Sixth-years bond at Sixth Street event

By Mo D. Bear
Staff Writer

In a campus-wide push to promote class identity, SGA and the Co-op Club jointly hosted an event dubbed “Sixth-years at Sixth Street” last Tuesday at the Sixth Street Apartment complex.

Robert Wang, a sixth-year Computer Science major and President of the Co-op Club, said that their motivation for sponsoring the event was to “make people more aware of the complicated issues associated with being a sixth-year.”

The club also assisted the help of SGA, because, according to Bill Cunningham, sixth-year SGA representative, “I think people forget sometimes that not all sixth-years are co-op students. Some of us are trying to double-major, and others of us...are just taking out our time.”

Students who attended expressed approval at the event.

Weekend hook-up actually attractive

John Jones recently reported that Jamie Stravinski, the girl with whom he hooked up at a fraternity party last weekend, was actually attractive. A frequent sufferer of “beer goggles” who normally attracts “but-her-face,” he pleased himself when he decided to wake up next to a moderately hot young lady caused Jones to immediately call Technique with his recent news.

Jones was one of three guys who hooked up with hot girls last weekend, two of which may develop into actual relationships rather than drunken revelry.

Case suffers from sleeplessness

After the Undergraduate House of Representatives voted to lower stipend budgets of other student organizations to fund the future Case plans to employing that SGA was raising its stipend she was unable to sleep.

“Leadership is for everyone,” said Gail DiSabatino, Dean of Students.

Klaus hosts virtual groundbreaking

The Klaus Advanced Computing Building hosted a virtual groundbreaking online last week. According to statistics, virtually no one “attended” the ceremony, which marked a virtual start to the new computing home.

Students laugh at prof’s humor

Mechanical Engineering Professor Sylvester Plum’s joke about “stress and strain” brought actual laughter from members of his Friday class in the MRDC. Plum’s one-liner marks the first joke that received actual laughter from students in any class this semester. Previous attempts at professorial humor were merely met with awkward moments.

Palm coming to Commons

By Emeril Lagaone
Food Correspondent

Student Center Director Rich Steele announced Thursday a new addition to the recently opened Student Center Commons—a Palm Restaurant.

“We are really excited about bringing the Palm to campus,” Steel said.

The world-renowned dining establishment plans a December opening.

“We are committing to offering students affordable dining options, and the Palm fits in well with the current price structures at Panzini’s, Fere’s Place, and the Student Center Food Court. It also works in to our overall vision for what the Student Center Commons should be.”

In addition to the businesses open in the Commons, others set to open this week include a dry cleaner, limousine service, and a winery. In other news, Steele announced that the Pizza Hut in the adjacent Student Center received a fresh supply of napkins and that the 20-year-old Music Listening Room furniture would be cleaned in the near future.

Write-in Jack wins SGA election

By Andrea McSlate
Staff Writer

The Final Four this week will be only the first test of patience, dedication and skill under pressure for point guard Jarrett Jack, who was elected President of the Undergraduate Student Government Association Wednesday. SGA Elections Chair Alan Bawkowski announced Jack as the surprise winner Wednesday evening at the Student Center Commons. He won an unprecedented 79 percent of the popular vote to bear out the four official candidates.

Moments for Jack’s presidency began building with his 29 points against Kansas in the St. Louis regional. The fierce determination Jack showed against the Jayhawks sparked an idea in the mind of political junkie Luke Schenscher, who was disappointed with the official choices.

“I thought to myself, ‘Crykey, let’s do things a little differently.”

See Jack, page AF4

New evidence leads to grade substitution

By Is она Gradexchange
Faculty Correspondent

The Academic Senate passed a grade substitution proposal that would allow students to retake failed 1000- and 2000-level courses last Wednesday, after administrators presented new evidence that grade substitution would indeed have a positive impact on students.

At the Senate’s last meeting, three students testified that if the grade substitution policy had been in effect during their first two years at Tech, they would still be enrolled at the Institute.

The first student, Edwina Thompson, who currently goes to Georgia State University, said, “I think grade forgiveness, I mean, grade substitution—is that what you’re calling it—could have definitely helped me stay at Tech.”

Thompson said that she had a particularly rough first semester, and was forced to withdraw from Tech after the lost her HOPE scholarship. “None of my professors spoke English,” she said. “It didn’t help that in Calculus, the professor would write all these greek letters mixed in with definitions and stuff up on the board.”

“In another one of my class, the professor couldn’t even write in English,” Thompson continued. “That was when I realized I had signed up for the wrong class, and that I was actually enrolled in Chinese 120.”

The second student, Chris Brown, who also goes to GSU, testified that the administration’s emphasis on student life almost demanded a grade forgiveness policy. “All I wanted to do was get involved,” a tear-eyed, emotional Brown said. “My first semester here, I joined a sorority, FAB, FreshSA, Freshman Council, Emerging...”
Technique Online Voice Your Opinion!

Last issue’s question garnered 108 responses:

Who do you want to see most in Playgirl?

Image by Lauren Griffin / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

This week’s question:

How funny is the Techlique?

Tell us what you think at www.cyberbuzz.gatech.edu/techlique.

From the files of the GTPD...

Lost student
4/1/2004 20:36:00 hrs.
LOCATION: 750 Ferst Drive/GCEC
INCIDENT: Girl reportedly sighted in ECE class.

Theft
4/1/2004 2:29:00 hrs.
LOCATION: Smith residence hall
INCIDENT: Report of stolen Java code.

Property damage
4/1/2004 14:14:00 hrs.
LOCATION: School of Aerospace Engineering
INCIDENT: Professor reportedly breaks student’s will.

Health-safety
4/1/2004 5:20:00 hrs.
LOCATION: 715 Techwood Drive/
Perry residence hall
INCIDENT: Smell of unshowed student distrubs residents.

Fire
4/1/2004 2:58:00 hrs.
LOCATION: Tenth Street, President’s House
INCIDENT: Flaming bag of poo found.

Independent thought
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LOCATION: Student Services, Room 117
INCIDENT: Report of an independent and original thought in SGA.

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Caleb Greenfield
Management Eye Expert

GTCN’s new Management Eye set to give CS men style

The Georgia Tech Cable Network (GTCN) announced a new show this week that will air on GTCN channel 21 starting next fall. The show, Management Eye for the Computer Science Major, will be hosted by four Georgia Tech College of Management students, each focusing on a separate aspect of the current week’s subculture. The management experts will help a disadvantaged student improve his life by providing dorm decoration and tips, suggestions on how to eat a well-balanced meal at the dining hall, and tips on how to eat a well-balanced meal at the dining hall, fashion tips and dating advice.

The show’s interior design expert, Caleb Greenfield, has already been working on some design proposals for traditional-style dorm rooms and apartments. “The first thing I’ll change in most of the rooms is the beds. A computer science major has a hard enough time getting any action as it is. The narrow single beds only make it more difficult,” Greenfield said. Fashion expert Mark Pada has some great tips on how to carry gadget without making a fashion faux pas. “The key is to mix colors and materials,” said Pada. “It’s okay to have a black leather cell phone holster, but don’t combine it with a black leather PDA holder and a black leather MP3 player cover. That’s so 20th century.”

Minor is confident that the show will be a hit. “Based on the number of nerds I’ve seen walking around campus, I think a little management eye will do this place some good.”

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S Issac Meyers

GTRI develops GPS system to find girls

Here a young man uses his new TBS-GPS device to spot the attractive girl in the background. The new technology introduced and developed by GTRI will enable guys to find girls all over campus and stare at them.

By Rebecca O’Tate
It's a sure thing

Auxiliary Services announced this week that a new global positioning system (GPS) that tracks members of the female gender will be available for students to purchase at Burdell’s today. This system follows on the heels of the recently-developed GPS system for the Tech Trolley. The technology will allow its users to determine the latitude and longitude of the nearest attractive woman.

The TBS-GPS, the latest development to come out of the creative minds at the Georgia Tech Research Institute, works by picking up pheromones and the sounds of sorority giggles. “The neatest part is that you can go online and track the hot girls, fume scents, pheromones and the sounds of sorority giggles. “It’s a sure thing” and actually look for them in real life. The technology will allow its users to determine the latitude and longitude of the nearest attractive woman.”

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Lunuumukkkkkk!!! U DA MAN!
COACH HEWITT? 4 PRES!!!

It’s so awesome to see Tech students reading the NYT at lunch! RHA, please fund the readership program in the fall. Spring means hot girls in bikinis everywhere. FINAL FOUR BABY! Congrats to all the players and coaches! Y’all deserve the whole thing! Go Jackets!

Thanks for an awesome season and nail-biter games! We’re looking forward spotting one. “I just watched Girl #901508567 stop at a vending machine in the IC.”

A sampling of the female perspective on the issue shows that many women students aren’t bothered by the TBS-GPS. Mary Sammunder said, “I think it’s funny, that’s all. If anything, it’s a great show of scientific progress by GTRI since I know how difficult pheromones are to identify and test for, so that this system utilizes them is neat.”

“A bit of Alexa’s digital nature will always be able to find me,” added Meyers.

Joe Frank, a fifth year Computer Science major, noted that he hasn’t seen a girl in two years, and is really looking forward spotting one. “I just added the GPS tracking website to my favorites list, and I’ve already watched Girl #901508567 stop at a vending machine in the IC.”
For the first time in nearly a century, Tech architects and designers are beginning to follow a rule that architects and designers at most other universities have known for years: design a building to look appropriate during its entire lifetime and not the first 15 days. After years of approving plans for Hightower, Van Leer, MRDC and the MARC building, Tech’s Office of Capital Planning have made a wise decision with the new Modern Languages building.

Our campus has always been known as a mix-match of strange architectural styles that clash with each other and show no apparent planning for a look of the overall campus. Let’s face it buildings like the new CRC and Health Center will look like a perfect example of “when architects go bad” in 10 or 15 years, and buildings like Howey-Physics and Cherry-Emerson have been ugly from day one. It is time that campus administrators realize building styles and finishes should be a major focus. If the campus looks better, students will be more likely to work hard to stay, thus improving the all important retention rate.
let’s make my mate Jarrett the next SGA president.”

Luke formed a committee to aid in the campaign, called his “posse,” the group’s clever shirts quickly became a campus rage. Jack was hesitant to run at first, since he had missed the date to apply to be an official candidate, but Schen- sher convinced him that he would be able to run a successful write-in campaign. Upon deciding to mount the write-in offensive, Jack im- mediately appointed Schensher as his campaign manager.

Scher’s first move was to post signs advertising Jack’s campaign, but since he placed all the posters at his eye level, the rest of the student body couldn’t read them. Once Dav- id Nelson joined the campaign team and took over poster placement, the Jack Attack was back in business and a buzz was created. With slogans borrowed from the stands like, “You don’t know Jack… but you can if you vote for him!” and “Jack Be Nimble… with JFC!” Jack’s team was confident all along about their team’s chance of winning the election.

When the results were announced, fans cheered while Jack made a brief statement before boarding the fight for San An- tonio. “I want to thank all the fans this season, and tell them how appreciative the whole team is.”

Jarrett Jack
SGA President-Elect

The men of Georgia Tech felt slighted left out after last month’s visit from Playboy. Rather than whine about their inability to flaunt their man parts, they took action. The male population of Tech rallied together and sent a petition to the publishers of Playgirl requesting that they do an issue titled “Boys of the ACC” as a complement to Playboy’s “Girls of the ACC.”

Their voices did not go unheard. After receiving thousands of computer-generated e-mails from Tech students, the publishers decided there must be something worthwhile at Tech, so they planned a visit, and they will be recruiting for Playgirl models this weekend.

“We believe that there would not have been such a huge response to the petition if there were not incredibly hot men on campus that we’re missing out on,” said publisher Lea Horny. “Tech is an untapped resource of young hot bodies, and we’re planning to expose them.” Of course they will be literally exposed, by posing nude for various photo spreads, but Horny also plans to expose them figuratively, letting the country know that Tech boys are not all “nerd” but rather all man.

Many students are vigorously preparing for the tryouts, which will include a runway walk, bare-chested pose and a pose with their favorite piece of technology. “I’m going to pose with my laptop, which is basically my girlfriend,” said student Charles Gates.

“I bring her everywhere with me—her name is Britney, like Brit- ney Spears—so I definitely want her in the shoot with me. That way, women looking at my photo will get a sense of who I really am.”

Playgirl executives plan to select approximately five Tech students for their “Boys of the ACC” issue, which will be published in May. The lucky few men who are selected will receive $250 and be rewarded with a trip to the Playboy mansion this summer.

“Wow, if I got to meet Playboy bunnies, I would just die,” said Gates. “I’ve never seen fake breasts in person before. Or, well, any breasts before actually—besides chicken.”

In addition to average Tech guys, rumors abound that campus celebrities such as President Wayne Clough and Undergraduate SGA President Nate Watson may make appearances in the magazine.

“I plan to go out and show them to Playgirl publishers to further his dream. Rumors abound that other campus leaders may pose as well.”

By Julia Goodia
O.C. Correspondent

The lucky few men who are selected approximately five Tech students for their “Boys of the ACC” issue, which will be published in May.
MGT majors love lazy river change

By James Anthony
Take me to your leader

Officials from the Campus Recreation Center (CRC) submitted two new amendments to the student activity fee this week. The amendments are both aimed at expanding the current plans of the "lazy river" in the new facility.

Although the original plans called for the river to wind around the area currently under construction behind the Student Health Center, CRC director Kirk McQueen announced a new plan that would bring collaboration with many groups across campus.

"When we first developed this plan, the money was coming from a donation from an alumnus who wanted it to be used specifically for this purpose," McQueen said. "This alumnus wanted to give students a break from the grind of Tech."

Once the idea was announced, however, the CRC was flooded with calls from students who felt the idea needed to expand around campus. According to McQueen, the largest number of calls came from Management students who saw the lazy river as a perfect fit for their lazy lifestyles.

"Therefore, we developed plans for a course that winds around campus and across the Downtown Connector to Technology Square," McQueen said. "This gives students better options for transportation and will be a great use of student activity fee funds."

The plan will also put Tech on the map with yet another technological innovation. "As far as we know, this will be the first time a major university has taken on the crossing of a major interstate with a controlled waterway system," said Institute President Wayne Clough. "This could really be a potential recruiting tool for the school."

Most students agreed that the plan will provide huge benefits. "I'm so excited about the plans," first-year Management major Jessie Spano said. "It will be, like, great to have this kind of experience on a daily basis."

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An exultant Ray rallied his major switches to the judges. “I started out as an Aerospace Engineering major, and my second semester I switched to ME but then I decided that I didn’t want to do engineering so I switched to Physics, but then I got really sick of all that calculus, so then I switched to Biology, but then I realized that I didn’t really like math and science in the first place and so I tried Industrial Engineering because they say that’s not really engineering anyway but finally I just switched to Management,” he said. “I think somewhere in there I may have also tried Computer Science, but man, I switched out of that, fast.”

Ray added, “While the $500 prize isn’t enough to make up for the thousands I’ve spent in extra years of tuition, it’s still pretty sweet. I think somewhere in there I may have also tried Computer Science, but man, I switched out of that, fast.”

Other students who attended said that they were inspired by Ray’s positive attitude. “Now that I have this sense of solidarity at Tech, I’m really debating whether to stick around for another year. I mean, I probably could finish by the end of this semester, but why hurry?” said Ben Thompson, a sixth-year Electrical Engineering major.

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Amy Phoung, SGA Treasurer

Sixth-years

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Reporter penetrates Rings campout

By Murphy Brown
Undercover report

Once again, this is your favorite undercover reporter, coming to you directly from the frontlines. Tonight, I’ve stolen my roommate’s rubber elf ears and thrown on a cape, and as I type this on my laptop computer here at the Lord of the Rings all-night movie marathon camp-out at the Student Center, I seem to be passing undetected as one of “them.” I even got a compliment for my dedication to online role-playing just now due to my frantic typing.

The scene here is amazing. While an exact count cannot be obtained, there appear to be more people here than at camp-outs for basketball tickets—and it is an entirely different segment of the student body.

I played an extremely hardcore game of Lord of the Rings Trivial Pursuit earlier with a freshman dressed as a hobbit (complete with hairy feet, though those might have been real not rubber), another individual of indeterminate age or gender wearing a very elaborate and convincing Gollum costume and a GSA major who, though not in costume, was wearing a Lord of the Rings tee shirt and appeared to glow in the dark (this may not have been related).

I nearly blew my cover by asking these individuals what they thought about the basketball team this year, getting mostly blank stares and puzzled expressions. I suppose such games are foreign to Middle-earth.

Some games that are apparently quite popular here, aside from special editions of Trivial Pursuit, are sword-fighting and drooling. First, let me explain the sword-fighting. Many of the students who ventured out of their dorms to attend this camp-out donned costumes, many of which entailed accessorizing with swords. In any large group where multiple individuals are carrying fake swords, duels simply must occur—it’s a law of nature.

Therefore, at any given time I glance around, I will undoubtedly see at least one match up of, for example, a dwarf and an orc attempting to slay one another with their cardboard and aluminum foil contraptions. Now, for the drooling— we all know that the dreaded “ratio” at Georgia Tech is not in the favor of the guys. However, for many of the male specimens at this event, who apparently don’t get out much, the sight of a real live female is even rarer than for the average Tech guy. Some girls, however, are here to see the movies, too, and their presence has caused quite a stir.

Clusters have formed around them, and drooling has become quite the pastime.

All in all, this camp-out is certainly something else and proves to me that while Middle-earth may not be a bad place to visit undercover from time to time, I for one wouldn’t want to live there.

Where do you like to make out?

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Technique making friday lectures more interesting
Schenscher: Australian for rebound

Tech center sits down with the 'Lique to talk about basketball, geography and his pose

By Carl Heintz
San Antonio Bureau

‘Lique: So, Luke, a few weeks ago you weren’t sure where Milwaukee was. Are you more familiar with it now?
Luke: Well, I didn’t see much of the city or Wisconsin. It was rather cold though. When I first stepped off the plane, I said, ‘Mate, I need my long sleeve.’

‘Lique: Long sleeves. That’s great. So how excited are you about the Final Four?
Luke: Final Four. Well, I’m not sure what you’re talking about, mate, but I know we are still playing basketball. ‘Lique: Um, obviously. You are still playing, and you are playing in San Antonio with a shot at the national title?
Luke: In San Antonio? What part of Mexico is that? I don’t want to play for the Mexican title. That beer is worse than Foster’s.


‘Lique: Exactly. So what’s been the key to your success recently?
Luke: Well I’ve been crashing the boards pretty hard and laying off the Amber fluid. I also have the support of my posse at my side.

‘Lique: What’s this I hear about a pose? Tell me more.
Luke: Well it’s a bunch of blokes from the team and around campus who helped work on Jarrett’s SGA President campaign. Now we hang out all the time. And they come out to barrack the team.

‘Lique: I saw the T-shirts. Luke: Yeah the 'Talking weather' T-shirts are pretty nice, but they don’t have my size.

‘Lique: Well it’s more about the pose than the clothes. Getting back to basketball, how do you see yourself matching up with Oklahoma State?
Luke: I hear they are Cowboys, so I hope they leave the horses in Oklahoma—wherever that is. Aside from that, as long as we were at Foster’s.


In San Antonio?
What part of Mexico is that? I don’t want to play for the Mexican title.

Luke Schenscher
Junior Center

Tech’s Australian basketball star Luke Schenscher sat down with the Technique to discuss his posse and his newest geography lessons.

By Boomhower Cunningham
Baseball Correspondent

In as surprise move this week, Institute Athletic Director David Braine has acquired Alfonso Soriano and former Tech baseball star Mark Teixeira in a 2-for-3 trade with the Texas Rangers.

“After starting the season with a paltry 2-4 in conference record we knew some changes had to be made,” stated Braine.

“We’ve had previous experience with Mark and have always known him to be a great player and quality individual. While I’ve had no personal experience with Alfonso, you can rest assured he will bring in one of the best players in the game. After all we’re here to win championships, not build ships.”

The trade is structured so that Soriano and Teixeira will come to the Yellow Jackets immediately, and the Rangers will receive Phillip Perry, Tim Guetanfon, and a player to be named later.

In recent Technique article Perry all but requested a trade. Texas will also cover the remainder of Soriano and Teixeira’s salaries, while paying the institute over $2 million in cash.

Texas general manager John Hart said about the trade, “This really gives us the type of game we need more of. It will bring in some new players we can rebuild around.”

The Rangers last rebuilding ef- fort was around 2 months ago with the acquisition of Soriano.