engineer, and you want to spend all of your free time concentrating on engineering, there are certainly groups for you, but that’s not all.

In addition to all imaginable organizations related to math, the sciences and engineering, there are many organizations that cater to the liberal arts side of students, such as the Technique, the Blueprint, DramaTech, glee club and mock trial.

In addition, there are many organizations that promote leadership and help to hone all sorts of skills such as FAB, SGA and Freshman Council that are involved in a multitude of events and provide great experience for students.

There are also many opportunities to get involved within your major, whether it is working for a professor, doing research or helping with recruitment.

There are so many opportunities, and there is undoubtedly a place for everyone on campus to "fit in." Not only is going out to join an organization a great way to get involved personally, it’s a great way to meet people that often will have the same interests as you and are interested in doing something outside of studying.

So, go ahead, go to a meeting today and get started; it’s much more fun that extra Calc work.

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FIGHT SONGS

Up With the White & Gold

Oh, well, it’s...

Up with the White and Gold, down with the red and black,

Georgia Tech is out for a victory.

We’ll drop our battle axe on Georgia’s head

When we meet her, our team is sure to beat her.

Down on the farm there will be no sound

’Till our Bow-wows rip through the air.

When the battle is over, Georgia’s team will be found

With the Yellow Jackets swarming ‘round.

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we no longer offer
subscriptions
to the TECHNICUE.
please check us out online at

www.nique.net
Use these sparingly—generally, only on section fronts.

Letters of rejection from prospective employers. Three or four will sometimes get you a free meal.

Final Four 2004
The event which generated more excitement at Tech than anything else in recent memory. Hopefully, it will become an annual event.

F.O.
Frosted Orange. See The “V.”

Gates
The best development in parking, ever. Please do not break them.

Good Word, The
“To hell with Georgia!”

Hill, The
The area filled with old, historic buildings between the Administration Building and the Library. See Tech Tower.

Honor Code
Supposedly sexy. Says you’re supposed to squeal on cheaters. And profs are supposed to provide word.

Yep, that’s what it says.

Howey
The Physics Building on the corner of Forst and Atlantic where many freshman classes are held.

IC Auditorium
a.k.a. Tennenbaum Auditorium, located in the Instructional Center, which is across from the CRC.

Junior’s
Campus diner where Tommy serves up some of the world’s greatest chicken fingers.

Late Fees
Fees that apply in addition to regular semester fees if your payment is late. Better take out another loan to pay these off.

Library West Commons
Computer lab on the first floor of the library, and perhaps the nicest on campus. At one time in the not-too-distant past, this was one of the least-used parts of campus, but now you can almost always expect a wait before a computer opens up.

M.I.T.
Georgia Tech, North Campus

Ma Tech
The cherished name used by students and alumni as the personification of Georgia Tech.

MARTA
Metro Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority—since freshmen don’t have cars, this is your way around Atlanta, unless you can sucker an upperclassman into driving.

Midnight Madness
Starting the Sunday before finals and continuing every night during finals, students gather at midnight in public areas around dorms or lean out their windows for the age-old tradition. Promptly at midnight, students scream and yell to relieve the stress of their finals preparation.

North Avenue Trade School
Nickname for Tech.

Office of Information Technology (OIT)
The campus computer office. At one time, they had the nicest computer labs on campus. See Library West Commons.

O’Keefe
This is where the volleyball team plays. It is next to the Coliseum. See athletic Coeds.

Olympics
Hosted by Atlanta during the summer of 1996. Tech served as the Olympic Village. Most on-campus apartments were built around this.

OSCAR
Not a green muppet. Online Student Computer Assisted Registration; it’s how you get classes, view your grades, pay your bill and, eventually, check your graduation status.

Orange
Thanks to construction, it has become an unofficial Tech color.

Parking Permit
Once just a hunting license before former Parking Director Rod Weis stepped in and restored some order; most freshmen can still leave this one out of their vocabulary.

Quarter
A relic of the past. Alumni, faculty, staff and really old students will probably remember. Tech switched from the quarter system to semesters in 1999, causing all kinds of problems. See Semester Conversion.

RAT
Any freshman. Recruit At Tech, or Recently Acquired Tech Students. Originates in Tech’s strong military roots.

Road Trip
Something every college student should and must do in order to truly experience college. All you need is some clean underwear, a toothbrush, and...oh yeah...a car with gas, which is not cheap these days.

SAC
Student Athletic Center, now renamed the Campus Recreation Center. See CRC.

Semester Conversion
A big hassle that occurred before the 1999 school year. Resulted in lots of graduation appeals. See Quarter. Sex
Oh, wait...

Shaft (1)
Any examination or class (not necessarily longer than it is wide) which inflicts mental anguish due to being unnecessarily difficult and/or impossible to pass.

Shaft (2)
The large metal campanile fountain outside the Student Center.

Sic
A phrase, used often in journalism, meaning “intentionally to be written.” According to Webster’s Dictionary, it is used after a word or passage to indicate that it is intended exactly as printed or to indicate that it exactly reproduces the original—especially when the passage appears to contain a mistake. Example: University [sic] of Georgia.

Sideways
A stray dog who’s head was cocked toward her tail. She captured the hearts of Tech students in 1945.

Sixth-Year Senior
Every fraternity has one; Someone who has already been here longer than the recommended schedule, but is still striving to get out. This person has funny stories.

Sleep
We at the Technique are glad to be able to define this for you. Although we haven’t experienced it firsthand (and neither will you), we hear it has something to do with shutting the eyes and entering into a catatonic state for several hours on a nightly basis. See Caffeine.

Silver

See Terms, page 14.
**Stop Signs**

Disregarded by most drivers. If you see someone using a crosswalk, you’re supposed to speed up...right?

**Student Center Commons**

The Houston Building. Used to be the Tech bookstore. Now houses student orgs, WREK Radio, and several stores and restaurants.

**Tech Tower**

The Administration Building. The Tex atop the tower are probably more heavily guarded than anything else on campus.

**Tech Trolleys**

Not really trolleys. They’re actually Stingers disguised as trolleys, with much more uncomfortable seats. They run from the IC to Technology Square. We’re still waiting for the moving sidewalk, though.

**Technique**

“The South’s Liveliest College Newspaper.” An excellent distraction during Friday afternoon lectures. Anyone can write for it, regardless of experience, and meetings are every Tuesday at 7 p.m. in Room 137 of the Student Services Building.

**Technology Square**

Tech’s giant leap across the Downtown Connector. Home of Barnes and Noble at Georgia Tech, a hotel, the College of Management, and numerous stores and restaurants. Our Redglint attempt at a college town, with a few choices that college students do like.

**Thriller dome**

The basketball arena.

**V.V.**

The Varsity drive-in located on North Avenue. At least get a fried pie and an F.O. Also known as “The Greasy V.” Claims to be the world’s largest drive-in.

**Whistle, The**

The Georgia Tech faculty and staff newspaper published by Institute Communications and Public Affairs.

**Word**

Old tests and notes to help you study for tests. Some professors changes their tests all the time, but remember that most people are lazy.

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**Terms from page 13**

A comment, quip, inside joke or one-liner that runs in the Technique Sliver Box. Contribute one at www.nique.net.

**Square Root Club**

The elite club that only admits members who meet this stringent criteria: The square root of your GPA is greater than your GPA. Get it? Don’t strain your brain too hard...

**Staff**

The hardest-working professor at Tech. He teaches most of the lower-level classes, but never receives any credit. Why isn’t he in the course evaluation?

**Stinger, Stingerette**

Campus vans and buses. They aren’t on a strict schedule so budget extra time if you want to make it to class, or just get some exercise and walk. An hour should be enough. See also Tech Trolley.

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Tech wins a home football game, and each spring during the “When the Whistle Blows” remembrance ceremony.

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The Technique proudly presents...

1. Go to the beach. Any one will do.
2. Ride the elevator to the top of the Westin Peachtree Plaza.
3. Eat at Junior's (and wonder why Tommy isn't in charge of all campus dining).
4. Buy a class ring (the year can be changed).
5. Drop a class.
6. Go to the top of the Mason Civil Engineering Building and watch the sun set or rise.
7. Wear your RAT cap.
8. Swim in the fountain (either the Library or the Shaft—both count).
9. Stand in line.
10. Visit the Career Services office (before your senior year).
11. Go to a fraternity rush party.
12. Blow off homework for a date.
13. Find the Haberham Building. Go inside of it and find out who's in there.
14. Walk into a final and say, "What the hell is this crap? And where is the regular guy?"
15. Read at least on Technique from cover to cover.
16. Wander aimlessly around campus after being shifted by your latest exam.
17. Warn tour groups away from Techsleamishing. "The Honolulu! The Honolulu!"
18. Complain about Auxiliary Services. Take your pick from parking, housing, dining, etc.
19. Meet the waitress at Waffle House at 4 a.m.
20. Count her teeth and play the Waffle House song.
21. Fall asleep on your keyboardddd.
22. Go to a fraternity rush party (as if you have a choice).
23. Work for the RA.
24. Climb one of the magnolia trees near the Campanile.
25. During senior year, show up for your last lab or final ham-mered. But don’t blame us for the consequences.
27. Send President Cheatham an email. Extra points if he replies in the same day (he’s usually pretty fast).
28. Call your parents and beg for money.
29. Call Financial Aid and beg for money.
30. Go on North Ave. and beg for money.
32. Pick up a guy or girl in the Library West Commons.
33. Light sparklers in your on-campus apartment to celebrate New Year’s.
34. Run in the Freshman Cake Race. Senator Sam Nunn did, and look what it did for his career!
35. Sneak a large metal beer-dis-tributing object into your dorm. When it’s empty, pass out.
36. Figure out why differential equations are important things to know.
37. Vote in a national election in the Georgia Tech precinct (why not this November?)?
38. Put on weight.
39. Work out at the new and im-proved CRC. See #38.
40. Be in the Blueprint (somewhere, anywhere).
41. Date someone from another school.
42. Imagine that your roommate is your boyfriend or girlfriend.
43. Quit SGA.
44. Give Roz Meyers, or any other administrator, a hug. Tell him or her that the "Nique sent you.
45. Go to Lenox Square and wear out your credit cards.
46. Eat Easy Mac and/or Ramen noodles five times in a given week.
47. Wait 10 minutes for a Stinger when it would only take five to walk to class.
48. Get some condoms. Use when appropriate (guys and gals).
49. Successfully appeal a parking ticket.
50. Shuck.
51. Go to Under the Couch.
52. Join SGA.
53. Quiz SGA.
54. Wish you were home (not too much in your freshman year—it looks bad).
55. Streak during Midnight Madness (watch out for the GTPD).
56. Go to every Tech home game during one football season.
57. Road trip to at least one away game. While there, try to convince the public address announcer to page George P. Burdell.
58. Take the Stinger to the CRC.
59. Decide not to go to the CRC when the Stinger fails to arrive promptly.
60. Drink “Hunch Punch.”
61. Take aspirin and reconsider #60.
62. Make a movie for iMovieFest, or Delta Campus Movie Fest, or whatever it happens to be called this year.
63. Have a long conversation with someone on a bench on Skiles Walkway.
64. Ask someone the date, then realize you're three days behind.
65. Visit your friend in the Architorture building.
66. Go to Savannah for St. Patrick's Day.
67. Ask a professor to join you for lunch.
68. Take the yellow envelope from your old parking ticketers and put a slip of paper in them that says "Gotcha!" Put them on all the parking mini-trucks.
69. Have a conversation with the Dean Griffin statue until someone notices. Then stare back like he or she is the weird one.
70. Learn the words to "Up With the White and Gold."
71. Break up, then make up, with your boyfriend or girlfriend.
72. Take the orange envelope from the "V."
73. Express every opinion you’ve ever had (relevancy not re-quired) on every newsgroup.
74. Discover that your roommate is not nearly as obnoxious now that he or she has Word.
75. Break up, then make up, with your boyfriend or girlfriend.
76. Sleep on your (or your hallmate’s) floor by accident.
77. Learn the stories of Sideways the dog.
78. Register for a class that is taught in Technology Square, know-ing full well you can’t possibly get back on campus in time for your next class.
79. Watch a CS major walk into a tree, back-up, and say “excuse me,” all without ever looking up.
80. Go more than one week without showering.
81. Take a final. When you’re finished, immediately change your major.
82. Grow facial hair (males only, please).
83. Discover why the lights are always on in the Architorture building.
85. Get your picture made with the Ramblin’ Wreck.
86. Eat too many “Naked Dogs" put from the "V.
87. Express every opinion you’ve ever had (relevancy not re-quired) on every newsgroup.
88. Discover that your roommate is not nearly as obnoxious now that he or she has Word.
89. Think about transferring to UGA or Emory.
90. Wake up. It was only a bad dream. See #89.
91. Relax in the green space on cam-pus. One at a time, please.
92. Tour CNN Studios and visit Centennial Olympic Park (they are both within walking dis-tance).
93. Have a cold one at the non-alcoholic pub in the Student Center Commons.
94. Go to a DramaTech produc-tion.
95. Get a degree.
96. Get lost while driving in At-lanta. Cure the pheroma of roads named “Peachtree.”
97. Make friends, or visit old ones, at Georgia State or Emory.
98. Play trivia at Rocky Mountain Pizza, Fifth Street Ribs and Blues, or anywhere for that matter.
99. Concoct, but don’t enact, a plan to steal a “T” off Tech Tower.
Auxiliary Services is pleased to be able to award ten $3,000 scholarships to Georgia Tech students who IMPACT the Georgia Tech community. We are happy and proud to say thank you to students who have supported us over the years. We understand and appreciate the hard work, self-discipline, and perseverance required for the Georgia Tech student to succeed and hope that these scholarships will express our thanks.

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If you are making a positive impact on the Georgia Tech community we encourage you to apply next year! Applications will be available online at www.importantstuff.com in January.

Michelle Annette Clark
Junior
Mechanical Engineering

"Since my enrollment at Georgia Tech in the Fall of 2003, I have encountered two types of people: those who indifferently ride through life, and those who passionately drive through life. I can confidently say that I belong to the latter."

Brandon Cory Elson
Junior
Management

"...making an impact is more than just doing the job that’s asked of you, but being passionate about what you do and spreading that enthusiasm to others."

Caroline Meagher Mahoney
Junior
Management

"I helped bring Dance Marathon to Georgia Tech because of the impact it would have on both our campus and Georgia Tech’s image in the Atlanta community. I truly believe it is the largest reason I am a person of impact."

Kathy Pham
Sophomore
Computer Science

"I strive to make a difference and leave a mark wherever I go. I join organizations not for the superficial titles but for the opportunity to make an impact in the organization or the lives that the organization affects."

John Alan Dean
Senior
Management

"Being a person of impact involves constantly living in a state of possibility and being a catalyst for positive change."

Esteban Devoto
Junior
Industrial Engineering

“To be chosen as a person of impact among the many solid applicants is a very remarkable thing since it means that you stand out amongst students with amazing potential.”

Justin Matthew Harper
Sophomore
Computer Science

"Making an impact by accident."

Pelham David Norville
Doctorate
Electrical and Computer Engineering

“I have held leadership positions in several organizations at Georgia Tech, but leadership is action, not position. I believe that one should not simply be content to passively experience life, but rather work to improve human condition.”

Christine Cory Vaughn
Sophomore
International Affairs and Modern Language

“I am a person of impact because I care about the people around me so much that I do whatever I can to provide for their needs."

Clinton Gregory Warren
Junior
Mechanical Engineering

“I [have] achieved one of my primary goals at Tech: to give back to and to develop the student community that I love so much.”