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By Jody Shaw
New North deck opens
By Judy Shaw
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story North Campus Parking Deck
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be reserved for visitor parking, as
the lot will be attended from 6:30
a.m. to 7:00 p.m. each day. Stu-
dents will have the opportunity to
reserve into the new deck, and many
students currently on the waiting
list will receive spaces—both in the
dock and in the various zones that
will be opened up because of re-
shuffling.
"I don’t think over 25% [of the
North Campus dock] initially will
be faculty and staff," Rod Weis,
Director of Parking and Transpor-
tation, said.
See Desk, page 6

Sigma Phi Epsilon scores win
Brothers in the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity will be able to officially return to campus on July 27, so
long as the university’s appeal to the Board of
Society of Sigma Phi Epsilon, commonly known as
Sig Ep, dates back to fall semes-
ter when the fraternity brought the
fraternity before the Interfrater-
nity Council (IFC) judicial board
to face 38 charges of hazing, con-
duct, drug, and alcohol viola-
tions. IFC found Sig Ep responsible for most of the charges and
recommended that its mem-
bersons be required to undergo in-
tensive educational programs and
revise its pledge policy.
"The problems that occurred
were among a small group of
guys that created problems for a
large group of guys," Bill Crain,
President of the Sigma Phi Epsilon
Alumni Board, said.
The Dean of Students office,
which makes the final decision
on such cases, determined that
suspension was a more appro-
iate punishment. The Dean’s office suspended Sig Ep for two
years, but the fraternity imme-
diately appealed the decision to
Vice President of Student Af-
See Sig Ep, page 9

Ford donates to Tech
The Ford Motor Com-
pa ny recently committed $10
million towards the contruc-
tion of the Environmental Sci-
ciences and Technology Build-
ning, which will house Tech’s efforts to develop sus-
tainable technologies.
The Environmental Sci-
cences and Technology build-
ning will take our efforts to a
new level, and we are very pleased to have Ford Motor
Company as a partner in this
effort," said President G.
Wayne Clough.

Fire breaks out at GLC
Students returned from
Spring Break to find the Grad-
uate Living Center aflame. The blaze broke out on the
fourth floor of the building on Sunday evening. Accord-
ing to witnesses, the small fire started when residents
were cooking dinner, but many GLC residents were
forced to evacuate the build-
ing for over an hour as fire-
fighters snuffed out the flames.

Tech’s Ivan Allen College celebrates ten years of liberal arts
By Judy Shaw
Managing Editor
In the past weeks and months,
one of Georgia Tech’s newest
colleges, the Ivan Allen College,
celebrated its tenth anniversary
with a variety of guest lectures
and special events. This cele-
britation provided a time for the
leaders of Tech’s liberal arts col-
lege to reflect on its beginnings,
assess its current position, and
contemplate its future.
"Georgia Tech is no longer a
regional engineering school, it is
a national and international
technological university, which
means it has to have strong hu-
manities and social sciences," Sue Rosser, Dean of the Ivan
Allen College, said.
"It is not the Georgia Insti-
tute of Engineering, it is the
Georgia Institute of Technolo-
gy, and technology is an essen-
tially human enterprise. A device
is just a piece of metal until some-
body decides to use it. As soon
as you start talking about how
it’s used, where it’s used, then
you start to get into the realm of
things Ivan Allen folks decide," Richard Burke, Associate Dean
of the Ivan Allen College, said.
"I think in ten years, we’ve
made enormous progress, but
ten years is not very long for a
complex institution with 110
faculty, 700 students, teaching
84,000 credit hours a year to
change," Rosser is somewhat new
to the Ivan Allen College. She was
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she found herself attracted to the interdisciplinary approach
of the Ivan Allen College.
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**M. Rameen Ghorieshi**  
USG Presidential Candidate

**Class:** Senior  
**Major:** Applied Biology, Pre-Med  
**Expected Graduation:** Spring 2002  
**Campaign Website:** [http://www.rameeng.com](http://www.rameeng.com)

**SGA Experience:**  
- Member-At-Large (2000-01)  
- SGA Advisory Board Member (2000-01)  
- Major Representative (1999)  
- Winter '01 Retreat Organizer  
- Various ad hoc Committees

**Tech Activities:**  
- American Medical Students' Association VP (AMSA)  
- Tri Beta Biological Honors Society  
- Speech and Debate Team VP (Administrative)  
- IBB Research  
- Intramural Soccer  
- Freshmen Council  
- Lambda Sigma (LS)  
- ESEP (Elementary School Educational Partner)  
- GT Options Instructor

**Platform:**  
- The Three A's for a Better Future  
  **Academics**  
  - Students/Faculty Ratio: The majority of faculty funds is going towards the employment of research faculty. We need to hire more qualifying faculty.  
  - Solid Academic Advisement: Frustrated with your advisor? Shouldn’t ALL advisors be able to give us the wisdom we deserve? They should…and they will.  
  - Cross Campus Tutoring Available: Every single student should be able to get academic assistance with any subject. Let’s help OMED, FE, and SPAARC work together.  
  - English Accent Training for Professors and TAs: If students are to learn, they must be able to understand and communicate with their instructors. Mandatory accent training is critical to our success.  
  **Arts**  
  - Robert Fert Center for the Arts: Performances and shows should be student-centric: Culture at student-affordable rates.  
  - Student Center: SGA and the Student Center shouldn’t compete for programming… we need to work together to bring bigger and better acts to campus.  
  - Tech’s Music Program: Georgia Tech has an incredible Music Department. Let’s support them by taking advantage of their performances and helping them obtain larger and more appropriate rehearsal venues.  
  **Auxiliary**  
  - The Great Parking Compromise: We must reach an acceptable compromise on fees, citations, and permit areas so that parking issues do not encroach upon our ability to compete for programming…we need to work together to bring bigger and better acts to campus.  
  - Solidifying Stinger Bus Service: We need to make Stinger a dependable means of transportation by posting stop times at every stop and holding drivers accountable to those times.  
  - Dining Services: Before Tech signs on for another FIVE years, inspections and contract reviews are critical.  
  - Housing: Housing must assist students faced to move off campus obtain affordable and acceptable living areas.  
  - Organizational and Recreational Space  
    - Expansions to Georgia Tech such as the Bookstore Move and Technology Square should be kept in the students’ interests—not in corporate interests.  
    - Central campus areas such as the Cyber Cafe should remain open late, especially on weekends, giving us better meeting and socializing areas.  
    - We need to make sure student organizations get the office space they deserve; the current Bookstore Mall and the new Undergraduate Learning Center will serve this purpose.

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**Erik M. Gordon**  
USG Presidential Candidate

**Class:** Junior  
**Major:** BioE  
**Expected Graduation:** Summer 2002  
**Campaign Website:** [http://](http://)

**SGA Experience:**  
- None

**Tech Activities:**  
- Residence Hall Association:  
  - Hall council president  
  - Programs coordinator: Winter buzz ’90/’91  
  - First Annual Georgia Tech Formal  
  - Second city ’01  
  - Awards Banquet ’00/’01  
  - J-board ’00/’01  
  - Retreat ’01  
  - Club Britain  
  - Conferences: SAAURH, NAACURH

**Platform:**  
- I have only two major goals that I would like to accomplish. The first is to put a Bar on campus somewhere. The second is to make SGA part of every student’s life. By achieving these two things, many other little problems will be solved. By putting a bar on campus, we will considerably lower the number of students who drive off campus for a couple of beers, and then drive home and get arrested for DUI. By bringing SGA to the individual students, we can strengthen SGA and make it less intimidating to the student body as individuals.

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**Chris Kavanaugh**  
USG Presidential Candidate

**Class:** Junior  
**Major:** Industrial and Systems Engineering  
**Expected Graduation:** May 2002  
**Campaign Website:** [http://www.chriskavanaugh.com](http://www.chriskavanaugh.com)

**SGA Experience:**  
- Chair, SGA Advisory Board  
- Executive Assistant to the President  
- Freshman Representative  
- Bookstore Space Allocation Committee  
- Academic Integrity Board

**Tech Activities:**  
- Omicron Delta Kappa, Treasurer  
- Freshman Council. Sophomore Advisor, Vice-President  
- Diversity Forum  
- Executive Round Table  
- Psi 1080 Team Leader  
- LEARN Peer Mentor Program  
- Georgia Tech Leadership Initiative  
- Ramblin’ Reck Retreat Council  
- TEAM Buzz Project Coordinator

**Platform:**  
- The following are some ideas that I have for making Georgia Tech a better place for you, the students. The President of SGA is a servant of the students, so if you have any ideas, questions, or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.  
  **YOUR ACADEMICS**  
  - Split Exam Week: Tech students deserve an organized week of exams that provides opportunity for every student to prepare for each class and its expectations. Graduating seniors will have a meaningful commencement with genuine diplomas, without having to wait around an entire week.  
  - Course Surveys: The feedback of thousands of students evaluating professors and classes is recorded every semester. We, the students, can never access the thoughts and opinions of these evaluations while selecting our schedule and professors. Students should be able to access all this information at Georgia Tech’s online Course Critique.

**YOUR LIFE**  
- Students Full Win: Georgia Tech students deserve access to an atmosphere that elevates the spirit of Tech. The possibilities are endless, but include:  
  - 24 Hour Coffee Shop  
  - Campus Pub  
  - Student Organization space  
  - Off-Campus Buzz Card: Rocky Mountain, Wendy’s Quino’s Go to Trivia night at Rocky Mountain, and when it is time to leave, just swipe the Buzz Card for a debit from your “buzz fund.”  
  - Meal Plan Options: So many students pay thousands of dollars to Dining Services while at Georgia Tech, but the choices we have are limited. We should have the option for any meal plan as a paying student, or items should be “a la carte,” so the urge for an ice cream sundae isn’t subdued by the thought of “wasting a meal.”  
  - Jogging Course: Developing a safe, lighted, and marked jogging course throughout campus for Georgia Tech students.

**YOU.**  
My entire platform revolves around you, a student of the Georgia Institute of Technology. My time at Georgia Tech has been phenomenal, but that is because of one reason and one reason only: phenomenal people. If the students unite, anything is attainable. Please join me in not only raising the bar, but removing it, by making Georgia Tech a better place than it already is.
Undergraduate Student Government Elections Presidential and Vice-Presidential Candidates

Luis Salas
USG Presidential Candidate
Class: Junior
Major: Electrical Engineering
Expected Graduation: Spring 2002
Campaign Website: http://luissalas.renset.gatech.edu

SGA Experience:
Electrical and Computer Engineering Representative
Student Chair of Mandatory Student Fees Advisory Committee
Chair of Parking, Transportation and Facilities Committee
FOCUS Survey Initiative
SGA IMPACT
Organized parliamentary procedure workshop

Technical Activities:
Community Advisor, Department of Housing
IEEE andEta Kappa Nu
Circle K
Georgia Tech Ice Hockey Club
Georgia Tech Roller Hockey Club
Area II Hall Council (hall representative)
SGA Campus Services Committee
SGA Internal Development Committee

Platform:
The following improvement will make Georgia Tech a much better place:

Fair Parking
Parking permit prices should be fair and based on variables such as location, security and quality of the lot. By paving all unpaved lots or offering them at a discount price and by providing compensation to students who are forced to relocate their vehicles, a fair pricing structure will be closer at hand.

Academics
Academics is the second highest concern of students at Georgia Tech. Academic advisory groups consisting of both students and faculty are the key to improving the academic aspect of Georgia Tech. These groups will give students a say in how their classes are run and it will give the faculty an insight on how to be effective educators.

No New Mandatory Fees
Mandatory Fees have been imposed on us by the administration in order to fund several projects and services on campus. These fees are obligatory and eliminate a student’s ability to choose whether or not to contribute to its benefactors. These fees, as a whole, have also increased continuously for at least the past five years and are proposed to reach a total of $1,112 for the scholastic year of 2001-2002 (Fall ’01, Spring and Summer ’02 Semesters). This continual increase must stop and no new mandatory fees should be enacted.

Campus Hub
Being associated with stress and frustration, the Georgia Tech campus is in need of a place where students can relax and enjoy themselves. Options to do so on our campus are very limited and space in the Student Center, Under the Couch or Campus Hub should be enacted to the requirements of their contract. By establishing a Contract Administrator position within Auxiliary Services, Marriot and other campus contractors can be kept in check and held to their contractual agreements.

Fix Dining Services
Marriott has been accused of several contract violations in their Woodruff and Brittain dining halls. These violations greatly decrease the quality of service provided to the students of this campus and Marriott should be held accountable to the requirements of their contract. By establishing a Contract Administrator position within Auxiliary Services, Marriot and other campus contractors, so students have more time to prepare for exams closer in date to the actual exam, and to be able to keep alive the Alumni Association’s T-Week during the last few weekdays after exams

Joey Katzen
USG Vice-Presidential Candidate
Class: Third Year
Major: IE/STAC
Expected graduation: May 2002
Campaign Website: http://www.joeykatzen.com

SGA Experience:
Vice President Administrative Affairs
Freshman Rep
Committee
Planning & Development
Public Relations
Campus Services

Technical Activities:
Founders, walksideaways.com
Leadership Chair, Phi Kappa Tau
Ramblin’ Wreck Retractable Council
Omicon Delta Kappa
Student Center Governing Board
LEARN Steering Committee

Platform:
Homecoming, TeamBuzz, The Ramblin’ Wreck, Football Games.

I see my role as Student Body Vice President as one in which I both build SGA as a cohesive group and tie it to the student body, and in which I help tie the student body itself together.

I think if we can make people feel as if they have something fun in common with other students, even in light of the rigorous academic environment, a better experience will result. I plan on working with other members of the Student Government Association to implement goals such as:

‘Wreck Pride’
in which students, starting as freshmen learn what it means to be a Tech student, through a summer program and involvement with homecoming, traditions, etc.

Class identification
where members of the student body tie themselves to their incoming classes much as they do at other schools for purposes of identity and competition.

Freshman pass-fail semester
so that incoming students have a chance to bond to the community before facing the full academic rigor.

DJs spinning music outside a few days a week
– without thinking about it, people will be having a better day.

A split exam week with reading days
so students have more time to prepare for exams closer in date to the actual exam, and to be able to keep alive the Alumni Association’s T-Week during the last few weekdays after exams

Nate Watson
USG Vice-Presidential Candidate
Class: Junior
Major: Public Policy/EAS
Expected graduation: Summer 2003
Campaign Website: http://www.votenate.com

SGA Experience:
Academic Affairs Chairman
UHR Representative
Provost Search Committee
Academic Affairs Committee
Planning and Development Committee (99-00)
Governmental Affairs Committee (99-00)
Legislative Communication Committee (99-00)

Technical Activities:
 thetaXi Fraternity
Peer Leader
Honor Advisory Council
Student Alumni Association Board of Trustees
Aide to State Senator Steve Thompson
and Charlie Tankley
West Point First United Methodist Church
Tech Beautification Day Chair, 2000
Quality of Learning Environment Committee (99-00)
Women’s Awareness Month 2000

Platform:
The Vice-President must set a tone of action. It’s time for action to build our community and put students first. Often the only communication students have with administrators and faculty is class, parking tickets, and bills. Sadly, many students don’t graduate from Tech…not because of academic problems, but because students feel treated as numbers instead of people. Many people, some student leaders included, believe community is built solely by a website or big project. I understand that people build community and it’s not done easily or by one person, but through committed students determined to improve things. SGA needs a Vice-President to move us forward, to take us away from the raw deal students get and to fight for a fair deal, a SQUARE DEAL, a square deal that will bring Tech to remember that it begins and ends with the students.

The Square Deal Has Four Sides:

Community:
• Work with Organizations and President’s Council to communicate what’s going on and simplify the funding process
• SGA needs to co-operate with the Student Center, which it funds $760,000 annually, to create events
• Space for community and organizational meetings, religious and minority groups, and music rehearsal

Auxiliary Services:
• Parking should be held financially accountable and students should be able to see where their dollars are spent
• Dining Services must serve quality food in the dining halls, the food should be subjected to a free-market where freshmen aren’t required to purchase a mealplan they won’t use

Academics:
• A Student Bill of Academic Rights to guarantee basic rights in classes. I’ve authored a bill of rights and we’ve begun working to make it institute policy
• Teaching should be a priority for teachers and administrators, especially when considering hiring, tenure, and promotion

Vice-Presidential Leadership:
• Set a tone of action and accountability for representatives
• Provide clear avenues of communication and strengthen SGA’s Committees
• Well-run meetings based on an understanding of SGA’s Constitution and By-Laws, and Robert’s Rules of Order
• Lobby the Statehouse for a textbook sales-tax exemption
**Trey Childress**

GSG Presidential Candidate

Major: Public Policy  
Expected Graduation: May 2002

SGA Experience:  
Senator, School of Public Policy (2001)  
Undergraduate SGA at Georgia Tech:  
Junior Class President & Representative (1998)  
Parliamentarian (1997)  
Advocate General (1997)  
Chair, Ad Hoc Committee on the Quality of Learning Environment (1997-1998)  
Public Relations Committee (1996-1998)

Tech Activities:  
Steering Chairman, TEAM Buzz Annual Community Service Program (1999-2000)  
Vice-President, Campus Civitan (1997-1998)

Platform:  
Ensuring that you get your fair share of fees...  
- There are a number of students on this campus that do not see an adequate return on the activity fees that they pay—including graduate students and graduate families. Collaborative efforts should be made to ensure that graduates see a return on their student activity fees.  
- Many of the activities planned by undergraduates can be easily marketed toward graduate students. As president, I will ensure that undergraduates involved in campus programming know how to reach graduate audiences.

Controlling activity fee spending...  
- In addition to minimizing increases in our fees, we need more control in our spending. Under the current method of fee allocation, there is little order or direction. There are significant voids in campus programming—particularly in programming and services that are of interest to and convenient for graduate students and graduate families. SGA should inventory these voids in programming and establish allocation priorities to fill these voids. SGA should communicate to organizations so that they can adjust programming to fill voids. The allocation process should have an established order and direction.

Fighting for GRA health insurance benefits...  
- Over the past few years, great strides have been made in the effort to gain health benefits for graduate assistants. Given the events of the past year at the Board of Regents and in the State budgeting process, this effort is at a critical point. If ignored, the momentum gained in this effort will be lost.  
- As president, I will ensure that both the short-term and long-term, graduate students’ needs are effectively represented to the Board of Regents and other key players in the State budgeting process. With a president experienced in State government, graduate students can feel safe knowing that every effort is being made to fight for GRA health benefits.

Don’t risk your vote! Cast your vote for a candidate with experience.

Want to know more? See www.prism.gatech.edu/~gt8540b/or email treychildress@hotmail.com

**Charles Mull**

GSG Presidential Candidate

Major: Management  
Expected Graduation: May 2002

SGA Experience:  
Senator  
Graduate Student

Tech Activities:  
Management Consulting Club  
E-Commerce and Marketing Club  
Financial Management Club

Platform:  
1. The primary value guiding all my work as President will be promoting the interest and welfare of Georgia Tech graduate students.  
2. I will work to reduce the allocation of funds controlled by student government to activities that do not directly benefit a significant number of graduate students, so that these funds might better be used for the benefit of graduate students.  
3. I will oppose all fee increases and work to reduce fees whenever possible.  
4. I will use the influence of the office to promote better on-campus housing for graduate students, particularly family housing, which is great need of improvements.  
5. I will use the influence of the office to work toward Georgia Institute of Technology providing comprehensive health insurance for graduate students and their families.  
6. I will seek out dedicated individuals to serve on campus committees and insist that these individuals keep the student government and the student body well informed.  
7. I will work with leaders of campus organizations to develop better ways in which Graduate Student Government can serve the interests of graduate students.

**Camille Foster**

GSG Vice-Presidential Candidate

Major: Management  
Expected Graduation: May 2002

SGA Experience:  
Senator  
Graduate Student

Tech Activities:  
Ferst National Golf Club (MSM)

Platform:  
My primary goal in seeking election is to assist the president with the duties of the presidential office, as prescribed by the Graduate Student Government Constitution. I personally would like to play an active role in working with individual colleges to promote GA Tech as a top choice to potential graduate students. Much work goes into attracting bright, talented students. I believe the graduate senate is in a position to assist in this effort. Much of this involves working to improve benefits that supplement academia including, but not limited to better housing alternatives, health insurance, and better planning for a more rich graduate experience.
News briefs

Registrar’s office eliminates voice response registration

Beginning with early registration for Summer Term 2001, the voice response system will no longer be available for registration. “Voice response has simply not been used for registration purposes in a sufficient amount to justify the expense and man hours required to continue,” said Jo McDer, Registrar. Since the voice response system was implemented in the Spring Term 1997, only 782 students have used the system for registration. While this is an average of 51 students per term since 1997, only 85 students have used the system since semester conversion.

The voice response system will still be available for fee payment and for grade reporting at the end of the term. Only the registration portion of the system will be unavailable.

Due to changes made by the software vendor, a major upgrade will need to be made to the voice response system by September 1 of this year. An evaluation will be made prior to that time to determine the feasibility of continuing the system.

CETL honors fall and spring teaching fellows

The Center for the Enhancement of Teaching and Learning will honor its Fall 2000 Class of 1969 Teaching Fellows, as well as its Spring 2001 Senior Teaching Fellows with an open house on Tuesday, March 20. The event will take place in the Student Center Ballroom from 10:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Former participants in the teaching fellows program will present educational enhancements and innovations they have developed either directly or indirectly from their CETL Teaching Fellows projects.

All Georgia Tech students, staff, faculty, and administration are invited to attend. For more information on CETL and this event, contact CETL director Billiee Pendleton-Parker via e-mail at billiee.pendletonparker@oars.gatech.edu.

Tech professor engineers 2002 winter olympic torch

Salt Lake City olympic organizers recently tapped Georgia Tech’s Sam Shelton, an associate professor in mechanical engineering who constructed the 1996 Summer Olympic Torch, to design the 2002 Winter Olympic Torch. The torch, which was unveiled in Washington, D.C. last month, resembles an icicle, and it will be used in both the cross-country torch relay, which begins in Atlanta on December 4 and treks 13,500 miles, and the opening ceremonies on February 8, 2002.

New library dean addresses house

By Mary DeCamp
News Staff

The March 13 meeting of the Undergraduate House of Representatives saw the presentation of several bills.

The guest speaker for the evening was Dr. Richard Meyer the Dean and Director of Libraries. He has held that office since October 2000, and he spoke to the representatives about some current implementations as well as plans for the future concerning the library. He mentioned that many students are taking advantage of the library being open 24 hours. He also mentioned that the library is trying to improve on its collection of electronic resources as well as its general ambiance.

Dr. Meyer said that there are plans to begin construction on an Undergraduate Learning Center that will be connected to the library as well as refurbishment of the library in the near future. Dean Gail announced that an architect and design team have been chosen to create SAC II. Construction will begin in August.

She also mentioned that a “When the Whistle blows”, a ceremony that will honor the memories of Tech students, faculty, and staff who have passed away over the course of the semester, will be held on April 18 at 7 pm in front of Tech Tower. This particular ceremony will honor the memories of those who passed away starting Summer 2000.

The first three bills that were presented had been in Conference Committee, where undergraduates and graduates sought compromise.

The first bill, authored by ME Rep Victor Allen, was for the allocation of money to the GT Men’s Soccer Team. Due to lack of student attendance at games, this bill failed.

The second bill, authored by Monali Desai, dealt with allocating money for speaker fees for Women’s Awareness Month. Conference Committee members decided on allocate the money to the group. This bill passed.

The third bill, authored by Freshman Rep Dusty Riddle, was for the allocation of money for the performance by the Second City Comedy Troupe. The Conference Committee proposed not to allocate the money. After some discussion, this bill failed.

Economics Rep. Stephen Poppick brought a revised edition of the Resolution on Yearlong Mandato-"ry Freshman Experience Meal Plan. This is in relation to actions taken by SGA IMPACT. The bill passed to be discussed by the Campus Services Committee.

Computer Engineering Rep. Brian Lauster authored the next bill which was for an allocation of $400 to the Institute of Architectural Students for DJ fees for its Beaux Arts Ball. The bill passed.

Sophomore Rep. Tiffany Massey authored a bill that asked for money for Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority’s Fashion Show “Emancipation.” After the House amended the bill per Joint Finance Committee recommendations to $4,701.15 the bill passed to go on to a Conference Committee.

Undergraduate House of Representatives

By John Jewell / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

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Undergraduate House of Representatives

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The March 13 meeting of the Undergraduate House of Representatives saw the presentation of several bills.

The guest speaker for the evening was Dr. Richard Meyer the Dean and Director of Libraries. He has held that office since October 2000, and he spoke to the representatives about some current implementations as well as plans for the future concerning the library. He mentioned that many students are taking advantage of the library being open 24 hours. He also mentioned that the library is trying to improve on its collection of electronic resources as well as its general ambiance.

Dr. Meyer said that there are plans to begin construction on an Undergraduate Learning Center that will be connected to the library as well as refurbishment of the library in the near future. Dean Gail announced that an architect and design team have been chosen to create SAC II. Construction will begin in August.

She also mentioned that a “When the Whistle blows”, a ceremony that will honor the memories of Tech students, faculty, and staff who have passed away over the course of the semester, will be held on April 18 at 7 pm in front of Tech Tower. This particular ceremony will honor the memories of those who passed away starting Summer 2000.

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Now that one construction, the North Campus parking deck, is wrapping up, it’s time for a new project to begin. In the latest of the improvements set out by Tech’s Master Plan, a new, $1.2 million dollar renovation is set to improve State Street and make it the entrance to campus from the north.

State Street is currently one lane in each direction with parallel parking available on either side. The renovations would give the street a width of 56.5 feet while adding bike lanes on either side. In addition, 66 trees would be planted along the street’s new concrete-brick combination, seven-foot wide sidewalks, and a median with plants and grass would be installed.

The project has been in the works since 1997, and aims to “green up the campus and make it more pedestrian-friendly,” said Facilities’ John DuCongé. DuCongé noted that the western boundary of the street would remain intact, and the widening would push the eastern boundary, while sidewalk construction would span both sides.

Preliminary work is underway now, to convert the above-ground power lines to underground in order to make room for the trees and sidewalks, with a cost of $200,000. The two other portions of the plan are the street improvement project, which includes the widening and lighting of the street as well as construction of the sidewalks, with a tab of $900,000, and the landscaping and irrigation set at $135,000. All funding will come from the Institute.

Students who are worried about the closing of one of Tech’s main roads should not fret yet; there is still much to be done before the construction may begin. The entrances to parking lots must be re-configured, the contractor on the North Campus parking deck must clear out, and the decommissioning of the Neely building must all reach completion before work may begin on the State Street project, noted Gary Petherick, who is working on the project for facilities.

This work sets the start of construction, and the temporary closing of the street sometime in late April or early May. The construction, which will only take place from Ferst Drive to Peachtree Place, looks to last about nine months. Phase II, which would extend the beautification of State Street to its intersection with Tenth, is on the drawing board. Once completed, State Street will replace Atlantic, which will become pedestrian, as the major thoroughfare through campus.
in this pilot course.

“Our target audience is freshmen, so in addition to the technical material related to computer programming, we are trying to incorporate basic office software, time management, and organizational skills to help better prepare the students for the rest of their time at GT and beyond,” said Dr. Leonard.

“If this course is adopted college-wide, and we hope it will be, the instruction team must be prepared for about 900 students per semester. This will require a significant allocation of resources—faculty, TA’s, classroom, and lab space. We are working on these details the content of the CS1311 does differ somewhat from the traditional CS1311.

“This course differs from CS1311 primarily in the format of the lecture, the engineering examples that we use when explaining and demonstrating various topics in computer engineering, and the early emphasis of good project and time management skills. We are also emphasizing tangible computer skills that can be used by the students in subsequent classes,” said Dr. Leonard.

Students who complete this course successfully should have a good understanding of how to approach engineering problems solving and how to implement computer programming and other skills into solving engineering problems.

Their assignments are both applications-based, in Microsoft programs, and programming-based, primarily in MATLAB.

“Each student has a chance to work with the computers as the lecture is being given. They can input code, see how it works or ask why it doesn’t work,” Laura Cham, a sophomore CE major who serves as the class’s TA, said.

One of the main goals for the designers of this course right now is to make sure that it will soon become an acceptable prerequisite for CS1312. As it stands now, CEE4803D does not qualify as a prerequisite for CS1312, so EE, CompE, and ISYE majors still have to take CS1311.

The creation of this course was the result of the coordination of the efforts of two separate groups. Last year, Dean Jean-Louis Chameau created the IT Council.

The job of this group was to examine the content of information technology in the College of Engineering’s curriculum and highlight any possible ways to create growth and improvement.

In another group, the Dean’s Task Force on Enhanced Undergraduate Educational Experience saw a need to revisit the content and format of the first course in computer science (CS1311). The Task Force was learning what the impact would be of creating a new first course in computing that was more suited to the varying needs of engineering students. The collaboration of both groups created this new course.

“Computing and programming is not just for computer scientists. I’m a civil engineer with a focus on traffic and transportation engineering. Computers and programming play important roles in both the professional and research aspects of my field. Computers and programming make my job much easier and a lot more fun,” said Dr. John Leonard, CEE Associate Professor.

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ME Rep. Victor Allen authored a bill asking for an allocation of $25,000 to DramaTech to pay for new risers because the current risers are very old and weak. The bill passed.

The next bill was for the allocation of money to Georgia Tech Culture Fest 2001. It was authored by Rep. Carolina Andrade. After an amendment omitting some of the minor costs, the House passed the bill.

Sophomore Rep. Craig Tommasello authored the next bill, which drew great representation from the Georgia Tech Flying Club. This bill proposed the allocation of money to the GT Flying Club to repaint and refurbish two airplanes. After some short discussion, this bill passed allocation $28,997.50 to the Flying Club.

The next bill dealt with the allocation of funds to Lambda Delta Rho, a freshman leadership organization, for its Annual Leadership Recognition Banquet. After amending the bill per JFC recommendations, the House passed it. Sophomore Rep. Tiffany Massey was the author.

Rep. Ankur Goel authored the next bill. This bill dealt with the allocation of money to Freshman Council to help pay for the costs of this year’s SAC Attack. The House passed the bill after amending it per JFC recommendations, which made the total $2,586.

The next bill dealt with the allocation of money to SAC for six new exercise machines. Freshman Rep. Alissa Aiken authored this bill. The House passed the bill allocating $23,970 to SAC for the cost of these machines.

The final bill, authored by Elections Committee Chair Mike DeNicola, discussed by the representatives dealt with extending the deadline for submitting an application to run for a class or major representative position to Monday, March 19.

After some discussion, the House amended the bill to make this extended deadline apply to people seeking candidacy in all undergraduate student government positions and then passed the bill.
Sig Ep (from page 1)

fairs, Dr. Lee Wilcox.

“I reviewed their appeal, went back through all of the evidence, documentation, and so forth, and I looked at what Georgia Tech had done with other fraternities over the last few years and what they got for what they did to look for consistency,” Wilcox said.

“I decided to reaffirm the Dean’s office decision for the two-year suspension as well as these educational matters.”

Wilcox reaffirmed the Dean’s decision based on the severity of Sig Ep’s infractions, but the fraternity raised several due process issues that forced Wilcox and the Dean of Students office to reexamine the procedure by which it had been suspended. The fraternity also appealed the decision to the Board of Regents, the final authority in the state.

“In the mean time, representatives from Sig Ep continued to talk to us [Student Affairs] about these procedural issues. We became more convinced that there had been some serious problems in following the proper procedures,” Wilcox said.

Several years ago, IFC revised its procedures and by-laws. “The final product created a more organized and manageable by-laws, but unfortunately left out a key clause that the IFC-J board’s decision was only a recommendation and the final authority laid with the dean’s office,” Jan Carr, President of IFC, said. IFC by-laws must be approved by SGA and the Student Advisory Council of the Board of Regents.

The revisions, which never actually received approval, were placed on the IFC website unknowingly to Wilcox and the Dean’s office.

“I don’t think the clause was left out intentionally with the knowledge that it never would have been passed by SGA or SAC, and therefore never accepted by the Institute,” Carr said.

The dean’s office mistakenly told Sig Ep and its legal council that the IFC website contained the official procedure for handling Greek misconduct issues.

“The blame for this procedural error cannot be placed on one particular individual. The oversight has grown over time, and unfortunately it took something like this to call IFC and administrative attention to it,” Carr said.

“We’ve always had a system where the Dean’s Office really makes the decisions. Judicial boards, whether it is for academic misconduct, non-academic misconduct, Greek misconduct, we’ve always had those findings and sanctions come into the Dean’s Office as recommendations, and then the Dean decides,” Wilcox said.

When the Dean of Students office decided to add suspension to the educational recommendations made by the IFC judicial board, lawyers from Sig Ep claimed foul play.

“I’d say that the rules [Tech administration] told us were going to be enforced were not the rules that were enforced. I was very happy with the end solution, and I don’t believe either side is blameless,” Oakes said.

“We mistakenly gave them something that really wasn’t approved yet, and they were assuming that the IFC judicial committee would be final, and so they were surprised when we added sanctions,” Wilcox said.

After realizing they made errors in the process, representatives from Tech legal council began negotiating with lawyers representing Sig Ep. The agreement reduces Sig Ep’s suspension, but it places a variety of restrictions and requirements on the fraternity. Brothers may remain in the house, but they cannot participate in any Greek activity, other than preparation for fall rush for 2001, and no alcohol can be present in the house.

All current members of the fraternity and fall pledges must also complete alcohol and anti-hazing educational programs. The fraternity must also institute the Balanced Man Program, a unique pledge program developed by the national organization of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Sig Ep members must also complete 1000 hours of community service and hire an outside house manager for a three-year period. After July 31, if the fraternity can prove its compliance, it will be recognized on Tech campus again. According to both Oakes and Wilcox, many brothers in Sig Ep were taking measures to improve the previous problems even before they reached a compromise, and alumni also added in the changes.

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“This wasn’t easy for Sig Ep. It may sound like they got off the hook a little bit, since their suspension was shortened by a year, but they have gotten a lot of negative press, they have been unable to do the normal Greek things, they’ve plead guilty to a large number of infractions, and their alumni got very involved.”

“I’m content with the settlement that was arranged, because I feel it suits both sides: the administration and Sig Ep because Sig Ep was made aware, locally, nationally and with their alumni board, that problems that have arisen with their local chapter. Steps have been taken to prevent this in the future with educational programs dealing with alcohol, hazing, drugs, and other related topics. They still served a one-year suspension,” Carr said.
OPINIONS

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OUR VIEWS Consensus Opinion

Which policy?

The Dean of Students’ office dropped the ball when they referred Sigma Phi Epsilon to the InterFraternity Council’s webpage for information on the rules they violated. By not confirming the source contained correct information, they unknowingly provided a loophole the fraternity used to escape from severe penalties. Instead, the compromised punishment does not fit the organization’s crimes. IFC should have made sure the correct policy was featured on the webpage, while the Dean of Students should have double checked—just in case. Those culpable for this mistake need to make sure such errors do not happen again.

CS or CA 1311?

The College of Engineering’s alternative to CS 1311 fails to distinguish between computer science and computer applications. Tech should not have to offer a course on basic computer applications such as Microsoft Word—except as a remedial course. Although the current introductory CS course may not be best for all majors, only options that include learning how a computer thinks should be explored. The fact remains, however, that the new class does not equal CS 1311 because it fails to teach equivalent skills and methods of thinking. Computers will apply to our lives and any career remains, however, that the new class does not fit the organization’s crimes. IFC should have vetted our bill if passed because “I haven’t gotten to veto a bill yet this year.” Fortunately for him, the bill failed to remember to fulfill the duties of their offices.

Elections advice

To those running for a SGA office: students do not want 500 runoffs and a huge number of campaign violations. To those not running: please consider running. Getting involved can be a way to both improve student life and represent your class or major’s concerns to the greater Tech community.

Consensus editorials reflect the majority opinion of the Editorial Board, but not necessarily the opinions of individual editors.

Classwork due dates should not occur during weekends

Am I the only one that still believes in weekends? As this semester has progressed it has become clear to me that some members of the faculty do not share this view. The reason I have come to this conclusion is the number of assignments, to be turned in via the Internet, that are due on the weekends (including late Friday night or early Monday morning). I have grown to greatly resent such assignments and, in turn, feel increasingly hostile towards the faculty/TA’s of such classes.

Students, just like the average working man, too need nights to relax and get away from the stress of work. This time away allows students to rest and recharge, making it possible to sustain a high level of work throughout the semester. Instead we are spending Saturday night working on the assignment due at 11:59 Sunday night or 9:00 am Monday morning. In addition to this, prior to Internet collection methods few if any assignments were due on weekends. Why are students being punished for an advance in technology that should make the faculty/TA’s job easier? I do not feel that massive changes are needed for improvement to be made. In fact, all I propose is making no assignments due from 8 p.m. Friday to 5 p.m. Monday. This would allow students a full workday on Monday to complete the given task and more than a full workday Friday. At the same time nobody has to skip the basketball game Saturday night because of work. Please do not confuse my plea as an attempt to end all work on the weekend (as opposed to work due on the weekend). I agree that some studying and homework must be completed on the weekend in order for classes to progress at a reasonable pace. I also, however, feel students work very hard during the week and have the right to a few nights off guaranteed.

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Election must stop inefficiency by GSS

As SGA gears up for its elections process, I have two hopes for the incoming Graduate Student Senate (GSS) officers. I hope they can find a way to be more considerate of the bill representative’s time by eliminating some of the rampant inefficiency in their process and by treating the representatives themselves with a little respect.

A bill for Women’s Awareness Month was submitted a month and a half ago, and only voted on tonight. Why should a two to three week process take this long, you may ask? Simple time adds up when you must wait three weeks to have your bill heard (one delay due to not meeting quorum), more than a week and a half to have a conference committee meet, since the GSS can not find two representatives to take 20 minutes of their time to meet (though it is apparently acceptable to stand up our representatives at 7:30 a.m.), then a week later, conduct a final vote.

By taking the responsibility to represent their fellow graduate students, the GSS representatives need to remember to fulfill the duties of their offices. On a more personal note, the level of professionalism during the meeting was appalling. In each of the four GSS meetings I attended, the president threatened to veto bills that didn’t please him. In fact, just this morning he noted he would veto our bill if passed because “I haven’t gotten to veto a bill yet this year.”
Unconditional "agape" love can help improve campus

Jesus' treatment of others can serve as an example students can follow. They do not have to perform miracles, but simply act in a more thoughtful manner towards other people.

We certainly like to think that we are progressing as a society, you know, replacing war with combats with new formulas, new answers, and more innovative ways of accepting our own ideas. But we still seem to have fundamental problems, too. I believe that some of the most basic problems we have can never be solved with new formulas and theories. Despite being at the forefront of a technological revolution, Tech seems to have a feeling of emptiness to it. People drag their feet to classes with heads down in their phones. Incredible stress and workloads cause us to be overly self-centered and often forget our fellow man. Of course the financial strain that is typically found among college students is certainly present here. Isolation, loneliness, and fear of rejection drag already overworked students down further.

I think there is one, simple answer to many of these problems we face: CS 1311. CS 1311 makes you guess from the headline, I think true love is that answer. What do I mean by that? Even in my own mind, I see CS 1311 as up-rooting romantic images. We hear so many different definitions of love in different places. I am not talking about the love you have for a Coke, or your girlfriend, or even a calculus test. I mean love that is in some way spring from. Well, maybe not that calculus test! I am referring to love that is born from the Greek, where it means unconditional love. Why is unconditional love so important? Because conditional love, i.e., I will love you if you do this, does not satisfy our own needs. I am sure you are at least familiar with this. Hopefully your parents will love you no matter what you do. Maybe your girl/boyfriend does too, although I can tell you that this is certainly not always the case. For this, the programming class I have taken over the last few semesters has been an unconditional love, you know how much it can help, what relief it can be, and now it can turn your day around.

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"I am not saying to start following Jesus and living a life of different beliefs and religious preferences. Although he was a great guy in my opinion, I believe he made his own decisions on those sorts of things. What I am saying is that we can learn from him. What I am saying is that some agape love on this campus is just what we need. It's easy. Treat people with respect. Even though we pride ourselves on being very intelligent people out with our heads screwed on tight, nobody knows it all. So let's respect others' attitudes and preferences at least until we know the whole story. Offer a smile and a greeting to a stressed Woodruff employee. Give some change to the homeless guy. No, he did not lead a perfect life, but neither have we, truth be told. In little things like these that may or may not really make a person feel better about themselves to think that someone who does not even know why they are worthy of some love and kindness. That's what true love is about, if you ask me.

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CS1311 alternative could spell relief for future students

Incoming freshmen could have alternative to CS1311 in upcoming semesters. New class would offer students a more in-depth look at programming in the engineering field.

To many at Tech, it is considered one of the most dreaded required classes on the campus. It even has a short-year cousin class, CS 1312, that could teach non-CS majors the concepts of coding while at the same time relating these ideas to the engineering field.

"The true love that Jesus spread was possibly Charles Andrew Williams, Harris, Dylan Klebold, and now Tamerlan Tsarnaev."

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It's assistant editor week at the Opinion section.
Black Greek groups gain momentum

By Carmen Jackson
Campus Life Staff Newbie

What makes Black Greek Letter Organizations (BGLO) unique from other Greek organizations on campus? Two reasons: their membership and their history.

The formation of the BGLO was a rallying point to the inequality of college life in the United States, when blacks were not accepted into the standing Greek community.

Another key difference between BGLO and other Greek organizations is the amount and selection of members. Each group hosts the Membership Intake Process, which is designed by the national organization. Some of the requirements consist of an application, resume, and letters of intent. Leadership in both academics and the community must be demonstrated.

There are seven Black Greek Letter Organizations represented on the Georgia Tech campus. They are Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., and Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.

“The selection process is strict,” said Tiffany Massey of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. “There aren’t many of us walking around, so it is very important that each and every member is the ‘cream of the crop.’”

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SGA Elections Rules of the Game

By Andrew Santelli
Wants to work for The Mouse

As it is now time to elect new leadership for the Student Government Association to serve next year, it is important for all students to know the election regulations. This way they can make a more informed decision and be aware of what to do if one encounters an infraction.

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In terms of campaigning, the rules are very clear on what is and what is not campaigning, and where campaigning can occur.

Campaigning is defined generally as the distribution of information about a particular candidate and his/her position. Some of the most pertinent rules have to do with distribution of material in living areas, which state that posters may not be displayed against the will of room residents.

Candidates may not campaign door-to-door without approval of the living area’s government officer (ORGT). Residents do have the option of displaying a sign on their door which reads “No Campaigning.” The Technique and SGA offices are no campaign zones.

Signs have limits to their size (no larger than eleven by seven inches), their location (not on trees, public glass doors, windows, among other places), and it is forbidden to place one sign over another. Candidates must also adhere to strict limits on campaign financing, which caps the funding for presidential candidates at $300, vice-presidential candidates at $200, with an additional $50 allowance for any runoff.

Candidates are responsible for their own expenses. In terms of mass communications, candidates must follow GT Post Office and US Postal Service rules, or their own e-mail list or another account set aside by the elections committee.

Even with these rules, some candidates do campaign illegally, and one of the most publicized cases of this was in 1998. In that year, presidential candidate Vikas Chinnan was disqualified for misuse of an e-mail list for fellow computer science teaching assistants.

The elections committee felt that the use of a mailing list restricted to official business was breaking GT policies,” said then-chair of the Elections Committee Jennifer Stokes. Chinnan later appealed the ruling successfully and was allowed to participate in a runoff.

Infractions can be reported. See Elections, page 14

ORGT turns walking into an adventure

By Matt Nugent
Campus Life Staff

“How many sidewalk pedestrians know that walking down a slope can burn your legs more that walking up it. I look at the rest of my crew, we have come to depend on each other to get us through this. Tom has the cooking gear, Kate the community carp. Rich had 20 pounds of extra water on his back in addition to his normal pack weight because there is no stream at our destination camp tonight. These are not my classmates anymore,” one Outdoor Recreation Georgia Tech (ORGT) hiker described a recent trip.

ORGT claims that you can have some of the same experiences on their trips.

Don’t be intimidated however, the backpacking group of ORGT isn’t just for extreme hikers. Someone with no backpacking experience can take part in two beginners trips to see if this is something that he or she would enjoy.

Like other student organization, ORGT endeavors to provide equipment at a student budget. For only $8, you can rent all of the gear you need from ORGT and then the only other costs would be about $5 for gas and money for food.

With about 15 people on any given beginner trip there are plenty of people to learn with, and from. Once a hiker has completed the two beginner trips, they can go on the qualification trip.

When this course is completed, a hiker will be able to rent gear from the Backpacking group rather than the general ORGT supplies.

This gear is of higher quality and designed specifically for backpacking. Better gear makes for an easier and more enjoyable trip. Any student with past backpacking experience however, can take the qualification course and forego the learning courses if they feel they are capable.

Both men and women are encouraged to join up. Currently there is about a 1:5 ratio of men to women on any given trip so women who are interested don’t have to worry about being the only female on a trip.

Beyond the beginner courses and the qualification trip, a hiker is ready to take on any trek the group takes. The regular trips tend to be smaller, mostly under 10 people, but this is desirable from an environmental standpoint.

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Ice in the deep south

Jamie and Shawn shine as some of the stars of this year’s Club Ice Hockey team. See page 15

Women’s Awareness

All sorts of WAM events continue. See pictures from the auto repair workshop and plan for what’s coming up. Page 19

Members of Black Greek Letter Organizations on campus participate in a variety of social and leadership activities, but are still seeking respect from the community.

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Guidelines for this year’s SGA campaign level the playing field

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In their steps to gain respect on campus, the Black Greek Letter Organizations of Georgia Tech are in the process of unifying with the National Panhellenic Council as of this year.

“Georgia Tech is taking steps in the right direction to create a conducive environment for all Greeks to thrive, and once this is done respect will be a reciprocal quality that all Greeks on campus can share,” said Damian Taylor of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. “With the unification of the BGLO under the NPHC umbrella and the eventual formation of the Greek governing body, all Greek voices on campus will be heard and will be able to work together on an equal playing field.”

In efforts to bring cohesiveness among the distinct Greek communities on campus, the Georgia Tech chapter of Lambda Chi has invited Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. to join them in a mixer.

“This is exciting because this event will act as a stepping stone to improving relations between BGLO and other Greeks on campus,” said Massey.

From the borrowed traditions of ancient Egyptian culture and the roots of stepping derived from an African ritual of expression, BGLO is working strenuously to solve the unrevealed mysteries of their organizations.

This spring is filled with events that each BGLO is sponsoring to promote their respective groups and to fellowship with the Georgia Tech community, many of which are open to anyone interested.

To learn more about Black Greek life, visit organizations Web sites by starting at http://www.cyberbuzz.gatech.edu/bso.

A fewer number of campers leave less of an impact on the land. Most hikes take place within a two-hour drive of Atlanta.

Some common destinations are the Cohuttas, the Chattooga trail, and the Appalachian Trail.

But when longer breaks come around, trips have been scheduled for places like Arizona, Idaho, Colorado, and the Great Smoky Mountains in North Carolina.

In fact a trip back to Arizona has been scheduled for the break between this semester and the upcoming summer semester.

“It’s a good place to meet people to hang out with”, says John Hoyt, a trip leader with the backpacking group. “It’s a great community for people into outdoor sports.” Joel Ledenham points our more of the relaxation aspects of hiking through the woods, “To move quietly among the trees, deep in the forest in imitation of the ways of Nature…this is the beauty of the sport,” he says. “There are few things as calming as the crunch of the trail under your boot and the whisper of the breeze through the trees overhead.”

Thomas Sokol and Jason Beebe both commented on the adventure aspects of sustaining yourself in the woods.

Both recalled several trips where things had gone seriously wrong such as the crew getting lost, lack of food and supplies, threatening weather and then they remarked on the satisfying sense of accomplishment at overcoming these situations.

Beebe said, “The most amazing part was that we never stopped enjoying ourselves. Nobody was complaining or moaning, everyone was awesome.”

To learn more about backpacking with ORGT, visit their Web site at http://www.orgt.gatech.edu. There are meetings every Monday at 6 p.m. in the ORGT building.

Free Pizza.

Tuesdays, 7 pm

Student Services Building, Room 137.

Elections

by any student on campus, but are most likely submitted by candidates or campaign staff members, as their degree of familiarity with election codes is much higher than that of an average student, and “they can spot an infraction more easily,” according to Michael DeNicola, who is the current chair of the Elections Committee.

To submit an infraction one must fill out an “Election Code Violation Affidavit,” which is available through the SGA office in the Student Services building, or online in the candidates’ application packet, found at http://sga.gatech.edu. This packet is also the source for Tech students to access the text of the elections code, so they can more accurately note violations.

Although these long rules may seem unnecessary to some, the rules are of utmost importance so a fair election may be held.
Faces at Georgia Tech

Profile on Jamie Ledyard & Shawn Montague

By Julia Trapold
Like any hockey players

"If you have never attended a Georgia Tech Ice Hockey game, you are missing out on a lot of excitement. Too bad you will have to wait until next year to catch another game."

The GT Club Ice Hockey team wrapped up their 2000-2001 season on March 3 by placing third in the National Division III Hockey Tournament. They ended their season with a record of 26-6-0, placing them first in the nation after the regular season, a repeat of their performance last year.

Two of Tech’s key players, defensemen Jamie Ledyard and forward Shawn Montague, were named to the first team all-tournament. Only six players from the eight teams in the tournament were chosen to comprise this all-star team.

"After the national tournament, the coaches vote on the best players of the tournament," Jamie said. "There is a first team all-tournament and a second team all-tournament."

"It basically means that they pick the best three forwards, the best two defensemen, and the best goalie in the tournament out of all eight teams that were invited," said Shawn.

Teams came from all over the country to Atlanta to participate in the national tournament at the beginning of March. They included Georgetown, University of Florida, South Dakota State, Indiana (PA), Butler University, and the champions, Wyoming.

In January, Tech participated in Rumble in the Kink, which is a tournament held in Savannah, and won the Thrasher Cup. University of Florida, Florida State, and University of Georgia also competed. Tech beat Florida State 5-1 in the first round, and then they went on to beat Georgia 5-2 in the final game, with Jamie and Shawn each scoring two goals.

Jamie is a second year Mechanical Engineering major from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He began playing hockey at a young age.

"I started playing hockey around four years old and played all through middle school on both the school team and a travel team," he said. "Then I played at Kent, a boarding school in Connecticut. My whole family played hockey, so I was pretty much raised with it."

Shawn is a third year Industrial Engineering major from Bowie, Maryland. Like Jamie, Shawn played hockey throughout his childhood and at boarding school.

"I went away to boarding school in Rhode Island when I was 14 to try and get some exposure at a top-ranked high school and to get a better education," said Shawn, who attended Portsmouth Abbey Prep School. "I received a scholarship from the College of Holy Cross, which is a Division I school, but its engineering program was not nearly as prestigious as Georgia Tech’s. I decided to take the safe route and go to a school where I could succeed academically as well continue to play a sport I love at a very competitive level."

Shawn has led the team in goals, assists, and total points all three years he has played. This year he made 30 goals and 34 assists, which totals 64 points. He has been the captain since his second season, and he was also named team MVP his first two years on the team. This year’s MVP will be announced at the awards banquet in several weeks.

Backing up Shawn on defense, Jamie also has had his fair share of success on the ice. This season he had 16 goals and eight assists, which is exceptional as a defenseman. He towers over the other players at 6 foot 5 inches, so it is easy to understand how he brings down the opposition.

"I knocked a Georgia player through the wall and out of the rink during one game."

Jamie Ledyard
Hockey Club Team Member

Jamie and Shawn have played hockey since their childhood, and are two of the stars that contributed to the success of the GT Hockey Team.

"I knocked a Georgia player through the wall and out of the rink during one game." Jamie Ledyard Hockey Club Team Member

"I am happy with it as a club sport, although some hope it will turn into a varsity sport. I think that it could turn into a varsity sport, but not while I am at Tech," said Jamie. "I am happy with it as a club sport, but it would be nice to get more recognition on campus."

Shawn agrees. "I definitely see it happening within the next five to ten years," he said. "We are receiving much more publicity than we have in the past, and the fan turnout has increased dramatically."

Jamie has high hopes for his remaining years on the team. "Our team should be really good next year because we only lost one key player this year, and we are supposed to have some new players coming in," he said. "I hope to win the national tournament before I graduate."

For more information (and to see a video of Jamie knocking a Georgia player through the wall), visit http://www.gthockey.com.
La da da da da. I'm definitely not going to Winter Buzz. It sucks, dressing up sucks, lack of boys in my life sucks...

Question of the week

“Who would be the best Student Body President?”

Feature and photos by Andrew Santelli, Sarah Graybeal, and Jen Hinkel

Eddie Murphy
ChE Senior
“We have a Student Body President?”

Lee Cure
ME Senior
“Chip and Dale Rescue Rangers.”

Jessica Kirk
ISyE Sophomore
“George P. Burdell.”

Megan Kirk
ISyE Sophomore
“Buzz.”

Buzz Around the Campus
**Campus briefs**

**Georgia Tech Honors Scholar applications available**

Applications to be a 2001 Georgia Tech Honors Scholar are now available. Eligibility for this award includes being a full-time student with at least a 3.2 cumulative GPA. All recognized students will receive guaranteed priority selection for on-campus housing and priority class registration. For more information, email Billiee Pendleton-Parker at billiee.pendletonparker@oars.gatech.edu. Please visit [http://www.cyberbuzz.gatech.edu/sga](http://www.cyberbuzz.gatech.edu/sga) to download the application. This application is due to the office of the Student Government Association, located on the first floor of the Student Services Building, on Monday, March 19, 2001 by 5 p.m.

**Student Government application deadline extended**

The application deadline for Student Government Associations elections has been extended to March 19, 2001. Applications are available at [http://sga.gatech.edu](http://sga.gatech.edu) or in the SGA office, Suite 131 of the Student Services Building. Every candidate must attend one of the two mandatory information sessions, which will be held on March 19 and 20 (time TBA). If you have any questions, e-mail Georgia Braxton at gw3@prism.gatech.edu or stop by the SGA office.

**Annual Greek Chic Fashion Show coming to Ferst**

The twentieth annual Greek Chic Fashion Show will be held on Monday, March 19, at 8 p.m. in the Robert Ferst Center for the Arts. The event is sponsored by Georgia Tech Panhellenic and benefits the American Cancer Society. Actor/Comedian Rob Cleveland will host the event. The show includes six fashion scenes, ranging from swim wear to formal wear, and features members of the campus fraternities and sororities. Tickets are $5 and can be purchased at the door or in advance from sorority members.

**Sailing club teaches introductory sailing course**

The sailing club is teaching an introductory course which will cover parts of the boat, how to rig and sail a boat, right-of-way rules, and more. The cost is $45 for students and $65 for faculty and alumni and includes a one semester membership in the GT Sailing Club. E-mail Philip Timm at gte955k@prism.gatech.edu for more information.

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**Women’s Awareness Month Auto Repair**

**This Week in Women’s Awareness Month**

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**WAM planners have a variety of activities coming to campus for March. Last week, one of the highlights was an auto repair workshop, where interested students learned the basics of maintenance.**

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Being social is against his religion?
**ENTERTAINMENT**

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**A little smoke won’t kill you**

By Alan Back

*Keep a jackhammer in his coat...*

Do you ever get the feeling that you’re stuck in the Twig- light Zone? That nagging sensation that no matter what you do, you’re going to end up far off far the map that a search party won’t be able to get anywhere near you for a month?

Talk to the Cigar Store Indians and they’ll tell you a few stories that may leave you scratching your head all day long. The quartet has proven itself good at attracting two bizarre events and people who want to have a loud, crazy, hip-swivel- ing good time.

For lead singer/rhythm gui- tastor-songwriter Ben Friedman, the ride started normally enough on the home front. “My dad was certainly a blue-collar guy...” He knew nice stuff, but he had Southern roots. Instead of saying, “refrigerator,” he said “icebox.” And when I’d leave at night, he’d say, “Don’t throw him in the housetop—you know, the jail.”

“Absorbing a steady diet of his parents’ favorite music (Johnny Cash, Bill Haley, Wino Stewart, etc.), he began writing songs that recalled the birth of rock and roll. He and a friend were set to move to New York in 1991 to put a band together, were set to move to New York in 1991 to put a band together, but he ended up making the trip by himself and staying for a year and a half. It was when he returned to his hometown of Crabapple, Ga., that he began to call up some high school buds and get things rolling in earnest.

The group is built around the core of Friedman’s down-home vocals and guitarist Jim Lavender’s fonzness for low-reg- ister twangin’ (hence his nick- name, “Low Note”). Drummer Paul Barrie, who joined in 1999 after the breakup of Donkey, and bassist Keith Peristi round out the lineup.

“I wanted to play music that moved me, and if it did get on the radio, that’d be icing on the cake.”

Ben Friedman

*Cigar Store Indians*

The past nine years have yielded three albums, the most re- cent being 1998’s *El Baile de la Calavera*, which was released on the Raleigh-based Deep South label. On this disc, they take a spin back through early rock and country, even adding a touch of jazz and swing with the help of former Surrider Nutz saxo- phonist Ken Moulde.

Friedman grew up on wheels as the family moved around the country to keep up with his father’s postings to various Air Force bases. It would pay off down the road. He commented, “I think it may be easier for me to hop into a van and travel from town to town, because I’ve been doing it my whole life. I know that the different small towns and the exposure to America have given me an in- sight into how folks feel living there.”

Being all over the map, mu- sically or otherwise, has one ad- vantage for the Indians: they can open for almost anybody, any- where, and feel at least some- what at home. Jerry Lee Lewis, Merle Haggard, the Zippers, Reverend Horton Heat—the band has split bills with all of them.

Friedman said, “I think any- body was going to try to put their fingerprints on what they are, to try to explain what our music sounds like, they would take those bands, throw them all in a big pot, and have you. You?!” Two years ago, when the swing craze was still in full swing, they even found themselves being lumped in with other zoot-suiters and playing theme nights at more than a few clubs. When the fad died out, it was back to business as usual.

Assuming, of course, that your definition of “usual” includes being stuck in Jamaica! A visit to Jamaica last year resulted in the group being in- 

See Cigar Store Indians, page 27

**Doria Roberts performs for WAM**

Singer-songwriter Doria Roberts will perform Tuesday, March 20 at 9:00 p.m. at Under the Couch as part of Women’s Awareness Month. The event is cosponsored by the Georgia Tech Gay and Lesbian Alliance. A regular on the national folk circuit, Philadelphia-based and Atlanta-based Roberts creates songs full of wit, political verve, passion and insight into the human condition. Her R&B roots are laced with an unmistakable folk agenda. And when traditional rural folk ventures into urban territory, the result is contemporary, tangible, yet highly emotional and provocative lyrics and melody. Georgia Tech students, faculty, and staff may attend for free, others $4.00. For more information, visit http://www.doriaroberts.com.

**Twins Tegan and Sara pack double punch**

Canadian singer-songwriters Tegan and Sara shy away from comparisons to Ani DiFranco, and are quickly building a fan base of their own. They gave an energetic performance to a crowd at Eddie’s Attic this week. Page 25

**Pollock**

By Andrew Pollock

*I... I like some music.*

MPAA Rating: R

Starring: Ed Harris, Marcia Gay Harden

Director: Edward Harris

*Note: Songs are taken at face value, do not blame Ed Harris.*

When I was a younger, I was forced to watch *A Last for Life*—an account of the life of Vincent Van Gogh with Charlton Heston harm- ming it up in the lead role. *Pollock* is much different, even though both films tell the tale of the life of a famous artist. In fact, *Pollock* makes the Van Gogh flick (the sheer badness of which very few reviewers look like a home movie in comparison. In case you are not up as on 26th century art as you should be, Jack- son Pollock was an abstract painter, and the first big American art sen- tation in the art world. He be- came famous for creating modernist paintings that consisted of nothing but paint dripped onto the canvas (earning him the nickname “Jack the Dripper”). *Pollock* is a masterful realization of the artist’s troubled life and should be the mold for all future film biographies.

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Jack the Dripper influences a new masterpiece in ‘Pollock’

By Andrew Pollock

*...I like some music...* 

(And Oscar-nominated) portrayal of the painter. Harris is able to capture the ferocious energy the painter balled up inside while portraying a man who is reclusive and holds the world at arms length. Marcia Gay Harden is equally notable as Krasner, who is the rope that holds Pollock together and guides him to channel his self-destruction into his work. *Pollock* begins at a gallery show, with the title character surrounded by autograph seekers staring at something unseen. The audience is then taken back in time as the film shows what has captured Pollock’s gaze. It is 1941, and the painter is living with his brother in a cramped New York apartment. Slowly, we travel with Pollock as he becomes one of the most famous painters of all time. He meets and falls in love with Lee Krasner, and meets Peggy Guggen- heim (wonderfully played by Amy Madigan), who is essential to Pol- lock’s recognition as an artist.

After a rather flagrant drinking binge, Pollock and Krasner finally escape New York to the country so that Pollock can stay sober and work. There, Pollock’s work slowly evolves until, one day, he discovers the tech- nique that will make him famous. Slowly, people begin to under- stand the importance of his drieb- bled on canvas paintings, and, equally slowly, Pollock is undone by his fame. Remove the famous painter aspect, and *Pollock* would still be an excellent film. The manner in which it displays the collapse of a once- happy marriage is fascinating, if a little disjointed.

It is clearly a labor of love for Harris, who has been working on this project for at least ten years and does a fine job of directing in addi- tion to acting. I’ve always felt that Harris is one of the most under- appreciated actors in Hollywood and has never really gotten his chance to shine. He has it here. *Pollock* is an exceptionally well-crafted film, and one of the finest examples of the act- ing to come out in a while.

I cannot recommend *Pollock* strongly enough. It is a fascinating portrayal of one of the best painters of the 20th century and one of the most famous painters of all time. He meets and falls in love with Lee Krasner, and meets Peggy Guggen- heim (wonderfully played by Amy Madigan), who is essential to Pol- lock’s recognition as an artist.
Oh, Saint and Begorrah! The luck of the Irish to all o’ ye! March, the month of lions and lambs, is also the month of luck.

Therefore, for this Two Bits installment, you’re getting a Proba-bility-Alterance Personality Meter based on the sole fact of which is your favorite Lucky Charms marshmallow of all time. Be prepared to learn things about yourself that you never knew.

Hearts: Although you think of yourself as a romantic, this choice shows you to be a perfect replacement for Ben Stein. Has it never occurred to you that those cutesy little hearts are symbolic of mis-shapen organs?

Someone needs to spend a little more time studying for their biology tests and less time munching on more time studying for their biology test. That should show you, you cereals endorsed by cartoon characters.

Clovers: If you aren’t a vegetarian, you shouldn’t be. If you are, why in the world are you eating Lucky Charms? Do you know what they put in these marshmallows?

Besides that, there’s the fact that you don’t seem to grasp the concept of shapes, since the “clover” marshmallow is actually a hat.

Pots of Gold: This is a bad sign. The only worse sign is at a New Jersey Amoco reading “Kids With Gas Eat Free.” Your motto is “Money isn’t everything,” because your cash flow is at a constant lull, and money is practically down to nothing. You notice that frosted Cheerios taste just like Lucky Charms, only staler.

Rainbows: While there are many colors in the rainbow, your least favorite is purple. Stay away from red wine, PBS when Barney is on, and Prince music videos. Your sense of taste is exceptional; a job deciding the programming for PBS might be the thing for you.

You notice that frosted Cheerios taste just like Lucky Charms, only staler.

Horseshoes: This marshmallow is symbolic. It’s also purple. Run, rainbows, run!!!

Red Balloons: Contrary to popular belief, this marshmallow has nothing to do with any sexual connotations made by General Mills. Instead, your choice was directly caused by the subliminal messages hidden in the original Lucky Charms commercial introducing the red balloon. I’ve probably said too much; soon someone will come to kill me and finish this article herself.

You have an unnecessary personality. People would like you if you didn’t have one. Their conversation might actually increase. They might be talking to themselves, but your ego can take it.

Blue Moons: You don’t like being led by others to arrive at false conclusions. Your choice of marshmallow is especially significant to your view of the school paper. You only read the Technique every once in a while.

Color-Change in Milk Pieces: You love passing trends. You own at least one box of pogs, a Tamagotchi, a Furby, and a Tickle-Me Elmo. You started collecting Beanie Babies and Pokemon, but quit when you realized they aren’t ever going to pass on. Your obsession with fads drives your every move, your every thought, your every miniscule action... or maybe you just like neat colors and shapes that appear like magic! Ooohoooh...

Cereal Pieces: You’re an abstract thinker, which explains a lot about your wardrobe. Your friends would like to understand you, but you have little or no time to deal with such trivial matters as making sense.

Your cohesive thought processes disintegrate when pursuing voca-bulary usage or words longer than two syllables. You also do not listen very well, because I said to chose a marshmallow. What are you talking about? I hate the stupid cereal!

Some things are better left unsaid. That cliché last sentence is a prime example. You notice a lot, like the fact that the self-proclaimed “Frosted Cheerios” taste just like Lucky Charms, only staler.

This can only be a direct effect of the company’s new recycling program. Why do you think they call it General Mills? You also notice the Trix Rabbit has been advertising the cereal since 1959, and has not eaten once the entire time. Realisti-cally, the next ad should feature that silly rabbit disguised as a disgran-tled postal worker.

So until next time, this is Two Bits Man, wishing all the rainbows a nice run.

"And the sea will grant each man new hope, as sleep brings dreams." Name that movie. It’s one of my favorites.
I'm really going to Europe in 2 months...I really, truly am. I have the money and have bought my plane tickets and everything. I'm really going! I'm so excited!
Another day, another 500 dB

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Homemade Jam

Tourists

Impulse Ride, Smugface

Snakes, Chain Poets, Loud American

The Martian astronomer, gazping off into the air - wonders what happened to all her sliver box skills. Argh. Apologies all around.

This week on GTCN

By Rebekah Bardwell
GTCN Correspondent

This week on Phat Videos, Kara takes you to the International Auto Show at the Georgia World Congress Center. She'll compare and contrast cars, from Hyundais to Ferraris. Phat Videos airs Sundays at 7:00 p.m. and Mondays at 7:30.

This week on Flava 101, Richard picks up a favorite pastime—roller skating. He'll talk to skaters and employees at Golden Glide's college night, and he'll even try to do some tricks like the pros. Flava 101 airs on Channel 21 on Sundays and Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.

On The Latest Dish, you can catch up with Chef Eric and Matt as they bring you the best of this semester's shows from tapas to lobster. You'll see funny outtakes and your favorite moments since the semester began. The Latest Dish airs Sundays at 6:30 p.m. and Thursdays at 7:30.

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Not quite folk: Tegan and Sara reveal musical acumen

By Jon Kaye
Big fan of these gals

Artist: Tegan and Sara
Genre: Alternative
Venue: Eddie’s Attic, Decatur, GA
Date: Monday, March 12
Rating: ★★★★★

If you have had any experience with the unique sound of Canadian singer-songwriters Tegan and Sara, you might think of their music as having distinctly folk qualities, but they proved otherwise at a packed Eddie’s Attic on Monday night. The twin sisters rocked the house with their aggressive blend of uncompromising lyrics and vibrant guitar accompaniment.

They pair tout socially conscious lyrics and confident use of acoustic guitar, and though many critics have likened their sound to that of Ani DiFranco, Tegan and Sara tend to avoid comparisons with that accomplished artist. As Tegan observed, “We shy away from Ani DiFranco. Just because we are girls who can sing doesn’t mean that our music is similar.” However, she then followed that observation by noting that “We’ve gone full circle.”

“Just because we are girls who can sing doesn’t mean that our music is similar. We’ve gone full circle.”

Tegan
Responding to comparisons to fellow singer Ani DiFranco

star” as it garnered much more audience support than the runner up, “Divided.”

Concerning their lack of airtime, Sara noted that she believes that their style has such a dynamic appeal. Tegan added to that by mentioning that “the times are changing and there is much room for growth.” She asserts that while many of the airwaves are currently dominated by boy-bands and Britney Spears-esque performers, “the mainstream will wait until we want to embrace it.” On that note, she quipped that if they want to hit big on top 40 radio, “we’ll have to wear tank-tops and get six-packs.”

Curiously, Tegan and Sara listen to music completely unlike their own. Sara mentioned, “I’m not even sure that I really like our music,” because when she plays a CD, she seldom chooses music from that style. Tegan mentioned that they write what they feel, and not necessarily based on the music that they hear elsewhere. Sara noted that one of her current favorites is Lauren Hill, whose smooth R&B style is radically different than the energetic brand of alternative which they play.

One of the most endearing traits of the Tegan and Sara pair is how well their personalities mesh. When asked if there is ever a sense of competition between them, Sara quickly put that question to rest with a direct “no.” She asserts that despite the fact that one might want to compare them because they are identical twins, they never feel any sense of competitive angst between one another. Unlike many twins who have personalities as identical as their physical appearance, these two sisters have each developed a unique style and outlook on life.

Tegan, with her black hair and an understated piercing on her lip is the quieter of the two. On the other hand, bushy-haired, blonde Sara was always quick to crack a joke during the interview. Ironically though, their roles seemed to reverse on the stage. Behind the mic, Tegan dominated the banter, opening up with an observation that she always has irrational fears when she gets on stage. The audience support then allowed the audience to point to the fact that one might want to compare them because they are identical twins, they never feel any sense of competitive angst between one another. Unlike many twins who have personalities as identical as their physical appearance, these two sisters have each developed a unique style and outlook on life.

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By Robert Hill / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Sara (shown performing during Monday’s show at Eddie’s Attic) and her twin sister Tegan have an aggressive blend of lyrics and vibrant guitar.

"I've been a fan of theirs ever since I heard them on CD-Now, and I think this concert was incredible."
Cigar Store Indians

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The Indian bands. 

"I realized how spoiled we are here and how many things we take for granted, that we just automatically assume we'll have." 

Ben Friedman, on the band's visit to Jamaica

ideas that featured little more than a cookie recipe. "If I were to bake somebody cookies for Christmas, and that's all that I was doing, everybody would look at me like I was an idiot," he said. "Sometimes I think that people have lost the true meaning of what the holiday is about. Nowadays if you don't get what you want, you feel like someone's getting slack...I'd never had something to really open my eyes like that experience in Jamaica.

The Indians seem to be magnets for weird events when they're state-side, too. Friedman described a van fire that left them high and dry on a deserted intra-school Detox late one night ("It was like a David Lynch movie; it was surreal") and their visit to the Viper Room in Hollywood. "I guess they all started scratch- ing their heads and thinking, 'Oh my God, they're real hillbillies!'" he mused. "We're the farthest thing from any kind of Hollywood cats."

It was a brilliant gag, he admitted, and he did a better job of setting himself up for it than his tour mates ever could have: "Me, a big hillbilly, screaming at these chicks to take their clothes off—in front of about 1,500 people!" As of press time, though, Crabapple had yet to be invaded or blown off the face of the earth.

Not all of the group's shows take a detour into the ridiculous; they do play the occasional acoustic gig, with Eddie's Attic being a favorite club in that regard. Friedman noted that the combination of intimacy and respect for the songwriters who perform at that venue gives everybody a chance to shift gears. "Those are more like playing in somebody's living room. You can nail that to the floor. If they happen in mind: to get their audiences to shake whatever body parts aren't nailed to the floor. If they happen to raise Cain while they're at it—well, then everybody really goes home happy.

The Cigar Store Indians will be at the Atlanta Brewing Company (1219 Williams St.) on March 24 to benefit Children's Healthcare of Atlanta. Call (404) 929-8618 to order tickets. They will also be at Smith's Olde Bar on March 30. Visit them online at www.cigarstoreindians.com for more details.
Wow! Came into the office this morning and it was free of pizza boxes and clean! The fridge, on the other hand....

Softball cools down in Florida after hot week in Atlanta

By Matthew Bryan
Sports Editor

Instead of heading to the beach for spring break the Tech softball team (12-10) won six games out of the ten they played in two invitations and a double-header at home and sophomore Tiffany Goodman earned a win in three of her four appearances.

The Jackets grabbed five straight in town between the Georgia State Invitational and their two game contest with Eastern Michigan but return to Atlanta off their disappointing 1-4 performance in the South Florida hosted Speedline Invitational. The Jackets dropped games to Boston University, South Florida and Penn State before topping Tennessee Tech and losing to No. 5 Stanford.

Tech opened in a pitching duel with Boston U., who’s pitcher, Tiffany Finaster, matched Tech’s Tiffany Goodman for seven shutout innings. A Tech error in the tie-breaker led to the Boston win.

The Jackets then took on host South Florida in another tiebreaker game. This time both teams picked up one in regular play and Tech gave up a RBI single to lose the extra frame.

The Jackets retired for the night and were slated to take on Penn State and Tennessee Tech in Saturday’s play. Penn State grabbed a 5-0 lead over the Jackets and held on to finish the game 7-4. Tech’s only win came over Tennessee Tech, who had the early 2-0 lead in the game but allowed Soraya Reddick to bring it to the 4-2 final on her first Yellow Jacket home run. Goodman picked up the win for the Jackets.

The Jackets final game of the invite was a 9-0 Stanford shutout. The Cardinals forced 8 earned runs and 12 hits from Tech pitcher Erin Voelz.

By Dale Russell / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Tech softball is returning from a 1-4 trip to Florida after capturing 3 wins at the Georgia State Invitational and another 2 at home against ESU.

The Jackets entered the tournament riding a five game winning streak topped by two wins over Eastern Michigan in a mid-week double-header. Pitchers Mimi Utt and Erin Voeltz led the Jackets to 8-0 and 3-2 wins, respectively. Five Yellow Jackets crossed the plate on three Eagle errors and Sara Wissmann stole home to make it 6-0 in the bottom of the second. Tech finished the contest with a Wissmann RBI triple and a Jamie Frost RBI single which invoked the mercy rule to end the game at 8-0 in the bottom of the sixth.

In the second game of the afternoon Tech took an early 2-0 lead off two more Eagle errors which plated Tara Knudsen and Lindsay Wood. Tech allowed two Eagles to...
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I thought duct tape was Versace’s spring line—oh well.

have demonstrated NBA Potential yet. However, it wouldn’t be surprising if any of the other four showed up in the Coliseum as an assistant coach in the future.

Derek: I’m tired of the positives.

What is Tech’s biggest weakness?

Dr. Huxtable: They don’t have many athletes on this team, the type of guy who can electrify the crowd with a thunderous dunk or leap over several opposing players for a rebound. If the Fab Five at Michigan were the definition of athleticism and flashy play, then Tech’s flash would barely register in a photography dark room. Bench help at center and power forward is also weak; Robert Brooks needs to gain a couple of pounds but has shown he has a quality shot and junior Michael Isenhour has not done anything of note.

Derek: I’m going to miss LaBarrie. Who can step up and take over the void left from his hair?

Dr. Huxtable: You seem to have a problem letting go; like the time you were eight and refused to give your baseball ticket to the turnstile attendants to see the Tigers play. In this case, I understand. LaBarrie brings energy to the court and is always fun to watch, even if he gets blocked more than anyone I’ve ever seen. To answer your question, I don’t see anyone capable of matching his hair other than sophomore forward Clarence Moore who is applying for a medical redshirt. That will be one of the key points to look forward to for the next season.

Well, my talks didn’t help that much. It still hasn’t completely come together for me, but maybe he can give me some oral medication to ease the pain. I still can’t believe this group did it. I sometimes think we are not really living life, that we are used as power generators for some alien race and merely dreaming. Boy, I am crazy.

A bid to the NCAA Tournament.

Tech’s 74-69 win over 12th ranked Virginia in the quarterfinals of the ACC Tournament likely was the clincher for Tech’s first NCAA Tournament bid since 1996.

It started out slow for both teams, it took more than two minutes for the first basket, a dunk by Jones, and nine minutes before each team was in double figures. The dunk by Jones was an omen of things to come for the Cavs, who lost all three contests with the Jackets during the 2000-01 season. Jones would dominate UVA, scoring 20 points on 9-14 shooting, pulling 12 rebounds off the glass, and blocking 6 shots. He lived up to his All-ACC first-team billing.

“His a monster,” Gillen said.

Jones got help from his usual source, junior point guard Tony Akins, who had 16 points and 6 assists. Senior reserve Darryl LaBarrie added 15 for the Jackets on 5-10 shooting.

“We’re not thinking about the NCAA (tournament) right now,” said LaBarrie. “We want to take it out of their hands. If we win two more games, we’ll get the automatic bid and we won’t even have to worry about the selection committee.”

They didn’t win two more games, but Tech still got the bid. They can thank their play against Virginia for that. Tech forced three Virginia players to foul out, Adam Hall, Chris Williams, and Travis Watson. It has become a common occurrence for Watson, the Cavs center, who fouled out every time this year against Jones and the Jackets.

Point guard Donald Hand led Virginia with 17 points and 6 assists, while Williams added 15 in the losing effort.

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I thought duct tape was Versace’s spring line—oh well.
Softball
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Baseball drops 2-of-3 to Wolfpack, falls to No. 4

By Derek Haynes
Assistant Sports Editor

Tech’s claim as the number one ranked baseball team in the country ended this week after losing 2-3 from NC State and a shutout loss against Auburn.

Tech (14-5, 1-2 ACC), now ranked as high as fourth in the Baseball America Poll and as low as seventh in the Collegiate Baseball Poll, suffered their first shutout loss since a 6-0 defeat at Florida State on April 22, 2000.

The Jackets, who hammered a weak Georgia State team 11-3 on Tuesday, have gone only 3-4 in their past seven games. Tech has experienced an array of problems in the slump, including poor starting pitching, a bullpen that can’t hold a game, and a record-setting offense that hasn’t performed up to its billing.

In their 16-8 loss to the Wolfpack (9-8, 2-1 ACC) on Sunday, the Wildcats jumped off to a quick 9-0 lead on starter Kevin Cameron (2-1) who gave up 7 runs on 6 hits in 1.2 innings of work.

NC State’s Brian Wright had a career day against the Jackets going 6-6 with a pair of homeruns and seven RBI to lead the Wolfpack to their first series win in school history at Atlanta.

Tech left 12 men on base in the loss, with Bryan Prince’s 4-4, 2 RBI performance and Jon Henry Kail’s 4-5, 3 RBI performance the lone offensive highlights.

By Kristi Odom / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Second baseman Richard Lewis takes a swing in the Jackets’ contest against the Atlanta Braves. The Jackets took the trip to Orlando for a mid-week exhibition showing. The Braves topped the then No. 1 Jackets 18-4.

Friday against NC State, the bullpen couldn’t keep Tech in the game and the offense couldn’t get a key hit. Andy Mitchel (1-1) allowed a Justin Riley RBI double in the eighth to break a 7-7 tie, and a Tech rally in the bottom of the inning couldn’t score any runs. With men on second and third and one out, shortstop Victor Menocal grounded to third and NC State’s Sean Walsh nailed Brian Jackson at the plate. A ground out from All-America candidate Richard Lewis ended Tech’s chance to tie the game.

The slump started last Tuesday night at seventh-ranked Auburn (15-1). Auburn reliever Levale Speigner (4-0) pitched 4.2 scoreless innings allowing 3 hits and striking out six to pick up the win.

Tech could not capitalize on a bases-loaded, no outs situation in the top of the third. Menocal popped up to short right field, and Lewis fell victim to a Speigner-led double play.

In the game, Auburn stranded strong innings, allowing three runs and striking out five.

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By Derek Haynes
Assistant Sports Editor

Last week I made my weekly visit to my psychiatrist. My life has turned upside down. I used to think I breathed air, that I ate real food. Now I think there must be something going on that humans just aren’t aware of.

[Derek sarcastically] And Cremins did not is in his ability to rotate more players and to keep those players conditioned to play through the rigorous ACC schedule. Tech did not have the star players to only rotate 7, and Hewitt recognized that.

Derek: Where will seniors Jones, Fein, Jon Babul, Darryl LaBarrie, and T.J. Vines be next year?

Dr. Huxtable: Jones, who was often late for practices and wasn’t very disciplined under Cremins, has been helped the most by Hewitt. He is the second player in Tech history to have 1000 points and rebounds and was named All-ACC first team this season. He’s a lock for the NBA Draft, possibly in the first round. The rest will try to play basketball after school, but they’ll be in Europe. None of the others

Dr. Huxtable: Derek, they have the best center in the ACC in Jones, and Akins is the only point guard in the league comparable to Jason Williams of Duke. But yes, the talent level is not that high. Jones, Akins, and senior Shaun Fein would be the only players who could have started for any other team in the semi-finals.

Derek: So you agree with me. Then what piece of the puzzle am I missing?

Dr. Huxtable: Good, Derek, you are getting much better at analyzing yourself. The pieces that you are missing are conditioning and ACC Coach of the Year Paul Hewitt.

Paul Hewitt, boy what can I say about him. I am very proud of him. He never says the wrong things and never takes any credit. I’d bet my dog Sideways that Braine will give Hewitt a hefty raise shortly after the NCAA Tournament.

Derek: About Hewitt. What’s the difference between him and his predecessor Bobby Cremins?

Dr. Huxtable: I got to know Bob well in his tenure too. Let me tell you the difference. Hewitt is a disciplinarian, a structured guy. He plays 10 players a game so everyone stays fresh. If I had to go through his conditioning drills, I would be lying face down on the court.

Cremins is a people person; the kind of coach players would love to play for. He recruited Stephon Marbury, Dennis Scott, Mark Price, Kenny Anderson, and John Salley, and most recently Matt Harping. Where Hewitt succeeded with this group and Cremins did not is in his ability to rotate more players and to keep those players conditioned to play through the rigorous ACC schedule. Tech did not have the star players to only rotate 7, and Hewitt recognized that.
Tech takes Virginia thrice, falls to UNC in ACC semifinals

By Derek Haynes
Assistant Sports Editor

UNC 70 - Georgia Tech 63

Tech's string of close-game wins came to an end Saturday against North Carolina in the ACC Tournament semifinals, but their solid play against UNC and Virginia propelled them into the NCAA Tournament.

Tech trailed the Tarheels by only a point with 48 seconds remaining in the game, but All-American guard Joseph Forte iced the game for UNC. After a UNC timeout, Forte drove the lane on Tech's T.J. Vines and it looked like he lost his balance. However, a foul was called on Vines and Forte hit both free throws to give the Heels a 66-63 lead.

In the locker room after the game, Forte called his move "savvy." On the court after the game, Tech coach Paul Hewitt chased down the officials.

The controversy did not end there. On Tech's next possession, point guard Tony Akins made an inadvertent pass that fell out of bounds. On Carolina's inbound play, Brian Morrison found a wide open Juli Peppers who dunked the ball to give UNC a 68-63 lead. Replays showed Peppers, who plays on the Heels football team, took several steps before the dunk.

Forte would put the dagger in Tech's heart seconds later on a fast break dunk, his 26th and 27th points of the game.

"It was an up-and-down game, a fast-tempo game," said Forte. "I think that's the way I play better. I had a better second half as the game got closer. I think everybody focused and stepped up so that we could win," said Forte.

Tech was also victimized by a 10:47 scoring drought from the field at the end of the first half and into the second half.

"Shots falling is something I don't worry about as long as we keep taking good shots," said Tech coach Paul Hewitt. "You can't get caught up in whether they're falling or not. As long as you're doing the right things in terms of basketball, you can't worry."

Tech was led by Shaun Fein's 18 points, but the senior shot only 6-17 from the field. He nailed all three of his three-pointers in the final 9:09. Akins scored 17 on 5-10 shooting from beyond the arc, but the key players in the game weren't the high scorers but center Alvin Jones.

After scoring 20 points and grabbing 12 rebounds against Virginia in an upset win Friday, the senior was held to 7 points, 6 below his average. The All-ACC first teamer did have 16 rebounds and 3 blocked shots.

"He gave us a little bit of problems in the first (half), but we decided to play behind him and really try to make him score over me and we were waiting for him to make a couple of baskets," said UNC's Brandan Haywood. "That never happened so we stayed behind him and I think my height really bothered him."

Haywood, who many thought was also deserving of an ACC first-team selection, scored 13 points and contributed 4 rebounds.

Georgia Tech 74 - Virginia 69

As the horn sounded, Alvin Jones walked to mid-court with his arms extended toward the Georgia Dome roof. Jones did not look like a basketball player; he looked more like a churchgoer waiting for a gift from the heavens. He got just that.

See ACC, page 32
Late rally not enough to top St. Joe’s

The Yellow Jackets explosive 38-25 second half attack wasn’t enough to break St. Joseph’s big 17 point halftime lead in Thursday’s first round game of the NCAA Tournament.

By Derek Haynes
Assistant Sport Editor

If Alvin Jones does not attempt a field goal in the first half, something must be wrong.

Eighth-Seeded Georgia Tech (17-13) lost to ninth-seeded St. Joseph (26-6) 66-62 in the first round of the NCAA Basketball tournament in San Diego, California.

Jones, named to the All-ACC first team last week, was unable to provide the offensive force needed to counter St. Joe’s powerful guard attack. The Hawk’s Marvin O’Connor paced St. Joe’s attack with 21 points, while freshman point guard Jameer Nelson added 15 points, 6 assists, and 6 rebounds.

Jones, who finished with 8 points and 13 rebounds, missed much of the second half after picking up four fouls. He didn’t score his first bucket until the 14:40 mark of the second half on a follow-up dunk.

Senior Darryl LaBarrie led Tech with 15 points on 7-of-12 scoring from the floor. Junior point guard Tony Akins added 14 for the Jackets, but shot only 3-11 from the floor, including 1-4 from three-point range.

After he scored his first, Tech was within 3 with 1:09 to play in the game after 2 Akins free throws. However, Akins missed a driving lay-up with 46 seconds to play, and Jones missed an alley-oop dunk after a great feed from LaBarrie with 26 seconds left.

Tech outscored the Hawks 38-25 in the second half, but couldn’t get a key basket when they needed it. The Jackets made several bad passes in the game and committed 17 turnovers in their first tournament appearance since 1996.

Tech shot only 38-18 (16%) from three-point range, more that twice below their average. For the game, the Jackets shot just 37% from the field.

St. Joe jumped out to a 41-24 lead in the first half, thanks largely to a 15-0 run in the middle of the first stanza. Tech went on a run of their own, cutting the lead to 28-20 with 3:48 to go in the first, but another Hawks run left the Jackets down 17 at the break.

The loss was Tech’s second down-to-the-wire loss in a row after a 70-63 loss to regular season ACC Champion North Carolina in the ACC Tournament.

St. Joe’s second half scoring attack was led by Marvin O’Connor who had 13 of his 21 points including three three-pointers.

St. Joseph’s, located in Philadelphia and the second smallest school in the tournament, will face the winner of the Stanford/UNCGreensboro game Saturday. The loss marks the end of Tech’s railroad basketball season.

You don’t need calc to know Tech had a great season
Undergraduate Student Government Elections

Presidential and Vice-Presidential Candidates

M. Rameen Ghorieshi
USG Presidential Candidate

Class: Senior
Major: Applied Biology, Pre-Med
Expected Graduation: Spring 2002
Campaign Website: http://www.rameeng.com

SGA Experience:
- Member-At-Large (2000-01)
- SGA Advisory Board Member (2000-01)
- Major Representative (1999)
- Winter '01 Retreat Organizer
- Various ad hoc Committees

Tech Activities:
- American Medical Students’ Association VP (AMSA)
- Tri Beta Biological Honors Society
- Speech and Debate Team VP (Administrative)
- IBB Research
- Intramural Soccer
- Freshman Council
- Lambda Sigma (LS)
- ESEP (Elementary School Educational Partner)
- GT Options Instructor

Platform:
The Three A's for a Better Future

Academics
- Student/Faculty Ratio: The majority of faculty funds is going towards the employment of research faculty. We must hire more teaching faculty.
- Solid Academic Advisement: Frustrated with your advisor? Shouldn’t ALL advisors be able to give us the wisdom we deserve? They should… and they will.
- Cross Campus Tutoring Available: Every single student should be able to get academic assistance with any subject. Let’s help OMED, FE, and SPAARC work together.

English
- English Accent Training for Professors and TAs: If students are to learn, they must be able to understand and communicate with their instructors. Mandatory accent training is critical to our success.

Auxiliary
- The Great Parking Compromise: We must reach an acceptable compromise on fees, citations, and permit areas so that parking issues do not encroach upon our learning.
- Subsidizing Stinger Bus Service: We need to make Stinger a dependable means of transportation by posting stop times at every stop and holding drivers accountable to those times.
- Dining Services: Before Tech signs on for another FIVE years, inspections and contract reviews are critical.
- Housing: Housing must assist students forced to move off campus obtain affordable and acceptable living areas.

Organizational and Recreational Space
- Expansions to Georgia Tech such as the Bookstore Move and Technology Square should be kept in the students’ interests—not in corporate interests.
- Central campus areas such as the Cyber Cafe should remain open later, especially on weekends, giving us better meeting and socializing areas.
- We need to make sure student organizations get the office space they deserve; the current Bookstore Mall and the new Undergraduate Learning Center will serve this purpose.

M. Rameen Ghorieshi
USG Presidential Candidate

Erik M. Gordon
USG Presidential Candidate

Class: Junior
Major: BioE
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Campaign Website: http://

SGA Experience:
- None

Tech Activities:
- Residence Hall Association:
  - Hall council president
  - Programs coordinator: Winter buzz (’00,’01)
  - First Annual Georgia Tech Formal
  - Second city (’01)
  - Awards Banquets (’00,’01)
  - J-board (’00,’01)
  - Retreat (’01)
  - Club Britain
- Conferences: SAACURH, NAACURH
- Center for the Arts
  - Team Buzz
  - Pi mile (runner and volunteer)
- Sign: Taurus
- Other: I like sports and long nights in front of a roaring fire.

Platform:
I have only two major goals that I would like to accomplish.
- The first is to put a Bar on campus somewhere. The second is to make SGA part of every student’s life. By accomplishing these two things, many other little problems will be solved. By putting a bar on campus, we will considerably lower the number of students who drive off campus for a couple of beers, and then drive home and get arrested for DUI. By bringing SGA to the individual students, we can strengthen SGA and make it less intimidating to the student body as individuals.

Erik M. Gordon
USG Presidential Candidate

Chris Kavanaugh
USG Presidential Candidate

Class: Junior
Major: Industrial and Systems Engineering
Expected Graduation: May 2002
Campaign Website: http://www.chriskavanaugh.com

SGA Experience:
- Chair, SGA Advisory Board
- Executive Assistant to the President
- Freshman Representative
- Bookstore Space Allocation Committee
- Academic Integrity Board

Tech Activities:
- Omicron Delta Kappa, Treasurer
- Freshman Council: Sophomore Advisor, Vice-President
- Diversity Forum
- Executive Round Table
- PSY 1000 Team Leader
- LEARN Peer Mentor Program
- Georgia Tech Leadership Initiative
- Ramblin’ Reck Retreat Council
- TEAM Buzz Project Coordinator
- Pre-Law Society

Platform:
The following are some ideas that I have for making Georgia Tech a better place for you, the students. The President of SGA is a servant of the students, so if you have any ideas, questions, or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

YOU ACADEMICS
- Split Exam Week: Tech students deserve an organized week of exams that provides opportunity for every student to prepare for each class and its expectations. Graduating seniors will have a meaningful commencement with genuine diplomas, without having to wait around an entire week.
- Course Surveys: The feedback of thousands of students evaluating professors and classes is recorded every semester.
- The students, can never access the thoughts and opinions of these evaluations while selecting our schedule and professors. Students should be able to access all this information at Georgia Tech’s online Course Critique.

YOUR LIFE
- Students Full Win: Georgia Tech students deserve access to an atmosphere that elevates the spirit of Tech. The possibilities are endless, but include:
  - 24 Hour Coffee Shop
  - Campus Pub
  - Student Organization space
- Off-Campus Buzz: Czech Rocky Mountain, Wendy’s Quizno’s. Go to: Trivia night at Rocky Mountain, and when it is time to leave, just swipe the Buzz Card for a debit from your “buzz funds.”
- Meal Plan Options: So many students pay thousands of dollars to Dining Services while at Georgia Tech, but the choices we have are limited. We should have the option for any meal plan as a paying student, or items should be “a la carte,” so the urge for an ice cream sundae isn’t subdued by the thought of “wasting a meal.”
- Jogging Course: Developing a safe, lighted, and marked jogging course throughout campus for Georgia Tech students.

YOU. My entire platform revolves around you, a student of the Georgia Institute of Technology. My time at Georgia Tech has been phenomenal, but that is because of one reason and one reason only: phenomenal people. If the students unite, anything is attainable. Please join me in not only raising the bar, but removing it, by making Georgia Tech a better place than it already is.
## Undergraduate Student Government Elections

### Presidential and Vice-Presidential Candidates

#### Luis Salas

**USG Presidential Candidate**

**Class:** Junior  
**Major:** Electrical Engineering  
**Expected Graduation:** Spring 2002  
**Campaign Website:** [http://luis.salas.neren.gatech.edu](http://luis.salas.neren.gatech.edu)

**SGA Experience:**  
- Electrical and Computer Engineering Representative  
- Student Chair of Mandatory Student Fees Advisory Committee  
- Chair of Parking, Transportation and Facilities Committee  
- FOCUS Survey Initiative  
- SGA IMPACT

**Organized parliamentary procedure workshop**

**Tech Activities:**  
- Community Advisor, Department of Housing  
- IEEE and Eta Kappa Nu  
- Circle K  
- Georgia Tech Ice Hockey Club  
- Georgia Tech Roller Hockey Club  
- Area II Hall Council (hall representative)  
- SGA Campus Services Committee  
- SGA Internal Development Committee

**Platform:**  
- The following improvement will make Georgia Tech a much better place:  
  - **Fair Parking**  
    - Parking permit prices should be fair and based on variables such as location, security and quality of the lot. By panning all unused lots or offering them at a discount price and by providing compensation to students who are forced to relocate their vehicles, a fair pricing structure will be closer at hand.

**Academics**

- Academics is the second highest concern of students at Georgia Tech. Academic advisory groups consisting of both students and faculty are the key to improving the academic aspect of Georgia Tech. These groups will give students a say in how their classes are run and it will give the faculty an insight on how to be effective educators.

- **No New Mandatory Fees**  
  - Mandatory Fees have been imposed on us by the administration in order to fund several projects and services on campus. These fees are obligatory and eliminate a student’s ability to choose whether or not to contribute to its benefactors. These fees, as a whole, have also increased continuously for at least the past five years and are proposed to reach a total of $4,112 for the scholastic year of 2002-2003 (Fall ’02, Spring and Summer ’03). This continual increase must stop and no new mandatory fees should be enacted.

- **Campus Hub**  
  - Being often associated with stress and frustration, the Georgia Tech campus is in need of a place where students can relax and enjoy themselves. Options to do so on our campus are very limited and space in the Student Center, Under the Couch or the Bookstore Mall could be converted into a place where students can “hang out” and socialize.

- **Fix Dining Services**  
  - Marriott has been accused of several contract violations in their Woodruff and Brittain dining halls. These violations greatly decrease the quality of service provided to the students of this campus and Marriott should be held accountable to the requirements of their contract. By establishing a Contract Administrator position within Auxiliary Services, Marriott and other campus contractors can be kept in check and held to their contractual agreements.

#### Joey Katzen

**USG Vice-Presidential Candidate**

**Class:** Third Year  
**Major:** IE/STaC  
**Expected Graduation:** May 2002  
**Campaign Website:** [http://www.joeykatzen.com](http://www.joeykatzen.com)

**SGA Experience:**  
- Vice President Administrative Affairs  
- Freshman Rep  
- Committees  
- Planning & Development  
- Public Relations  
- Campus Services

**Tech Activities:**  
- Founder, walksideaways.com  
- Leadership Chair, Phi Kappa Tau  
- Ramblin’ Wreck Retreat Council  
- Omicron Delta Kappa  
- Student Center Governing Board  
- LEARN Steering Committee

**Platform:**  
- **Homecoming Team Buzz, The Ramblin’ Wreck, Football Games. Inside and outside of Tech, we’re considered a traditions-rich community.** Yet, if we were to ask a random Tech student on the Skiles walkway what it means to be a Tech student, what our identity is (what it is that binds us all together), he or she would probably say “we have none” or “the shaft” or something of that nature. I see my role as Student Body Vice President as one in which I both build SGA as a cohesive group and tie it to the student body, and in which I help tie the student body itself together. What is it that we can do to make the community experience better? To make Tech fun and memorable, not for surviving, but for experiencing!

- I think we can make people feel as if they have something fun in common with other students, even in light of the rigorous academic environment, a better experience will result. I plan on working with other members of the Student Government Association to implement goals such as:  
  - ‘Wreck Pride’ in which students, starting as freshmen learn what it means to be a Tech student, through a summer program and involvement with homecoming, traditions, etc.
  - Class identification where members of the student body tie themselves to their incoming classes much as they do at other schools for purposes of identity and competition.
  - Freshman pass-fail semester so that incoming students have a chance to bond to the community before facing the full academic rigor.

#### Nate Watson

**USG Vice-Presidential Candidate**

**Class:** Junior  
**Major:** Public Policy/IAS  
**Expected Graduation:** Summer 2003  
**Campaign Website:** [http://www.votecante.com](http://www.votecante.com)

**SGA Experience:**  
- Academic Affairs Chairman  
- UHR Representative  
- Peer Search Committee  
- Academic Affairs Committee  
- Planning and Development Committee (99-00)  
- Governmental Affairs Committee (99-00)

**Tech Activities:**  
- Theta Xi Fraternity  
- Peer Leader  
- Honor Advisory Council  
- Student Alumni Association Board of Trustees  
- Aide to State Senators Steve Thompson and Charlie Tankley  
- West Point First United Methodist Church  
- Tech Beautification Day; Church  
- Quality of Learning Environment Committee (99-00)  
- Women’s Awareness Month 2000

**Platform:**  
- The Vice-President must set a tone of action. It’s time for action to build our community and put students first. Often the only communication students have with administrators and faculty is class, parking tickets, and bills. Sadly, many students don’t graduate from Tech…not because of academic problems, but because students feel treated as numbers instead of people. Many people, some student leaders included, believe community is built solely by a website or big project. I understand that people build community and it’s not done easily or by one person, but through committed students determined to improve things. SGA needs a Vice-President to move us forward, to take us away from the raw deal students get and to fight for a fair deal, a SQUARE DEAL, a square deal that will bring Tech to remember that it begins and ends with the students.

- **The Square Deal Has Four Sides:**  
  - **Community:**  
    - Work with Organizations and President’s Council to communicate what’s going on and simplify the funding process  
    - SGA needs to co-operate with the Student Center, it funds $760,000 annually to create events  
    - Space for community and organizational meetings, religious and minority groups, and music rehearsal

  - **Auxiliary Services:**  
    - Parking should be held financially accountable and students should be able to see where their dollars are spent  
    - Dining Services must serve quality food in the dining halls, so students have more time to prepare for exams closer in date to the actual exam, and to be able to keep alive the Alumni Association’s T-Week during the last few weekdays after exams  
    - DJs spinning music outside a few days a week – without thinking about it, people will be having a better day  
    - A split exam week with reading days so students have more time to prepare for exams closer in date to the actual exam, and to be able to keep alive the Alumni Association’s T-Week during the last few weekdays after exams

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**Graduate Student Government Elections** Presidential and Vice-Presidential Candidates

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**Trey Childress**
GSG Presidential Candidate

**Major:** Public Policy  
**Expected Graduation:** May 2002

**SGA Experience:**  
- Senator, School of Public Policy (2001)  
- Undergraduate SGA at Georgia Tech:  
  - Junior Class President & Representative (1998)  
  - Parliamentarian (1997)  
  - Advocate General (1997)  
- Chair, Ad Hoc Committee on the Quality of Learning Environment (1997-1998)  
- Public Relations Committee (1996-1998)

**Tech Activities:**  
- Steering Chairman, TEAM Buzz Annual Community Service Event (1997-1999)
- Vice-President, Campus Civitan (1997-1998)

**Platform:**

- **Ensuring that you get your fair share of fees**
  - There are a number of students on this campus that do not see an adequate return on the activity fees that they pay—including graduate students and graduate families. Collaborative efforts should be made to ensure that graduates see a return on their student activity fees.
  - Many of the activities planned by undergraduates can be easily marketed toward graduate students. As president, I will ensure that undergraduates involved in campus programming know how to reach graduate audiences.

- **Controlling activity fee spending**
  - In addition to minimizing increases in our fees, we need more control in our spending. Under the current method of fee allocation, there is little order or direction. There are significant voids in campus programming—which are of interest to and convenient for graduate students and graduate families. Collaborative efforts should be made to ensure that graduate students see a return on their student activity fees.
  - Many of the activities planned by undergraduates can be easily marketed toward graduate students. As president, I will ensure that undergraduates involved in campus programming know how to reach graduate audiences.

- **Fighting for GRA health insurance benefits**
  - Over the past few years, great strides have been made in the effort to gain health benefits for graduate assistants. Given the events of the past year at the Board of Regents and in the State budgeting process, this effort is at a critical point. If ignored, the momentum gained in this effort will be lost.
  - As president, I will ensure that both in the short-term and long-term, graduate students’ needs are effectively represented to the Board of Regents and other key players in the State budgeting process. With a president experienced in State government, graduate students can feel safe knowing that every effort is being made to fight for GRA health benefits.

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**Charles Mull**
GSG Presidential Candidate

**Major:** Management  
**Expected Graduation:** May 2002

**SGA Experience:**  
- Senator  
- Graduate Student

**Tech Activities:**  
- Management Consulting Club  
- E-Commerce and Marketing Club  
- Financial Management Club

**Platform:**

1. The primary value guiding all my work as President will be promoting the interest and welfare of Georgia Tech graduate students.
2. I will work to reduce the allocation of funds controlled by student government to activities that do not directly benefit a significant number of graduate students, so that these funds might better be used for the benefit of graduate students.
3. I will oppose all fee increases and work to reduce fees whenever possible.
4. I will use the influence of the office to promote better on-campus housing for graduate students, particularly family housing, which is great need of improvements.
5. I will use the influence of the office to work toward Georgia Institute of Technology providing comprehensive health insurance for graduate students and their families.
6. I will seek out dedicated individuals to serve on campus committees and insist that these individuals keep the student government informed.
7. I will work with leaders of campus organizations to develop better ways in which Graduate Student Government can serve the interests of graduate students.

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**Camille Foster**
GSG Vice-Presidential Candidate

**Major:** Management  
**Expected graduation:** May 2002

**SGA Experience:**  
- Senator  
- Graduate Student

**Tech Activities:**  
- Ferst National Golf Club (MSM)

**Platform:**

- My primary goal in seeking election is to assist the president with the duties of the presidential office, as prescribed by the Graduate Student Government Constitution.
- I personally would like to play an active role in working with individual colleges to promote GA Tech as a top choice to potential graduate students. Much work goes into attracting bright, talented students. I believe the graduate senate is in a position to assist in this effort. Much of this involves working to improve benefits that supplement academia including, but not limited to better housing alternatives, health insurance, and better planning for a more rich graduate experience.

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**Student Government Elections Update**

The application deadline to run for all undergraduate student government positions has been extended to Monday, March 19. For more information and online versions of the elections code, please visit http://cyberbuzz.gatech.edu/sga.

Voting will begin on Monday, March 26 at 8:00 a.m. and end on Wednesday, March 28 at 5:00 p.m. If necessary, a runoff election will be held April 2 and 3.

Voting is available online at http://elections.gatech.edu. The server will be down each night from midnight to 4:00 a.m. for routine maintenance.

Ernest Hemingway wrote an awful lot about grasshoppers in *The Nick Adams Stories.*