By Tony Kluemper  
Assistant News Editor

After the assault of the Maryland band after Tech’s overtime loss last month, many were left wondering how tarnished Tech’s reputation would be due to the incident. This week President G. Wayne Clough took steps to try to mend the relationship between Tech and Maryland by sending an official letter of apology to Maryland officials. According to Vice President of Student Affairs Lee Wilcox, the need for an apology became evident soon after the incident took place. According to Wilcox, Clough contacted University of Maryland President C.T.摩尔 before he learned of the incidents.

“As soon as we started getting letters from [Maryland], band members about what had happened, President Clough felt we needed to do something,” said Wilcox. “He asked me to coordinate the investigation and let him know what we could learn and then after that he would write the proper letter.”

Since the October 11 incidents two investigations have taken place, an unofficial one conducted by the Greek community with the help of IFC members who interviewed people in the area at the time of the incidents, and the official investigation conducted by the GTPD. In the end, the investigation was unable to turn up any suspects and therefore no one has been disciplined for the event.

“If we are able to [find the persons responsible], we will absolutely have that person go through our disciplinary process if they were a student,” said Wilcox.

“If it were an alum, we can’t use our campus system but charges could be filed if the band wanted to.”

Once the investigations concluded that the Maryland band members had been assaulted after the game, the Office of the President drafted two letters of apology: one to the president of Maryland and the other to the band director.

In the letter to More, Clough addressed the fact that no one individual has yet been identified but did apologize for the “lack of respect” shown to the band and offered his “personal apologies” to the band.

In addition, in his letter to Maryland band director L.R. Sparks, Clough offered to pay for any damage to the uniforms and instruments that occurred during the incidents after the game.

Clough went on to call the event “an embarrassment to Georgia Tech and the kind of behavior we must eliminate from intercollegiate sports.” The letter also mentioned specific steps Tech was taking to insure that See Apology, page 5

**Military shows spirit in wake of recent tragedy**

By Judy Shaw  
News Editor

The armed services invaded Georgia Tech earlier this week, as representatives from the various branches of the United States military held exhibitions and events on campus. The third annual event, known as Military Week, started on Veteran’s Day.

“We picked it to coincide with Veteran’s Day from the beginning because we originally started it as a veterans recognition week,” said Ramon Perez, this year’s Military Week Coordinator. Last year the event was called Military Awareness Week, but this year the name was shortened to just Military Week.

This year’s Military Weeks comes just two months after the September 11 attacks and with the American military active in Afghanistan. According to Perez, the world events of the recent months impacted the Tech event.

“We were hoping to have as many exhibits as last year, but, unfortunately, we did get some reduction because of the September 11 activities,” said Perez.

“We suffered a little bit, as did the whole See Military, page 4

Possible international student restrictions concern Tech officials

By Daniel Amick  
Contributing Writer

Congressional proposals on student visas designed to increase security have some Tech officials and students concerned. A number of U.S. officials have emphasized that fact that Han Hau Nguyen, one of the suspected hijackers who flew an aircraft into the Pentagon on September 11, entered the United States with an international student visa. Upon returning the country, Hau never showed up for class at Holy Name College, where he was supposed to enroll.

Georgia Tech has the largest international student population of any college or university in the state. About 2,450 international students, both graduates and undergraduates, are enrolled here this semester. The Office of International Education (OIE) aids these students during their time here.

Most of Tech’s international students enter the United States with one of two types of visa. The vast majoritv hold F-1 visas, called the Student Degree-Seeking Visa. Only about 150 of international students at Tech hold the J-1, or Exchange Visitor Student Visa.

In the wake of the terrorist attacks, the Bush administration and Congressional leaders urged a tightening of visa policy. So far, no actual legislation has emerged from Congress on this subject. Proposals, however, have been wide ranging. Senator Diane Feinstein of California initially suggested a six-month moratorium on new student visas.

According to Sheila Schulze, Senior Coordinator of International Education at the OIE, Feinstein backed away from her position after an outcry from the academic community. “This is not really fair. This is actually quite strict,” said Schulze. However, two changes in operational procedures have taken effect. First, the OIE Department has announced a new waiting period for certain people applying for student visas. Men between ages 16 and 45 from 26 Arab and Muslim countries will be subject to an additional 20 day waiting period during the application process. The added time will give the government an opportunity to cross-reference applicant names with FBI terrorism databases.

Secondly, a bill passed on October 26, dubbed “the Patriot Bill,” provides funding for an international student tracking system. Under such a system, colleges and institutions would be expected to provide regular reports to the federal government on international students. The reports would include information about attendance, change of major, and grades. Although a law passed in 1996 created the system, up until September 11 Congress was unwilling to pay for the program. Implementation of the tracking system was con- tested by 21 test schools in the Southeast. Georgia Tech was no among them.

The burden such a system would place on OIE and international students “is too much,” said Schulze. The Southeast test program will be expanded in December to the new requirements. The expansion should provide useful data on how best to implement such a system on a national level. The OIE has also emphasized that schools had always been required to collect such information.

“The Immigration and Naturalization Service” did not ask for (the reports) since the spring of 1996,” said Schulze. The forced to redesign the manpower to review such large quantities of data. See Visas, page 5

Jackets on skates? Tech hockey ranks tops in the south in Division III.

It’s finally here! Harry Potter hits theaters this weekend; find out if it was worth the wait.

FBI terrorism expert to speak

Danny Coulson, the Founder and Former Director of the Anti-Terrorist Task Force of the Federal Bureau of Investigation will speak at Tech on Monday, November 26 at 7 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom. Coulson’s most notable achievement in his long career with the FBI is leading the arrest of Oklahoma City bomber Timothy McVeigh and rescuing McVeigh’s friend Michael Fortier to testify as the government’s star witness.

SAC II breaks ground Nov. 28

President G. Wayne Clough will lead the groundbreaking ceremony for the construction of the new Student Athletic Center on November 28, at 1 p.m. Students who attend can watch the closing of the Olympic pool, see the plans of the new SAC II, and take home a free bottle of Georgia Tech Olympic water as a souvenir. Refreshments will also be served.

Take a Prof to Lunch Nov. 27

The Student Center Programs Area will host the 7th Take a Prof to Lunch on Tues., Nov. 27. The event was begun in 1977 by the Student/Faculty Relations Committee and is one of the longest-running events in the Programs Area.

Students must register by next Tues. to participate in the program. The event is 11-1 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom. Students can email sc26@prism.gatech.edu to register.

The PALADIN tank from Elbarion, Georgia visited campus on Wednesday as part of Tech’s third annual Military Week. Though some of the presenters cancelled, the week was still celebrated.
Last issue’s poll garnered 67 responses to the question: “Who should be allowed to graduate with exceptions because of semester conversion?”

- Students up to two hours short (57%)
- Students up to one hour short (15%)
- No exceptions should be made (28%)

This week’s poll is about registration. Did you get shafted by the registration? Did you get all of the classes you wanted? Tell us at www.cyberbuzz.gatech.edu/technique.

From the archives...

The Nique’s top stories from:

5 years ago: Nov. 15, 1996—The Student Center Food Court celebrated the opening of the Burger King, Freshens Yogurt, and Pizza Hut Express. At the ceremonies Undergraduate President Jim Mason was served a “Ceremonial Whopper” by director of Dining Services Doug Pendleton.

10 years ago: Nov. 15, 1991—One year after claiming the national championship, the Yellow Jackets barely escaped defeat at the hands of the Division I-AA Furman Paladins at Bobby Dodd Stadium. The final score was 19-17.

15 years ago: Nov. 14, 1986—200 members of the Atlanta Jewish Federation protested on campus prior to Tech’s exhibition basketball game against the Soviet Union. The group was protesting the USSR’s treatment of Jews who wished to emigrate to Israel. The Soviet national team later came out on top of the Yellow Jackets by the score of 96-78.
Senate fills seats, brings total to 67
By Judy Shaw
News Editor

After taking a break from meeting last week, the Graduate Student Senate resumed action on Tuesday with a bigger crowd than before, as 37 new Senators were appointed and sworn in. With the latest addition, the Senate grew to 67 members, and Graduate Student Government President Trey Childress expects to appoint 12 more senators to vacant positions at next Tuesday’s meeting.

“I was very pleasantly surprised with the response,” said Childress.

Childress said the positive response he received probably stems from the way in which he advertised the available positions. In the past, the Senate used flyers, mass emails, and other standard forms of advertising, while this year Childress made things a little more personal.

Last week he sent out approximately 1,500 emails—one to every graduate student in a school or department with an open seat in the Senate. In the email he invited the graduate student to serve in the body and explained a little bit about how the Senate works.

“I expected about a ten percent response rate on my initial email,” said Childress. He received, however, about 900 responses; some students expressed an interest in serving, others declined, but all were positive in nature. Childress then returned an email to those initial responders to further explain the Senate. At the end of the process, approximately 150 graduate students expressed an interest in joining the Senate.

Students who answered that they would be interested in serving in the house were asked to include information about their previous involvement at Tech and their desire to serve. This information allowed Childress to narrow the 150 down to the 49 needed to fill vacant seats.

“No only can we fill every seat in the Senate, but we also have a waiting list of interested students in case any seats open up,” said Childress.

The grand total of 67 members represents the largest Senate in recent memory, and no one seems to know if every Senate seat has been filled.

“I don’t think it’s really ever happened. I see GSS, page 4”

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Council Clippings Senate and House

Undergrads fund WREK monitor
By Judy Shaw
News Editor

Executive officers and committee chairs of the Undergraduate Student Government Association announced a number of new plans at Tuesday’s meeting of the Undergraduate House of Representatives. The House itself also considered a number of funding allocations.

Vice President of Campus Affairs E.W. Looney brought a copy of the budget of the Office of Parking and Transportation for members of the House to review. Earlier in the afternoon, members of the House also enjoyed the opportunity to engage in a question-and-answer session with Rod Wei, Director of Parking and Transportation.

Stephen Popick, Chair of the Campus Services committee and At-Large Representative, announced that a meal plan option may be available in the near future. Dining Services plans to issue a survey to Student Center diners in the days after Thanksgiving. The department will use the results to aid in planning the details of the meal plan system.

Executive Vice President Nate Watson solicited names of professors to invite to Tech’s first Midnight Breakfast. The event will take place the Tuesday of finals week and will allow students and professor to gather together to enjoy a midnight meal before final. Watson has been working closely with the Office of the Provost to plan this event since he took office, and he asked the representatives to help him decide which professors to invite.

President Chris Kavanaugh informed the House that free legal advice related to new immigration laws is now available in the SGA office each Thursday afternoon at 3 p.m. This service may interest international students who could be affected by changes to student visa regulations.

Legislative Communications Committee Chair Scott Fletcher announced that the voting records for all representatives are now available online. A link can be found of the main SGA webpage at sga.gatech.edu. The LCC used the same voting procedure as the last meeting, and representatives seemed to adjust to the use of the note cards. The meeting lasted only an hour.

Aside from the many announcements,
the workshop adjacent to its radio tower on West Campus. The last time a new monitor was purchased was 1973, and each monitor lasts an average of 20 years. The Representatives seemed to understand WREK’s need, but some expressed concern about the cost of the monitor and the fact that WREK had not considered fundraising for the monitor.

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On Monday, General Ray Davis spoke at the Campanelle Amphitheater. Davis, a Marine Corps Four-Star General and Tech graduate, received his Congressional Medal of Honor during the Korean War. Tuesday offered another speaker. Ex-Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) operative Ray Sempko spoke about the security faults that led to the events of September 11 and future threats to U.S. national security. Sempko worked in the former Soviet Union for 15 years during his stay at the CIA.

In addition to speakers, the many branches of the Armed Services set up booths and displays in the Student Center and along Skiles Walkway throughout the week. On Wednesday, the Burger Bowl played host to a PALADIN tank. The PALADIN, based in Elberton, Georgia, is one of the most advanced armed forces vehicles in existence. Each tank costs upwards of $1.5 million, the Georgia national guard was the first state east of the Mississippi River to obtain the vehicles. This piece of equipment came as a surprise to the weeks organizers, and they were unable to publicize it as much as they hoped. The unexpected guest in the Burger Bowl also came as a surprise to Tech officials.

“I had a fun time trying to explain to the people at the Parking Office that we would be putting a tank onto the field across from them,” said Perez.

Thursday included a repelling demonstration. At the time of publication, Perez hoped to obtain permission to repel off of the library, but the plans were not finalized.

“I think we are going to have a really good time with the repelling,” said Perez. Military Week culminated on Thursday with the annual Military Week Banquet at the Renaissance Hotel in Midtown. The guest speaker was General John Hendrix, Commanding General of U.S. Army Forces Command (FORSCOM). Army Forces command is the Army component of U.S. Joint Forces Command, and is based at Fort McPherson, Georgia. General Hendrix is also a Tech graduate.

Military Week marks the culmination of 8 months of work for Perez and his 21-member staff of Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine ROTC cadets and midshipmen. According to Perez, the banquet requires the most planning and the most funding as well.

The week received financial support from Georgia Tech Research Institute (GTRI), the Ivan Allen College, the Alumni Association, Reserve Officer Association and Air Force ROTC Recruiting.
Three Maryland students robbed in dorm room

By Amanda Carr
The Diamondback

(U-WIRE) University of Maryland—Police are still looking for two men who robbed several men at gunpoint in a University of Maryland Cumberland Hall dorm room Tuesday.

The three men were in the second-floor dorm room shortly after 4 p.m. when they were confronted by the armed men, said University Police Capt. Paul Dillon.

The men knocked on the door of the room and entered once it was opened, one displaying a revolver-type handgun. During the robbery, one of the victims was cut on his head.

This is the eighth robbery that has occurred on or near the campus in the past three months. No arrests have been made in connection with any of the robberies.

On Sept. 21, two men were walking on Guilford Drive when another man approached them, displayed a handgun, struck one of the men and demanded money. On Sept. 3, two robberies took place. At 1 a.m., two suspects approached a man and demanded money. In the other robbery that day, three people were held up at gunpoint.

Before September, only one additional robbery was reported this calendar year.

U. of Minnesota considers ban on tobacco sales

By Maggie Hessel-Mial
Minnesota Daily

(U-WIRE) University of Minnesota—University of Minnesota students, faculty and staff already have to step outside if they want to grab a smoke.

But if two Boynton Health Service committees have their say, on-campus smokers will be sent even farther away. The Twin Cities Student Unions Board of Governors will debate a resolution Nov. 29 that would ban all tobacco sales on campus, said Kristen Moore, president of the board.

“The board is trying to elicit feedback from students in the University community,” Moore said. “The University community will be more affected by this decision.”

“We’re not trying to take away students’ freedom,” said Gail Muso-lf, chairwoman of the Student Health Advisory Committee. “If you look at all the research the University does on the harmful effects of tobacco, selling tobacco is working against everything the university is trying to study.”

Edward Ehlinger, Boynton director, said tobacco use among college students nationwide has increased 60 percent in the last 10 years.

“The tobacco industry is targeting 18- to 24-year-olds,” Ehlinger said. “Eliminating the sale of tobacco on campus is just one of many steps that need to be done.”

Craig England, a junior, said if the union stops selling cigarettes he would just purchase them elsewhere.

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OPINIONS

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OUR VIEWS Consensus Opinion

Put permits online

Many freshmen are facing much harder schedules for the upcoming spring semester than they had anticipated. A large number of them were unable to register for classes due to lack of time and resources. While there is the option to request permits or overloads for many of these classes, more and more students are finding these alternatives frustrating and unreliable, while administrators complain that too many students are coming to them at once begging for the same overloads and permits.

This entire process could be made simpler by implementing an online system for all permit and overload requests. A computer could easily and quickly process all permit and overload requests and assign them to classes according to eligibility and qualifications. If this were the case the whole registration process would be greatly improved. In the beginning of Phase I registration students could register for their major classes and all general courses. Then, in the second half of Phase I registration, permit requests could be looked at and administrators could make the decision to either complete the classes that already exist by adding students who have requested permits or add more sections of the most sought after courses.

The simplest and most obvious solution to this continuing problem is communication. If students want to take a class that is not required for their major, they should put in a permit request before registration starts so that the process is not as hectic and stressful. In this way administrators will be able to more closely evaluate requests and give the students who need certain classes most the opportunity to add them to their schedules.

Feed foreign students

It appears as though Tech’s international students won’t have much to be thankful for this Thanksgiving. Most of them will be staying on campus for the holiday, but as it stands now there will be no way for them to get food during the better part of the four-day holiday.

While there is an existing program trying to encourage international students to go home with students who live nearby and the Catholic Center continues to offer its annual Thanksgiving Day Feast, these two programs will only feed students on Thanksgiving Day. International students are essentially on their own for the other three days. The dining halls will be closed for the entire holiday, and no employees will be around to take these students to grocery stores or any other food places. Most of these students do not have any other means of transportation. If any of them hope to have food during the break they must plan in advance to get a ride to the store.

There are several solutions to this problem. One of the dining halls could be opened for a limited number of hours each day during the break, or dining services could prepare a number of simple ‘to go’ meals for these students to pick up each day. A Stinger could also be run to a grocery store one or more days during the holiday. No matter what the solution, something should be done to make sure that the students who must stay here over the holidays do not feel isolated.

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

Quote of the week:

“But at my back I always hear Time’s winged chariot hurrying near.”
—Andrew Marvell

New ticket policy shows GTAA’s laziness

This is in response to the second change that has taken place in two years to Georgia Tech’s basketball student ticket policy.

I am curious as to the real reason the Georgia Tech Athletic Association (GTAA) Ticket Office chose to avoid responsibility by making a first-come, first-server ticketing policy before the actual game. Do they really believe that less organization and planning will lead to higher attendance?

I will be less likely to waste my time walking to Alexander Memorial Coliseum knowing the possibility that I may get turned away. In my opinion, having to arrive up to two hours of an hour before tip-off will also decrease attendance. In my mind, the only justification for this unstable plan revolves around GTAA’s lack of planning. Even though Just-Extreme went out of business, there’s always the system that was in place before the online method was used last year.

GTAA’s decision to deny itself assistance from SGA is equally confusing as well as frustrating. I’ve noticed this firsthand through the experience of block seating for the past two years, first when SGA ran things, as compared to this season in which GTAA has struggled to effectively run the ticket distribution independently.

This year procedures are simplified across the board, but oftentimes this is for GTAA’s own selfish goals due to lack of resources or motivation. In more cases than not, the oversimplification breaks down the overall process, making the students suffer as a result of the laziness of the GTAA.

The claim that the GTAA wants student tickets to be hard to get is a total scapegoat. Why would anyone wish upon their own student body the difficulty to attain something that the students are forced to

See GTAA, page 8

Thanksgiving at Tech

The dining halls aren’t serving food today.

Yet another thing to be thankful for...

By Matt Norris / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS
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For Halloween this year. Some of Auburn frats’ party pranks go beyond bounds of decency

These guys appear just as racist as the guys do by going along with their performances.

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Techs and the City: Upcoming holidays are a good time to volunteer

By Jen Hinkel
Columnist

I’ve seen Christmas decorations at CVS and Publix. The semester has flown by, and suddenly, the holidays are upon us. Starting with Thanksgiving, we will fall into a downward spiral of sanity that makes us crazy by mid-December, and despite our annual pledges to get everything finished early, to find a simpler state of mind, and to remember the “spirit of the season,” we’ll probably forget those promises by the first of December.

This year, I’m taking a revisionist approach to Thanksgiving. Giving thanks as we gather around tables piled high with turkey, fried okra, and pumpkin pie holds meaning for our families, but Thanksgiving should not be a holiday for only the comfortable and well-fed. Instead of simply giving thanks, we need to constantly be giving so that the less fortunate can also be thanked. We should celebrate Give-thanking. But as college students, we’re pressed for time, broke, and stressed out. What can we really give?

We may not have money; with job losses and economic downturn, we have even less than usual. But we do have ample opportunity to give, and if we will commit ourselves, we have the time. For organizations that require volunteers to be at least 18 or 21 years old, college students may be their best hope for help. Moreover, in keeping with the collegiate mindset that we benefit from the richness of our environment, we should feel obligated to volunteer and give philanthropically to those who live in underprivileged environments.

Conveniently, opportunities for giving abound in Downtown, and with all of your free time next week from Wednesday classes, you’ll probably cancel (or the ones you’ll skip anyway). You’ll need a productive outlet for the energy you usually expend trying to pay attention in that dreadfully boring lecture.

Our gifts might not be moneymaking, but we can certainly give some of our time and effort. Plus, everyone knows how productive engineers can be. Any organization will be proud to have some of our valuable time. As an added benefit, we’ll get the satisfaction of helping others and have the chance to develop our community connections.

If you’re a neophyte volunteer, the Hands on Atlanta Web site (http://handsonatlanta.com) and the Student Center’s MOVE office can start you off with a number of resources. For those seeking programs specifically geared towards Thanksgiving, Atlanta offers numerous opportunities to lend a hand.

The Fulton Family & Children Services Food and Gift sorting is one such seasonal operation. It needs volunteers to prepare Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets on November 17, 20-21, and various days in December. (404-699-4387) If you have time tomorrow, Operation Street Harvest Holiday Parties needs volunteers in Decatur to serve a meal to women and children from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (404-241-0072).

Many Tech students participate with Project Open Hand, an Atlanta initiative that prepares and delivers meals to people living with AIDS and other medical conditions. This week, they will need volunteers to prepare and deliver Thanksgiving meals. (404-872-2707 x 118)

On Wednesday, CHRIS Homes, a system of group homes for children and young adults who have been abused or neglected, will need volunteers over the age of 21 to help residents 17 to 21 years of age prepare and serve Thanksgiving dinner. (404-486-9034) Volunteering to help our peers could take us from our comfort zone, but it could also enrich us with a profound experience.

Even more holiday-specific volunteering activities will need participants in early December. And as people concentrate on donating their time and energy to hunger and food agencies, they might forget that the number of depressed people in this country skyrockets around the holiday season each year.

Therefore, nursing home residents and those living in shelters might want nothing more than a friendly visit when they have no family around during the holidays. Home construction organizations such as Habitat for Humanity will need volunteers to build houses before the coldest winter months. With the recent economic downturn, agencies that help with job training and interviewing skills may be scrambling to find work for those entering the workforce.

This Thanksgiving, start giving, and let the thanks that you receive be your reward. Just think of the warm, fuzzy feeling you’ll have as “Ramblin’” plays next Saturday, celebrating yet another Yellow Jacket victory, and you can think “I’m a Ramblin’ Wreck from Georgia Tech and a Helluva volunteer.”

Peace is not the answer

Daniel Uhlig ponders the consequences of the war against terror, but the only option we have is to terminate the perpetrators of the 9-11 atrocity with extreme prejudice. If we were to listen to the problem they have with this fine nation and attempt to solve them in a peaceful manner, we would send the message to other belligerent states/people that murdering U.S. citizens on U.S. soil is a viable way of opening a forum for discussion.

We would never see the end of terrorist attacks upon our land.

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GTAA

pay for as part of their tuition? Is going out of your way to make a trip to the ticket office not make it ‘hard’ enough?

Currently, camping out for big games occurs at night in anticipation of the distribution the following morning. The new revised plan would require waiting in line all day, perhaps being forced to cut class, to ensure a spot into certain games.

Is this what the GTAA wants to encourage? Would that prove fan loyalty? That’s the message being sent.

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Buzz
Around
the
Campus

Question of the week
“What do you think should be done about seniors who are two hours or less shy of graduating?”

Tim Maher
ARCH Freshman
“They should graduate with recognition, but they should promise they will finish.”

Jason Ward
CP Grad
“If it is due to conversion, the administration should take that into consideration.”

Aman Soloman
BioChem Junior
“They should either allow them to take the classes for free or let them graduate.”

Kristie Groover
CS Senior
“They should let them override the system and graduate early.”

Kelly Miller
Math Junior
“If they’ve completed all their requirements I’d let them go.”

Chris Moore
CompE Freshman
“I’d have to take it on a case-by-case basis.”

Grace Kwon
IE Senior
“If they were two hours short I would let them graduate.”

Vincent Chan
CS Freshman
“I’m sure they worked their schedule around when they thought they would graduate.”

Feature and Photos by Andrew Saulters
Behind the Buying Binge

Auto Sales Soar on Mix Of Deals, Patriotism, Seize-the-Day Spirits

The great gas crisis of the mid-1970s, American consumers shifted to fuel-efficient compacts. In the 1999-2002 slowdown, they bought fewer cars because of the sluggish economy and war in the Persian Gulf. But this time around, auto makers are hoping to prop up the economy and war in the Persian Gulf. But this time around, auto makers are hoping to prop up the economy to regain steam. So

Traffic Patterns

The death of American Airlines Flight 587 is a new jolt to the airline industry just as airfares were beginning to return to the air. U.S. monthly passenger boardings, in millions.

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Source: Air Transport Association

IPO Activity

Picks Up

Sputtered by a rebounding stock market and pent-up demand, the IPO dance card is as full as it has been in months.

Nine initial public offerings of stock came to market from Oct. 1 through the end of last week, and 24 more are in the works through December, making this the highest-volume quarter for IPOs this year, a data company Thomson Financial said. An IPO is a company's first sale of stock to the public. Only 14 deals were completed in the third quarter, the fewest in a quarter since 1998.

Analysts see the return of the IPO business as a sign of confidence in the stock market's rebound from its mid-September lows. Many companies, analysts say, that had been trying to take their companies public have been waiting in the wings for months, and the fact they are stepping forward means they don't think recent gains will soon fizzle.

Some long-dormant IPO filings are becoming active again. Verizon Wireless said last week that it hopes to raise $10 billion through an initial public offering, which the company is planning to use to pay off debt it incurred building its wireless network.

Businesses Delay Projects and Hiring

In the wake of the Sept. 11 attacks, many companies are putting off spinoffs, product orders, hiring decisions, real-estate projects and other important investments.

As companies struggle to regain their footing, some are delaying plans for new developments. One of the most visible is the Las Vegas Convention Center, a project that was supposed to be completed in 2002 in a deal roughly estimated at $5 billion.

Clear Channel Plans Online Music Sales

Radio giant Clear Channel Communications Inc. will offer online music subscriptions through its station websites in five cities, creating what eventually could be a significant new source of revenue for the company. While there's been a slight uptick in the economy models that usually do well in a downturn, the biggest sellers have flash, glitz and price tags that seem surprisingly out of step with the times. (Think high-end trucks, gas-guzzling SUVs and muscle cars.) The biggest gainer of all? A convertible—Chrysler's Sebring, whose sales have almost tripled since last October.

Drivers in Texas truck country pushed 0% deals, some staying open until midnight. This car never saw rebates or financing deals—until last month. And then there's the "seize-the-day" factor, with people suddenly deciding life's too short to hold off on the car of their dreams. "Sept. 11 may have made us all feel a little more mortal," says Jay Shoemaker, a San Francisco businesswoman whose wife is a flight attendant for United. He just traded his five-month-old old Mercedes for a fancier Benz that cost almost $100,000. Oh, and he's also shopping for a used Porsche. This is hardly how buyers behaved during past downturns. Durin...
Hottest Gear On Campus? Books

By Gordon Fairclough

Here’s a novel audience for the book business: college students.

After a decade in which reading was considered about as hip as the Bee Gees, the under-$25 set is now buying books for leisure reading at three times the rate of the overall market. Young readers—even teens—are flocking to surprisingly hefty titles, from Jane Austen to memoirist Dave Eggers, whose prose some critics have compared to James Joyce’s. Bookstores across the country report jumps of 20% to 75% in young buyers over the past three years. Industry analysts point to a host of reasons for the boom, from a push toward reading for leisure reading at age 18 and up, to a generation of digital natives who are more likely to read on their computers than in print.

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Paul Ballew, “I don’t know when October,” said GM sales analyst weren’t going to buy a Corvette in jumped more than 60%. “If you the company included it in its new, rather unliterary marketing stallments, with no interest. Industrial analysts point to a host of between 1992 and 1997, as Gen-Xers turned to the Web. But now that so many dot-com fanatics have gone bust, geek chic has had to find new outlets.

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But perhaps the biggest change is in the readers themselves: This generation is more earnest, more studious and, well, nerder than its predecessors. “It’s a backlash against MTV culture,” says sociologist William Strauss, author of the post-Generation-X set.

It wasn’t so long ago that the MP3 generation could scarcely be bothered to crack a book. Colleges saw a 50% drop in literature majors between 1992 and 1997, as Gen-Xers turned to the Web. But now that so many dot-com fanatics have gone bust, geek chic has had to find new outlets.

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Of course, not all the new read- ers are Susan Sontag-in-training. Many are making a fashion state- ment of sorts, carrying around taud- tered copies of “in” books—“not necessarily to read, but to be part of a scene,” says Jeremy Ellis, a manager at Austin’s Book People.

And in some ways, all of this is changing not just readership levels but the book business itself. Some publishers say that as the book busi- ness becomes more glamorous and celebrity-centered, it is starting to look more like rock ‘n’ roll. Last month, Grove/Atlantic signed a 17-year-old to write a novel about a fic- tionalized designer drug. Says Mor- gan Entrekin, publisher and presi- dent there: “We’re all just looking for the newest, freshest voices.”

Behind the Buying Binge

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The deals are giving cars like the Chevrolet Corvette a big boost. General Motors rarely discounts this ultra-macho coupe, so when the company included it in its new financing deals last month, sales jumped more than 46%. “If you weren’t going to buy a Corvette in October, said GM sales analyst Paul Bulley, “I don’t know when you were going to buy one.”

Remember the mounting back- lash against SUVs? Well, forget it. SUV sales actually doubled from last October for some popular sport-utility vehicles, while others gained nearly as much. It’s easy to see why, with Americans worried more about safety and security, and also planning more road trips instead of flights. Trucks fared better: Ford sold 102,000 F- Series pickups in October, the first time a pickup truck has passed the 100,000-a-month mark. The deals were so good, in fact, that Ford’s pickups were the highest-selling vehicle of any kind for the month.

Detroit’s Big Three complain that financing deals are draining their bottom lines, and that they’ll last only a few more weeks. But Ford and GM both say discounts are likely to continue in a different form. And Chrysler is already of- fering buyers a free seven-year, or 100,000-mile, warranty that covers the engine and transmission. In issuing the warranty, the company has made some not-so-subtle refer- ences to Sept. 11, suggesting its plan will give buyers “peace of mind.”

“We’re trying to get people back focusing on the benefits of the product rather than the size of the deal,” says Chrysler marketing chief James Schrver.

By Wall Street Journal staff reporters, Shosh Freeman, Karen Lundegaard, Jonathan Welsh and Daniel Costello.
The frustrating monopoly on registration

Every year, incoming freshmen battle their way through low-priority time tickets, prerequisites and overloads in an effort to secure that perfect schedule that allows for core classes, a cool humanity and a starting time after 10 p.m.

Although online registration and time-ticketing make course registration easier, actually obtaining those classes needed to satisfy graduation requirements, in a schedule that is convenient, is virtually impossible for freshmen and sophomore students. Many students have to wait until junior year before they have enough seniority to secure a space in a humanities course. Registering online can be difficult for students to make. "[I'm] not enough demand over the holiday season, and the course selected has a lab and a practical component. Often, students must decide whether to go home or to stick around on campus. Yet these facilities close for a reason—usually there simply isn't enough demand over the holiday season. The busiest breaks are too short to travel home.

Due to the large population of local students, Tech campus is notorious for being a ghost town on holidays. International students, however, must decide whether to spend the time and money to go home or to stick around on campus and work around the absence of both people and campus dining. In general, the choice isn't too difficult for students to make. "[I'm] going home to Canada... my parents are getting festive as I missed Canadian Thanksgiving, so there will be lots of turkey and stuffing waiting when I get home," Babak Banjamaridi, Computer Engineering major, said.

"For Thanksgiving, many just sit around here as if it were just a long weekend. Some take offers from students who live in the area to go home with them over Thanksgiving and a few go to a church sponsored Thanksgiving event," Computer Science major, Omar Delea, said. Also enthusiastic about the chance to relax, many students take the opportunity to catch up on sleep. Others just look forward to the after-Thanksgiving early-bird specials in stores.

Even though all on-campus dining facilities—Student Center Food Court, Chilly Beans, First Place, Pizza Hut, Cybermarket, Westside Diner, Brittain and Woodruff—are closed during the four-day weekend, several of the students that stay on campus support Georgia Tech's decision. Yet these facilities close for a reason—one of the most common problems among new users to OSCAR is interpreting error messages. "Permit required" is a common error message that means the course is restricted. Students should talk to the individual academic department for the class in which the error occurs to resolve this problem.

Another common error is "Link error." This error really has two meanings. The first meaning is that the course selected has a lab and a lecture that have to be selected at the same time before clicking...
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Last week's Tech Up Close:
Light at the campanile

Last week's Winner: Jonathan Mitchell
The trials of making ends meet for education

By Kimberly Reick
Contributing Writer

After college, many people decide to delay their entry into the workforce by continuing their education. When the economy is rocky, more and more students choose this path. The only problem is that many of these individuals have just finished financing their undergraduate degree. Tuition for undergraduate students can range anywhere from $60,000 to $120,000 for a four year degree.

For graduate school at Georgia Tech, the estimated cost for residents is $12,278 and $21,748 for non residents. So what options are available to graduate students to make attending graduate school cost effective and manageable?

Most graduate students at Georgia Tech are able to finance their education through one of five means: graduate teaching assistantships, research assistantships, fellowships, internships offered by government agencies, private foundations or professional organizations, and graduate co-op programs.

"Most of the funding for graduate students comes through assistantships," said Keith Oden, Director of the Graduate Co-op and Fellowship Office. Oden estimates that roughly 60 percent of graduate students have assistantships. Assistantships are in the form of either research or teaching. Oden said that salaries range anywhere from $900-$1,500, and students generally work part-time around 13 hours a week. In addition, TAs and research assistants may receive exemption from tuition or pay a reduced amount.

The amount of time and duties vary from person to person. "I’m taking three classes, and then I have to teach two classes, and then I’m in the lab sometimes doing research," said Christy Charlton, a Chemistry graduate student. Neal Pennington, also a Chemistry graduate student, divides his time between a teaching assistantship and a research assistantship. Other students strictly do research or teaching, Eray Ugoren, an Aerospace Engineering graduate student, focuses mainly on research.

"As an International student, I’m not allowed to work outside campus and also I have to get familiar with the classes or courses, so I don’t happen to have extra time," said Zhongbao Yang, a Computer Science graduate student.

Another option for graduate students is the co-op program. Georgia Tech’s cooperative program is the largest program in the U.S. for science and engineering. There are over 600 business, government, and industrial organizations that Georgia Tech has relationships with. "For co-ops, our typical students have salaries ranging anywhere from $12-$25 an hour. The average is around $15 an hour," said Oden. In addition, Oden said that there is an annual enrollment of about 450 students, and most of the students co-op during the summer term.

Fellowships are financial grants that a person receives from a government agency, business or foundation. In order to qualify for a fellowship, a person may have to be nominated by their department and has to apply. Generally, the fellowships are very competitive and require high scores on the GRE and a high GPA.

Georgia Tech is ranked highly in many graduate degree programs, so it is a popular choice for graduate students. However, the Institute is located in a city that has a high cost of living. Students have a few options. One option is to pay to live in the Graduate Living Center. Many students prefer to live off campus because it can be cheaper, and privacy is better. Mehmet Kuritas, a graduate research assistant in the Aerospace Engineering field, said he prefers to live off campus because he does not like to pay for several months of housing in advance. Other times, students decide to live off campus even though their rent is higher.

One problem with living off campus is that there is an additional cost of transportation to and from school and work. Car payments and car insurance can take up a large portion of the salary that students receive. International students have to pay higher rates due to the fact that they are considered to be a higher risk for insurance companies. Kiritas and Ugoren are from Turkey, and therefore, have to pay more for their car insurance payments. Some international students are able to room in the GLC or have a roommate with a car. Yang, who is from China, lives in Marietta, and says that his roommate has a car, and takes him to campus everyday and picks him up afterwards. Other students have other ways to cover the high costs of owning a vehicle.

"My parents pay for my car payments which helps a lot. Otherwise, it would probably be tight; it depends on what kind of car, insurance, apartment. I know people who live a little further out of the city and they pay a lot less. I’d be a trade-off, I’d have to get a cheaper car and live a little further out of the city," said Charlton.

For married students, graduate school can be a difficult thing to balance with the additional expenses of supporting a family. Pennington said that his wife works a full time job, and with the second income, his family is able to manage. Other graduate students find themselves having to ask their advisor for permission to work a second job, but they have to budget their money very frugally.

After all the car payments and apartment bills have been paid, is there money left over for luxuries such as concerts and sporting events? The answer is some, but not much, depending on how each person chooses to budget their money. "Besides the grants and groceries, I have maybe some money but not too much," said Yang.

Kuritas said that he has to think about other means of money. "Sometimes parents, friends, credit cards," Many graduate students do not have the time to go out due to the large number of hours that jobs and school require.

For more information on fellowships, research assistantships, teaching assistantships, and the co-op program, check out the Graduate School.

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reduce the risk of cancer. In contrast to these are other molecules called “antioxidants,” they tend to remove electrons, causing holes to be formed, which, as we’ve said, can be bad.

When an oxidant gets past these antioxidants (possibly because the latter are not attached to any other molecule) and oxidizes a DNA molecule, the resulting hole runs up and down the chain, wreaking general havoc on the base pairs. A favorite target is the G base; when it loses an electron, G turns into 8-oxogua-
inine.

Your body can fix this, but if the DNA chain is read before the error is repaired then that G base may appear to be a T. Functionally this is a mutation, and it will cause your offspring to have fewer and large wings (if the mutation occurs in a germ line cell). Or it can cause cancer.

Now before all the electrical engineers complain too much, we’d better explain that, yes, negative charges like electrons don’t normally exist by themselves; there is usually a positive charge somewhere nearby. The electron simply isn’t around in most circumstances.

Because sodium ions can move freely through the solution, these holes can move pretty easily as well, traveling fairly long distances down the DNA molecule. This mechanism is how the DNA can be damaged far from where the hole was initially created.

Professor Schuster has invented some fairly clever ways of testing all these theories. Researchers can attach a particular light-sensitive chemical to the DNA that removes an electron when it’s excited by ultraviolet light. They can then analyze the DNA to determine the extent of the damage caused by the electron loss and determine how fast it traveled. So far, the theory and the experiments seem to match pretty closely.

This theory concerning electron transport may help to explain another phenomenon about DNA that is so much of the molecule not used for genetic information? Professor Schuster conjectures that certain non-genetic sites are used as decoys to attract and trap the holes that would otherwise go on to damage genetically important base sequences.

He calls this the “Jupiter Effect”—analogous to how Jupiter’s gravity snags some of the galactic debris that would otherwise pummel the Earth, these large areas of useless DNA could serve the purpose of taking abuse from oxidants and minimize the destruction to important base sequences.

Overall, this research will certainly help us to understand the most important biological chemical and how cancerous genes may develop. It’s a really great field with which to be involved, and we’re proud to have this kind of research at Tech.

Professor Gary Schuster employs undergraduate students, if so this sort of work strikes your fancy, you should contact him during the current semester at gary.schuster@chemistry.gatech.edu. We would advise anyone interested in this field to speak with him, since this research is just plain awesome. Professor Schuster’s advice for undergraduates—don’t smoke, and wear sunscreen.
It’s popular to rail from time to time that rock’s roll is dead and forgotten. And throughout the past few years, disheartened fans of heavier music were clamoring to beat nails into the coffin of rock music. I mean, if the Backstreet Boys and N’Sync can push two million albums in a single day, while the Smashing Pumpkins (the “it” band of 1996) can release a farewell album, tour and provide an Internet-only free record in virtual obscurity, it’s fairly obvious that electric guitars are no longer paying the bills. But in the past year, there’s been a surface level revival of rock music. Suddenly there’s a lot of shouting and guitars and arenas full of fist pumping boys draped in black t-shirts. The bands of this new category can be described as rock, but like grunge and metal groups before, something in their sound and look separates them. It’s been called rage rock, ram rock, rap-metal and countless other labels. Regardless of the name, its given record labels a new trend to push and teenagers a new standard of cool.

Slightly more mature listeners, such as college students, still have broader tastes and remain harder to impress. They don’t seem to be buying into the return of rock. Brad Kramer, described the apathy of college rock fans, “I think they’re kind of killing the concept of it, like with hair bands before. I don’t really approve of what they do now. I think people now don’t have any mentors.”

Students seem to find something in the new sound that rings insincere. Despite young adults’ hesitation, the sound is catching on with the under-eighteen crowd. But unlike the apparent logic of the boy-band marketing blitz (teenage girls buy in bulk), no one seems sure of the motivation behind record companies clamoring to figure out the next big thing. N’Sync’s most recent recording failed to make you wish rock n’ roll really was dead. It seems to be something hollow, and it’s enough each note is a traumatized battle cry, there’s an expenditure of radio and music television programming unfolded. The wave of pop-music didn’t crest or crash, it plateaued. Most of the boy dance troupes and blonde models that made money in 1998 are still making money today, but the growth isn’t exponential. Album sales aren’t limitless. MTV was fed a steady stream of them. As their sales slacked off in the past sixteen months, it made sense to reexamine what was popular on the show.

Record companies use the show not only to gage what is successful, but also what will be successful. When the pubescent masses were demanding boy bands and young divas, MTV was fed a steady stream of them. As their sales slacked off in the past sixteen months, it made sense to reexamine what was popular on the show.

Even in the 1998 heyday of dance pop, there was one consistent, steady-selling exception in TRL rotation: Interscope’s R’n’B, Limp Bizkit. The band appeared on the same shows with the same frequency as the Backstreet Boys, but with more offensive lyrics, a bagger wardrobe and a sound that owed more to rap than rock. The band was able to distance itself from the flagging sales of boy bands and carve out a niche of their own.

In 1999 and 2000, the first signs of record company support for younger, angrier bands began to appear. Vriend Universal, which holds a 22 percent share of the music market, was already succeeding with Limp Bizkit on its Interscope label. As with grunge, hip-hop and boy bands before, major music labels moved to push their own bands in the new rock market. Dream Works brought in Papa Roach, while Warner Brother tried to swap the genre at its inception, linking Linkin Park, P.O.D., Disturbed and Staind.

In a few short months, record companies manic dash to cash in on the rock scene created an insta-genre with more bands than it knew what to do with. A majority of college students are keeping their distance. “I don’t think they’re musicians. I have absolutely no respect for them,” said Gary Brown. “I hate that music has gone in a turn towards more of a business, kind of a ‘I just want to make money rather than I want to make music because I want to get my emotions out.’”

Even the most optimistic music fans, like Allen Morrison, struggle to find the positive in new rock. “I’d say probably half have something to say.”

Much of the bitterness may come from the sense that rock music is something worthwhile that’s lost its way. Whereas four-man singing groups haven’t meant much since the heyday of Motown, rock has always been seen as at least having the possibility of being about something deeper. While 1980s metal bands revealed in songs admittedly devoted to a shallow, decadent lifestyle, bands of the new millennium can’t stop talking about how their every word is dragged from a place of infinite pain and suffering. In a three year span the music video ideal has gone from a graceful model with Christian values to a bald guy with piercings and a troubled childhood. Before, you couldn’t watch a fast food commercial without hearing a Britney Spears single, and now you can’t see an episode of the “WWF without listening to a Body Count song twenty times.”

Ostensibly we are being given what so many asked for, a relief from bubblegum singles. The sound of radio and music television has changed, or at least balanced. But underneath the noise and the insistence that each note is a traumatized battle cry, there seems to be something hollow, and it’s enough to make you wish rock n’ roll really was dead.
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Motive: Viacom does not have an interest in supporting one genre or band versus the other. Time and coverage on their radio and TV stations is available to anyone who can afford it.

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Motive: When WB artists sell, the company makes money. Using WB music in other Time Warner projects makes for cheap programming.

Name: Carson Daly
Occupation: Pretty boy V.J.

Name: Colonel Mustard
Occupation: Big game hunter.

Last seen: In the kitchen with a candlestick.

Quote: Great Caesar′s Ghost! Mrs. Plum has been murdered!

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Name: Viacom

Name: Music Television

Age: 20

Name: Carson Daly

Name: Hello Kitty

Occupation: Pretty boy V.J.

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ENTERTAINMENT
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Magic, mystery of ‘Potter’ now on screen
By Emily Cavender
Staff Writer
Title: Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone
Director: Chris Columbus
Starring: Daniel Radcliffe, Emma Watson, Richard Harris, John Cleese
Genre: Fantasy/Family
Studio: Warner Bros. Pictures
MPAA Rating: PG
Running time: 2 hours 5 minutes
Rating: ★★★★ 1/2

It's quite clear that a new icon in literature has carved out a niche in children's imaginations everywhere (and no, this isn't the work of Satan). As well known as Tolkein's Bilbo and Asimov's Seldon, Harry Potter has captured the hearts of people young and old around the world, and this youngster's debut on the big screen in Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone is probably as anticipated as the appearance of book five in the seven-part series. So expect stampeding children, folks, and probably parents as well for that matter. Magically, and much to the relief of diehard Potter fans, Chris Columbus and Warner Bros. Pictures decided to stay true to J.K. Rowling's vision—almost religiously so, right down to the very dialogue.

Opening in dreary Surrey, England, an orphaned Harry Potter (Daniel Radcliffe) is left on the doorstep of the Dursleys', Potter's only known remaining relatives. Albus Dumbledore and Professor McGonagall argue the boy's fate at the hands of unrequited and difficult-to-understand love.

For months, fans of all ages have awaited the arrival of director Chris Columbus' visualization of J.K. Rowling's 'Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone,' which may be the most anticipated release of this fall season.

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Paul McCartney returns to world of recording, finds only Driving Rain
By Jennifer Schur
Contributing Writer
Artist: Paul McCartney
Album: Driving Rain
Label: Capitol Records
Tracks: 15
Total Running Time: 63:04
Genre: Pop/Rock
Rating: ★★★

Paul McCartney's forlornly warbling voice, apparently nothing covering his feet

If it ain't broke, it's Green Day's 'International Superhits'
By Brian Basamanowicz
Contributing Writer
Artist: Green Day
Album: International Superhits
Label: Reprise
Genre: Pop/Punk
Rating: ★★★

Everyone's favorite angry, vulgar, middle-aged pop punk band is back on the record store shelves with a greatest hits compilation album. The album features no less than 16 of Green Day's notorious three-chord favorites starting with popular tracks from their 1994 release, "Dookie" and finishing with the hits off of their latest album "Warning". International Superhits also includes two new songs, "Maria" and "Pop-Rocks and Coke."

Ever since their 1991 release, Kerplunk! gained Green Day the attention of major record labels. Reprise has had an unwavering presence in the mainstream music media. Green Day's first release under reprise, Dookie, has gone two times platinum. Their two following albums, "Insomnic" and "Ninnyrod," both went two times platinum. Their latest release "Warning", however, has yet to break into the charts.

The multiplatinum Green Day is back at it again, but this time only with two new songs on their new album International Superhits. The new tracks the band hopes will have similar success are "Maria" and "Pop-Rocks and Coke.

By Matt Seliger / CAPITOL RECORDS
Paul McCartney has nothing covering his feet and almost nothing interesting in his new release.

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See Paul, page 22

See Green Day, page 22

The intense worldwide popularity of the Harry Potter book series by J.K. Rowling invites movie theaters today, with the release of Warner Bros.' 'Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone,' starring Daniel Radcliffe as the boy who discovers his own magical powers.
ties provide a wide range of opportunities for students to celebrate. The Catholic Center hosts a dinner on Thanksgiving Day at 1 p.m. for all students regardless of religious affiliation. In addition, several groups sponsor private dinners. The Filipino Student Association not only hosts a dinner for members, but also invests any spare holiday time in Habitat for Humanity projects and by collecting nonperishable foods for the Atlanta Community Food Bank. The Caribbean Student Association pairs up with members of the Atlanta Jamaican and Atlanta Caribbean Associations to provide a place for overseas students to escape the loneliness of their dorms. International students are also given the chance to spend Thanksgiving with a local family. Despite possible language barriers, the general international student populace is encouraged to participate in the Atlanta Ministry of International Students (amis-inc@mindspring.com), which matches students with Atlanta residents for a place to eat on Thanksgiving.

The holidays also carry the theme of charity and with Christmas drawing near, several charities are off and running for the chance to supply families with food and entertainment. Project Open Hand (www.projectopenhand.org) and Habitat for Humanity (www.habitat.org) are among the most popular volunteer projects, however both require an orientation prior to participation. Dinner preparation and house construction are among several volunteering possibilities for students; other projects include fairs for children, Meals on Wheels, and Christmas present preparation for needy children.

The Atlanta Cares website (www.atlantacares.org) provides a more complete list of all nonprofit organization projects. So don’t be alone or let your friends be alone on the Thanksgiving holidays. Bring an international student home with you or participate in one of the many volunteer opportunities offered throughout the Atlanta community. There are a multitude of things to give thanks for. Show your thanks by getting involved.
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Green Day

Green Day’s remarkable accomplishment (or blasphemy) is their mainstreaming of punk rock music. Many in the current college generation have fond recollections of Green Day’s simple and angry melodies capturing the spirit of the time and being ever so relatable. However, as the Band and the generation that made them a success matured, their paths have diverged. Listening to International Superhits is, for the most part, an exercise in nostalgia.

The new tracks added for International Superhits are both worth a listen but probably not fifteen dollars. “Maria” is another fast paced catchy collection of riffs that you’ll swear you’ve heard somewhere before. “Pop-Rocks and Coke”, definitely the stronger of the two new tracks, is a feel good, acoustic number that has a somewhat fresh and highly listenable sound to it. Otherwise, it is hard to listen to too much of even the best Green Day music in one sitting. You might find yourself listening to one of your old Green Day favorites but be unable to sit through the entire two and a half minute length of the song without skipping ahead to the next track and giving yourself a break from the monotony that you once loved.

Green Day’s International Superhits is available in record stores nationwide. For more on Green Day, visit their website at www.greenday.com or the site of their record label, Reprise Records, at www.repriserecords.com.

Paul

about a kid who wouldn’t talk at school for a year.

He explains, “I started to lose my voice. I thought oh my God, nevermind, don’t panic. So I came to LA with my voice in quite a rough shape and decided to do the easy songs first, just to get the tracks down. But then I ended up just letting loose on one song, this monster ten-minute song called ‘Rinse the Raindrops,’ where I really ripped it, and it all came good. It’s a nice quality, if you can get it, a rawness.”

Driving Rain is a pleasant listen for rainy Sunday afternoons as a background distraction; thought provoking and heart-wrenching the album is not.

McCartney’s Driving Rain is available in record stores nationwide now.
**Amélie** French cinematic delight

By Rob Hill and Jon Kaye
Contributing Writers

**Movie:** Amélie

**Genre:** Foreign

**Director:** Jean-Pierre Jeunet

**Distributor:** Miramax Zoe Films

**Rating:** ★★★★★

**Engineer:** How many couples are currently having orgasms? Fifteen, according to Amélie, played by the striking Audrey Tautou, title character of Jean-Pierre Jeunet’s new movie. Bearing the weight of American cinema, with the immediately-accessible humor of There’s Something About Mary, Jeunet’s movie has the highest degree of concentrated wit and joy to reach theatres in years.

**STAC:** Finally, Amélie has reached our shores upon a wave of critical acclaim. Filmed in over 80 locations throughout Paris, Jeunet’s film is a sumptuous blend of writing and cinematography. Amélie never skips a beat in realizing the director’s unapologetic romanticization of a city, her people and the inexplicable trapings of the human heart.

**Engineer:** Uh yeah, what my STAC associate said. If you want to get away from your CS project or the hot social scene of the Student Center, set lately in a romantic bistro, this movie records the escapades of several couples in love.

**STAC:** Oh Jon, why must you always fall back on such tired dialects of film genre? There is no need to pigeonhole Amélie as a ‘date film.’ To make such a categorically limiting claim would be as naive as to endorse a film such as Fight Club as a simple example of late nineties masculine angst. So many recent romantic comedy vehicles, such as Serendipity, rely on the undeniable charisma of its actors to carry an otherwise tired and predictable plot. Jeunet takes on a whirlwind journey through the serpentine arrostraism of Paris that celebrates the very spirit of a country that inspired the phrase je t’aime più.

**Engineer:** Maybe I am pigeonholing this movie, but I hardly think it’s fair to eliminate the possibility that it may in fact be a ‘date flick,’ given that its plot does analyze the romantic entanglements of several unique Parisians. The characters are certainly strange; from the jealous ex-boyfriend who is only happy when popping bubble wrap to the hypochondriac tobacco clerk who boasts more sexual repression than the entire CoC. This movie has characters as colorful as PowerPoint slides.

**STAC:** No reason to wax into hyperbole my friend: more repression that the entire CoC? I’ll give you Boggs, maybe. Seriously though, the characters are wonderfully developed and the judicious use of special effects is both surprising for the genre and wholly approppriate in both timing and execution.

**Engineer:** In fact, the only aspect of the movie that was more predictably executed than the soundtrack was the soundtrack. Yana Tiersen’s original score concisely showed the emotions of the characters.

**STAC:** I concur. Tiersen elegantly punctuates the futilities of characters, aiding their development to a point of complexity similar in scope to a Jane Austin novel. Truly a rare five star gem.
Beyond the White and Gold
Larry King steps in for sports editor

By Derek Haynes
Sports Editor

Every now and then, Tech throws a busy week on me like Refrigerator Perry jumping on a quarterback. This week was one of those.

Luckily for me, because I write at the Technique I have several top media connections. I talked to my good buddy Larry at CNN and he said he’d be happy to write for me this week. Here he goes:

Is it just me, or is getting a container of pool water from the SAC pool just nasty? First, the Olympics happened years ago, and second, I hate chlorine...Favorite movie to quote lines from? American Psycho.

How can Bill O’Brien and the Tech offense be blamed for the football squad’s losses? Tech’s defense has yet again cost the Jackets another chance at a January 1 bowl...The Yellow Jackets defeated Duke in the title match 25-21 and 25-20. On the season’s determined squad, led by coaches Joe Nussent and Mike Carter, is 8-0.

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Swimming

I ranking in Industrial Engineering and a No. 2 ranking in Aerospace Engineering. Out of 44 swimmers on the men’s and women’s teams, 32 are majoring in one of the many fields of study.

How many top programs can give freshmen swimmers a guarantee that they will be able to swim their events in every meet? Not many.

DeVinny said that she preferred a small squad over a large one because she wanted to swim her own races. She adds that it will also be fun to see Vick play...anyone wonder if Tech will fill the football stadium when the expansion is done? ...

What’s the purpose of eating corn? From page 29

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Seth Baron
Swimming and Diving Coach

swimmer from the first meet, a new school record was set. That means that each time an individual swims their individual best in an event, there is an excellent chance that race will be a new school record. Not only will the women be able to set school records immediately, they will all be able to do it as a freshman, which is extremely rare. Saum says “It is kind of exciting and fun to see how many records you can set.”

She adds that it will also be fun to keep track of how many times the records change and how back and forth between swimmers throughout the course of the season. Georgia Tech is the only school in Division I swimming that can boast of a squad of all freshmen record holders.

“The process is taking off. People are aware of what we have to offer here. We will get our share of top notch recruits on an annual basis. We’re going to see that each recruiting class is a little bit better, and the team will get a little better each year. It’s a twofold process of developing who we have on the team, and recruiting new prospects,” says Baron.

Surprisingly, the team has done extremely well during competition. The squad has managed to have top finishes against all of the schools it has competed against thus far. The team’s record is 3-3 overall, and 0-2 in the Atlantic Coast Conference with wins against American University, Georgia Southern University, North Florida, and ACC losses against Florida State and the Maryland Terrapins. Tech is in action Saturday against Emory.

Intramural Notebook

Club spikers host Fall Classic

Yeah, I know it isn’t intramurals, but those guys in the white knee pads deserve some kind of recognition. Yes, I’m talking about those lovable netters on the Men’s Georgia Tech Volleyball team.

Last weekend the spikers dominated the field at the Appalachian State Fall Blast Tournament. Led by Joe “I have no sense of humor” Jara, Khass “I wish I was a varsity athlete” Nguyen, James ‘My life is a fish-tank’ Rudd, Dan “I used to be a CA” Jarnet, Carlo Yin, Gary Forbes, and John Hable, the team went 5-0 enroute to the title.


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before a crowd of over 7,000. A crowd of 7,000 is about what hockey power Minnesota gets in attendance at their home games. This season the teams will do it again on January 11 following the Thrashers-Calgary contest.

Who do those fans like to watch? Following the simple fan favorite formula of looking for the smallest player, its forward Paul Thienprayoon. A third year A.E. major from Randolph, MA who’s last name almost makes having a nickname a requirement, Thienprayoon stands only 5’4”. However, Thienprayoon plays as if the opposing team is about as intimidating as Harry Potter on ice.

“He’s hell on skates,” said fan David Hamer.

Tech also has a pair of titans in defensemen Jamie Ledyard and Jason Lee. Ledyard, a third year M.E. student and Jason Lee, a freshman I.E. major, both stand 6’7”. Lee had the hit of the game in last Friday’s 14-0 beating of NC State.

“They obviously didn’t inherit my genes,” said Strathis, who wouldn’t be called a giant by the mice in the North Avenue MARTA station.

Lee was the last man between an NC State forward and backup goalie Josh Chudnovsky late in the third period and the last man standing when the play was over. Lee played the Wolfpack forward perfectly, keeping him to the side and eventually smashing him into the boards. Lee got a five-minute boarding major for the hit, but the crowd didn’t care.

“Thi is why I go to hockey games,” said a laughing Katie Appleyard as she looked at the fallen NC State player.

Lee is one of several solid young defenders on the team. For the Jackets, the time to win is now because five of the veteran offensive skills players, including team captain and offensive leader Shawn Montague, won’t be back next season.

“We realize that if there is a time for us to win, that time is now,” said Sperlich, arguably the best goaltender in the south.

The obvious decision would be to move up a division to Division II, but there are several complications. The team already has a budget of over 100,000 dollars (It costs Tech 250 dollars per/hour to play on the ice and 180 dollars for referees each game) and most Division II teams are up north. The travel expenses and the time away from school would be major detriments to moving up to Division II.

Another aspect of generating a larger fan and player base is exposure. Last season, the University of Georgia and Tech faced off following a Thrashers game at Philips Arena.

For a complete schedule, news, and updated stats, visit gthockey.com.
Women’s Swimming and Diving Team off to fast start
By Kimberly Rieck
Contribution Writer

After over ten years of grueling practices, meets and training, you have finally reached your dream—swimming for a Division I school. NCAA Division I swimming is where Olympians and World Champions compete. After all, where else would you get a chance to swim against Olympic medalists? You have your pick of top schools known for their academics as much as sports such as Rice, Michigan or Virginia. But instead of choosing to swim for any of those aforementioned schools or numerous other top programs, you choose to swim for Georgia Tech?

Until last season, Georgia Tech did not even recruit for women’s swimming. Last season, it only recruited four swimmers and redshirted them to prepare for this year’s season. So why choose Tech?

What can Tech really offer a top competitor? The answer is more than you would think right off the bat. One advantage is that Georgia Tech has a world-class swimming facility that was used in the 1996 Olympics. Now to an outsider of the swimming world, it may appear that the Georgia Tech Aquatics Center is just another pool, and that it shouldn’t make a difference. However, starting one’s collegiate career in the same pool where Janet Evans swam her last race and Amy Van Dyken won four gold medals is the same as a baseball player pitching on the same mound as Roger Clemens or dunking a basketball on the same basket as Michael Jordan. One can’t help but be in awe of the history of a pool that has hosted some of the most memorable races of all time.

During the recruiting season, Georgia Tech was able to make very good first impressions on recruits. Anna Saum was heavily recruited by several schools including Rice, FSU, Florida Atlantic, Missouri and Michigan, but after her visit to Tech, she immediately cancelled all of her other trips. Cara DeVinny said that she really liked the school academically, the coaching staff, the men’s team members and women’s team members that she met. She made recruiting trips to Maryland, LSU and TCU, but after her visit to Atlanta, she quickly made up her mind to come to Tech. DeVinny said that she really liked the team that she met during her trip to Tech, and she knew right away that it was the perfect school for her.

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The Georgia Tech and Florida State swim teams wait for the starter in a Nov. 2 home meet at Emory. Tech lost the meet to the Seminoles 140-97.

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No. 23 Georgia Tech (6-3, 3-3 ACC) at Wake Forest (5-4, 3-4 ACC)

Coaches
Tech continues their fight against first year coaches this week. Wake coach, Jim Grobe has improved last years 2-9 squad to a potential bowl team in one year. Meanwhile, O’Leary has made questionable calls and this week questioned the skills of George Godsey.

Quarterback
George Godsey is coming off his best performance of the season. Against Virginia he recorded three touchdowns, two of which were on the ground, and threw for almost 500 yards. For Wake, James MacPherson is the quarterback, however his running ability has been better than his passing skills at times.

Running backs
Joe Burns can be an excellent runningback, however he has been inconsistent. While he has the potential to rack up 180 or 190 yards, he sometimes only produces 50 or 60. Meanwhile the Deacons possess a corps, led by Tarence Williams, that produce 230 yards per game and is ranked tenth in the nation.

Wide Receiver
With the emergence of Will Glover last week, Tech now has four potential threats at receiver. With Kelly Campbell questionable with a sprained ankle, Glover, Kerry Watkins and Jonathon Smith will need to step up.

Offensive Line
While Tech’s offensive line has been getting better, they do not compare to how well Wake’s squad is doing. Perennial All-ACC left guard Michael Collins and center Vince Azzolina lead a squad that opens wide running lanes and has allowed only ten sacks.

Defensive Unit
Wake uses a unique defensive scheme that features five DB’s, three backers and three linemen. It is designed to give up yards on short passes and rushes but will prevent most big plays and eliminate the downfield passing attack. Tech’s Achilles’ is any quarterback that steps out of the pocket and attempts to run the ball.

Special Teams
Luke Manget has continued his subpar performance since he missed five of seven field goals against NC State. His 49-yard missed field goal last week would have put Tech past the Wahoos. Meanwhile, Wake has been playing musical chairs with their special teams roster.

Forecast
Tech will need to score often to prevent another come-from-behind win from the Deacons. The offense will have to help their defense stay rested by controlling the clock. If not, this game could be a lot closer than many expect. Georgia Tech 34, Wake Forest 24.

Honor Roll
Two Demon Deacons, Senior O-line member Vince Azzolina and Sophomore DB Quintin Williams earned All-ACC player of the week accolades in their respective squads.

Fantastic Finishes
Never count the Demon Deacons out. Over the last two games, the Deacons have outscored their opponents 56-24 in the second half. This margin has helped them come from behind against Virginia and North Carolina.

BrainTeaser
Somehow Tech’s defense, which is responsible for two of Tech’s three losses, is ranked in the top 20 in the nation. In fact, Tech has only allowed 96 rushing yards a game. Evidently, stats don’t matter.
Hook and Ladder? What teen movie is this?

By Joseph Jeong

Hook and ladder, hook and ladder? Plays like that aren’t supposed to happen anymore, at least not in real football games. They are reserved for crappy Hollywood movies featuring whipped cream bikinis, not for actual gridiron play. My frustration from this loss at Charlottesville is matched only by my complete bewilderment and embarrassment with the way Tech lost the game.

The highlights from this game should have featured George Godsey’s best individual performance this season and not some gimmick play that should never have worked in the first place. Maybe I should be glad that ESPN screwed up and this game was never televised. I might have broken my roommate’s perfectly nice Sony VAIO TV.

This is not a heartbreaking loss, but an awful loss to a bad team. At least Maryland turned out to be one of the biggest surprise of the season and showed they are a lot better than people thought they were. And Clemson has genuinely good talent on their team, especially on the offensive end of the ball. However, this Virginia team is a totally different animal. This is not a trademark George Welsh Virginia squad that is competitive perennially. This is an Al Groh Cavalier team that is struggling with the loss of their legendary coach and adapting to a brand new system. This team is the penultimate team of the Atlantic Coast Conference, and this is only due to the fact that Duke is easily amongst the worst in the nation. This team lost to Wake Forest and eked out a one point win over Richmond.

How do you gain 560 total offensive yards, have possession for 37 minutes, don’t lose a single fumble and put up a very respectable 38 points on the scoreboard and still lose the game? For those who lived through Joe Hamilton’s senior season in 1999, the answer is familiar: have a complete breakdown on the defensive side of the ball. Perhaps an even more accurate comparison would be the 1992 loss to a Charlie Ward-led Florida State. For those who don’t remember, Tech was leading 21-7 going into the fourth quarter before Ward entered the game and lit up Tech’s defense. Florida State eventually won the game 29-24.

Just how terrible was the fourth quarter, aside from biting on an embarrassing gimmick play? I really only have to quote one number — 323. That’s how many offensive yards Virginia racked up in the last quarter. In the previous three quarters, they managed only 138 yards. Over 70% of their total yards were gained in the last 15 minutes of the game. A defensive collapse of epic proportions by Tech marred spectacular individual performances by Godsey and Will Glover.

Many say the only way to salvage this season would be to rack up wins over Georgia and Florida State. Over 70% of their total yards were gained in the last 15 minutes of the game. A defensive collapse of epic proportions by Tech marred spectacular individual performances by Godsey and Will Glover.

Tech’s first opponent in the tournament was No. 1 Purdue. Tech shocked everyone by jumping to an early 5-0 lead and held on to defeat the Boilermakers 9-8, eliminating them from title contention. Upon winning, the entire team jumped into the water to sing the fight song, a tradition they continued throughout the tournament.

After their upset of Purdue, Tech’s next challenge was to face 8th ranked Dartmouth in the quarterfinals. After a seesaw battle, Tech edged out a 10-9 victory, despite losing several starters to foul trouble.

Tech’s battle for a championship ended on Saturday with a 12-9 loss to Villanova, who went on to finish second overall. University of California–Poly took home the title.

Starters for the Tech squad included Javier Ramis, Hand Versaij, Steve Lang and Eric Demurjian. Ramis was honored by being named to the 1st team Nationals. In the top 20 poll, Tech moved from being an unranked team to 5th in the nation.
Impact players

It started out as a typical playing of the national anthem, but about a third of the way through the corner player started to miss the notes. The crowd, well over 200 people, collectively shuffled their feet as they suffered through one of his uncomfortable moments. Suddenly, the music completely stopped, Noone said a word.

Then I looked toward the bench. Hooked over to Head Coach Greg Sturhans. Assistant Coach Kenny “Sarge” Day, and Assistant Coach Brian McParren. After a slight pause, the coaching staff picked right up where the corner player stopped.

They belted out the famous lines—Stathis even had his arms moving like he was directing a band. I’ve never heard a group of fans sing the anthem louder.

There’s a definite minor league feel to a club hockey game, the type of feeling where coaches picking up the slack on the anthem doesn’t seem that out of place. It doesn’t cost anything to get the game on track, there is a makeshift sound system on a foldable table at the entrance to the rink, and the rink is very chilly. But it is a feeling that many fans and players enjoy.

“I’d rather catch a Tech [hockey] game than a Thrashers game,” says Tech grad Jeff Wierenga, who watched his second yellow jackets hockey game of the year in Tech’s 14-0 trouncing of the Wolfpack. “It’s good hockey, Tech plays a good game.”

Wierenga is right. The Tech club hockey squad, ranked as the top Division III team in the southeast, is off to a 7-0 start. Last year’s team was ranked first in the southeast going into the national tournament and lost to eventual champion Wyoming 5-3.

The team has a former NCAA Division I goaltender in Roland Sperlich and a U.S. Select Team member in Ken Shaw. Montague. The biggest problem for the Tech team is finding quality opponents. Tech beat Duke, a Division II club team, 3-2 earlier in the season in their closest game.

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By Derek Haynes

Sports Editor

FB vs. Wake Forest, 12 p.m. 17

SD at Emory, 11 a.m. 17

BM vs. Florida A&M, 7:30 p.m. 16

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Clemson vs. South Carolina
Michigan vs. Wisconsin
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Football squad faces rising Deacons squad

Wake is coming off impressive wins over UNC and UVA—will they add GT to the list?

By David Rottman

Staff Writer

Following Tech’s stunning last-second loss to Virginia, the Jackets must rebound to prepare for this week’s foe—the Wake Forest Demon Deacons. While a perennial loser in the ACC, Wake is coming off two impressive wins over Virginia and North Carolina and has a chance to become bowl eligible if they pull off the upset.

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Wake Forest will try to neutralize the explosive Tech offense, which ranks first in the ACC in both total yards and passing yards, with their potent ground game. Led by tailback Tarence Williams, the Deacons come in averaging 229.6 yards-per-game, which ranks second in the ACC and tenth nationally. Wake will look to control the clock and keep the ball out of the hands of Tech’s senior quarterback George Godsey, who leads the ACC with 2,564 passing yards and a completion percentage of 65.1 percent.

Of course, the Deacons game plan is easier said than done. Tech is allowing only 96.1 yards-per-game on the ground, which ranks 13th nationally. If Williams and company are not able to establish a consistent running attack, the pressure will fall on junior quarterback James MacPherson to generate offense through the air. This could be difficult, as MacPherson has only thrown for 1,172 yards and three touchdowns while tossing eight picks.

Godsey will certainly test Wake’s defense, which is allowing 389.1 yards-per-game. If the Deacons secondary can’t hang with Tech’s speed at wide receiver, it could be a huge day for Godsey. Also, watch for Jackets’ running back Joe Burns to pound Wake’s three-man front defensive scheme for good yardage up the gut.

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Ryan Hughes faces off against NC State in Tech’s dominating 14-0 victory Friday. Tech out shot the Wolfpack 80-1. Tech have had a hard time finding quality opponents. The closest game so far for the undefeated Jackets was a 3-2 victory over Division II Duke.

By Scott Morehouse • STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Will Glover had a career day against the Cavaliers, catching 13 passes for 172 yards in the heartbreaking 39-38 loss. George Godsey’s favorite target, Kelly Campbell, did not make the trip do to an injured ankle.

By Tom Curran

Staff Writer

Toughest contest for undefeated club team is finding quality opponents in weak region

Georgia Tech vs. Wake Forest
Auburn vs. Alabama
Maryland vs. NC State
Michigan vs. Wisconsin
Virginia vs. Duke
Clemson vs. South Carolina
Florida State vs. Florida
Virginia Tech vs. Virginia

Those are the type of games Tech would like to have. The ACC is the toughest conference in the country and the team is finding it difficult to find quality opponents.

For Tech, the ACC is the standard and the team has the talent to compete with the best in the conference. However, the ACC is the toughest conference in the country and the team is finding it difficult to find quality opponents.

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