Close graduate vote prompts VP runoff

By Daniel Amick
Assistant News Editor

In one of the closest elections in gradu-
ate SGA history, Pelham Norville nar-
rowly defeated Yasser Bhatti to take the grad-
uate presidency this week, while Robin
Bechtle and Roy Fur-
bank, candidates for
the vice presidential
race, both received 50
percent of the vote.

Norville has
served as a graduate student for the last
two years. He has worked with ORGT
and serves as chair of the Ferst Center’s
Student Advisory Board. During his pres-
idency, Norville plans to improve the
quality of health, bus and food service
and increase awareness of programs of-
fered by the Institute.

The selection continued with the results from the spring break
referendum. Although voters want-
ed a change, they couldn’t decide how
much of a change they wanted. Moving
break one or two weeks each received
35 percent of the vote.

Undergraduate presidential and vice
presidential candi-
dates squared off in a
debate Tuesday morn-
ing in front of the
Campanile. As a small
crowd of spectators looked on, each can-
didate made a last-minute pitch for sup-
port before voting started Wednesday.

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Parking plans permit renumbering for summer

By Tony Klumpe
News Editor

Over two years after Tech host-
ed the first meeting dedicated to a
schoolwayfinding plan, the De-
partment of Parking and Transpor-
tation announced earlier this month
that it would be the first to imple-
ment parts of the plan this summer.

In accordance with the plan, Park-
ing plans to begin renumbering all
of the permit parking lots across
the campus.

The renumbering process, which
is set to be completed by Aug. 1, will
divide the campus into an east and
west section with Atlantic Drive act-
ing as the midpoint.

According to interim Parking
Director Allen Corry, the new per-
mit numbers will follow the east/
west pattern. “What we’re doing with
the wayfinding is changing the
permit parking areas to coincide with
the side of campus they [the lots]
on,” said Corry.

Under the plan, instead of hav-
ing A, B and R lots, the lot numbers
will begin with an E or W followed
by a actual number, which is deter-
mained by the quadrant of campus
in which the lot is located.

“The numbers are broken down into four quadrants with the num-
bers ranging from 1-80,” said Corry.

If the area is currently labeled as
residential, an R will be placed after
the E or W to denote this fact.

Corry sees many advantages to
the new numbering scheme. “I think
it will be easier to identify because
of the nature of them being broken
down into different zones, depend-
ing on which side of campus they are located,” said Corry.

Estimates show that the project
could cost up to $100,000. “The
cost to replace just the signs
themselves is between $80,000 and
$100,000,” said Corry. “And that
just the beginning.”

However, Corry is quick to point
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SAC releases finalized plans for summer ’03

By Daniel Amick
Assistant News Editor

Phase 1 of the state-of-the-art
Campus Recreation Center, formerly
known as SAC II, will open Aug. 4,
2003. In addition, the Fuller Calla-
yard Student Athletic Complex will be
clarified of asbestos and demol-
ished to allow completion of Phase
II in July 2004.

Between May 2 and August 4,
students will be without a central-
xerized exercise locale on campus.

Director of Campus Recreation Butch
Stanphill has been working to de-
velop replacement facilities.

“We don’t want people not to
work out,” said Stanphill earlier this
semester. “What we want to do is
offer students alternatives.”

A free shuttle service will trans-
port students from the Student Cen-
ter and Coliseum to the Georgia
State University Rec Center Mon-
day through Friday. The O’Keefe
Gymnasium will offer free weights,
pin-selected machines, and cardio
equipment. Floors in the新鲜
man Gym will be open and showers
will be open in the Wardlaw Weight
Room. A brochure and website out-
lining the changes are available. For
specific information, see www.sac2.
gatech.edu or e-mail membership@sac.gatech.edu.

Some campus recreation pro-
grams will be affected by the clo-
sure. Options classes will be limited and summer camps have been can-
celled. Outdoor Recreation and In-
tramurals will not be affected.

“Everything we have inside
[SAC], we’re going to try to provide
somewhere else on campus, or at
Georgia State,” said Stanphill.

Some 2,000 people use SAC each
day during the fall and spring, but
the number drops off substantially
in the summer.

Registration for summer underway

Summer 2003 registration for contin-
uing students began March
19 and ends April 1 at 4:30 p.m.
Fall 2003 registration begins April
9 and ends April 22.

Time tickets for fall will be as-
signed after summer registration is
complete.

Clough, WIST to hold discussion

President Clough and the Women in
Science and Technology (WIST) pro-
gram will hold a discussion Fri-
day from 2:3-4 p.m. at the Alumi
House on North Avenue. The dis-
ussion is entitled “The Next Fifty
Years of Women at Tech.” Students,
faculty, staff and alumni are encour-
aged to attend.

A Fifty Years of Women at Tech
Celebration will also be held Friday
night at the Sheraton Buckhead
Hotel. The Celebration will honor
“fifty-firsts,” those women who blazed
the trail for the next fifty years of
women at Tech.

The reception begins at 6:30.
Dinner begins at 7:30. Atlanta Mayor
Shirley Franklin, Atlanta’s first fe-
male mayor, is scheduled to appear
at the event.

Simpsons producer to speak April 3

The Simpsons producer Mike Reis
will visit Tech Thursday, April 3.
Reis will present “a lecture on ev-
everything Simpsons” in the Student
Center Ball Room 7. 8:30 p.m. The
presentation is sponsored by the Stu-
dent Center Programs Council.
Parking out that the numbering is basically the only thing changing about the current system. “There really aren’t going to be any changes in the actual spaces themselves,” said Corry. “Every lot will be divided the same as it is now.”

The one major change that Parking plans to introduce next fall is to restructure Peter’s Parking Deck so that the lower level is no longer considered residential. “So we are going to have that gate open in the evening and on the weekends, which will give people with permits elsewhere a place to park on east campus in the evening with permits elsewhere a place to park on east campus in the evening.”

In addition, Parking plans to continue to allow permit holders to park in non-residential areas after 5 p.m. and on weekends. Since the changes will be in place for fall semester, students should notice the new numbering plan when they begin registering for parking next month. “When you register we will have both the old number and the new number that will take its place so it won’t be difficult to identify what you want,” said Corry. Although the new numbering may allow a better sense of campus direction, some students wonder if the cost is really worth it. “They are spending almost $100,000 just to replace signs that don’t really need replacing,” said third year HTS major Alyssa Ribie- ro. “I think they should save the money and make parking cheaper.” However, according to Corry the wayfinding plan doesn’t involve just Parking. “This goes way above Parking,” said Corry. “It’s basically a campus-wide initiative.”

Elections Presidential candidates Ben Lawder, Nate Watson and Calvin John Yu fielded a variety of questions about their leadership achievements, their ideas for improving student life, and the president’s role. “I want to empower the students,” said Yu. “I’m here to make SGA a tool for the students.” “I will be the president who works for you,” said Watson. “SGA is not the place for politics,” said Lawder. “The president’s role is to improve the experience at Tech.”

Candidates also offered opinions on whether student government should render opinions on national issues. This question was prompted by an international student resolution considered by the Undergraduate House and the Graduate Senate. Watson and Yu both said that national issues shouldn’t necessarily be considered, while Lawder said that consideration of the international student resolution was appropriate.

Vice presidential candidates Mike Handelman, Danny Puckett and Chris Rankine answered questions about parking, drop day and the state of communication between students and their representatives.

Rankine advocated SGA and “cutting away the red tape.” “SGA is not an organization to sit around and wait for problems to solve themselves,” said Puckett, who argued for a drop day later in the semester. “We need to make sure we have the best Undergraduate House possible,” said Handelman, who promised office hours and leadership training for House members. Voting ends at 4 p.m. today.
Relays at the Tigers’ Rock Norman
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teams combined for nine event vic-
fying performances by the Georgia
Number of NCAA Regional quali-
21-2 for this season.
of the Georgia Tech baseball team
The numbers of the overall record
state of Georgia. The 9-1 win Tues-
Number of seconds left on the clock
when sophomore B.J. Elder sank
an eight-foot basket to seal the 79-
78 victory in the Iowa Hawkeyes.
“I knew it was going in,” Elder said
of the shot. “I had confidence all
the time it was going to drop for
me, and it did.”

47-8
The numbers of the overall record
of the Georgia Tech baseball team
since 1999 against teams from the
state of Georgia. The 9-1 win Tues-
day over Mercer made the Jackets
21-2 for this season.

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Number of NCAA Regional quali-
fyng performances by the Georgia
Tech Track and Field Teams. The
teams combined for nine event vic-
tories last weekend at the Clemson
Relays at the Tigers’ Rock Norman
Track Complex.

Red Raiders rob Tech’s NYC trip
Sophomore B.J. Elder and fresh-
mans Chris Bosh each threw in 21
points a piece, but couldn’t push
the Jackets over the top in their semi-
final loss to the Texas Tech Red
Raiders.
With the NIT tournament, the
Jackets made their sixteenth post-
season tournament appearance in
20 years. They had subbed Big
Ten foe Ohio State 72-58 in their
first-round game, and took a dra-
matic 79-78 victory over Iowa on
Monday, but lost to Texas Tech 80-

“Let’s get ready to go
to New York.”
Bob Knight
Head Coach of Texas Tech

NCAA tourney cut short for Tech
The Georgia Tech women’s bas-
ketball team suffered a tough loss
Saturday in the first round of the
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ment. This was the first time since
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invited to the Big Dance.

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ready for it to be over.
We’re not ready for
this to be it.”
Agnus Berenato
Women’s Head Coach

Jackets Ice Hockey
to face UGA at
Philips Arena
The Georgia Tech Ice Hockey
team will take on UGA Friday night
at Philips Arena in downtown At-
lanta. The Jackets will be looking
to avenge their Dec. 1 loss to UGA.
Students can pick up tickers valued
at $36 for only $18, which includes
each of the Thrashers game and the
Tech game following. The Thrash-
ers are taking on New Jersey at 7:30
PM and the Tech team will begin at
10 PM.

Nickeas Invited to
USA National
Team Trials
Georgia Tech sophomore catcher
Mike Nickeas is one of the first
eight collegiate players invited to
participate in the 2003 USA Base-
ball National Team Trials that
will be held June 21-27 in Tucson,
Ariz.
The USA National Team will
be selected from a pool of 35 play-
ers, of which an additional 27 have
yet to be determined.
USA Baseball’s final selection of
the athletes, which will be the team
representing the USA at the 2003
Pan Am Games, is subject to the
approval of the United States Olym-
pic Committee. The official team
roster will be determined and an-
nounced on June 27. Nickeas is
Georgia Tech’s leading hitter in
his third year as a starter at first base.
He has helped the second-ranked
Yellow Jackets to a 21-2 record.

Tech’s Gymnastics
team wins Gym
Jacket Classic
The Georgia Tech gymnastics

The freshman guard from Marietta, Megan Harper played good minutes
against Virginia Tech. She has been a consistent contributor this season.

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Virginia Tech’s Carrie Mason
hit a game-winning layup with 1.1
seconds left to pull the Hokies over
the Jackets 61-59.
Really we didn’t have anything
designed,” Mason said about her
final score. “Nobody stepped up,
and I had the layup. Fortunately, it
told me.”

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By The Gooley / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS
Tickets to the game against UGA at
Philips Arena will be discounted
to $15 for Tech Hockey Alumni.

To enter email the Sports Editor at
sports@technique.gatech.edu with
the correct answer to the challenge.
A winner will be selected from among
the qualified entries. The winner
will receive a pair of tickets to an
Atlanta Thrashers home game, where
admission is always $8 for a seat in
the $36 section with a student ID.
Visit www.atlantathrashers.com
for more info on college nights.
Mason’s winning shot came after she drove past Alex Stewart, the Jackets’ best on-ball defender. “Basically, I was trying to body up with her,” Stewart said after the game. “I didn’t want to foul her, and I gave her too much space and she hit the shot.”

The Hokies led the entire first half by as many as 10 points but were hurt repeatedly by turnovers and fouls. Virginia Tech pulled out a victory, despite being out-rebounded 15-6 on the offensive glass and surrendering 23 points off turnovers to the Tech team.

The Lady Jackets pulled within one point at the half, and took its first lead on two straight baskets at the start of the second period by Stewart, who finished with 10 points.

Tech had one final try to tie the game, but Fallon Stokes’ shot off an inbounds play was off the mark at the buzzer.

“Everybody’s going to remember the last play,” Tech coach Agnus Berenato said, “but the game didn’t come down to the last play. The game was a game of possessions. Any possession could have changed the outcome of the game.”

Stokes led the Lady Jackets with 25 points and added five rebounds and three steals.

The Hokies managed just three field goals in the game’s final 7:21. Two of those were 3-pointers from Kublina and Chrystal Starling that broke a 53-53 tie.

Tech’s press kept the game tight all the way to the end and a Hokie turnover brought about a game-tying basket from Stokes with 19 seconds left. Then came Mason’s game-winner.

“If the Jackets had made the final four of the National Invitation Tournament, it would have been for the first time since 1971.”

remaining in the game.

After the game, Knight spoke to the fans, and honored the seniors on the team.

He also observed Jack Dale, who has been calling Texas Tech basketball games on the radio for 50 years and is retiring after the season. Dale had told Knight earlier in the season that he had never been to Madison Square Garden

“So that’s a hell of an anniversary present,” Knight said to the crowd and to Dale. “Let’s get ready to go to New York.”

If the Jackets had made the final four of the Owens Corning National Invitation Tournament, it would have been for the first time since 1971.
Clough gives squirrels 48 hour ultimatum

By George Bush
The Saga Continues

On Thursday, President G. Wayne Clough gave squirrel leader Furry Hussein 48 hours to leave campus because of his terrorist activities. The regime of evil, and doers of evil must be vaporized with high explosives. Clough has turned his attention to Furry. A defiant Furry Hussein appeared on GTCN shortly after the President’s address. The mustached squirrel officer slightly wounded the tower building that left some 575’s squirrels dead and one GTPD officer slightly wounded.

As everyone knows, evil-doers are evil-doers, and doers of evil must be vaporized...

G. Wayne Clough
Institute President

SGA plans winter break vote

By Bo-Bi the Wonder Chimp
Yes, I am a really big dork

Students outraged by the fact that winter break actually takes place during the winter will now have an outlet for their frustrations. SGA recently announced a referendum to not only move spring break, but winter break as well.

The referendum would move winter break from late December to early January. If the referendum passes, the Spring Break will be moved to early February.

“I’d just like to thank whoever came up with this idea,” said Eric, a junior majoring in Computer Science. “Finally, we can have a break during the winter months.”

“October’s got a holiday. Halloween—it’s just as important!”

Nate Watson
SGA Vice President

Most students are split on the issue. “I think it would be a great idea for students,” said junior C. S. major Benjamin Bill. “There’s so much more to do in October than in December. There’s football, there’s the holidays, there’s Christmas...”

Balls wins surprising presidential victory

By Ima Dumass
Yep! I’m a dumbs

An obscure candidate with no previous student government experience trumped the opposition in this week’s SGA elections. Presidential candidate Balls Licks Birds captured the top spot with more than 90 percent of the vote.

Speaking at a victory rally outside the Student Center Friday, Balls expressed his recent appearance of certain signs around campus for his strong showing. “I graduated, in part, SGA Licks Birds,” he said.

“I’d just like to thank whoever put up those amazing signs,” said Balls. “You misspelled my first name, but I’m convinced that you still helped me immensely.”

Without your support, the Ball campaign almost surely would have ended in failure. As a result of supporters chanted “Go Licks Birds!” and “We love Licks Birds!” the President-elect outlined his goals for the future.

“Administrators might try to come up with alternatives to my plans, but in the end, they won’t be able to resist Licks Birds,” he shouted.

By Max P. / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Anti-SGA signs posted around campus last week at the beginning of campaigning led to a surprise presidential victory for Licks Birds. All three official candidates were stunned by the outcome.
WE FIX IT

da' Nique • Tuesday, April 1, 2003 •

Classes from page 1
gre or something,” said Bloom.
M ost engineering students were
outraged by the decision. “I can’t
believe they get to take these first-
grade level classes,” said junior
ChemE major Willy B. Hardigan.
“I truly feel degrading the value
of a Tech degree.”
However, other students realize
that this increase in useless, easier
classes could lead to the introduc-
tion of new majors such as jour-
nalism, which would thus bring more
females to campus. “I’m for any-
thing that may increase the amount
of females on campus,” said fresh-
man CE major Iwana Gatsom.
Currently there are no plans to
change the names of the majors
within the two college; however, Rosser
does not rule out that option.
“I wouldn’t be surprised if in the
very near future we didn’t just reor-
ganize the whole college as the new-
est liberal arts school in the state,”
said Rosser.

Balls from page 1
“Balls will be everywhere for the
students,” he said, in Bob-Dole-like
language. “Balls will be in the theo-
rms, in the dining halls, in the class-
room. My motto is ‘Wherever you look,
you’ll see Balls.’ ”
“The signs were really a brilliant
piece of marketing,” said Ball’s
brother and campaign manager,
Harry Ball. “It’s a campaign strat-
ey worthy of Karl Rove. I wish I’d
thought of it. The idea of linking a
name with an organization is revo-
lutionary.”
Balls’s opponents reacted with
dismay.
“I really thought I’d be able to
beat Ball,” said presidential can-
didate Nate Watson. “It just goes to
show what a pair of Balls can do in
this world.”
“I thought I was the darkhorse,
but I never expected to get slapped
in the face by Balls,” said candidate
Calvin Yu.
“I don’t think Lick ever stood
behind Tiffany M assey nodding as
she announced her initiatives,” said
Ben Lawder.
“Students must have seen so many
campaign signs that they began to
associate SGA with Lick N. Balls. When they saw his name on the
ballot, voters were naturally drawn
to him. I know I was,” said support-
er Lucy Balack.
The signs are also believed to
have played a pivotal role in the
victory of candidate P.J. Worthless,
who scored an unprecedented win in the
vice-presidential race. In an inter-
view earlier Friday, Worthless was
ectic.
“That one sign, ‘SGA=worthless,”
was terrific,” said Worthless. “It was
much better than the slogans I came
up with: ‘Worthless Works’ and
‘Worthless Actions Speak Louder
than Worthless Words.”
About 97 percent of students
voted between Wed. and Fri. This
was the highest voter turnout since
legendary Mike Oxbig seized victo-
ry in the 1973 elections.

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www.nique.net/sliver

I have a great idea! how about
SGA stops taking our money
and lets us spend on what we
want, how we want. student
activity fee my butt.
hand holding is not that big of
deal
SGA should be formed by a
group of randomly selected stu-
dents
They’ll tell you when the war is
over. Now turn the channel to
the basketball game, you hoser.
George P. Burdell’s teaching
CHE 4505 this summer and
CHE 3225 in the fall - totally
awesome, people can finally learn
from the master who knows
everything! Check it out on
OSCAR!
are sloppy seconds really all that
bad? I didnt think so
you have to come to the com-
mittee meeting... to pay Amish
to your cause!
HALO tourney... yea go SGA
finally something worthwhile
Earthlink SUCKS
Regents exam sucks sucky sucky...
M an i miss gumbo
webcam +girlfriend +netmeeting = happy happy joy joy
is oil really worth that many
dead Iraqi civilians?
I wo people can put up 15 fly-
ers and get a front page story?
M ust be a slow newsweek.
If you have time to make flyers
calling a campus organiza-
tion: You need to get laid bud-
dy.
Sean is the worst TA in the
world
Sean needs an attitude adjust-
ment. You know the lobotomy
kind
Buu make mean boy dead
Buu make mean Sean dead
1770 is the worst class ever
Oh yeah it sucks
is the person who reads these
diversaguy or agin?1tagirl are
you cute?
I’m sorry ladies, but if you wear
short shorts with something
written on your ass, you’re go-
ing to catch me reading your
ass
Trillian finally workd!! yay for
stupid me getting it working
H ugraduate student. It’sthelaw.
Squirrels from page 1

mass destruction. Clough believes that Furry could use these weapons or hand them over to rogue squirrel elements. But so far, he has not been able to convince everyone. He faces resistance from student protestors and some administrators, most notably Provost Jean-Lou Chameau.

"Furry is so cute and cuddly. If ze precedent proceeds wis dis criminal action, I will veto him," said Chameau.


"Vive la France!" shouted Chameau. Clough then threatened to label Chameau an evil-doer, and Chameau conceded the point.

Student opinion is also divided. "I was there last year when those furry bastards attacked," said junior Rand Omguy. "You can’t imagine the scene; little grey blurs streaking down from the trees, taking out innocent students left and right. It was horrible. We can’t let that happen again."

"Imagine all the people and squirrels living life in peace," said sophomore John Lennon. "You may say I’m a dreamer, but I’m not the only one."

During the President’s speech, the campus-wide squirrel terrorist alert level was raised from high-medium deep topaz to medium-high aquamarine. Some officials believe that terrorist squirrels might launch suicide attacks at Stinger buses and golf-carts. "There’s a real threat that squirrel sleeper cells will try to launch attacks at the start of any campaign," said Senior Associate Dean Karen Boyd. Boyd led the recent effort to capture Khalid Squirrel Mohammed, alleged mastermind of the Hightower attack. Along with Mohammed, Boyd’s agents discovered dozens of fake BuzzCards and video tapes of squirrel scouting operations.

If extended hand-to-paw combat does break out, it could wreak havoc on the civilian squirrel population. Auxiliary Services is planning to launch a massive humanitarian relief operation to help non-combatant squirrels. There is also concern that once Furry Hussein is removed, long-suppressed ethnic violence could erupt between tree and ground squirrels.

Due to the overwhelming demand for on-campus housing next year, the Department of Housing has purchased several temporary rooms to facilitate the students’ needs. To reserve one for the fall semester of next year, call the Housing office at 894-2470.
Shaft News to replace D a ‘Nique

By Ivana Hump

Administrators announced last week that in order to make budget cuts, the budgets for all of student publications would be eliminated. According to Institute President G. Wayne Clough, the money that had funded the five student publications will now be used at the administration’s discretion.

“I really didn’t see the need for student publications at this point,” said Clough. “I mean Shaft News is so much funnier and they basically do everything at no cost to us.”

Therefore after making the announcement that student publications would be cut, Clough announced that Shaft News would be replacing the da ‘Nique as the official newspaper for the student body.

Most students felt that the change was needed. “I mean who really reads the da ‘Nique,” said sophomore economics major H. any Pecker. “Shaft News is really the south’s liveliest college newspaper, it was just an inevitable thing to happen. Plus the money can be used to fund the new positions at SAC II without raising student activity fees.”

According to Clough, the need for the change became even more evident when the da ‘Nique editors were forced to ask the editors of Shaft News to write for the da ‘Nique. April 1, April Fool’s Day.

“Once it was evident the real editors couldn’t even come up with enough ideas to humorously criticize the campus and its leaders, the beginning of the end was near,” said Clough.

The editors of Shaft News have been contacted and were more than happy to accept Clough’s offer. However, they still plan to remain anonymous. “We can’t wait to move into the da ‘Nique’s phat pad,” said Shaw.

In the past few months students have visited the Shaft News site by the thousands. Due to the popularity of the new publication, President Clough announced that next year Shaft News would replace da ‘Nique.

GT Lorraine now “freedom campus”

By Kinda Blurry

Not a News writer

In an expression of patriotic fervor, President Clough, working with ECE coordinators, decided to move the popular GT Lorraine study abroad program to Switzerland to protest France’s blatant non-cooperation with the United States.

“We thought changing the name of French fries to freedom fries was such a good idea that we decided to take it one step further,” said Clough. “Changing the name of the Lorraine program wasn’t enough. We wanted to totally break ties with France.”

“Switzerland,” added another professor, “was a natural choice. They’ve never been controversial, so we figured we would anger the least amount of people by choosing it as the location of the new GT Lorraine.”

Other possible choices for the program location were: Luxembourg, Finland, and Bangladesh.

ECE students were lobbying for Finland. Ben Dover, who will be studying at the program this summer, said, “Finland supposedly has all those hot chicks. Although Swiss girls,” he conceded, “aren’t all that bad, either. Either way, they definitely don’t have as big an attitude problem as those French whores.”

When asked why they considered Bangladesh, the only non-European country on the possible list, administrators shrugged and said, “Hey not? It sounds cool. That’s as good a reason as any.”

The program directors in France were initially incensed by the decision, but their anger soon turned to indifference. Dr. François M. alain, GTL’s French contact, was quoted saying, “Oh well. So much for education. Any Frenchman knows that good food is more important, anyway.”

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Break

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break, if approved, would come into effect this N ovember. When asked if this would mean that students would not only forfait break in December, but also the Miss D hi-ber break, the administration’s sony comment was, “Students should think of these things beforehand. It’s not our job to force students to act responsibly.”

At first, students felt the report must have been false, and gave no

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Housing nazis make new smoking plans

By John Stuart Mill

Yes, I am a dork

This week, the Department of Housing announced plans for brutal enforcement of the new ban on smoking in residence halls.

“We’re not completely heartless,” said Director of Housing Mike Black. “As you can see, the majority has vanished and the public has been made to recognize its own error.”

If a student is caught smoking in a dorm room next fall, punishment will increase in severity in relation to the violation.

“We fear that this business will be difficult to judge. The new enforcement procedures will be a multi-tiered system with punishment increasing in severity in relation to the violation. If punishment becomes more severe, stocks and pillories will be installed outside each residence hall and apartment. Violators will be locked up and displayed to the public for a period of 24-72 hours. These deviants will serve as an example to the population as a whole. The most important action for us to take is to protect the Stingers,” said President Wayne Clough.

“We’re not in a democracy for the majority. Resistance is futile. You must comply.”

A hoe to be exact

By Ima Tool

In light of the increased level of national security, Georgia Tech is taking every step possible to ensure the safety of its students. The administration is pulling out all the stops in keeping students safe, reaching never-before-seen heights of alertness.

“Remember the days when just anyone could walk onto the Stinger at the corner of Bobby Dodd and Techwood?” said new security guard Theodore Ansley. “Thanksto the metal detectors and X-ray machines installed at each stop, we will no longer have to fear just anyone using the bus.”

Administrators hope to keep this type of terrorist activity from happening again on the Stinger. Extensive background checks could soon be set up before students are allowed to ride the bus system around campus.

However, some students are out-raged at the inconvenience caused by the new security measures. “Just the other day, I was told I couldn’t get on the bus—after I’d been waiting for an hour!” said sophomore CS major Ron Johnson. “I can’t think of what was wrong— all I had was my backpack with me.”

“Terrorists have won!” he added.
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OUR VIEWS Consensus Opinion

War on squirrels

This week marks the beginning of President Clough’s promised war on the squirrels. Although many on campus do not understand the politics behind the war, we here at the Technique are always ready to supply a conspiracy theory. The squirrels have some information that Clough has worked his entire life to keep underground, including the secret behind his lustrous beard. In order to keep the info hidden, Clough is banning the squirrels from campus.

Although other theories, including the fact that Clough is using the war as a way to get profits for his long-time supporters in Auxiliary Services, have surfaced, the evidence stacks up in favor of the idea that the squirrels are blackmailing Clough.

The most disturbing part of this whole situation is how Clough is trying to turn this back on the multilateral solutions proposed by the Board of Regents. Despite the fact that both Georgia State and Kennesaw are aligned with the Institute, the majority of schools in the University System of Georgia are opposed to the plan, no doubt because of Clough’s condescending and supremacist attitude.

Before moving so brazenly to execute a war against the admittedly troublesome and dangerous squirrel coalition, Clough should have looked for more peaceful diplomatic solutions that were satisfactory to the USG community. Without the support and connections that these other institutions offer, Tech will be unable to maintain our superpower status among universities.

Another interesting facet of the situation is the campus response to the potential violence. While many students are horrified by the idea of killing innocent squirrels while trying to get at Fuzzy the Squirrel, others are almost totally apathetic. Campus response has been ambivalent at best. Perhaps we here at Tech should take more interest in the world around us and support the squirrels by starting a chapter of the Albino Squirrel Preservation Society.

Either way, Tech students should become informed about the issue and make sure that they let Clough, the Board of Regents, and their SG A representative (yeah, right, like they can do anything about it) know their opinion. It is only when we students make our opinions known that change can happen.

The Issue of the Week: French-speaking students

By Matt Norris / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Uncle Sam US Propaganda

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Elections over, but here's some commentary

Jack B. Nimble
Political Beat Reporter

I was excited to see Lawver’s website that I had the option of making a campaign contribution via my credit card, online, through Pay Pal (the same way you pay for stuff on E-Bay). I was really sweatsuiting bullets a few weeks ago. I wasn’t going to be able to buy my candidate like they do in the real world.

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RHA does not seem to care about the university websites, which are done much better than done. I am talking about none other than M E N S Awareness Night.

M A N, men need help

I am writing to encourage all of Tech’s male readers (and even those who aren’t male) to join me as I attempt to start a movement here at Tech, I am talking about none other than M E N S Awareness Night.

I decided the time had come that wasn’t recognizing the other gender that makes up campus.

En men need a place that we can come together and just be ourselves without having to justify our beer-guzzling, crotch-grabbing, sexist behavior to others. Or if we just need to cry.

To begin with, I want to tell you about all the trouble I have been coming up with a name for this event. I started off with the idea of calling it M E N S Awareness Night but decided that the acronym for this, MAM, would make people think of mammaries, or breasts, hence defeating the purpose of making the campus more sensitive and supportive of men. I then thought of the idea of making it M E N S Awareness Lunar Cycle but one of my more enlightened male friends brought it to my attention that the lunar cycle is what regulates the female period who (know why?). Finally, I settled on M E N S Awareness Night with its very appropriate acronym of M A N.

It was after struggling with this decision that I decided I would establish a committee to organize and help reorganize men’s lives. The biggest problem right now is not making a campaign contribution, what do you think we need money for? Just make the whole thing BYOB, and you have no problem.

We’d like, massive binge drinking is not the only think I have planned for M A N, I was planning to plan with my gotta be able to at least

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WHO CARES?

孝子 B. N. imble here, back for another turn at poking and prodding the SGA candidates. Here be a few more thoughts on this year’s candidates.

One thing I have noticed is how little Auxiliary Services really is.” Can possibly be. Have you had a chance to see how little Auxiliary Services really is?” Can possibly be. Have you had a chance to see what the candidates have to offer? I mean, we’re talking about why we don’t have more assistant, apparently didn’t get the memo about the professional debate? I was a bit surprised to see that, as I sized up looking like a construction foreman, in jeans and a button-down shirt, while the rest of the candidates were in full suits. I guess all the power mongers feel the need to wear nice clothes.

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MAN from page 9

one showing of Hugh G. Rection’s “The Penis Monologue” followed by a discussion session called the Testicular DiLogues. To start in the play and to run these sessions, we would need to recruit some many men, like hockey players and Richard Simmons.

The major initiative of MAN, however, is the opening of the Men’s Resource Center and advanced planning and fundraising for the Men’s Awareness Caucus. It is only through these continual efforts that we men will receive the attention we deserve.

For example, men make up 67% of this campus, yet we are always talking about women’s bathrooms. It is about putting some of those touchless ones in the men’s bathrooms!

So, as you can see, I have thought about all of this out very well, but I cannot accomplish my goals without the help of all my classmates.

I think of all the things we have to bond over: ratio, TBS, sorority girls, hot women at other colleges, the benefits of girls drunk, how much joining a fraternity will help you get laid. Of course, I wasn’t the only one to think men talk about.

We also discuss women and sometimes how much Tech sucks. So, join my initiative to make Tech a more manly place.

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For more information on this and other men’s events, see the Burry section of this week’s Technique.

Classroom controversies: A professor speaks out

“I know that most of us don’t care about students; the question is how do we ensure that they understand their place?”

Dr. Art Vandelay
Professor, College of Arch.

My name is Art Vandelay, and I am a professor of Architecture here at Tech. I would like to respond to Jen’ Hinkel’s column “Classroom Controversies” in the Technique. As a professor, I feel it necessary to remind students that you have nothing to do with the reason that I and most of my colleagues are here. Keep in mind, my first and foremost mission in life is to do anything but teach your class. You students are doing nothing but distracting me from that mission.

My advice to students: If you want to be cool, go to UGA, better yet, transfer into the Ivan Allen College. Those two places have plenty of professors too incompetent to do research so they are, of course, interested in undergraduate education.

The rest of this column will be dedicated to giving advice to my peers in the faculty. I know that most of us don’t care about students; the question is how do we ensure that they understand their place? I have a few very simple suggestions.

First, make your priority system clear on the first day of class by saying something like this: “If you are having trouble in this course, I suggest you start by consulting your book. If you can’t find the answer, then talk to the TA for this course. If that doesn’t work, your last resort should be to talk to God. Do not ever contact me about this course.” This way, you are both making yourself clear and giving your students options.

Second, when you return tests, be sure to demoralize your students. Be sure to mention that you curve down but that you’ve never had to do this in all your years of teaching. Say things like, “I see these are the worst tests I have ever seen.” Then, throw them in the trash and walk disgusted out of the room.

One neat trick I pick up from another professor here is to write two phone numbers up on the board on the day you are returning tests. Start out by explaining to your class that people may not have done as well as they expected to. Say that the numbers on the board are places where they can get help. When your class asks you what the numbers are for, tell them that they are numbers for DeVry and Georgia Southern because you think they should transfer.

Finally, be sure to keep your average GPA as low as possible. If possible, something below a 2.0 is best because then you are failing more people than you are passing. If you keep that average, students will avoid your classes like the plague, meaning that you can spend more time doing whatever the hell you want. Help see men more! If you announce that your aim is to give your class the shaft in the beginning, most of them will drop the class.

There are two problems that professors approach mewhich if I won’t get in trouble with Tech for doing this? Short answer yes with an if, long answer no with a but. I don’t have any more to say about that. Two, what about those students who take my meanness as a challenge to perform and attempt to buddy up to me and do well in my class? Let me say this. Make an example of the first person to do this. Be nice to them, talk to them in the halls, even go with them if they ask you to take a Prof to Lunch. Then, whegrades come out, be sure to fail them. Before we get around the semester, you and you will never be forced to deal with a precious student again.
By Tequila Johnson

Meet the dictator

Danique scored an exclusive interview this week with the Shaft Dictator, Mr. Big Nuts. Read as he explains how he got his job. Page 15

Our inspiration and motivation is captured above in all its glory: the Shaft

AIM assaults terrify geeks, dorks

By Tequila Johnson

The Master Plan now incorporates designs for the shaking and jolting of Varsity, a longstanding fixture, landmark, into an annex of Britain. During 1981-85 will be rerouted to shuttle students between the main building of Britain and the new annex. A special stinger, at greater than walking speed, will be the fastest ever to run on campus. The techtonic of the Olympic and old freedom fries, the hallmark of the Varsity, will be left untouched by popular demand.

The Master Plan also includes a proposal for the creation of a squirrel reserve.

Techtonics shock city

By Golo M. Major

The M. A. Plan also includes a proposal for the creation of a squirrel reserve in the present location of the Bellouth building, but the proposal faces opposition from Wo- men's Organizations at Tech who are demanding a reserve for themselves as well. The West's 0 organsations attempted to introduce a similar proposal into the M. A. Plan but it was eaten by the squirrels in a daring lunchtime raid.

New preventive measures were announced by the M. ay or such as transplantation of UGA buildings to the vicinity of the Tech campus and the removal of computers from the remaining buildings border- ing the Tech campus, thereby rendering them unattractive to Tech.

President Coughed scoffed at these measures and stated that any at- tempts to prevent the shifting Tech- tonics would be dealt with by the C. autor, the deadliest product to yet come out of the research labs of Georgia Tech. M. ay Fran- klin attempted a rebuff but the stager was overruled by the Georgia Tech M. Arching Band.
Shaft News. We have an issue coming out this Friday too, you know."

Citing all the free publicity Shaft News received when the Technique printed an interview with them two months ago, Shaw reasoned, "Come on, we did something good for you guys, can't you do this for us in return? Come on. Just this once."

"Look, we really appreciated that article about us," said JB. "But we have a reputation now, and we can't afford to put that at stake here."

"We can't go writing for just anyone, you know, particularly not the Technique," added CA. "Now, if The Onion hired us, well, then, maybe that would be a different story."

"I wonder how much they pay their writers," CA mused. Shaw promised that the Technique, too, would compensate them for their efforts. "Heck, I'll even throw in this free antique car calendar that I got in the mail the other day," he offered, "and this nifty ballpoint pen that plays the Star Spangled Banner when you press it."

However, after a few more minutes of discussion, CA and JB declined, leaving Shaw to return to the office, and the other editors to come up with ideas on their own.

If you'd like to read something funnier than this, go to www.shaftnews.com

Assault

perpetrator, even if it means I have to go to every porn site that is IMmed to our students, it's my job and I'm going to do it 'til it hurts," said Capt. Whitey Ford with the GTPD.

Another troubling fraud has been the occurrences of so-called "baggy pantsing" on the newsgroup. Violent criminals have stolen the online identities of students and posted messages on newsgroups under their name.

"Last week some guy called me up because on git.ads, there was a post that I was looking for love. I've had a UGA boyfriend for three years, I don't need a Techie when I have a real man," said Alotta Fleas. In her horror, Fleas checked out the newsgroup and read the message for herself. She tried to erase the message, but it was too late— it had already spread across the internet.

One hapless and inexperienced AIM user found that her weblog (which was linked on her profile) was being attacked by an insensitive bastard who "fondled" the content.

"I felt personally attacked! My thoughts and feelings were made fun of by someone really, really mean!" said funny46bug. "These people can't get away with this!"

If you think that you or a friend may have been the victim of one of the following crimes, please contact Ford at whitey.ford@gtpd.gatech.edu.
Noses Around Georgia Tech’s Green Spaces

Big Nuts reaffirms his prowess with large nuts, big stash

By Amanda Hugnkiss

When the Technique was invited by the head of the Squirrel Press Corp. to have an exclusive interview with the Squirrel Dictator Big Nuts himself, well, we jumped at the chance.

Although Nuts is fluent in Human, he requested that an interpreter be present to ensure that his points weren’t getting mixed up. It is important to note that while Nuts has been terrorizing his colony for three semesters now, he promises that he has gotten rid of all of his chemically dangerous nuts and his stash of nuts of mass destruction.

Da ‘Nique: How’d you become dictator, and when?

Big Nuts: Well I was first interested in the position when one of my brothers told me about the great opportunity it would afford me to command large masses of my bushy-tailed friends. And when I say, “friends,” I mean “squirrels I can dominate.” And when I say, “bushy-tailed,” I mean “from Texas,” and therefore stupid.

I decided to start my coup when I noticed the nut stash running low last winter, figuring I’d be able to take advantage of the colony’s fear of starvation. I fed off of my fellow squirrels’ stupidity to take my Shower party to the top! I knew that they’d do anything I told them to do when I showed them my big nuts, and how many big nuts I had.

DN: What’s the biggest challenge you’ve faced as dictator?

BN: Oh, Amanda, I can answer that question like pie! Clearly the biggest challenge for me has been keeping my nuts in a row, making sure the populace is following my command and willing to kill themselves for the protection of my power and my nuts.

I also find it hard to soften the rough spots on my paws, but recently I found this great sea salt rub from the Shower and Squirrel Works store that really gets in there in between the crevices of my nails and smooths things out. My loofah helps a lot, too.

DN: Umm, yeah... thanks. Are you really hiding any nuts of mass destruction? If so, where?

BN: Well, not that I know of, but back to you. If you had any dangerous nuts, what would you do with them?

DN: How’d you get to Tech’s

By Ima Photogeek / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Big Nuts, the Squirrel Dictator, gives many inspiring, nutty speeches to his comrades. He also has a mustache. And a hat that might make you think of some other dictators in the world who wear similar head gear styles.
This year marks not only Georgia Tech’s 115th anniversary, but the 115th anniversary of men at Tech as well. Since Tech opened for enrollment in October of 1888, the history of men at Tech has been long, rich and varied.

“The thing about this anniversary,” said EE senior Joseph Meyers, “is that it’s so easily overlooked. When you think about that, it’s kind of sad.”

The same landmark events that women have experienced, history professor Roy Westbrook said, have been experienced by Tech’s male population as well. The arrival of women on campus was as much of a landmark, Westbrook said, for men as it was for women.

Psychology professor Jacob Schneider agreed. “For many male students, this was something that was very difficult to get used to. There were so many questions that were brought up: Were they supposed to act differently, now? Would the norms of behavior change because of the arrival of women?”

Schneider also pointed out that men experienced hardships as well. “It even caused some students severe emotional trauma. The societal and psychological ramifications of it were enormous.”

“My grandfather went to Tech, and he would tell me stories about when the first woman came on campus, and you wouldn’t believe the stuff he had to deal with,” said ME sophomore Bobby Clayton. “As males, we’ve always gotten a bad rap. But I think we’ve managed to pull through mostly unscathed.”

“Yeah, and what about the male minorities?” echoed CompE freshman Curtis Yamamoto. “Sure, it’s hard being a minority and a woman, but being just a minority, we deserve some credit, too.”

“Diversity in general is just way overrated,” said Connelly. “What is this about a ‘Women for Hire’ fair? Why isn’t there a ‘Men for Hire’ fair, too? Or, ideally, what about just a ‘Humans for Hire’ fair? I mean, I’m looking for a job just as much as the next guy. Or girl.”

Despite the controversy, since Tech opened in October 1888, the male population has undeniably been making continuous strides forward, opening up a multitude of opportunities. More degrees are offered, and there are hundreds of extracurricular activities and clubs, including intramural sports, that were started and founded by men.

However, Meyers and his friend, CS senior Willlie B. Hardagain, still didn’t feel that enough was being done for men on campus, so at the beginning of the semester they decided to take the initiative and begin a Men’s Resource Center. Though still a fledgling organization, the MRC has big plans, which include sponsoring a Men’s Awareness Night in April, following Women’s Awareness Month. Hardagain explained, “I thought the name was misleading, I want people to know that this celebration actually lasts the whole month of April. We just want...”

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Winner of the Tech Up Close contest receives a Technique T-shirt and a coupon for a free student combo at Li’l Dino’s.

Last week’s Tech Up Close:
Chair arm

Last week’s winner:
No one, sadly. I’m disappointed in all my usual respondees—where were you??
Big Nuts from page 15

BN: By walking. [laughs heartily] No, actually, I am a flying squirrel, so I promised my squirrels that if they followed me and my nuts, I would lead them to the promised land right across the highway, past the big pointy thingy with some letters on it, to the fields and fields of dirt, grass, trees and more dirt. Do you have any pull on this campus, Amanda?

DN: Not really, Big Nuts.
BN: Oh, well I was hoping you'd be able to pull my nuts into some more grassy areas on campus. I find that my nuts like to be kept in airy places, out of the light, where they don't sweat or have a color change. My nuts don't really like the sun.

DN: What else do you think it's important for the world of Tech to know about you and your heartless regime?
BN: I've found that most people think that all we squirrels do is run around finding nuts to shove in our mouths, but I'll have you know that first of all, we put more than just nuts in our mouths, and we also do more than scamper around the grass, cocking our heads this way and that in a weak impression of the robot dance. That's not all we're about, you know. I, personally, am also about occasional genocide and killing off people within my regime who do not agree with me. I also like to ration out my nuts, not let everyone use them all at once. You gotta keep the squirrels constantly wanting more, constantly coming back.

DN: Where's your favorite place to scamper around on campus?
BN: My favorite place to rest my paws and stretch my tail is in the trees and lawn around that big tall thingy with the big letters on it. The grass is fluffy and doesn't scratch my nuts.

DN: Thank you very much for your time, Mr. Dictator Sir.
BN: No problem.

For more information on where you can go to support the squirrels, just type “squirrels” into Google, and we promise something will come up. Really. If instead you are against the presence of the squirrels, or against dictators, then type “Freedom Fries” into Google to find people like yourself. Thanks.
ed the acronym for Men's Awareness Night to be MAN, so that's why we did that."

The kickoff of the month will be a production of "The Penis Monologues," written by Hugh G. Rec tion. Hardagain said, "I have people come up to me all the time and ask, 'Is there really such a thing as 'The Penis Monologues'? And tell them, 'Yes, it is a real play; if you want proof, all you have to do is Google it.'"

"But that's just another example of how men are discredited at Tech," Meyers continued. "Perhaps 'The Penis Monologues' aren't as popular as 'The Vagina Monologues,' but that's even more of a reason to put it on. Will people be shocked? Yes. Will people be offended? Probably. But it's definitely important."

"You know, people are just as afraid of saying the word 'penis' as they are of saying the word 'vagina,'" noted Hardagain. "I mean, when I was a teenager in high school, and on long bus trips we'd play the penis game—you know, the one where the next person tries to say the word 'penis' louder than the guy before him. Well, I always pretended I had fallen asleep so I wouldn't have to play. I just wasn't comfortable with it." It was a difficult ride for Meyers and Hardagain. "It was incredibly hard to find funding and additional sponsors," Meyers said.

"First people thought that we were a gay rights organization, and were all gung ho about supporting us, but when we explained some more, they just thought we were sexist pigs, and tried to turn us away."

Even male students who are not familiar with the MRC have suggestions for improving tolerance and male appreciation. "In terms of the male experience at Tech, there are a lot of things I'd like to see improved," said MGT freshman Patrick Dalton. "For example, I'd like to see men's volleyball have as good a turnout as the women's games. And I'd like to see more male students enroll in the traditionally female-dominated majors, like biology."

Dalton commented, a little more harshly, "Frankly, I think we've been oppressed by women. They revel in being the minority, lording it over us, as if they're so much better because there are two of us to every one of them. It's about time that we men had our way, our say and our day!"

Hardagain pointed out angrily, "Dude! It's a month, not a day, ok?!

Meyers was also adamant in the need for it to be a whole month, "We've got so many issues that we need to tackle here, that one day would just not be sufficient."

Another problem that the men face at Tech is disagreement within the male population itself. "I've never felt discriminated against for being a male," said IE major Matthew Duke. "My professors are really nice to me. I had no trouble at all finding a job, and I've got a steady girlfriend who goes to Tech as well. I don't know what those guys are talking about."
A group of students is lobbying to spend $100,000 of the Student Life Fund on keeping the field where Yellow Jacket Park is supposed to be a muddy pit.

The mud pit would be an incredibly inexpensive use of the student life fund money, proponents of the idea say. “Since the area is all mud anyway, we’d just have to add water! The $100,000 is just to bribe Ben Lawder, Nate Watson, and that other guy and the rest of those uptight dudes in SGA and the administration to just sit back and let us play.”

This group of students, who are mostly Greek, feel that the sport of mud-wrestling is a perfect way to something something, according to the IFC president. This was a typical feeling among most Greeks.

“Mud-wrestling. I mean, who doesn’t like mud? It’s the real American sport. I mean, you don’t really need any previous skills or abilities or even strength to be a part of it. You just get in there and wrestle in the mud. Simple as that,” said Bobby Smith, one of the biggest proponents of this plan.

In order to convince the rest of the student body to support the plan, the students have created a small mud pit in the Burger Bowl so that students can try it out for themselves. This preliminary mud pit has worked surprisingly well, with students stopping and watching, open-mouthed and amazed, as their fellow students get down and dirty.

Due to the efforts of the initial group, the mud-wrestling idea has quickly gained momentum, and taken root in the hearts of many students. “When I first heard about the mud pit, I dismissed it, thinking that this was just another stupid idea by the Greek community. I would rather play ultimate frisbee, or something like that,” said Thomas Jones.

“One day the crowd was so big that I just got pulled in. And before I knew it, I was covered in mud, whooping and shouting and having the time of my life. Dude, I thought I was hardcore ultimate, but I’ve totally converted to mud-wrestling.”

Fred McDorker, CS major, says that mud wrestling changed his lifestyle. “I used to sit in my room all the time, coding or playing Halo with fellow CS buddies,” he said, “but now mud wrestling is all the rage. It’s made me get up and get out. I think I’d go as far as to say that it’s been as influential as DDR when it comes to getting physical.”

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He adds, “We would’ve been somewhat ashamed to walk around half naked, but when we play in the mud we all end up the same muddy brown color, so no one can even tell! If we didn’t have glasses, we could probably almost pass for frat boys.”

“No, he probably couldn’t,” Smith corrected. “But we’re really happy about the wide appeal of our idea.”

Surprisingly, girls have jumped on the trend as well. “You know those sexist Miller Lite commercials where the guys fantasize about bikini-clad girls having catfights in a park fountain, or something like that?” Anita Dick said. “Well, I thought mud-wrestling would be just like that. But it’s totally... liberating, in a way, to go play in the mud.”

Dick added, “Plus, the mud just feels sooo good against my soft skin. Like, aaaaaahh. Woof woof woof! Ow ow!”
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Student version of "The Bachelorette" comes to Tech

By Loopy Loo
I want to be the bachelorette

The idea of matchmaking based reality shows gracing our television sets the past few months will soon be hitting a little closer to home. A certain local television station will be taking a break from "I'm a Celebrity, Get Me Out of Here!" to return to deliver its own original series, "The Girl." Loopy, a junior computer science major, is hoping to receive good news when the station calls this spring. Loopy, responsible for bringing the show to campus, has already taken the necessary steps to make it happen. While the initial support for the show was not strong, over 6,000 people inside the Alexander Memorial Coliseum were ecstatic. With items ranging from a Commodore 64 to a model-T Ford, radar, and a Home Depot "Protector and let's have fun," the executive producer admitted. "If I fancy things, I will make her final decision. The lucky guy will then have the honor of a date with the bachelorette. Due to budget constraints, this date will most likely be at Tech and in the Student Center bowling alley."

In the new reality series, "The Girl," 8,500 male students will compete for the attention of one "bachelorette." The lucky girl has yet to be chosen from the pool of applicants. The show was surrounded by construction during filming, with many people walking away completely at a loss for words. However, after extensive promotion, the show may or may not air this season. The producers of "American Idol" are coming to Tech to try to double their success. Break out your pocket protectors and let's have fun. Page 27

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MR. P,
I have this problem
with my girlfriend.
She keeps accepting
gifts from this guy

FIRST IT WAS
A WATCH, THEN FLOWERS,
THEN A WHOLE BUNCHA
"MY LITTLE PONY" CRAP,
BECAUSE SHE LIKED IT
AS A CHILD.

I WANNA PUT
THIS TO A STOP,
SHE SAYS ITS JUST
HIM BEING NICE BUT I
KNOW HE WANTS MORE
WHAT DO I DO?

I DON'T KNOW
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[Comic panels with characters discussing the situation]
Tech bar tries a new approach to bartending: no alcohol

By J Dogg

I need my beer

Name: The Dry Bar
Address: Tech bookstore
Cuisine: Pub food, but not really
Rating: 3.5 out of 5

Tech's newest place to be seen is the new sports bar located in the old bookstore space. Someone displayed their witty sense of humor in picking this location, as the bookstore and the "dry" bar share at least one trait—both are equally exciting.

The atmosphere is roughly equivalent to that of East Library, though at times, the excitement peaks around a particularly riveting baseball game and everyone simultaneously thrusts their lemonade into the air.

A quick survey revealed seven sleeping students, two heavy drinkers downing hot chocolate by the bar, twelve loyal fans observing the game, and forty-eight students studying for their pre-final tests. Luckily for these revelers, Tech opted to provide a place just for them, unhindered by the sounds of people enjoying themselves.

Georgia Tech appears to be living up to Princeton Review's rating as having some of the least content students on campus. An alcoholic watering hole would only serve to strike Tech from the listing.

As noted by Shaftnews.com, "Administrators prefer students drive somewhere before drinking." The initial shock of a non-alcoholic bar dissipates as the adventurous type explores the establishment's offerings.

The bar boasts dry soda and fruit juices, though most play it conservative and opt for water, a wise choice. Their selection of breads is astounding: wheat, white, and the exotic rye. The bar/pub boats a serious selection of appetizers and sandwiches, but lacks in the entrée department. Beer-free beer nuts are a popular choice at the bar, while most seasoned diners prefer chocolate pretzels with their skim milk.

Hefi-free burger stops with sprouts and asparagus are particularly exciting, especially when followed by the quite tempting flan. A friend enjoyed the peeled grapes and fries, followed by fish sticks and a Popsicle to round out the course. He felt the fish was too soggy, but the fish sticks did not seem too freezer-burned.

Diners at another table seemed to enjoy their chicken wings, but lamented that the restaurant only offered mild-flavored chicken. The manager decided that too much spice might lead students to actions they might not otherwise undertake, and thus worked with the chefs to provide very bland cuisine.

However, to enliven the atmosphere, Tech provided a karaoke machine and a small stage in one corner for the daring to exhibit their skills. Sadly, during the meal, only one student, wheeling from her apple juice, actually made the journey to the stage.

The EE junior sang "Tubthumping" by Chumbawamba and encored with "U Can't Touch This" by M.C. Hammer. Her roommate pulled her from the stage as she broke into the opening line of "99 Bottles of O'Doul's." One student clapped.

Eli Mose, a ginger-ale-drinking CS major, said, "This is the only thing that I have found at this technological institute that hearkens back my Amish heritage.

For those seeking a change of pace from the stress of dorm merriement, the on-campus bar/pub provides the perfect place for a non-offensive evening. The bench seats by the window offer the best place to pore through books and have your ramen noodles too.

Interestingly enough, the sports bar received one of the highest sanitation ratings ever achieved by any in the United States. Just be wary of the drool of those too young to enter the bar.
Hugh Hefner brings Playboy to Tech to recruit playmates

By Frank Lloyd Wright

After the wildly successful visit by Playboy’s Miss November last week, Hugh Hefner decided to devote an entire issue of Playboy to girls at Tech.

“I’ve never been to a college campus where the male population was as hard up as this one. I think it is obvious that what this campus needs is more pornography,” said Hefner.

Despite the fact that the campus network is jammed with all sorts of smut, Hefner believes that an issue focused on Tech girls will help relieve the high levels of sexual frustration in the male dorms.

Hefner expressed amazement that so many males who were seriously horny could live in such close quarters and not spontaneously combust.

The terrible ratio here combined with the generally unsocial nature of many of the males is a terrible combination that Hefner had never observed on another college campus.

While obviously disappointed about the number of females from which to choose, Hefner remained optimistic about finding enough candidates for the issue. “I’m trying to avoid the pre-conceived stereotypes about Playboy,” said Hefner. “So far, I really respect the potential playmates.”

Male response to the idea is mixed. While pre-sales of the issue immediately jumped to the top of the campus bestseller lists, many males expressed skepticism about the caliber of women at Tech.

“I did you see that ugly girl with glasses just walk by?” asked one male. “She is my fraternity’s sweetheart because she is the most attractive girl that will be seen with us.” Other boys bemoaned the lack of friendly females at Georgia Tech, pointing to TBS and suspected high rates of lesbianism.

Other Tech males were disappointed that even one issue of their favorite publication will be filled with anything less than air-brushed perfection. Hefner assured these male fans that the Georgia Tech issue of Playboy will be up to his normal standards.

Despite these potential difficulties, Hefner is determined to press on. He believes that this issue of the magazine will be a huge public service for the males at Tech.

Additionally, Hefner is also planning a Playgirl issue dedicated to the men of Tech so that the males on campus will not feel neglected.

Female reaction to this idea is universally negative.

“I already have to look at my boyfriend naked, why would I want to see any other Tech guy in that state?” said one anonymous female source.

Hefner was once again undeterred by this attempted dissuasion. He was quoted as saying, “Even if the girls won’t look at it, maybe the gay males will.”

The issues, which are both expected out in time for finals, will be sold on-campus newsstands but will not be available off-campus due to lack of interest.

Instead, the nationally available Playboy will feature “The Women of FSU” and Playgirl will showcase “The Men of the Military Academies.”
Tech's movie channel making major changes after survey

By Your Momma
Forget a byline

The Tech Movie Channel will soon be going through some major changes. In order to better accommodate the interests of viewers, a survey was sent out last month asking students for feedback on what sorts of movies they normally watch in their free time. These results were then used to make selections for April’s movie rotation list.

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Due to the results, the Maitlin will be shown on a nightly basis. The different Star Trek movie will also be shown every day. The Lord of the Rings will be aired three times a week, in response to the huge demand for fantasy novels-turned-into-movies. In addition to the movies screenings, an exciting new program will now run from 11 p.m. to 3 a.m. entitled “Late Night Tech.” It will feature a wide variety of movies, including selections for April.

The main idea behind the establishment is to use the results of the student survey in order to draw viewers away from Cartoon Network’s popular “Adult Swim” and create more interest in the school-sponsored television network. Survey reviewers were slightly concerned that the male population had a greater attraction to Jessica Rabbit than most female Tech students, so they are trying to re-attract them to living humans.

The Tech channel will also be taking a stab at the reality television genre by documenting the daily events of a quad in the dormitory. The first series is called “Emotions,” which was based on Tech students. Tech reviewers were slightly concerned that the show may be too realistic for some students, so they are trying to turn it into something more escapist.

If you’d like to influence what is aired on the Tech channel, go the office and tell them what you think.
Hugh Grant’s long awaited visit to the Georgia Tech campus was met with by frenetic activity and massive hysteria. His drive round the campus in the Ramblin’ Wreck was beheld by crowds of people...returning from all-night study sessions.

Grant was at Tech to promote his new film, Romancing the Comedy, a romantic comedy on romantic comedies, a genre of films that has earned the British actor a honorary PhD in romantic comedies from Georgia Tech.

Over the space of a day and a half, Grant held a DVD signing; hosted a “meet the students” interview, where he spoke about his past and present romantic comedies attended a show put on by the LCC and IAML students; and attended the opening of a special presentation on his very first romantic comedy, Four Weddings and a Funeral. The events gathered a record turnout of four. Initial credit for the usual turnout was first given to a massive Warcraft III LAN party on east campus, but then the real reason was discovered to be a CS 1321 test. Large groups of people seen heading towards the center of the campus the previous night, initially thought to be trying to get a good place to grab Hugh Grant’s clothing, were actually on their way to the library to take part in the ritual of the all-nighter, a holy ceremony purported to have the mystical powers of boosting a student’s score over the passing mark.

Excessive background noise during the opening of the special presentation in the library, at first attributed to the printer, was later discovered to be the rapping of fingers and the collective groans caused by code errors.

The lone visitor to Hugh Grant’s DVD signing was a hallucinating CS 1321 student who believed that Grant was his TA. On his way to the show at the Ferst Theater, Grant’s security detail was broken through on the Skiles walkway and he was overrun by hordes of students. Luckily, he escaped unharmed. Seemingly the students were too bleary-eyed to notice the celebrity in their midst. Grant had initially demanded that the Scheme code doodled on his car be cleaned up before his departure, but hearing that there was another test, he left driving his own car as fast as possible.

However, he was stopped by the highly GT Police and was asked to sign a statement agreeing not to endanger sleepwalking Tech students again.
Top geek to be decided

By Zach O'Balls
King of the Geeks

Producers of the Fox sensation “American Idol” recently announced their plans to create an spin-off of the hit TV show and bring it to Georgia Tech. “American Geek” will be filmed live at the Ferst Center next Wednesday at 8 p.m.

“We are very excited about bringing this new show to Atlanta and to America,” said Reality O’Verkill.

“Geeks are great. People love ‘em. I am sure this show will get incredible ratings and create an incredible buzz around the country.”

Unlike the “American Idol” program, which performs a nationwide search in order to find the best potential pop starts in the country, the creators of “American Geek” decided to skip such a search and go straight to Tech.

“We felt that because of the low number of females and high band-width available at Tech, it would have a large enough pool of geeks to avoid the hassle of an national search,” said O’Verkill.

And indeed they were correct. Record numbers of Tech men— and a handful of EE students— turned out for the opportunity to be named “American Geek.” They brought their pocket protectors, their lab coats, and their talents.

“I can program my calculator to calculate pi to a million digits and speak them out loud to the tune of the Star Spangled Banner in just over 12 seconds,” said Elmer Fudd, a third-year Computer Engineer. Fudd’s talents earned him a spot in the final 10 contestants that will be part of Wednesday’s show. Over 350 students had to be turned away.

“The choices were really difficult,” said O’Verkill. “You guys are really— ing geeks.”

A small controversy erupted in the initial recruitment, as O’Verkill and his executives made a decision that the “American Geek” should be well, American.

“We may have limited our pool of geeks by excluding the international students, but I think we made the best decision,” said O’Verkill.

“After all, we are in a state of war, and no American would have possibly won if we had allowed international students to enter the contest— especially the graduate students.”

After hearing this news, a small number of international students protested the decision. The six-person band promised to make an appearance on Wednesday as well.

“We will step up our recruitment of international students through protests,” said Billy Kim, a Korean student.

Bilbo still only knows the quarterback draw, the rollout pass and the tackle. Though Coach Chan Gailey supports his players in their endeavors, he has raised concerns about the players’ ability to handle the pressures of a football season.

“I foresee the team not living up to the expectations,” said Gailey.

My kizzer
A sinka a ze

Members of the Tech football team who are used to making and taking hits on the gridiron may soon be making hits in the studio. Defensive end Greg Gathers, quarterback Dararius Bilbo and running back Tony Hollings recently formed a rap trio called “Bilbo’s Brothers.” Listen to WREK radio for their first single.

“Give the GTPD em hell with a new ACL,” said Gathers. “F— the TPD and M-train bling.”

“We want to work on a love song of some sort. Like maybe ‘O’free Bootie’ or something like that.”

“Til they already playing ‘M-train’ on the WREK radio. We want to make it to the people’s station,” said Gathers.

Though the group is still brainstorming and writing lyrics, they believe they will get a final product out in the near future.

“Yeah, we hope to cut our first album in the next few months,” said Bilbo. “But right now coach wants us to work on football and—”

Though Coach Chan Gailey supports his players in their endeavors, he has raised concerns about the players’ ability to handle the pressures of a football season.

“Bilbo still only knows the quarterback draw, the rollout pass and the speed option. He is degenerating to run an offense,” said Gailey, who also expressed concern about Gathers’ kidney and Hollings’ knee.

Despite the concerns of the coach, the trio is determined to continue working until they make it big.
Stricklin accepts coaching position at Kent State

By Joe King
Senior Staff Writer

Georgia Tech baseball Assistant Coach and Recruiting Coordinator Scott Stricklin accepted the head coaching position at Kent State, his alma mater, on Tuesday. Stricklin will finish out the season with the Jackets before leaving for Ohio.

Kent State hired head coach Rick Rembielak on Monday after the Golden Flashes were swept by Oral Roberts last weekend. The sweep dropped Kent State to 7-10 and Athletic Director Laing Kennedy saw his opportunity.

"I've been waiting for an opportunity to get Stricklin ever since I saw the way he coached first base in the series we played against Tech two weekends ago," said Kennedy. "Our four-game losing streak since that series turned out to be incredibly convenient."

The defending MAC champions will look to rebound from their current slump and make the NCAA tournament again. Last year, Kent State was eliminated in just two games, losing to South Alabama and Ohio State.

Georgia Tech will be looking to replace Stricklin with another coach good enough to garner a fan club. Undergraduate student Robert Sutton, president of The Stricklinites, a Tech student-fan club, was inconsolable when he heard the news.

"He is the most fundamentally sound coach to ever set foot in the threesided box: his flat-backed stance with hands placed firmly on his knees, his signature three claps flowing smoothly into perfectly folded arms, and his intense confidence as he encourages Tech's centerfielder, 'Come on, Boggsy!,'" said Sutton.

"Not only is his style impeccable, but also his character," Sutton added. "About two weeks ago at a game against Kent State, Coach Stricklin carefully fielded a foul ball and directed it to a little boy eagerly awaiting by the visiting dugout. Scott Stricklin is a true citizen in a time of national crisis."

Sutton is planning to petition the administration here at Tech to make Stricklin's birthday a Tech holiday. "This petition doesn't pass, Sutton will try for each season-opener to be deemed as a Tech holiday in honor of Stricklin. I think it would be a true citizen's position," said Sutton.

"As for Coach Stricklin, he's happy to be moving on to a head coaching job. "It's always great to get a promotion," said Stricklin. "It's seven more incredible that my first opportunity will be at my alma mater."

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Tiger Woods to teach summer golf class at Tech

Woods cancels 10 tournament appearances to come, Phil Mickelson jumps at chance to capture No. 1 in his absence

By Rick S. Teat
Ex-golf Pro

In a surprising announcement Wednesday night, Tiger Woods, the world's No. 1 golfer for the past three years, has announced his withdrawal from the British Open tournament this weekend because of an injury to his left knee.

"It's not like I can't take a couple of months off and still be No. 1," Woods said, "but I want to dedicate myself to getting well."

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"I can't wait to set the course record at the new Georgia Tech Club," said Woods.

"I'm not looking to set course records," said Stricklin. "I'm looking to carry on the great tradition of the new Georgia Tech Club."

"Of course," Tiger said, "I'm the most important part of this is the students. I look forward to sharing a little bit of my knowledge with the students who sign up, and since I'm only 27 it will be a chance to make some new friends too."

"Based on the summer schedule, Woods will miss 13 tournaments total, including the U.S. Open and the British Open. When asked why he was foregoing the chance to win the Grand Slam this year, Tiger simply said, 'I can always win the Grand Slam next year.'"

"Tiger has been dominating the tour for so long that we all will appreciate his break to pursue teaching," said Woods.

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Students interested in enrolling in the options class may register at the end of spring semester at the student center box office. Equipment will be provided.
By Anita Bath
China correspondent

Shanghai’s exports are becoming a focus of the world, especially the world that revolves around both their NBA and college basketball showgrounds.

It looks like the next biggest export leaving China will be Wow Ming, the younger brother of Yao Ming, the current NBA star who signed with the Houston Rockets just recently.

This past Wednesday, Georgia Tech head coach Paul Hewitt and his staff held a press conference to announce the exciting news for Tech basketball fans.

“Wow Ming has declared his intent to come to Atlanta to play for Tech next season,” said Hewitt. “We are certainly glad to have his name added to our roster. Next year is going to be our season, I know it. The Big Dance is ours. Final Four here we come.”

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Fang Feng Di
Wow Ming’s and Yao Ming’s mother

Fang Ming, the younger brother of Yao Ming, stands 6-foot-7 and his mother Fang Feng Di stands 6-foot-3. His brother, Yao, who is 7-foot-5-inches and weighs 256 pounds, barely towers over Wow, who is 7-foot-3-inches and 280 pounds.

He has the genetic background to make him a superstar,“ said Tech head coach Paul Hewitt. “I told him Georgia Tech was the place for him. Well, I mean I didn’t actually get to tell him, the translator told him for me, but Wow just looked at me and gave the thumbs-up sign, so I took that as a yes.”

Many scouts, reporters, and schools have asked why Wow didn’t follow his big brother’s footsteps and head straight to the NBA.

“I want Wow to get an education,” said Yao and Wow’s mother. “Yao did not understand how to do that. He went straight for the big money and the NBA. But that is fine because now I have a new house and, as you Americans would say, a ‘bling-blinging’ new car.”

If Wow Ming entered the NBA, he would become the fourth Chinese player in NBA history to do so, following his brother and Chinese National Team members Wang Zhizhi and Mengke Bateer.

Yet, Wow understands he has some developing to do first, so he is sticking to college coming first. He must build up some upper body strength before he can take on the likes of the NBA. Unfortunately, according to one Chinese official, Wow despises lifting weights, which is not good for the Tech outlook.

“Guys like him don’t grow on trees,” Hewitt added.

“With Luke Schenscher, we once again will have the tall trees we need under the basket.”

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Wow, like his brother, studied at the Shanghai Physical and Sport Technical Education Institute before coming to Georgia Tech.

He plans to major in International Affairs and to eventually return to China in the political arena.

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“I want to be a politician in my homeland and bring help to my countrymen. I think that with my size, no matter what, when I speak, people will look up to me and at least try to listen to what I have to say.”

Wow Ming
Future Tech basketball star

By Scott Meuleners/STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

“He has the genetic background to make him a superstar,” said Tech head coach Paul Hewitt. “Wow Ming is 7-foot-3-inches and 280 pounds.”

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“Every now and then, it creeps out,” explains Paul Hewitt, Head Coach of the Georgia Tech Basketball team. “Whether it is through the poetry he writes, the songs he sings, or the delicious potato brandade he made for me Tuesdays, Bob Knight definitely has a soft spot.”

Tech, which lost to Knight’s Texas Tech squad Wednesday night, got the chance to see the refined side of the Red Raiders discipline-minded coach Tuesday evening.

Knight invited both basketball squads to his house in northeastern Lubbock for a night of “reflection, soulful music, male-bonding, and elegant dining” according to an invitation sent by Knight to the Yellow Jackets coaching staff.

Knight—as he usually does during his house gatherings—provided the majority of the entertainment and led several discussions on classical music, spiritual awakenings, and alternative forms of therapy. “For me, it was life-changing,” said the Jacket’s freshman sensation Chris Bosh. “What hit me most was a song he performed to close the evening on harmony in nature. There wasn’t a dry eye in the place.”

After his opening session, Knight thanked both squads for visiting his house, and asked each to light a candle. According to sophomore forwards Ed Nelson, the candle was meant to represent the fire within themselves. “I’ve always choked up on spiritual symbolism, so as expected I really got a lot out of it,” said Nelson.

The meal, however, was what left many players speechless. Besides the potato brandade, Knight served up butter-poached Maine lobster with braised artichokes, salad made with crisp, Chesapeake soft-shell crab, and grilled white corn salsa and cilantro aioli.

For those players over 21, Knight had a tantalizing array of wine featuring 20 sparklers and a large selection of Chardonnays, Pinot Noirs and Cabernets.

To top off the dinner, the Red Raiders head coach served a flurry of truffles. “It was pure elegance,” said Tech shooting guard Marvin Lewis. “When you match the food with the décor, which featured pressed-tin ceilings, crown moldings and rich woodwork, materials-etched glass, bird’s-eye and heartwood cabinetry, and tortoise-shell blown-glass chandeliers, I can’t imagine a better atmosphere.”

After the meal Knight’s discussion on alternative forms of therapy raised many questions from the players, but luckily Knight was able to provide direction to those in attendance.

After the discussion, Knight gave each player a copy of the Inner Peach Home Spa Collection, which Knight used to provide a soothing musical background during the evening engagement. Knight gave a final piece of advice regarding the music. “To enjoy the music on a deeper level, close your eyes, take a deep breath, and let the music carry you into your virtual oasis of serenity,” said the Raiders coach.

Hewitt thought there may have been a deeper message. “It may have appeared that he was talking about a song, but I believe he was talking about our lives,” said the Jacket’s third-year coach.
By Ivana Humpalot

"Nique In-House Specialty

The Georgia Tech Athletic Association has announced a new alcohol policy for Georgia Tech-sponsored sporting events. The policy will be implemented at the start of the Fall 2003 semester. Every Georgia Tech sporting event and venue will be allowed to sell alcohol to of-age individuals.

"I know how game-days work.
Wayne Clough
Tech President

The idea has been a progressing brainchild of Tech’s president, G.Wayne Clough. The objective was brought about by the administration’s want and need to limit underage drinking and ‘pre-gaming’ to the games, matches, and meets.

President Clough has been an advocate for such a policy since the beginning of his term as president, but, he finally won Athletic Director Dave Braine over to the idea. "I wasn’t sure about it at first," Braine said. "But then, I figured, if we just give a wristband to every of-age individual who pays $20 when they walk in, we might actually make some money off of this new policy."

The policy states that any sporting event attendee of appropriate age may buy a wristband that can be used at the regular snack and beverage vendors to receive unlimited beer on tap. There will be no hard liquor or grain alcohol served, but Braine has assured fans that the will be a vast amount of stored kegs so ensure that the alcohol supply does not run out.

“We have worked hard to create relations with Atlanta Beer Company, Gordon Biersch, and Sweetwater breweries to guarantee that the alcohol will not expire during a game,” Braine said.

“We need fan support, so as long as they stay in the stands, we will supply the beer.”

Dave Braine
Athletic Director

President Clough is excited about the new policy and looks forward to the impact it will have upon future game-goers and Tech fans.
Major changes to the BCS: new conference, new outlook

By Slim Pickens
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The BCS, the NCAA’s current method for determining a college football national champion, has been tweaked yet again announced the NCAA on Wednesday.

The most startling of the changes was the creation of a new conference, the New Big Ten, consisting of just eight teams, Notre Dame, Alabama, Southern California, Michigan, Oklahoma, Ohio State, Miami and Nebraska.

The eight BCS berths will automatically be granted to the members of this conference.

“We were shooting for about a sixty percent success rate in choosing who should play for the national championship,” said Donnie Duncan, chair of the NCAA Football Rules committee. “With the eight teams in this new conference having combined for 63 national championships since 1901, we figured we’d get about that success rate with this set up.”

The only dissenting vote to this measure came from Frank Beamer, head coach of Virginia Tech.

“I’ve got Michael Vick’s little brother coming to play for me and now I won’t get another shot at a national title with a Vick as my quarterback.”

Frank Beamer
Head Coach of Virginia Tech.

Some outside the committee have cried foul over Michigan being selected to the conference with Michigan head coach Lloyd Carr sitting on the committee.

“Most vocal of these objectors has been Bobby Bowden.

“Michigan won three of their championships before 1905,” said Bowden. “Those shouldn’t count for anything. We’ve been in the championship hunt just about every year in the past decade. To just cut us out like this is unfair.”

One of the arguments in favor of the new system is that it will get better over time.

All of the best high school players are expected to begin choosing these schools almost exclusively, so that in four years these will clearly be the best eight teams in the country, regardless of their records.

“This clearly rewards those of us that have made a commitment to having a strong football program,” said Rev. Edward Malloy, President of Notre Dame.

“Our next goal will be to insert a clause guaranteeing us the spot in the championship game that we always deserve,” Malloy added.

Other changes to the BCS include elimination of the polls, strength of schedule, losses, and quality wins categories.

They were all deemed unnecessary since conference standings can now be used to determine which teams will go to each bowl.

“The contract for this new system only runs through 2984. So if it doesn’t work, we can always change it later.”

Donnie Duncan
Chair of NCAA Football Rules committee