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Last issue’s poll garnered 48 responses to the question: “Were you surprised by the outcome of the SGA presidential election?”

- Completely; I thought someone else would win. (27%)
- Somewhat; I thought it would take a runoff. (20%)
- Not at all. Tiffany had it in the bag. (53%)

This week’s poll is about binge drinking. Five drinks in one sitting for a man and three for a woman is binge drinking. Do you do it? Tell us what you think at www.cyberbuzz.gatech.edu/technique.

From the archives...

The Nique’s top stories from:

10 years ago: April 10, 1992—The new Tech Theatre for the Arts on campus will officially open on April 15. The center, which broke ground in December of 1989, will house a 1,200 seat auditorium with a stage, orchestra pit and full theatre staging capacity as well as a new home for the DramaTech.

20 years ago: April 9, 1982—Groundbreaking ceremonies were held for Tech’s newest dorm. The dorm will cost $8 million to complete. The Jackets split a pair of games in baseball action. Tech defeated UNC, while falling to NC State.

30 years ago: April 7, 1972—In an unprovoked attack, a Tech student was shot outside his fraternity house. The incident was the result of gunfire from a passing car in front of the Kappa Sigma house. The shot caused only minor damage to the student’s leg. Tech’s new president, Dr. Joseph Pettit, announced plans for a possible Student Conduct Code.
Senate approves Cyberbuzz funding

By Jody Shaw
News Editor

The Graduate Student Senate jumped straight into discussion on Tuesday after adjourning the previous week because it lost quorum. The Senators debated the merits of a bill to provide a new computer and other new equipment to Cyberbuzz for student organization use.

The organization originally requested about $14,000 to provide for a large back-end server, a front-end workstation, basic video equipment and a microphone. Cyberbuzz plans to use the equipment to stream-line student organizations; they will be able to borrow the Cyberbuzz media equipment to broadcast more campus events online. The larger back-end capabilities will aid in this process. Student organizations will be able to use the equipment free of charge.

At last week’s meeting, a number of senators criticized the request. They argued that such resources already existed on campus and that new needs could be covered through requests from the technology fee allocation committee. ECE Senator Edgar Brown, the graduate student representative on the committee, noted that usually academic departments make most of the technology fee requests, but Cyberbuzz had obtained technology fee funding before.

At-Large Senator David Maybury argued that the Cyberbuzz bill did not actually support a student activity, and he also expressed concerns that a lot of computers already exist on campus. Despite concerns about whether or not the request should be before the technology fee committee instead of the Student Government Association, a number of senators supported the Cyberbuzz idea.

CE Senator Michael Dodd noted that while he usually opposes funding technology purchases with student activity fees, he felt that the equipment would improve the activities that all student organizations take

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UJC ruling forces House rule change

By Jody Shaw
News Editor

The members of the Undergraduate House of Representatives spent more of their time on bylaw amendments, as Internal Development Committee Chair Brian George again brought a number of bills before the body.

Business was delayed initially, as the House lacked the necessary quorum to call to order. Once a quorum was assembled, however, the House flew through the bills and ended its meeting just before 9:00 p.m.

One of the major bylaw concerned the attendance policy for representatives. For a substantial amount of time, UHR has operated under a policy that any representative who accumulated three absences could be removed from the SGA Advisory board. This stipulation is in the UHR bylaws. In its constitution, however, SGA has a stipulation that states “if a representative neglects his duties, impeachment charges may be brought against him.”

Recently representatives began to discuss the proper way to remove delinquent representatives. The UHR Solicitor General Scott Fletcher asked the Undergraduate Judiciary Cabinet for a constitutional interpretation to see if the stipulations conflicted. The UJC ruled that they did.

“The UJC interprets this…to mean that a representative may only be removed through a process of impeachment, not simply by a review of Advisory,” said Chief Justice Sara Cames, in her letter to Undergraduate President Chris Kavanaugh.

George proposed constitutional amend-ment to change the clause to all the Adviso-ry to remove representatives. The House, however, decided against such an action. It failed the bill, leaving impeachment as the only way in which a representative can be removed.

The representative passed a number of other amendments, however, including one to rename the Legislative Communications Committee the House Administrative Committee.
drinkers as men who had five or more, or women who had four or more drinks in a row at least once in a two-week period.

"By comparing the proportions across the years, there is not significant evidence of a negative trend because the confidence intervals overlap," Brani Vidakovic, a statistics professor in the school of Industrial Engineering, said. "With the same tests, you can arrive at different conclusions—so there are endless possibilities for [interpreting the data]." This particular analysis neither proves nor disproves a trend, but it is certainly legitimate to claim a downward trend, Vidakovic said.

Sam Becknel, project director for the GT SMART coalition, emphasized the program’s focus on environmental change over any short-term statistical gains. "These results, in my opinion, are nowhere near the reality of what the environmental change approaches can do on anybody’s campus—as well as in the community," Becknel said.

Components of GT SMART’s approach include helping neighborhoods close to Tech understand their rights and responsibilities, making sure that underage students do not have easy access to alcohol and helping students manage their own parties more effectively, Becknel said. The coalition also mounted an extensive advertising and public relations campaign addressing the dangers associated with high risk drinking.

Becknel also stressed the importance of maintaining good relationships with Home Park, Berkeley Park and Ansley Park since students need those neighborhoods for off-campus housing alternatives.

Becknel expressed his frustration with how GT SMART is perceived by the student body. Some students have criticized the program for, well, not doing anything at all.

"Binge drinking at Georgia Tech is a problem; how severe of a problem it is ranges from person to person," Student Body President Chris Kavanaugh said. "GT SMART’s role at Georgia Tech is worthwhile, but in order to be effective, they must communicate their goals to the student body. Currently, most students think they are here to make Georgia Tech a dry campus."

Student sentiments and statistical squabbles aside, Wilcox feels that changing the peer culture will ultimately be the only effective way to reduce binge drinking.

"Changing something as complex and deeply rooted as binge drinking on college campuses is something that there is no quick fix to," Wilcox said.

"That’s why we’re taking this broad environmental approach, looking at all sorts of different ways to affect the environment. The only thing that’s really going to change [the culture] in the long run is affecting student attitudes about drinking, and that just takes a long time."

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**Binge drinking on campus**
The percentage of binge drinking students plotted with confidence intervals for the last three years.

![Graph showing binge drinking percentages from 1999 to 2001 with confidence intervals.](image)

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The fourth amendment, which was added at the Tuesday meeting, adjusts the constitutional clause that caused the original problem. Constitutional amendments will have too be either run in the Technique or publicized in another appropriate manner.

Though some representatives expressed concern about the amount of voter turnout for the special election, Kavanaugh believes it will go well. "I am not concerned at all about voter turnout. At over 30 percent, Georgia Tech is among the highest in voter turnout among all colleges and universities, where the average is eight percent," said Kavanaugh.