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From the archives...

10 years ago: April 9, 1993—Head basketball coach Bobby Cremins “stunned the basketball world” when he announced that he was resigning his position with Tech. Two days later, Cremins “shocked the masses even further,” reversing his decision and announcing that he was, in fact, staying at Tech.

20 years ago: April 8, 1983—Coach Bobby Cremins was named Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) Coach of the Year, while freshman Mark Price was named ACC Rookie of the Year. “I think we’ve come a long way in such a short time, and that’s why I won,” said Cremins.

30 years ago: April 13, 1973—The 17-year locusts were expected to emerge in May. When they last emerged in 1956, there were over 1 million per acre in some places. The Soccer Club defeated the Birmingham International Soccer Club 11-2, climbing to 11-1-0 for the season. The baseball team also got off to a strong start, with a record of 11-2-1.
Graduates vote on end-of-year awards
By Tony Kluemper
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The Graduate Senate meeting was a little different than usual Tuesdays, as the senators discussed bills for only 20 minutes of the hour long meeting. The majority of discussion related to various elections of officials. Most related to awards the graduates give out every year to various members of campus. However in the first closed session of the year, the members also voted to select the next vice president.

Although this position was voted on by the graduate student body last week, the vote ended in a tie with only six percent of the graduate population voting. This led current president Alan Michaels to a decision of letting the senators decide on the next vice president instead of holding a run-off election.

Once the vote by the senators had been taken and the closed session ended, vice president Doug DesCamps decided not to release the results immediately. “I do have the count,” said DesCamps. “I will release the results in 24 hours unless I receive a formal objection about the way we decided this election.”

The other issue the senators voted for included the selection of an “Administrator of the Year” as well as “Friend of Graduate Senate.” Yasser Bhatti spoke on behalf of Associate Dean Stephanie Ray for administrator of the year. “She always has her door open for students to voice their concerns, no matter what they may be,” said Bhatti.

After a small amount of discussion, Ray was selected as the graduates’ “Administrator of the Year.” The senators then selected SAC Director Burch Stanphill, who attends almost every GSS meeting, as this year’s “Friend of the Graduate Senate.” DesCamps also announced that nominations for the cabinet member positions of secretary, treasurer and coordinating officer were open.

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House reconsiders immigration bill
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At the beginning of Tuesday night’s meeting of the Undergraduate House, a solemn President Tiffany Massey delivered the running news that a recent Supreme Court decision meant representatives could no longer debate bills. With a straight face, Vice President of Administrative Affairs Eric Clobber announced to a befuddled House that recent SGA elections were null and void because of a computer bug.

It seems we at The Technique are not the only ones who celebrate April Fool’s Day. After reps caught on to the joke, they turned to the day’s business.

Discussion and debate once again centered on the international student resolution. This bill draws attention to US immigration policies that could harm Georgia Tech’s international student population. Reps thought they had put the issue to rest last week when they narrowly passed a modified version of the resolution. They were mistaken.

Junior representative Katie Shoemaker made a motion to reconsider passage of the resolution. A bill can be reconsidered if new information comes to light that was not available during previous debate. Shoemaker said that Dr. Sylvia Maier, an International Affairs professor and expert on immigration, expressed concern that the resolution could actually be detrimental to international students. Maier was not at Tuesday’s meeting, but, in an email, wrote that research in the resolution was “sloppy” and that it contained aggressive language.

Biology Rep Srikanta Banerjee argued strongly against reconsideration. “We should be the ones to decide, not some professor,” said Banerjee. “Now the time has come for us—us—to make a decision,” he said.

Representative-at-large Alan Bakowski echoed Banerjee, saying disagreement over
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be completed towards the end of the semester as well, after wiring is established and paid for by the Georgia Tech Student Foundation.

Rankine began working for LAWN expansion in Nov. 2002, and the process has taken several months. The implementation of the connections has taken a significant amount of time because many new buildings around campus are also going wireless, all of which are overseen by Lawrence.

“Pretty much all of the new buildings are going to have wireless in them at some point. It’s part of the program,” said Lawrence.

Rankine notes that the execution of the task “started off slow because we basically had to wait for Mr. Lawrence to do some surveying, and he was already overburdened by the entire Technology Square and BME buildings. Environmental Science and Technology Building, and several others.

Despite some limitations, Lawrence assisted in the execution of the project by surveying both the Student Center and Student Services Building to determine optimal placement for the access points of the wireless connections. The surveys involved taking signal level measurements of the wireless strength within each building.

OIT also helped out significantly with the project by donating seven access points valued at $700 each for the Student Services Building. Both Rankine and Lawrence expect positive student response to the new LAWN availability. “I think people have started to get laptops because of the flexibility, and this [wireless accessibility] is going to enhance that even more,” said Lawrence.

Lee, a third-year Computer Engineering major, also believes that “putting wireless in the Student Center and flag building is a great idea.”

“People who need to study on a computer won’t be tied down to the computer clusters,” he said.

“Once they put an access point at the campanile, it will be really nice to be coding or something while enjoying the weather,” Lee stated.

According to Lawrence, students can expect even more LAWN accessibility for the future in buildings such as the SAC, the Environmental Science and Technology building, and several others.

“We’re working on this as fast as we can, but we do have limited resources.”

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The Women in Science and Technology hosted a discussion last Friday with President Clough and various women leaders on campus. The discussion entitled the “Next 50 Years of Women at Tech” was attended by students, faculty, staff and alumni and focused on the future direction of women on campus.

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When asked why the decision had been made, JFC Chair Chris Webb said the committee realized that the team had not included everything that it intended to.

“We’ve done this before,” said Webb. “This is what the organization intended the bill to say.”

The bill passed almost unanimously, with the JFC recommendations taken into account.

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"This is a student government resolution, not an academic paper," said Bakowski.

"Are you saying you don’t have a problem sending something with ‘sloppy research’ to the President and every member of Congress?" asked ECE Rep John Parsons, referring to a stipulation in the resolution that it be sent to government officials. MSE Rep Glenn Matthews expressed the same concern.

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At the same time, Baines was quick to point out that this may not be the system where the breach actually occurred. "In most cases, the attacking system is also compromised and just used to cover the digital trail of the real hacker," said Baines.

In addition to investigation, the Ferst Center also launched a campaign to notify all of the people who may have been affected by the hackers’ actions. The center sent letters to every person who had transactions on the system dating back to 1998, warning of what could happen since someone illegally gained access to their personal information.

Although there is no indication that any of the information has been used illegally, Constantz wanted to ensure that everyone knew about the problem.

“Our foremost concern is for the integrity of any personal information that may have been accessed," Constantz said in the letter.

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Once the initial police investigation began, the police followed up by dusting the house for fingerprints and interviewing anyone Delta Upsilon might have suspected.

Although some would suspect this was only a fraternity prank, Dawson said Delta Upsilon doesn’t feel that this was the case. "Right now that’s the only people we can really think of." Dawson said.

According to the GTPD, the case is still open, but there really haven’t been any leads as to who actually committed the crime.

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Students also voted by a margin of 2,793 to 576 to move spring break from the first in March to a later date. The option of scheduling spring break one week later garnered 1,588 votes, while 1,779 students voted to move spring break two weeks later. Administrators will take the results of the referendum into account when making a final decision.

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"Believe that the students should understand what occurs within in the House of Representatives, as well as contribute their input," said Case. "I want the upcoming freshman to utilize SGA for any changes that they see appropriate around Tech.

Elboni Fennell captured the senior class's top spot.

"When I checked on-line and saw that I got senior president, I was really shocked," she said. Fennell hopes to work to make Homecoming events more accessible to non-Greeks, improve diversity education and create a "Senior Salute" column with the Technique.

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