President Bush visits GTRI, addresses nation

By Matthew Bryan Editor-in-Chief

On Wednesday President George W. Bush became the first U.S. president to recognize Georgia Tech’s research achievements with a presidential visit. Bush witnessed a demonstration of several technologies developed at the Tech-housed Center for Emergency Response Technology, Instruction and Policy before speaking about homeland security to an audience of first-responders, firefighters and policemen, local residents and students at Tech’s O’Keefe gymnasium.

The Georgia Tech Research Institute’s CERTIP showcased five new technologies as part of their Project Atlanta disaster exercise. On the demonstration Bush said, “I particularly want to thank the guy who they cut his clothes off and ran through water…that goes beyond the call of duty.”

Bush’s speech drew mixed reviews from students in attendance. Chris Holter, a fourth-year Industrial Engineering major, said, “It was a lot like many of his speeches I had heard before… it seemed pretty standard.” Laney Mathison, a first-year Industrial Engineer, said, “I think he is an amazing speaker. He gets in touch with the crowd a lot.”

Most students were just happy to be present at what was supposed to be an invitation-only affair. “I was honored to have the opportunity to see the president speak,” said second-year Biomedical Engineering major Adam Guyer. Guyer, Mathison and Holter were part of a handful of students who lucked into the chance to see the president.

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Carter awarded Ivan Allen prize

By Judy Shaw News Editor

The Ivan Allen College awarded former United States President Jimmy Carter the second annual Ivan Allen, Jr. Prize for Progress and Service at its Founder’s Day celebration last Friday. Following the presentation of the prize, Carter addressed a Student Center ballroom filled with students, faculty, and distinguished guests.

The event started off as an invito-only luncheon. Ivan Allen College Dean Sue Rosser welcomed the guests, and Thomas L. Lucas, the new Board Chair of Poetry in the School of Literature, Communication and Culture, read a commemorative poem before they enjoyed the meal. Afterwards, IAC Associate Dean Richard Barke reflected on former Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr., the namesake of the college and award.

In explaining the award, Barke noted that both Allen and Carter “represent the ideals of progress and serve that this prize celebrates.” The phrase “Progress and Service” is also the official Tech motto found on the Institute seal.

Institute President Wayne Clough and Rosser then jointly presented the award to President Carter. Clough took special joy in the occasion, noting that Carter and be were “both born in rural south Georgia, and both tell similar stories of coming to Atlanta to study at Georgia Tech.”

Carter then thanked the crowd for the honor by first discussing his relationship with Allen.

“I would probably have never been President had it not been for Ivan Allen, Martin Luther King, Jr. and just a few other people.

Carter discussed his memories from the time he attended Tech. Though he only spend one year at the Institute before transferring, Carter noted how special it was.

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Massey wins SGA Presidency

By Tony Klaempf Assistant News Editor

Once the polls were closed and votes counted, SGA presidential candidate Tiffany Massey was elected to the office in a landslide victory. The victory marks the first time since 1993 that a woman was elected to the position and the first time in Tech history that an African-American has been chosen as Undergraduate SGA president.

In the end, the three-way presidential race, which many predicted would result in a runoff, ended up being a huge victory for Massey, who captured 59% of the vote. Massey herself was surprised that the election didn’t end in a runoff.

“I’m just really excited cause I could have sworn it was going to be a runoff,” said Massey after she had been informed she had received a majority of the vote. The two other candidates, E.W. Looney and Andrew Keen, received 26% and 13% of the vote respectively.

Current SGA president Chris Kavanagh remarked that although many were expecting a runoff, he wasn’t surprised since a similar thing happened in last year’s elections.

“I was [not surprised] at all, since something similar happened last year,” said Kavanagh. “I learned [last year] never to expect anything.”

“Although we had three strong candidates and everyone thought there was going to be a runoff, everyone thought the same thing last year and it didn’t happen.”

In one of the least contested UHR elections in recent history, voter turnout was surprisingly high. Over 3,000 students voted in the presidential election which is up from just over 2,000 last year. This year’s 3,183 votes represent most cast in any SGA election in Tech’s history.

Many of the candidates were surprised by the high number of voters, but Massey offered a reason for such a high percentage.

“I’m surprised that we got 32% of the votes for such a high percentage. I got 32% of the student body to vote,” said Massey.

“But I think that the campaigning was really effective because it reached out to people who may not have known about the election otherwise.”

Kavanagh agreed that the strong presidential candidates helped to increase voter turn-out. “The presidential race drives the election and voter turnout,” said Kavanagh. “And this year’s candidates were all strong candidates who campaigned very hard.”

Massey felt that her campaign benefited the most from the increased number of voters because she worked to those voters who normally wouldn’t vote.

“I think I campaigned really hard,” said Massey. “I think I was really passionate about the things I wanted to do and people saw that in me and supported me.”

Besides the presidential race, the other highly contested race

RHA elects new President

In Wednesday’s RHA elections Ryan Spanier was elected to replace Jason Wang as president. Joining Spanier on the executive board are Jason Husley as vice-president, Irene Gung as secretary and Andrew Howard as treasurer.

Culture Fest kicks off

Georgia Tech celebrates the diversity of its student body with a week-long festival of numerous free events starting today. This year’s theme is “Around the World in Nine Days.” The event runs through April 6. For more information about the events of the festival, please go to www.culturefest.info or visit the Office of International Education.
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in this year’s election was that for Freshmen Representative. Although four of the five spots were filled through the original election, two candidates tied for the fifth and final spot. Due to the tie, an eventual winner between Michael Lehman and Danny Puckett, who both received 344 votes, must be decided. The runoff will be next Monday and Tuesday.

In the vice-presidential election, the lone candidate, current SGA Vice-President Nate Watson, won his reelection bid with just under 3,000 votes.

Both Massey and Watson hope to accomplish the plans they announced in their campaigns.

“I plan to start working on] all the things that I set out to do: start meeting with administrators, get a strategic plan, get the right people in place and then go for it,” said Massey.

In addition to the selection of SGA officers and representatives, students also approved three SGA Constitutional amendments on this year’s slate.

The first of the amendments passed increases the number of justices on the UJC from ten to twelve as well as allows justices to hear cases during the summer. In addition, the amendment allows for an interim Chief Justice to be named in the case of an emergency. The amendment was proposed to allow the UJC more flexibility in hearing cases.

The final two amendments passed in the election dealt with the addition of Equal Opportunity language to the Constitution of SGA. The amendments provided for Equal Opportunity to all members of student organizations on campus.

UHR members hope that the amendments will prevent SGA and student organizations from discriminating against students based on “race, gender, national origin, ethnicity, age, religion, sexual orientation, disability or handicap.”

Now that the votes have been counted, the next step is for the election committee to review any reported election violations. However, according to Kavanaugh, for the first time in recent history no violations have been reported at this time.

In the end, Kavanaugh feels that next’s year Undergraduate House will experience great success. “We’re going to have a great Undergraduate House and a great executive branch next year,” said Kavanaugh.

“I feel that the committee chairs chosen will be strong and the House overall will be strong as well.”

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Sliver

Move over Poopick, the new big tool on campus is Spanier
RHA Elections: The Biggest Tools, Because YOU Matter
Jason Hurley, the real ANAK candidate
Watson’s rules of order are now on sell for $9.95
“She looks so good it hurts sometimes.” John Mayer
baby
Why is Joel “The Hippie TA” still around?
If you ever complain about not having the Hope Scholarship, talk to an Out-of-State student.
Bend over for the cost of Out-of-State tuition.
Good job at calling about this weekend. Thanks a lot. I’m giving up.
Could have just told me you don’t like me. Hope you’re damned proud of yourself.
A Papa John coupon in the March 22nd issue of "Technique" expired in February!
Beat me till I’m smarter.
Remember the time that my mom pulled out of the driveway at 2 am to search the neighborhood for us while we were smoking pot in the Porta-Potty? You said “f**k that s**t!”

The Technique News section: we write things that we are afraid to put our names on
Hmmm....How about a news feature on journalistic integrity?
Wait...the Nique doesn’t know much about that thanks for 6 months... no regrets
Honey Bunches of Oats: Your REAL Proof of Purchase is a Big Morning Smile!
HAPPY BIRTHDAY, to the old Greybeal
Sarah is 23, but we still love her
I hate April Fool’s, I’m just not funny!
I am going to ride that BiiTCH and your going to take pictures!
Crossword scandal rocks Tech

By Captain Morgan

An engineering firm inspecting the Student Center Parking Deck recently discovered cracks in the automobile belonging to Director of Parking and Transportation Rod Weis. This latest finding follows the recent discovery of cracks in the parking deck itself that occurred earlier in the month. The crack came as a surprise to Associate Vice President for Auxiliary Services Rosalind Meyers.

“If we did not have some body out there looking at [the columns] to do this repair work, we might have never seen the problem,” said Meyers.

Upon the discovery, Weis asked for indefinite leave from the Institute.

“I apologize for any damage I have caused the Institute, and I hope to be back working for students again in the near future,” said Weis.

Meyers plans to see that the embattled director solves his parking deck problems. “We at Auxiliary Services have been dealing with all kinds of crack problems in the past year,” said Meyers.

“We were able to fix the North Campus Parking Deck, and we will soon solve the crack problem in the Student Center Deck. Certainly we can fix this latest problem.”

Once the treatment begins, Weis should be back working in the near future. He and the deck should be back to fully operational status within thirty days, said Meyers.

“This is not a complicated situation,” said Weis.

Don’t look for more information about this since it is not true.

SGA charters Binge Drinkers

The Undergraduate Student Government recently chartered the Binge Drinking Students Association on Tuesday. The club holds its first meeting next Friday at 7 p.m. in the GST mart office—BYOB.

Clough ends FASET program

President Wayne Clough announced his decision to disband the FASET program on Wednesday. The program will be replaced with a new orientation program involving ritualistic drinking, massive hazing, and sleep deprivation to better acclimate students.

Terrorists squirrels invade abandoned Hightower

By Jorge Shroeb

In a devastating terrorist attack yesterday, over 1,000 squirrels seized control of Skiles Walkway. Simultaneously, a second group of some 200-300 squirrels invaded the Hightower Building, sending panic-stricken students and professors running in fear for their lives.

“I was walking to class, and all of the sudden, this giant mass of squirrels appeared out of the bushes and came galloping toward me,” said Rand Omgr. “It was terrifying,” said Undergraduate Student Government President Chris Kavanaugh.

“(The squirrels) were shrieking, and I could see their teeth, like little fangs. All I could do was run.”

Wildlife officers believe the terrorist squirrels chose to attack the Hightower Building because of numerous broken windows and gaping holes in the ceiling and walls made the facility an easy target.

“It was a classic low techological terror attack,” said Attorney General Melanie Denoyer.

Groups of squirrels have recently invaded the abandoned Hightower building on campus. Many are speculating that the squirrels could be undercover terrorists.
Tech unveils new ‘Master Shaft’ plan

By Mid L. Finger
This is a bouquet

In a surprise statement made yesterday, Vice President of Administration and Finance Bob Thompson announced what he called, “the perfect complement to the Greek Master Plan, The Master Shaft.”

Thompson informed administration, faculty and students that because of a squirrel’s nest overlooking the side of the Student Center near Ferst Drive, the president of the Institute did not put Tech’s wildlife into harm’s way by keeping the building in its current location.

“True, we could have asked the squirrel politely to leave the area, but you tell me how anyone could have said no to them. I instantly fell in love with the baby squirrels when I looked into their eyes,” Thompson said.

The relocation of the Student Center ten feet north towards the Ferst Center for the Arts would require the current building to be demolished, a new foundation to be laid, and the reconstruction of a larger facility. The move would take approximately 22 years.

Although the completion time for the construction seems long, many students are still looking at the brighter side.

“I’m not crazy about the decision, but at least my kids will enjoy being in the new building. They may even find a greater appreciation for the squirrels than our generation ever did,” Sophomore Ben Scrood said.

Many members of the administration also foresee benefits to the decision.

“There isn’t a better plan like it,” said Associate Vice President of Auxiliary Services Rosalind Meyers. “It isn’t fair that only the fraternities get to be shafted [with the Greek Master Plan]. We want Tech to offer the shafting to all students alike, regardless of involvement in Greek life.

“Only then can our school truly boast that we provide equal opportunity,” said Meyers.

Tech is currently seeking ideas for the new name of the reconstructed Student Center, though some administrators have ideas already.

“I think I’ll name it after one of the squirrels,” Thompson said.

Meyers, of course, proposed naming the building after herself.

I don’t think that our local gray squirrel population could have organized such a coordinated effort alone,” said Boyd. Based on intercepted squirrel communications, she believes they had help from out-of-state red squirrels, and possibly several foreign flying squirrels.

Fighting could continue for weeks, and even then, the squirrel threat could linger. “Squirrel sleepy cells” could be anywhere,” said Boyd. “We can’t stop them all.”
Controversy now surrounds President Clough after an incident last week revealed he may be a "nose picker." ICPA insists it was merely a scratch.

"We felt that Rosalind possessed the combination of tenacious will and political tact necessary to be a successful Editor-in-Chief," said Carole Moore, Chair of the Board of Student Publications. They felt that Meyers did not actually apply for the job, the members of the Board felt that none of the student applicants were qualified enough to be appointed Editor. The basis of the show will be Clough's day-to-day adventures. He will go through his daily motions and make humorous quips about normal events. The first issue will be based on the UHR incident.

"I am honored to be named the next Editor-in-Chief of the Técnica." Rosalind Meyers Editor-Elect

By Whatta Golddigger
Revive the Capital Campaign

In a recent appearance before the Undergraduate House of Representatives, President Wayne Clough found himself in a pinch—or perhaps it was more of a pick.

While fielding heated questions from Biology Representatives Brad Bolton, who was shooing from a table while dressed in traditional African tribal attire, Clough appeared visibly agitated. In one moment of thought he placed his hand close to the entrance of his nose. Now students and administrators alike are debating whether or not the President was picking or scratching.

"I know President Clough," said Undergraduate Student Government President Chris Kavanaugh. "I firmly believe that he was scratching, not picking. He’s just not a picker."

Other members of the Undergraduate House seemed to agree with Kavanaugh, though many remain unsure.

"He very well might have been picking his nose," said Public Policy Representative Vladimir Lenin.

"But hey, I can’t blame him. Sometimes you just have to pick it. I know when my bald head starts to itch, I have to scratch it—no matter where I am or who is around."

According to spin doctors at Institute Communications and Public Affairs, Clough was not picking, nor has he ever picked.

"President Clough often thinks by scratching his nose. He is an honest decent man who would never pick in public," said Tech Spin Doctor and personal Clough lacky Bob Hartly.

Earlier in the week, President Clough issued this written statement.

"I want the Georgia Tech community to know that it was a scratch, not a pick. There was no nasal penetration; therefore, it was clearly a scratch of the nasal area rather than a pick of the nasal cavity."

Members of the Georgia Tech Foundation, however, are not so worried about whether or not Clough’s exploration was a pick or a scratch.

"He did an incredible job running the capital campaign, so I’m sure he can dig a little gold of his own," said John Carter, Executive Director of the Georgia Tech Foundation.

The “pick or scratch” incident has made national headlines. The former producers of the hit NBC show Seinfeld were on campus Wednesday to offer Clough a starring role in a new sitcom about a university president.

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Roz Meyers elected next ‘Nica Editor

By Ranfor Editor
Roz stole my job

In a somewhat surprising move Wednesday afternoon, the Georgia Tech’s Board of Student Publications decided to elect Associate Vice President of Auxiliary Services Rosalind Meyers the next Editor-in-Chief of the Técnica. Meyers becomes the first non-student Editor-in-Chief in Técnica history.

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Granny revealed as real CS ‘Cheatfinder’

By A. Richard Gosinja
I've got a rash in my pee-pee area

In a special agreement, College of Computing Dean Peter Freeman and Dean of Students Gail DiSabatino gave members of Técnica a firsthand look at the “Cheatfinder” program that caught many CS students last semester. To many people’s amazement, the Cheatfinder was not a program, but actually a person.

Dr. Evelyn Rosenkrantz is the face behind the name. A Professor of Mathematics from MIT and retired director of logistics for the government, Rosenkrantz decided to come back to work after hearing the rash of incidences at other colleges. Only after getting permission from the CoC and DiSabatino could Rosenkrantz heavily pour over the CS homework and quizzes to find cheaters.

“I felt that we needed a person to really curb the cheaters in the CoC. Rosenkrantz was very enthusiastic when she came to me with her Cheatfinder idea. After the coaching fiasco, Tech needed something to boost its image,” said DiSabatino. DiSabatino allocated several office spaces in the lower levels of the CoC for Rosenkrantz to make a flow chart and relationship diagram to pinpoint CS cheaters.

“I was quite impressed by Dr. Rosenkrantz’s efficiency to handle the workload presented to her. I asked if she would be interested in working for Parking. She laughed, saying that there was no saving that department.”

Having a background in computer science also helped Rosenkrantz in her mission. She feels that CS students have too much leniency in their choices to turn in homework.

“In my day, we had to walk 50 miles in the snow chased by Communists to feed our punchcard programs into a UNIVAC. And we liked it,” said Rosenkrantz. “We didn’t have it like these new students. They get to turn in their homework over the internet or via email. And they get to type their responses. Give me binhex any day.”

Rosenkrantz believes that her efforts will engage the students to work harder and smarter at their homework: “there’s no easy way out for a good grade. I worked day in and day out in a cotton mill breathing god knows what only to turn around and go to school for ten hours a day. And we liked it.”

With the exposure that Rosenkrantz has received through the Técnica, she still doesn’t worry about too many students coming to talk to her. “Just remember-sooner or later you’re going to have to take CS. Try to bother me, and I’ll wind up NARCing you out.”

Evelyn Rosenkrantz releases after completing an assignment. Rosenkrantz may look innocent, but hundreds of Tech students now know otherwise.
Vandals deface DDR, nerds vow revenge

By Anthony Jensen
Likes to mumble

Vandals struck the Student Center last week, leaving the newest craze in video games out of service and numerous Tech students disappointed. Apparently the incident took place late last Friday night, when two students urinated on the new “Dance Dance Revolution” video game, which had caught the interest of many students since it was installed earlier this semester.

According to the Student Center Director Rich Steele, the events were discovered on Saturday morning when the morning crew came in to open the center. “I could not believe what had happened,” said Steele. “The smell was just unbelievable. They must have really drunk a lot before they broke in.”

Steele doesn’t feel that the game will be ready to play again anytime in the near future. “This is a real tragedy for the Student Center and the Tech community as a whole.”

According to police reports a large amount of urine was found on and around the video game, leading some to speculate that this was a direct threat to the very way of life of the typical Tech nerd.

“I can’t believe someone would do this,” said second year CS major Iwana Getsome. “This was the only outlet available for me to show my wild side and now it’s gone. Many other students agreed with Getsome and vowed revenge against the students who preformed the acts.

“This is such a travesty,” said first year Computer Engineering major Irina Dork. “Dance Dance Revolution gave my life meaning again. They destroyed it.”

“The game was the closest thing I’ve ever had to a girlfriend and now it’s gone. I will not rest until those responsible are brought to justice and made to suffer as much as I have.”

According to officials from the GT police department, no leads have surfaced as to who violated Dance Dance Revolution. However, the Tech has recently discovered undercover photos of the assailants and is asking anyone in the Tech community to come forward if they have any information about the incident.

Although no solid leads have surfaced, many are speculating that the public urination could have been a result of the actions of a new campus organization known as S.A.T.N. (Students Against Tech Nerds). The organization is up for a charter by SGA at next week’s meeting and therefore refused to comment.

However, the Technique recently talked with one of S.A.T.N.’s member, who wished to remain anonymous, who said that although the group didn’t organize the actions, they were definitely steps in the right direction.

“Those nerds make us look bad in front of the ladies,” said anonymous S.A.T.N. member. “Ther game had to be destroyed so that the nerds would return to their computers and stop making such fools of themselves in front of everyone.”

Many members of S.A.T.N. did not agree with some member’s views.

“I felt that the game was a great idea,” said first year Civil Engineering major Ben Dover. “With all of the nerds busy dancing with a stupid video game, it just increased the odds for all the normal guys out there.”

However, many female students felt that the game was a perfect example of the truth behind the old saying “the odds are good, but the goods are odd” and wondered how many normal guys there really were at Tech. “I can’t believe the game was so popular,” said first year Management major Susie Want’sass hung around the game frequently while looking for a man. “Why would someone want to dance with a game when they could be dancing with me? I mean they almost ignored me.”

Although not everyone agreed with its usefulness, Dance Dance Revolution was a very important to many student’s lives and GT Police Chief Jack Vickery wants everyone to know how serious these charges are.

“These students didn’t just piss on a videogame,” said Vickery. “They disrespected the entire Tech community with their actions and should be punished accordingly.”