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Budget cuts "will hit muscle and bone"

By **Erich Hansen**
Contributing Writer

Last week, University System of Georgia Chancellor Tom Meredith proposed reducing operating budgets at the state's universities by \$107.8 million in fiscal year 2005. The proposal represents a five percent decrease.

These cuts come in addition to a 2.5 percent funding cut in FY 2004.

"We will find ways to make the required cuts while maintaining quality to the best of our ability,"

Meredith said in an address to the Board of Regents.

"[The proposed decrease] reflects the reality of the state's current budget picture," Meredith said. Like many states, Georgia has been buffeted by the lagging economy.

As a result of past cuts, only 16 percent of the 2,200 new classes in Georgia last year were taught by full-time professors. Class size is increasing, while individual classes are taught less frequently, causing some students to graduate later than anticipated.

Growing enrollment and decreased funding will cause more universities to rely increasingly on part-time faculty and administrators to teach classes, Meredith said.

"The squeeze in our classrooms is going to become more and more apparent," he said.

Institute President Wayne Clough agrees that the cuts could spell trouble for some programs.

"Unfortunately, should the proposed new cuts be imposed, it will cause us to make hard decisions since they will hit muscle and bone," stat-

ed Clough in an email interview. He said that the proposed budget was as good as could be expected given the circumstances. Priority for funds will be given to academic programs and support operations, but "it is inevitable quality will suffer no matter what we do," Clough said.

"We are assessing all programs, academic and non-academic, as well as our different sources of income before we can say for certain how extensive the effect of the cuts will be on the academic programs," stated Provost Jean-Lou Chameau in

an email interview.

Meredith has been meeting with administrators from Tech and other universities in Georgia to discuss methods to cut costs. His report suggested implementing cuts in faculty training and travel budgets in response to the cuts, along with administrative consolidation. Both options may be considered for Tech.

Clough said Tech has been doing better than other Georgia universities in dealing with reduced

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Redesigned Woodruff offers customized meals

By **Stephen Baehl**
Senior Staff Writer

Woodruff Dining Hall reopened last Thursday, complete with top-to-bottom renovations and many new features.

One of the most notable changes is "a larger selection that is available throughout the week," said second-year Aerospace Engineering major Rick Uhlman.

Instead of only two made-to-order lines, Woodruff now offers four, in addition to a section dedicated to food created by pastry chefs and a salad bar with back-stocked fresh produce.

According to both Auxiliary Services Communication Officer Melissa Moore and GT Dining Marketing Manager Darcy Tice, the nationwide trend developing in college dining is made-to-order food, fresh and comparable to what can be found at restaurants.

"A lot of the ideas came from the students themselves," said Tice.

One example, Moore said, was

the improved dessert section.

"I know a lot of students asked for the bakery," she said.

According to Tice, Woodruff underwent a total renovation. "Every bit of it was touched," she said.

A new tray conveyor belt was added and the interior redecorated and rearranged. Unseen additions were also made. An entire new back area was built to enable greater freezer storage capacity and help with other operating procedures.

Returning to Woodruff are the sections where pizza, hamburgers and hotdogs are permanently available, the

cafeteria buffet line and vegetarian line, the cereal dispensers and the ice cream machine.

Perhaps one of the most popular lines is the made-to-order pasta station, host to a large queue in peak hours. Tice said she felt the fresh pasta tastes as good as what one can find in any restaurant in the Atlanta area.

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"A lot of the ideas came from the students themselves."

Darcy Tice
GT Dining Marketing Mgr.



By Charles Frey / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS
Amanda Thomas maneuvers around a sneeze guard to sample Woodruff cuisine. The renovated dining hall features four made-to-order food preparation lines and what some call "the Lexus of all tray returns."

Health Center prepares to offer dental services

By **Kristin Noell**
Contributing Writer

Since moving to a new facility last spring, Health Services has seen several new additions and improvements in the care they provide to students. The latest addition is a soon-to-be-completed dental care clinic.

Most universities don't have an on-campus dentist unless they have a dental program. Schools like the University of Maryland and the University of Georgia have dentists for their students, but having a campus dental practice is new to Tech.

"We want to be right up there on the cutting edge," said Cindy Smith, the director of Health Services.

"There were several patients a week who needed attention for dental problems such as an abscessed tooth or gum disease."

Cindy Smith
Director of Health Services



The new dentist, Katrina Mitchell, is originally from Flint, Michigan. She attended Tennessee State University and Meharry Medical College. She has practiced in the Nashville area and has been practicing in Atlanta for the past five years.

In addition to Mitchell, the clinic employs a dental hygienist, Tracy

Hubbard. Mitchell and Hubbard hope to add a dental assistant to the staff in the near future as well.

Since August, Mitchell has been working to prepare the facility for its first patients. The clinic is located on the second floor of the newly constructed Joseph Brown Whitehead Building, next to the Campus

Recreation Center.

Service should be available starting in early October, but students may begin scheduling appointments in late September.

The clinic will be open Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., although hours may be modified in the future based on demand.

"We're going to see what the need is on campus first," Smith said. Plans are to eventually open the clinic five days a week as the number of patients increases.

The clinic will offer an extensive range of dental services, Smith said, including regular cleanings, fillings,

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Las Vegas comes to Student Center

The next Ramblin' Nights event, "Vegas Night," takes place tonight, Friday Sept. 19 from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. The event is centered inside and outside the Student Center with other events at the Ferst Center.

Attractions include a casino in the Food Court, video game tournaments in the Rec Center, free bowling and pool, a Frank Sinatra impersonator, a wedding chapel, free caricature artists, magicians, jugglers and fully-clothed showgirls.

A hypnotist will also begin performing at 10:30 p.m. in the Ferst Center. A BuzzCard is necessary to participate in all activities.

WLC accepting award nominations

The Women's Leadership Conference is now accepting applications for "Woman of Distinction" awards. Undergraduate students, graduate students, alumni, staff and faculty are eligible.

Nomination forms are due Friday, Sept. 26 to the Office of the Dean of Students, 210 Student Services. Nomination forms are available at cyberbuzz.gatech.edu/wlc.

Winners will be honored at an awards ceremony on Friday, Nov. 7 at 6:30 p.m. A committee of students, faculty, staff and alumni select the recipients. For questions, contact WLC Awards Chair Chelsea Lynch or WLC advisor Yvette Upton.

Better Than Ezra performs Sept. 22

Better Than Ezra will perform at 8 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 22 at the Ferst Center. Student tickets are on sale now at the Student Center Box Office, located on the second floor of the Student Center. With a BuzzCard, tickets are \$15 each. However, there is a little of two tickets per card.

General admissions tickets are \$20. Tickets can also be purchased at www.tickets.com. For more information visit www.fun.gatech.edu.

Technique Online Voice Your Opinion!

Last week's question garnered 87 responses:
What do you think of the Athletic Association's decision to auction Tech memorabilia on eBay?

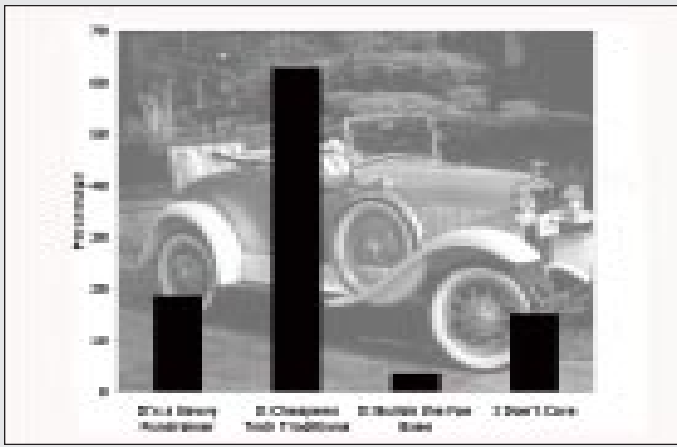


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This week's question:

What is the most exciting event on campus this week?
 Tell us what you think at www.cyberbuzz.gatech.edu/technique.



Entering Auto

9/11/2003 17:50:00 hrs.
 LOCATION: 391 Ferst Drive/
 Clydeck Parking.

INCIDENT: Report that a silver 1999 Oldsmobile Alero was entered.

9/11/2003 18:07:00 hrs.
 LOCATION: 391 Ferst Drive/
 Clydeck top level.

INCIDENT: Report that a black 1992 BMW was entered.

9/11/2003 18:47:00 hrs.
 LOCATION: 391 Ferst Drive/
 Clydeck.

INCIDENT: Jeep Wrangler was entered and items were taken.

From the files of the GTPD...

CRIME REPORTS

Larceny-Theft

9/12/2003 16:46:00 hrs.
 LOCATION: 800 Block Techwood Drive

INCIDENT: Report of a boot stolen from a silver 1994 Jeep.

9/13/2003 15:47:00 hrs.
 LOCATION: 715 Techwood Drive/
 Matheson Juice Bar.

INCIDENT: Report of stolen keys.

LOCATION: Kappa Sigma Fraternity
 INCIDENT: Larceny-Theft (Miscellaneous Property): Report of stolen license plate.

Possession of Marijuana

9/14/2003 22:49:00 hrs.
 LOCATION: 112 Bobby Dodd Way/Towers Hall.

INCIDENT: Offender arrested for possession of marijuana.

9/13/2003 2:32:00 hrs.
 LOCATION: Corner of 8th Street and Spring Street.
 INCIDENT: Offender arrested for possession of marijuana.

Criminal Damage

9/15/2003 10:21:00 hrs.
 LOCATION: 555 Eighth Street/
 Eighth Street Apartments.

INCIDENT: Report of a hole in the wall.

Information

9/15/2003 19:39:00 hrs.
 LOCATION: 48 Fifth Street/Barnes & Noble Book Store.

INCIDENT: Report of a natural gas odor.

DUI

9/14/2003 2:47:00 hrs.
 LOCATION: Corner of Fourth Street and Fowler Street.

INCIDENT: Offender arrested for driving under the influence.

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Council Clippings Senate and House

Representatives fund Ramblin' Nights' "Vegas Night"

By Edward Tamsberg
Contributing Writer

The largest bill on the Undergraduate House of Representatives' plate Tuesday night was a joint allocation to the Residence Hall Association for the Ramblin' Nights' "Vegas Night" tonight in the Student Center and Ferst Center.

As the meeting was beginning, Ben Lawder, Vice President of Campus Affairs, read his report to the House and addressed some of the loose ends that were still being wrapped up after "Georgia Tech Night at Six Flags."

He announced that by this Friday there will be surveys up on the SGA website for students to respond to how well they thought that the night went and what changes they would like to

see made for future events.

"We are hoping to get responses on how the buses, ticket sales, and in general just how students felt the night went as a

"Halo, NCAA Football and Basketball will all be supported in a gaming environment for up to 12 people."

whole," Lawder said to the House.

Lawder also announced that SGA would be refunding \$8.00 to each person who bought a ticket for Six Flags but did not go. "This is a one-time deal,"

Lawder said. "Students should bring their tickets to the SGA office between next Monday and Friday and they will be reimbursed for eight dollars."

Dean Gail DiSabatino then addressed the House on the number of student-fan related incidents reported after the Auburn game two weeks ago. She asked the House members if they felt the allegations were accurate, and asked for advice on how to deal with the reports.

DiSabatino also reported that Georgia Tech has decided that the Student Life Fund will continue indefinitely or until a subsequent endowment can be procured to take its place. DiSabatino hopes that this will allow SGA to continue providing events and venues for the students and

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By Stephen Marek / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

President Nate Watson discusses a bill with Vice President of Administrative Affairs Tiffany Turner. Reps voted to allocate \$3,500 for "Vegas Night." Graduate senators struck a portion of the bylaws regarding seat apportionment to eliminate a conflict.

Senators strike portion of bylaws

By Daniel Amick
News Editor

The Graduate Student Senate approved a bill Tuesday to clear up a contradiction in the bylaws.

The bylaws are procedural rules that govern the operation of the Senate. One section called for the allocation of senate seats based on individual majors. President Pelham Norville said that this section was routinely ignored in favor of another section that specified apportionment of seats based on school.

Norville introduced an ad-hoc bill designed to clear up the confusion before the start of Sen-

ate elections, which began Wednesday. The bill struck the section allocating seats based on major. Norville said this approach offered flexibility and gave graduate students more of an opportunity to serve by allowing persons of any major within a school to fill positions.

Eliminating the second provision would have increased the number of senate seats. As one senator pointed out, "It doesn't seem like we need a lot more seats. We're not filling the ones we have now." The measure passed unanimously.

A joint allocation bill to ACeRS, the American Ceramic Society, which was tabled last week,

came up for consideration again. Vice President Robin Bechtel reported that the measure was passed by the Undergraduate House in April. Senator Alan Michaels wondered if the long delay was a problem. Norville said it was not. The bill passed.

Senators heard from Residence Hall Association Representative, Ryan Spanier, and approved a joint allocation bill funding Ramblin Nights' "Vegas Night."

Joint Finance Committee chair Lisa Brown said that organization budgets would be due October 3. She said she could use more graduate involvement in her committee.

UHR: Bills Considered

Title	Author	Status
Allocation to Alpha Delta Chi	Gene Germanovich	Passed
Joint Allocation to Residence Hall Association	Andrew Howard	Passed
Appointment of Senior Representative	Nate Watson	Passed

GSS: Bills Considered

Title	Author	Status
Joint Allocation to ACeRS	Jennifer Matthews	Passed
Appointments to Graduate Judiciary	Pelham Norville	Passed
Joint Allocation to Residence Hall Association	Kasi David	Passed

New Appointments

Senior Representative	Ben Lawder
Graduate Judiciary Cabinet member	Roger Lang, Charley Brown

Dentist

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crowns, extractions and limited root canals. It will also provide some cosmetic dentistry, including teeth bleaching.

According to Smith, what ailments the clinic will treat depends mostly on what the clinic has the facilities and staff to handle. The dental staff may "refer out really complicated root canals," Smith said.

Prices will also be structured to compete with average off-campus dental rates.

"We're going to try to keep the cost more than competitive," said Smith. Although dental services will not be covered under the health fee, the cost will be approximately 30 percent lower than those found in private practices.

"It is a very good thing that Tech offers such

extensive services to students for such discounted rates," said Jennifer Rogers, a first year History, Technology and Society major.

In addition to competitive rates, Smith hopes to offer start-up incentives, such as a free exam and cleaning, although no final plans are in place.

Student opinion of the most recent Health Services addition is optimistic.

"I think [dental services are] good because a lot of people don't have dentists up here and now they have someplace to go," said Asha Parian, a third year Textile and Fiber Engineering major.

Tahirah Wilson, a third year Building Construction major, agreed. "[A dentist is] a good addition,

especially for freshmen, because it's hard to find new doctors when they get [to Atlanta], and they are here nine months of the year. Now they don't have to search Atlanta for a dentist," he said.

Health Services initiated the dental practice for several reasons. An annual survey conducted by the Department of Auxiliary Services showed that there was student demand for an on-campus dental service.

In addition, the Student Health Center routinely had to refer out students who were seeking dental care.

"There were several [patients] a week [who] needed attention for dental problems such as an abscessed tooth or gum disease," Smith said.

Because of this need, Health Services intended to include dental facilities ever since it began planning the move to a new location.

For students who are anxious about visiting the dentist, the Health Services Dental Clinic is designed to have a calm and relaxing atmosphere.

Three of the four dental chairs face large windows, and plans for the fourth tentatively include a television.

To further promote this atmosphere, a white and gray stuffed dog named Smitty, sporting a Georgia Tech bandana, welcomes nervous patients.

Students can find more information about planned dental services and available procedures or schedule a dental appointment beginning later in September by calling (404) 894-1420.

Stanphill to retire as CRC head

By Stephen Baehl
Senior Staff Writer

Campus Recreation Director Butch Stanphill will leave Georgia Tech on Sept. 26 after 21 years of service at the Institute.

"Every time I walk across campus, I get a little nostalgic," he said. "I definitely will miss the students, even if I didn't get to work with them as much recently."

Stanphill has worked a total of 33 years within the state education system. Only 30 are required for retirement. So, he is electing to retire from the state of Georgia.

However, he will continue to work when he takes over in a new position at Clemson University Oct. 1.

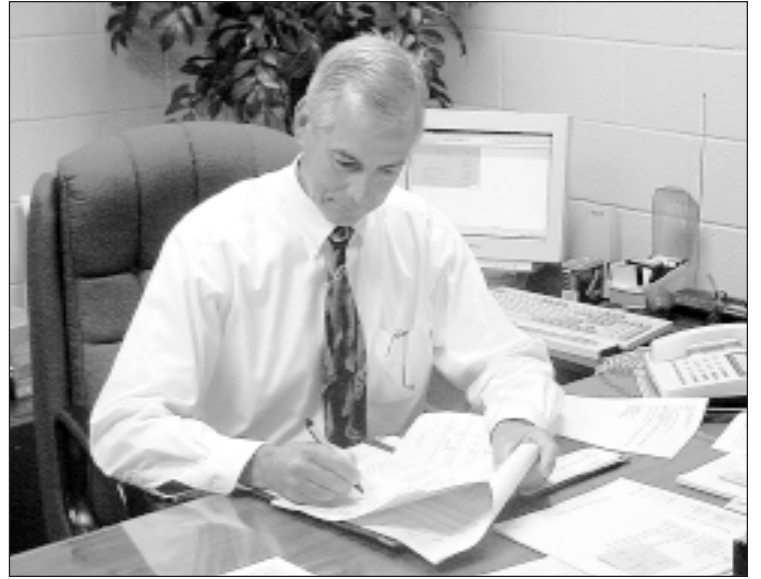
However, the decision had nothing to do with being unhappy. "[Tech is] a place you wake up and look forward to going to work every day," he said.

"He can go over there and do wonders for [Clemson's] program like he has for ours," said Dan Hazlett, Campus Intramural Director. "People I've talked with are happy for him."

"Butch has reported to me in the seven years that I've been at Tech, and I've always found him to be a very dedicated, collegial person who foresees problems and tries to resolve them before they happen, who has good relations around the campus [and] is easy to work with," said Vice President of Student Affairs Lee Wilcox.

Stanphill leaves a prominent legacy at Tech. "Although a lot of people have contributed to the new Campus Recreation Center happening," Wilcox said, "if I had to pick one person that was instrumental in getting the new campus recreation center, I would say it's Butch."

"He has been a champion for that project for years and it's hap-



By Ayan Kishore / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Butch Stanphill has worked in the university system for the past 33 years. He is leaving next week to take a position at Clemson University.

pening now because of his leadership and his articulation of the need for that facility. So that will be a lasting monument to his presence here," he said.

Stanphill accomplished this and other things through his relationship with the students and student government.

"Butch has engendered trust from the student leadership over the years, and he's given them trust, as well," Wilcox said. When he proposes something, students know he's doing it for the good of the students, and that "Butch is a man of his word and can be trusted to deliver."

"It's hard to remember a meeting without Butch at it," said Undergraduate Student Body President Nate Watson. He said Stanphill has always valued student input and had a close working relationship with SGA.

Stanphill also said he has enjoyed working with his own staff. The one thing he would highlight from

his time here is "the staff I surrounded myself with. I can't say enough good things about them."

Hazlett said he would be happy if Stanphill could stay at least one more year, though he understands the departure.

"He brought a culture to our staff," he said. "We're nervous. Everything has changed... While we should be used to change, this isn't just an aesthetic change. It's very deep."

The search for a replacement should begin within a week, according to Wilcox. A suitable replacement candidate should be identified by January.

In the meantime, an interim director will be named soon. Hazlett said students should not see any effect of Stanphill's departure on recreation services.

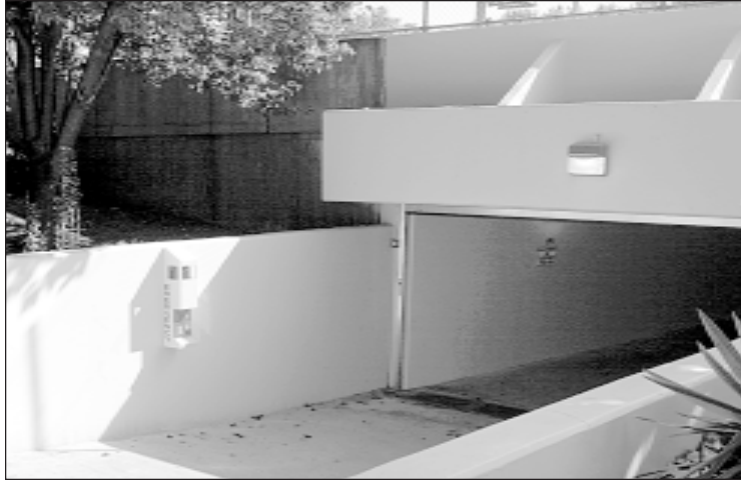
"I thank the students for the opportunity to serve them for 21 years," said Stanphill. "It has been my pleasure."

sliver box

i wish my tummy fat would go away
pop quiz, hot shot
My back is killing me and you are selfish enough to ask me to sleep
TWO to ONE bed on this campus!
I got my sober kiss :)
Auburn STILL hasn't made a touch down this season!!
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badger badger badger mushroom mushroom
hey i hope my previous entry will make it into the sliver box.... ::waits
in anticipation::
marble slab's peppermint ice cream is sooo good
Animal Mother biatch
rich folk rule - right?
gobble gobble
Thank God for the Kroger Plus Card...
3rd and thirteen and we run the ball ... why, Gailey?
Why the hell did you let that whiny ass auburn bitch even put her
sore loser ass comment in the paper?
Wow...they ALMOST beat FSU, too bad FSU woke up there
towards the end
too bad almost only counts in horseshoes and hand grenades
Ohhhh, you put that whiny ass auburn bitches comment in there so
we could rip on her sore loser ass self...nice :)
Man tech might be good if they didnt look like crap against BYU
to hell with POS printers!
HAHAHAHAHA TAKE THAT PENN ST, YOU AND YOUR
STUPID TEAMSUCK, JUST LIKE THAT ECONOMICS PROF
FROM THERE
Boo to tests all coming at the same time
at least all these freshman wont be all smiles once they take their first
few tests :)
Beware the ramming from the one called....Jarrio
Biology...memorization...getting it slowly...

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Pedestrian tunnel to close at night



By Scott Meuleners / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

The Third Street pedestrian tunnel will soon be closed at night. The GTPD believes the move will increase foot traffic at other I-75 crossing points. New call boxes have been installed and graffiti painted over.

By Haining Yiu
Contributing Writer

Traversed each day by students and staff alike as a shortcut from east campus to the outside world, the Third Street pedestrian tunnel is getting a facelift.

Located under the Downtown Connector at the corner of Hopkins and Towers, the tunnel has seen a noticeable rise in usage since the opening of Technology Square. This increased traffic has spurred the Department of Facilities and Georgia Tech Police Department to start new renovations aimed at preventing campus crime.

Many already may have noticed the trimmed shrubbery around the entrance, the working lights around and inside the tunnel and the new yellow emergency call boxes on both sides of the tunnel. The biggest change, however, is yet to come, with the installation of new gates at both ends of the tunnel.

The new gates resemble the kind of doors that shopkeepers use to protect their stores after closing. As

soon as informational signs regarding the tunnel's new hours arrive and can be posted, a police officer on duty will seal off the tunnel from 12:30 a.m. to 5:30 a.m. every night. The officer will arrive each night to personally shut the gates, and to check the area.

According to Sergeant Randy Barrone of GTPD, the idea of closing the tunnel at night isn't new.

"Years ago, the tunnel used to be closed, but it hasn't been [lately]. Now with Technology Square open, a lot of people who want to go there will use the tunnel, so they decided to close it down at night," he said.

Part of the rationale behind the closure is that the more routes there are, the less traffic there will be on each route. The fewer routes available at night, the more traffic there will be, and a more secure environment will result.

"There's always safety in numbers," Barrone said. "There's no reason to have [the tunnel] open [at night]," Barrone said. "It's another entrance to our campus besides the 10th street, 5th street and North Ave-

nue entrances."

The security gates are part of a whole set of improvements that included painting over graffiti and removing some of the urine smell in the tunnel.

Emergency call boxes have been installed just outside both entrances. These call boxes are designed to be easily noticed by their bright yellow color. Security cameras may also be installed in the future to monitor activity in and around the tunnel.

These renovations may aid in crime prevention, though "actually there hasn't been a history of crime involved with the tunnel," Barrone said. "There has been a problem keeping it clean. Some of the homeless people hang around there, and graffiti is written on the walls... that just isn't attractive."

Barrone did recommend against using the tunnel at night.

"On a personal safety issue, I would not walk there at night. Crimes seem to happen more at night," Barrone said. "Your chances of being a victim to a personal crime are greater if you use the tunnel... because there is always going to be more traffic on the other routes. [Pedestrians] are more visible [and] a tunnel is closed off [to view]."

Student opinion seems to concur with that idea.

"I wouldn't walk down there at night. The other side of the tunnel isn't exactly the best side of town," said Alissa Feucht, a resident of Harrison dorm.

"The positive: it makes it inconvenient for people to come to our campus. The negative: it makes it inconvenient for people to come to our campus," said Michael Lam, a resident of Towers dorm. "In the positive case, it keeps unwanted activity out, and possibly keeps the campus just that little bit safer, but there's still all the other ways in," he said.

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funding from the state.

"We have maintained strong momentum while others have faltered," Clough said.

"We have already taken upwards of \$25 million in cuts in our state budget and we believe we have handled them well."

"Over the past two years, we have done our best to protect the educational mission of Georgia Tech," Chameau said.

"However, the cumulative effects of several budget reductions is making this more difficult."

"In the long haul we recognize that this economic downturn will eventually give way to an upturn

"We are assessing all programs...before we can say for certain how extensive the effect of the cuts will be ..."

Jean-Lou Chameau
Provost

and holding course on important initiatives will be important," Clough said. "We want to come out on the other side of the downturn moving more briskly than any of our fellow

institutions of higher education," he said.

Chancellor Meredith has remained optimistic about the fate of the university system budget.

"We will not be defeated by these economic times," Meredith said.

The report also

included a proposal for a two percent increase for some university-specific programs.

To learn how Tech is coping with existing cuts, see *FOCUS*, page 11.

Woodruff

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Some students don't see much of a change, however.

"I would say that the food is very similar to last year," said second-year Mechanical Engineering major Albert Whiteside. He said the main differences he noticed were the "extra made-to-order lines and the tray return."

Others are satisfied with the food. "I think it's pretty good," said first-year Industrial Engineering major Summer Ienuso. "There seems to be a larger [food serving] variety as opposed to Brittain."

Both first-year Computer Science major Blake Israel and first-year Electrical Engineering major Eamon Causey said they like the food.

"The only downfall is it's in a small area," said Causey. "Maybe they could just work on the way people go in and out."

Israel agreed.

"The lines get backed up in the evenings. They should speed things up somehow," he said.

However, the downside to having made-to-order food lines, said Tice, "is it takes time. There will be lines."

While Tice said Dining Services will take a look at what can be done to minimize wait times, "I don't know that we can do a lot about that," said Tice.

Students are not the only ones going to Woodruff anymore, either. Moore said she knows several of her colleagues in Auxiliary Services who prefer to travel across campus to Woodruff to eat on their break, rather than travel the shorter distance to the Student Center Food Court, which is next door to Auxiliary Services' offices.

Tice said that she herself has eaten at Woodruff five times. "I love it; it's great!" she said.

Breaking the Bubble



A lot of things went on outside of the bubble of Georgia Tech this week. Visit www.bubble.nique.net to find links to complete articles about the stories below and other important issues.

Al Arabiya airs purported audiotape of Saddam

On Wednesday, the Arabic news network *Al Arabiya* broadcast an audiotaped statement that was supposedly made by deposed Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein. The voice demanded that all US troops evacuate Iraq or face more attacks. The tape also denounced President George W. Bush for lying about why the US removed Saddam from office in April. The Central Intelligence Agency is analyzing the tape to determine if the voice is in fact Saddam's.

Small airplane crashes into Stone Mountain

A single-engine plane crashed close to the top of Stone Mountain, 16 miles east of downtown Atlanta. The crash occurred at approximately 8 p.m. Tuesday. Officials were unsure of where the plane was coming from or where it was going, and the exact number of people aboard was also unknown. Witnesses claimed that the plane seemed to be attempting acrobatic moves before crashing and bursting into flame. Debris was scattered around the side of the mountain opposite the famous carved memorial. Rescuers recovered one body from the crash site Tuesday.

US vetoes UN resolution condemning Israel

On Tuesday, the United States vetoed a United Nations resolution condemning Israel's recent threat to remove Yasser Arafat, the Palestinian Authority President. 11 out of the 15 Security Council members voted in favor of the resolution. Germany, Britain and Bulgaria abstained from voting. The resolution, proposed by Sudan and Syria, came on the heels of a statement by a leading Israeli cabinet member implying that Israel might try to kill the Palestinian leader. Another official quickly denied that. Last week, the Israeli Security Council decided to expel Arafat from office in principle because the Israeli government blames Arafat for not attempting to stop recent deadly terrorist attacks on Israelis.

Swedish foreign minister stabbed while shopping

A man was arrested Tuesday in connection to the murder of Anna Lindh, Sweden's foreign minister. Police have taken the samples of the suspect's DNA and will compare it to DNA taken from a baseball cap found near the crime scene in a Stockholm, Sweden mall. The suspect has not been named, but officials called him a 35-year old drifter. Police still want to question at least five other people about the crime. Lindh, Sweden's most popular public official and strong proponent of European integration, was stabbed repeatedly last Wednesday. She died from blood loss after 10 hours of surgery. A memorial service is scheduled for today.

Theta Xi wins Red Cross award

By Daniel Amick
News Editor

On Tuesday, Theta Xi fraternity was awarded for its efforts in donating blood platelets to the American Red Cross.

Donating platelets is a lengthy two-hour process that involves removing blood through one needle, filtering out platelets and returning the blood to the donor with a second needle.

In a celebration attended by Red Cross CEO Marsha Johnson Evans, Deans Karen Boyd and Stephanie Ray, and Buzz, Jeff Smith and Theta Xi were inducted into the Baxter Donation Hall of Fame.

Smith has been responsible for organizing a Greek Week with the Red Cross for the last three years. During this week, various Greek organizations compete to see which can donate the most. Alum Jon Jones first organized the event.

Red Cross employee Lynn Smith, who nominated Theta Xi for the national award, said Tech was "the best school period" when it comes



By Scott Meuleners / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Buzz looks on as a Theta Xi donates platelets after Tuesday's ceremony. The procedure takes so long that donors watch movies to pass the time.

to consistent donations. The award is "a big thing," said Shaw.

Theta Xi's history with the Red Cross goes back to 1994, when alum Ed Shaw first donated. Shaw flew in from Kansas to be present for the ceremony and to make another platelet donation.

Smith said the entire effort was

"an awesome, awesome thing."

"We're very passionate about this," he said. This year, the Greek Week competition will expand to include Greek organizations from the University of Georgia.

Blood platelets are used to help treat cancer patients, especially young children.

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that the events will continue to enjoy the success that the "Georgia Tech Night at Six-Flags" did.

Before ending her report, DiSabatino also requested that members of the House fill out surveys that would be used by Barons in their most recent books aimed at giving high school seniors an idea of what to expect of Georgia Tech campus life.

The House then addressed an allocation bill giving a little over a \$1000 to a new sorority on campus for ads it planned to purchase in the *Technique* to encourage membership. The sorority representative reported to the members of the House that they had just recently been accepted to the Panhellenic Council and that because of the council's guidelines for all sororities, this would be a one-time need.

The bill was then passed by the House with only four reps voting

against it.

A bill authored and proposed by President Nate Watson was then moved into Old Business. The bill was an appointment bill naming Ben Lawder as a Senior Representative. The House passed the bill with a unanimous vote after a small discussion.

Representatives then addressed an allocation bill for this tonight's Ramblin' Nights' "Vegas Night." The event will take place at the Student Center from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Residence Hall Association Representative Ryan Spanier told members about the wide range of venues that the night would offer students.

There will be talents like a Sinatra-styled singer, show-girls (fully clothed) with the high-rollers, roaming jugglers and a magician, caricature artists drawing for free and, beginning at 10:30 p.m., a hypnotist in the Ferst Center.

In addition, just outside of the

Student Center a climbing wall will be set up, along with a number of inflatables and other attractions for students.

The Casino housed in the Student Center will be the main attraction, however, offering multiple roulette, craps, poker and blackjack tables. There will also be video games for the more electronically inclined; *Halo*, *NCAA Football* and *Basketball* will all be supported in a multi-person gaming environment for up to 12 people. On top of all of that, the third floor of the Student Center will offer an all-night swing dance for students.

Once discussion began, the allocation bill was amended from its original amount to \$3,500. After some brief discussion on this bill, Ben Lawder expressed his opinion that it was important to follow up Six-Flags with continued events for the students. The House then voted to approve the amended allocation.

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