**CARBON DIOXIDE CONTROL EFFORTS**

The Essentials of Fly Casting, a new class in fly casting for faculty and students, starts Feb. 7 at the Campus Recreation Center. The weekly class starts at 4 p.m. every Tuesday and lasts two hours. Certified Instructors from the Federation of Fly Fishers will teach the lessons. Additionally, students will have the opportunity to participate in four fly fishing excursions including a joint trip to the Flint River with Auburn University.

Registration costs $35 for students and $60 for non-students. To enroll, visit the CRC’s Information Desk.

**GTLC registration closes Feb. 7**

Registration for the Georgia Tech Leadership Conference closes Feb. 7. The conference will be held on the third floor of the Student Center Feb. 11 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Registration costs $9 and includes access to Homer Rice’s book “Leadership Fitness,” a portfolio notebook, breakfast and lunch.

Breakout session topics will include information on running effective meetings, leadership education opportunities, business ethics and career paths. More information and online registration can be found at www.gtlc.gatech.edu.

**Sam Nunn security program earns grant**

The MacArthur Foundation recently renewed a grant to Tech’s School of International Affairs to continue in Sam Nunn Security Program, an initiative that reaches out to scientists and engineers and trains them in policy issues. Many national security issues require the expertise of both security experts and engineers. The program was created three years ago to address this concern.

"The real thrust of the program is based on the premise that a lot of our national security problems can benefit from the attention of science and engineering,” said Seymour Goodman, an International Affairs professor and co-principal investigator for the program. "We want to generate interest among science and engineering people in policy issues.”

The program was given to 10 major universities in addition to Tech three years ago, originating from the growing concern that the gap between the science and engineering community will lead to serious problems in the future. We were uniquely situated with access to the Tech professors and post doctors in computer science and engineering, but we’re also connected with GTRI, the CDC and the national labs in Tennessee,” said John Endicott, an International Affairs professor.

"The program is the center of Georgia Tech, and we will continue to take their concerns very seriously," said Mark Youngblood, Undergraduate Electrical and Computer Engineering representative. "The Stingerette only gets paid money from parking tickets and the Transportation Fee."

"We’re willing to listen and work with the SGA for alternate ways to fund the Stingerette service,” said David Williamson, assistant director of Parking and Transportation.

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**Stingerette views**

Approximately 50 percent of students who responded to a survey by the student government association (SGA) said that they had used the Stingerette for transportation to Centennial Place or Home Park, according to results released by SGA. Only about 5 percent of students who used the service said they would be willing to wait more than 20 minutes for a Stingerette vehicle.

In addition, most students in-dicted that they were unwilling to pay an increased Transportation Fee. SGA is continuing to work with Auxilary Services and Parking and Transportation to match students’ needs.

"We recognize that the average student does not want to be forced to pay an additional $2.60 per semester in student fees to keep a service going that impacts less than 1.7 percent of the student body, or roughly 300 students," said David Andersen, undergraduate student body president. However, SGA also recognizes that although small this 1.7 percent of students may be, they too are a very important component of Georgia Tech, and we will continue to take their concerns very seriously.

"The main constraint is funding,” said Mark Youngblood, Undergraduate Electrical and Computer Engineering representative. "The Stingerette only gets paid money from parking tickets and the Transportation Fee.

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**Vehicle break-ins, burglaries increase at CRC**

There were four car break-ins at the Campus Recreation Center (CRC) parking deck and five thefts from lockers inside the CRC during January. Although 15 total vehicles were broken into during January, the number of auto break-ins is lower than last January when 58 cars were broken into. Carla Cook, Georgia Tech Police Department (GTPD) Public Safety Sergeant, said that the GTPD is concerned about the recent break-ins because there are not usually break-ins at the CRC parking deck.

"There were only four break-ins last year, compared to the four this month alone. The CRC parking deck is gated with an upper entrance on First Street and a lower entrance facing Tech Parkway.

"They were just breaking the windows, most of them or they just pry the window back enough so they can unlock the door,” Cook said. "Most of the [car break-ins] have been because they are in process of trying to figure out whether the different incidents are linked. Cook said that break-ins can happen anytime, but that they are easier to spot at night.

"Break-ins can happen all day. During the day people are walking around and people can blend in and look like students. During the night (people breaking in) can be spotted pretty easily,” Cook said.

"On two [of the locker thefts] they actually had the padlock, but when they came back their stuff was gone and the lock was intact. Otherwise people were leaving stuff on the ground or someone found the lock broken and items missing,” Cook said.

In addition to locker room thefts, items have been stolen from the gym floor. "Entered autos and burglaries can easily be prevented or reduced by securing your valuables and by locking doors,” Cook said. There was also one man arrested at the CRC after he took a shower because he was wanted by another department for failing to appear in court.

"Officers are patrolling the areas frequently and the campus is urged to contact us as soon as possible if they witness any suspicious activity,” Cook said.
On Jan. 16 between the times of 10:30 and 10:40 p.m., a flower pot in the lobby of Eighth Street Apartments was discovered broken. The value of the pot is unknown. There are no suspects at this time.

At 6:30 p.m. Jan. 18, a young male kicked the rear door of a Stinger bus as he was exiting on Fowler St. The kick did damage to the door and knocked it off track. The cost of the damage is unknown.

A Tech student reported that he smelled marijuana coming from his roommate’s room in Hemphill Apartments at 10:27 p.m. Jan. 18. When the officer arrived, the roommates denied smoking. Upon searching the room, the officer found four plastic bags and a marijuana pipe. The men admitted that the marijuana belonged to them. The bags and pipe were placed in evidence.

A 3000 lb. spool of copper wire was stolen from the construction site for the new Klaus Computing Building sometime between Dec. 12 and Dec. 15. The construction site is secured by chain link fence after hours, but there were no signs of forced entry. The approximate value of the wire was $3000.

According to Facebook 33% of females here are in a relationship...meaning 66% are most likely kinda ugly, or smart? DOS. RUN DOS, RUN

Like we need an honors program...classes here are hard enough already without adding harder ones Organic II + Physics II + Same Day = Too Much!

Patrick said to remove this sliver. Editorial?

Coconut Bras are sexy!

Attention Sliver Readers: Brace yourself for the following vent...

Dammit Dammit Dammit Dammit I hate her
This concludes my sliver vent.

I know more about computers than the Tech Support guys in India. :)

It is now 1:18PM on Friday. Do you know where your children are?

Hey Abercrombie guy, your brand names mean NOTHING to me! --public service announcement from God

Acne is a serious skin condition. Show some respect.

Philanthropy is sexy

All these hot indian girls are making this white guy desi

"You know, I really feel like pole dancing right now." +/− would be good on progress reports but definitely not on transcripts or overall GPA

There are so few grammatically capable men out there!

Iota Iota Nine hearts DDR!

Liz is adorable and very very sexy move yo hips girl

kenny is in there alone dancing a storm

becky got back

Iota Iota Nine forever!

Roxy, if you are going to go on duty in my bathroom, please remember to flush next time. no plus/minus!!!

See page 4 for more Slivers!
GSS passes LaTeX allocation bill

By Heather Hubble Contributing Writer

The Graduate Student Senate passed a total of seven bills at its Tuesday meeting. Senators moved to consider two of the bills ahead of schedule out of urgency.

One bill considered ahead of schedule proposed to pay for the India Club and five collaborating student organizations to have the India-Pakistan cricket tournament aired on the GT cable network. The clubs were late in submitting the funding request due to a late release of corporate rights to the tournament. This late release stemmed from unresolved conflict between India and Pakistan.

Unlike last year, the cricket tournament will not be aired at the Student Center Theater this year due to an expectedly large turnout. Last year’s turnout for the India-Pakistan cricket tournament required more security officers than were available.

The other bill considered ahead of schedule proposed to pay the library to host graduate classes on the use of LaTeX, even though nobody has yet succeeded in procuring an external source of funding to pay for instructors. LaTeX is a text formatting tool used by scientific journals for the publication of research papers. The bill to fund the classes passed unanimously.

The other major issue which came up for discussion regarding the bill was whether the organization should be required to charge higher ticket prices for attendees other Tech students and whether the non-student ticket price could be fixed by GSS. One senator suggested that the GSS fix a price and calculated this price to be $27.14, compared to $10 for Tech students. The higher price was required to make up for mandatory student fees which non-student attendees do not have to pay, the senator argued.

Senator Ed Greco pointed out that it would not be fair to force the organization to charge such a high price for non-student attendees, because this had never been done in the past. After some discussion, a senator moved to vote on the amendment. The amendment failed and GSS instead ruled in favor of the event.

Among the other bills on the agenda was one requesting additional funding for the Onyx Ball hosted by the American Student Association at the Alumnae house. One issue that came up for discussion was whether or not the event, which the organizational representative described as a gala, was indeed a party. If this were the case, it would be against graduate student government policy to fund sponsorship parties. The bill was passed duly including the amendments.

The next bill allocated a total of $3,000 to the Musician’s Network for purchase of acoustic tiling that was approved by the fire marshal. It was passed after little debate.

The Spanish Speaking Organization (SSO), which seeks to unify the Spanish-speaking community at Tech, was allocated $2,848.50 sponsorship patches, The bill was passed duly including the amendments.

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- Joint Allocation to Musician’s Network
- Joint Allocation to iMovie Fest
- Joint Allocation to Ice Hockey Club
- Joint Allocation to Spanish Speaking Organization
- Joint Allocation to African American Student Union
- Joint Allocation to Men’s Ultimate Club
- Joint Allocation to India Club, Pakistan Students Association, Hindu Student Council and Cricket Club
- Joint Allocation to freshSA

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Weekly Activities

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Friday, February 3 7:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. $2 with Buzzcard, $3 without.

A thriller from director David Cronenberg, “A History of Violence” stars Viggo Mortensen as a pillar of a small town community who runs a diner and lives a happy and quiet life with his wife (Maria Bello) and two children. But their lives are forever changed when Mortensen thwarts an attempted robbery and is lauded as a hero by the media, attracting the attention of a mobster (Ed Harris) who believes he is someone else.

Live Lunch Concert

Thursday, February 16 11:00 a.m.- Noon Student Center Commons This is the second installment of the Spring Live Lunch series. Grab some lunch and relax to live music.

Def Poetry Slam

Wednesday, February 22 7:30 p.m. Student Center Ballroom Third annual poetry slam featuring artists seen on HBO.

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As a member of the Student Government Association, every student at Georgia Tech is automatically a member of SGA, and as such is entitled to participate in SGA meetings, member elections, and all SGA-related activities.

Each week, elected members of the houses of the student government association (SGA) meet to consider allocation bills and talk about campus issues. Here are summaries of those meetings.

UHR approves cricket match broadcast bill

By Ranganath Venkataraman Staff Writer

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INTA Professors

“So far we have fellows from 14
schools [from Tech] here. We really do
make it a Tech-wide program.”


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ning Organization to account for
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for an annual Latin-American film
festival in which six movies would be
cleared over a weekend in mid-
March. Representatives raised questions
about the efforts made by the SSG to
fundraise and whether there was any
disputement at the lack of corporate
sponsorship.

My concern is to reduce the price of cabbies from $50 to $10 each was accepted, the bill was passed.

The African American Student
Union (AAASU) was allocated $2,382.50 in order to fund the Onyx Ball, which celebrates Black History Month. There was considerable debate about fundraising attempts by the organization.

According to the speaker, the event was sponsored by three other organizations and decoration and catering costs were being met by income from sale of tickets. Ac-
cording to Graduate Student Senate
(GSS) coordinator Ryan Bechet, the
GSS had made it mandatory for the AASU to charge a higher ticket price for non-Georgia Tech students.

My concern is therefore that a fee is being collected, we will become a service rather than one which serves students without any charge,” he said.

Another concern, he said, is that wait times would increase if Stingerette vans were forced to travel a long distance away from campus.

“My concern is that if a fee is collected, we will become a taxi service,” he said.

David Williamson
Associate Director, Parking and Transportation

said, "but when you go off campus there is an [additional] cost."

Wait times have been kept to un-
der 10 minutes for approximately 80 percent of riders while the Stingerette remains on campus, according to Williamson.

“According to numbers released by Auxiliary Services, the average Stingerette wait time jumps from under 10 minutes to more than 20 minutes on average when the service is away from off-campus,” Anderson said.

In addition, Williamson indi-
cated that Parking and Transporta-
tion was considering tracking the Stingerette vans with its [Global Positioning System] and making that information available online.

“We have talked about putting the Global Positioning System on the Stingerette vans, but it was only in the planning stages so far. It would give the dispatchers a better idea of where the vans were,” he said. SGA notified students of the survey, which went out last November, by email. It was available online at SGA’s web site. According to Anderson, SGA received over 2,000 responses.