Student version of “The Bachelorette” comes to Tech

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Roadshow visits campus, appraises “valuable” possessions

By Grandma 'Nique

Our Old Lady

While there was great back lash among the cult following of the Antiques Roadshow due to the show visiting a college, the swarm of people inside the Alexander Memorial Coliseum was exctic. With items ranging from a Commodore 64 to a modern electronic T.V. purchased in the book store, many people will walk away completely unsatisfied. “I am just so happy to show off my life-sized, handmade storm-trooper suit,” said sophomore Tin a Lafayette.

Members of Dr. Andrew’s calculus classes were given extra credit for attending as they were proudly displaying 6th century artifacts. Brian Thurmgood, responsible for bringing the Antiques Roadshow to Tech, was hoping to receive good news about his long-time security blanket. However, he was quickly passed over. While the initial support for the show was strongest, over 6,000 people showed up.

Every day Peter Cook, head producer of the Antiques Roadshow, receives millions of calls, e-mails, and letters from the various people’s hometowns. Last December, Brian Thurmgood, a senior C.S. major, from Georgia Tech students had almost managed to get George P. Bundy selected as Time’s Person of the Year.

Thus, Thurmgood decided that if he could rally the student body behind his fetish for the Antiques Roadshow, they would certainly meet with success. Three people turned up for the rally and managed to construct a letter, with the help of a Georgia State English major.

Extolling the intrinsic worth of Tech did not come easily to these students, but when the call came, they knew that the hours of learning to write were worth it. Though skeptical, Cook felt that the raw passion conveyed in the letter was not to be denied.

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After inspecting several buildings on campus as possible sites for the show, Cook remarked, “Tehator was very disappointing. The only structure large enough to house the show were surrounded by construction or being held up by duct tape. I just do not think that we can possibly hold anything of merit anywhere on this campus… maybe it could be at Philips Arena.”

H owever, after extensive promises by administration that construction would cease for the day and that the Alexander Memorial Coliseum could be used, the Antiques Roadshow promised to come to Tech the next spring.

After several failed SGA-initiatives to involve the student body in decorating the coliseum, the task was finally given to the six candidates for the undergraduate house executive board. As turnout in the election this week was nonexistent, the new President was chosen based on who tied the prettiest bow.

Only three spots were reserved before the show. However, turnout was unexpectedly high. People attended for a variety of reasons: some professors, who had artifacts to be appraised, were giving extra credit; a few felt that they could gain the needed money to pay for their increased in tuition; and some members of the community just came to watch.

O ne M.E. junior decided to bring his roommate’s footlocker. “It’s only fair that the cost for my increased housing fees be paid by the people who caused the increases in fees,” said M.E. student. “”Any traditions of Tech were represented, from the Rambler to three-month-old Britten. I am a freshman valiantly trying to pawn his mistake-ridden Linear Algebra book as authored by a home erectus.”

“A four-year-old, never authorized change-of-major application does not constitute an antique,” fumed C. O. Cook.

For viewing the third entry entitled Shower Shoes from my Freshman Year, appraiser Judy Schneider vowed never to return to Tech. “When Peter first mentioned doing a college, I shuddered, but I stood behind him. Look where it got me, reviewing mold, archaic technology, and toenail dippings.”

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MR. P GIVES PROFOUND ADVICE

by Paco the Tortilla Boy
dedicated to my good friend Rolo.B7.

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
BUT MAKE IT
PAINFUL FOR
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Original Comic: Incoherent Scribblings
Tech bar tries a new approach to bartending: no alcohol

By | D ogg

I need my beer

N ame | The Dry Bar
Address | Tech bookstore
C usine | Pub food, but not really
R ating | 4 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 roughly equivalent to that of East Library, though at times, the excitement peaks around a particularly riveting baseball game and everyone simultaneously thrust 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 selected a place just for them, unhampered 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 sundry sodas 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 boasts 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.

Ihefif-free burger stopped with sprouts and asparagus are particularly exciting, especially when followed by the quite tempting flan. A friend enjoyed the peeled grapes and chips, followed by fish sticks and fries, and a Popsicle to round out the course. He left the flan were 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 life, the on-campus bar/pub provides the perfect place for a non-offensive evening. The bench seats by the window offer the best nap while the more adventurous can brave the electronic dartboard. For those tired of the lower library snack machines during lunch time, trek over to the self-proclaimed "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
The architect of my misfortune

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 on his visit to campus during which he scoped out 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.

“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 to come out in time for finals, will be sold at campus newsstands but will not be available off-campus because of 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.

The survey asked such questions as: What is the number one movie of all time, what movie most represents your dream life, and what movie would you rather have than a one movie of all time, what movie most represents your favorite genre? Students also were asked what their dream life would be. These results were then used to 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 reattract them to living humans.

Due to the results, The Matrix will be shown on a nightly basis. A different Star Trek movie will also be shown every day. The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship 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 movie 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 programming. The main idea behind its 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 reattract 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 Texas shrine. However, it is up against stiff competition from the new series "The Girl" (see page 23) and "American Geek" (see page 29), both based on Tech students.

If you'd like to influence what is aired on the Tech channel, go to the office and tell them what you think.
Hugh Grant visited Tech last week, but the only students who came to see him were those still out from studying all night for computer science.
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 a 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 them. I am sure the show will get incredible ratings and create an incredible buzz around the country." Unlikely 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 bandwidth available at Tech, it would have a large enough pool of geeks to avoid the hassle of a national search, said O'Verkill. And indeed they were correct. Record numbers of Tech men—and a handful of EE females—turned out for the opportunity to be named "American Geek." They brought their pocket protectors, their lab coats, and a few who do "their thing." After hearing this news, 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 stop this injustice against international students through protest," said Billy Kim, a Korean student. "And if that doesn't work, we'll get answers through SGA." O'Verkill vows the show will go on. "Americans want geeks, and we will give them geeks," said O'Verkill.

"We're not going to let a bunch of whiny, foreign geeks stop us from filling this need in a time of crisis. I won't entertain the terrorists have already won." O'Verkill is determined to continue to work on football and sex, drugs, and rock & roll until they make it big.

Football players create rap group

Greg Gathers, Damarius Bilbo and Tony Hollings recently formed a rap trio called "Bilbo's Brothers." Listen to WREK radio for their first single.

My kizzer
A sinka aze

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 Damarius Bilbo and running back Tony Hollings recently formed a rap trio called "Bilbo's Brothers." After Gathers and Hollings were injured early in the 2002 football season, they spent lots of time sitting on the sidelines with Bilbo, who at the time backed up quarterback A.J. Suggs.

"I never just started rapping," said Bilbo. "They all joined in, and we really got going. It went from there."

It's a good idea. The trio recorded a few songs and sent them to a local recording company, which expressed immediate interest in the players.

The company signed them to a contract that allows them to create all their own material, the creation of which has been keeping the players busy.

"Right now we got a few good songs written," said Hollings. "Like 'Give 'em hell with a new ACL'; 'F— the TPD' and 'M-train bling.' We really want to work on a love song of some sort. Like maybe 'Old Free Booties' or something like that."

"We already playing 'M-train' on the WREK radio. But 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 possibility that this could occur.

"Bilbo still only knows the quarter back draw, the rollout pass and the speed option. He is weighing the decision to run an offense," said Gailey, who also expressed concerns about athletes' kidneys and H. Hilling's knee.

Despite the concerns of the coach, the trio is determined to continue working until they make it big.