

The SAB... Making an Impact

The Student Advisory Board has enjoyed much success in the past five years, playing a vital role in recruitment, services offered to students, freshman orientation, curriculum advising, and much more. Just in the past year, we've successfully placed students on two of the Undergraduate Curriculum Committees in an effort to express student opinion in these deliberations. The first-ever IAC Shadow Day recruiting event was a tremendous success, with 95% of those high school student attendees selecting Georgia Tech. We participated in another successful Founder's Day celebration and published two newsletters.

"Our previous activities have been very successful, and our current initiatives demonstrate the variety of



ideas we seek to implement." said SAB President Cory Bennett. Current SAB projects include:

- ⇒ providing outreach programs for IAC freshmen
- ⇒ collaborating with IAC alumni to develop new recruitment ideas
- ⇒ building support for the creation of a public speaking program
- ⇒ developing creative ways to publicize the IAC

Our success is not simply due to our hard work, but in large part to your support by volunteering at our events, and sending us suggestions. We are hopeful that our current projects will contribute to the IAC community and build on our reputation of excellence. Visit our website to learn more about the SAB, our goals and our members. The website also provides a forum for you to provide feedback and we would love to hear from you. Stay informed and get involved!

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JOIN THE SAB
Get involved and shape your college's future!



The Student Advisory Board is now accepting applications for Spring 2006!

Interested?

Visit our website for more information.

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IAC hosts First Lady of Cape Verde

BY RUTH MALHOTRA
4th YEAR INTA

In an exciting event this Fall, the Ivan Allen College hosted Her Excellency Mrs. Adelcia Lima Barreto Pires, the First Lady of the Republic of Cape Verde. The First Lady, along with the Cape Verde delegation, visited Georgia Tech on September 23, for an event addressing technological and economics topics vital to the country's future.

A special reception in her honor was held at the Habersham building that afternoon, and several IAC students were in attendance.

Mrs. Pires has always been passionate about children's causes, and after becoming First Lady in 2001, she introduced Fundação Infancia Feliz (Foundation Happy Children), a humanitarian organization to serve the needs of underprivileged children in Cape Verde. She visited Atlanta with the goal of raising awareness about the Cape Verde Islands and forming partnerships with our leaders.

Many IAC faculty and staff members were involved with the visit, and International Affairs Professor Kirk Bowman served as the First Lady's interpreter. "I am impressed with the willingness of the Cape Verde delegation in thinking about the well-being of their citizens, and not just the types of macro-economic indicators that are often the yardstick by which

success is measured," said Bowman. "The First Lady and the Ambassador were emphatic in claiming that while Cape Verde was doing well, the people were not having enough opportunities."

Natalie Turbiville, an HTS sophomore said "It was really exciting to meet First Lady Pires and interact with members of the delegation. Although there was a language barrier, she was excited to talk about her foundation and seemed really grateful to Georgia Tech for hosting her."



IAML student Dawn Parker used her French skills to communicate with the First Lady, and they discussed her husband's election victory in 2001 – an election that was won by only twelve votes! "There are so many fascinating aspects about Cape Verde's history and culture," said Parker. "It was a real privilege to meet the delegation and hear about their challenges and opportunities."

Cape Verde is an island nation off the northwest coast of Africa. The United States has granted the Island development assistance through the Millennium Challenge Corporation, which rewards countries that display effective governance and potential.

The Ivan Allen College's global perspective is concerned with the advancement of a developing county, and the delegation's visit was a significant step towards building a transatlantic partnership.

- ★ CM—Media Tech Club launched their website www.mediatech.gatech.edu
- ★ ECON—Lauren Forbes created the Econ Campus Forum
- ★ INTA—Irene Liscano landed an internship with the U.S. Department of State
- ★ PUBP—Saira Amir was voted Miss Georgia Tech 2005
- ★ STAC—STAC Society sponsored the Coffee House Series

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INTERNATIONAL LIVING WITHIN A TECH RESIDENCE HALL

BY AMANDA MENG
2nd YEAR INTA

As part of the International Learning + Living Experience (I-House), I constantly hear the inquiring, friendly voice of my hallmate asking, "Anybody care for a cup of tea?" And I have tasted more Turkish Delight in the past weeks than I have ever in my life. On my hall there are six nationalities represented, in addition to Americans that are passionate about other countries and have lived in places such as South Africa and the Netherlands. Walking down the hall I see posters of Spain and Germany and pictures of the Turkish coast, English countryside, and a Japanese actress.

The I-House program is supported by the Department of Housing, the Office of International Education, and the Sam Nunn School of International Affairs, and is currently housed in the first floor of Harris Hall on East Campus.

Life in the I-House includes activities such as book club, movie nights, lectures, dinners, and other events around Atlanta. Our first book club



Students enjoy the inaugural dinner with Dr. Kirk Bowman.

selection was African author, Chinua Achebe's *Girls at War and Other Stories*, and the first I-Film was Brazilian film, *Cidade de Deus*. Recently, a group of us experienced the food, music, and dance of Latin America at the annual Latino Festival at Underground as well as the beloved traditions of Greece at the Greek Festival in Decatur. My hallmates often attend the Ivan Allen College's plethora of lectures centered on the theme of the international relations. ILLE Director

Kirk Bowman regularly hosts internationally-themed dinners at his mid-town home. Guest professors who specialize in the country or region of choice are invited to dine and share their work with students. These activities create time and space for us to not only discuss the uniqueness and variation of the international community but also to actively practice culture and custom.

I-House residents are excited by culture, and have charged themselves with the task of making the global community a greater part of our lives.

RESEARCH FOCUS: ROOSEVELT INSTITUTION FOUNDED

BY PUJA PATEL
4th YEAR PUBP

The Roosevelt Institution, a student-led policy think tank has made international news recently. In response to Hurricanes Katrina, Rita and Wilma, the Roosevelt Institution quickly developed a center for research on disaster relief and response.

Now, Public Policy junior Sharyn Finney is hoping to start the same institution on Georgia Tech's campus. The Roosevelt Institution at Georgia Tech gives students the opportunity to participate in student-run research projects. The goal of the organization is that the students' research findings will result in pol-

icy implementation.

"The Roosevelt Institution originated at Stanford and replicated at Yale, Princeton, and Harvard." said Finney. "At Georgia Tech, [the Institution] is currently recruiting members to follow the national institution's predecessors."

With chapters nationwide, the RI has made an impact not only on Congress, but even on international organizations. At Stanford University, an RI student recently published a paper analyzing the benefits of a community-level early warning network in the Liberian refugee camps.

The beauty of the organization is that the research topics

are completely at the discretion of RI members. In its first ten months, the Roosevelt Institution issued its first issue of *The Roosevelt Review*, its own scholarly journal. It included articles that discussed innovative policy solutions to a diversity of topics which included research on space-age solar power technology, and health care issues like improving health insurance access for the nation's 8.5 million uninsured children.

The organization has spread to over 40 universities nationwide, and it is now making its way to Georgia Tech. At Georgia Tech, the RI has different centers, including, but not limited to: education policy, technology policy,

social policy, international policy and security, economic policy, and even Georgia policy.

The RI seeks to involve motivated students from all Ivan Allen Colleges along with students from the School of Engineering and Management on research projects that appeal to them. For more information on how to join the organization, contact Sharyn Finney at gtg073p@mail.gatech.edu or visit <http://rooseveltinstitute.org/>.



IAC SPOTLIGHT: ELIZABETH MILLER

BY TRACEE HOWARD
4th YEAR STAC

When I think of someone who has contributed a great deal of effort, energy, and commitment to the Ivan Allen College, Ms. Elizabeth Miller immediately springs to mind. Elizabeth is an Academic Advisor to students in the Public Policy and History, Technology, and Society majors, as well as all undecided IAC majors.

She also serves as Recruitment Coordinator for the entire Ivan Allen College as well as coordinating student services events. Because of Elizabeth's hard work, students within the Ivan Allen College are able to par-



Elizabeth Miller (second from left), receives an award from the National Academic Advising Association.

take in events such as Networking Nights, where they can meet with prestigious companies and learn about careers IAC majors can offer. She has planned and developed events that aid students in perfecting their resumes as well as their interviewing skills. Elizabeth also plays an intricate role in all IAC Recruitment activities, freshman orientation, creating internship opportunities, and is

credited for creating the on-line appointment scheduler and students services website .

Since January 2003, the year Elizabeth began her illustrious career here at the Georgia Institute of Technology, she has steadily worked toward increasing the number of application submissions and acceptance deposits made to the Ivan Allen College. In fact, due to her dedication and hard work, the amount of deposits increased by 63 percent and the number of applications received for IAC rose by 45 percent!

Elizabeth has many goals for the future. Coming this January is a updated website dedicated solely to providing IAC students with 24/7 information and showcasing student achievement. This Spring plans to launch an internship database available to all majors within the Ivan Allen College. Elizabeth also aims to raise the bar even higher for Fall 2006 admission by increasing enrollment by another 20 percent on top of the 64 percent we had this year!

So be sure to thank her for her contributions to the Ivan Allen College the next time you see her in the halls of D.M. Smith or the Habersham building. <http://students.iac.gatech.edu>



COMPUTATIONAL MEDIA OPENS THE NEWEST COMPUTER LAB ON CAMPUS

BY JOHN WHITE
2nd YEAR CM

The new Computational Media lab that is located in Skiles 318 is expected to be open by the end of October. The lab will be an exciting new feature for the fast growing major.

Much of the hardware is best suited for the course load of



any Computational Media major student. The lab will be loaded with 12 Dell Optiplex and 12 Powermac G5s with accessories that include a scanner, printer, and iSight cameras.

Outside of the computing power, additional pieces of hardware will ensure enhanced productivity. One of the most interesting pieces of hardware includes a Wacom writing pad, which is a tool for drawing directly on the computer. There will also be a video editing suite complete with a MiniDV player and recorder.

The software included on



the initial build includes most of the Adobe, Apple, and Macromedia products. Maya and burning software will be included on the Mac and PC.

With such equipment, the lab will be both functional and fun to hang out in. When designing the lab,

the designers thought beyond the computer and included some of the most comfortable chairs on campus so students will be comfortable throughout the long hours spent working on a project. Many Computational Media students, myself included, are quite excited about taking advantage of all the assets available to them as the lab opens.

