

# CAMPUS LIFE

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## A million bucks

Tech students joined other students in trying out for a chance to meet Regis and win a million dollars. **Page 17**

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Zach Procter attempts to become the first student to represent students in the Georgia State Legislature. **Page 15**

# Buckhead bus brings bar-hoppers to and from campus

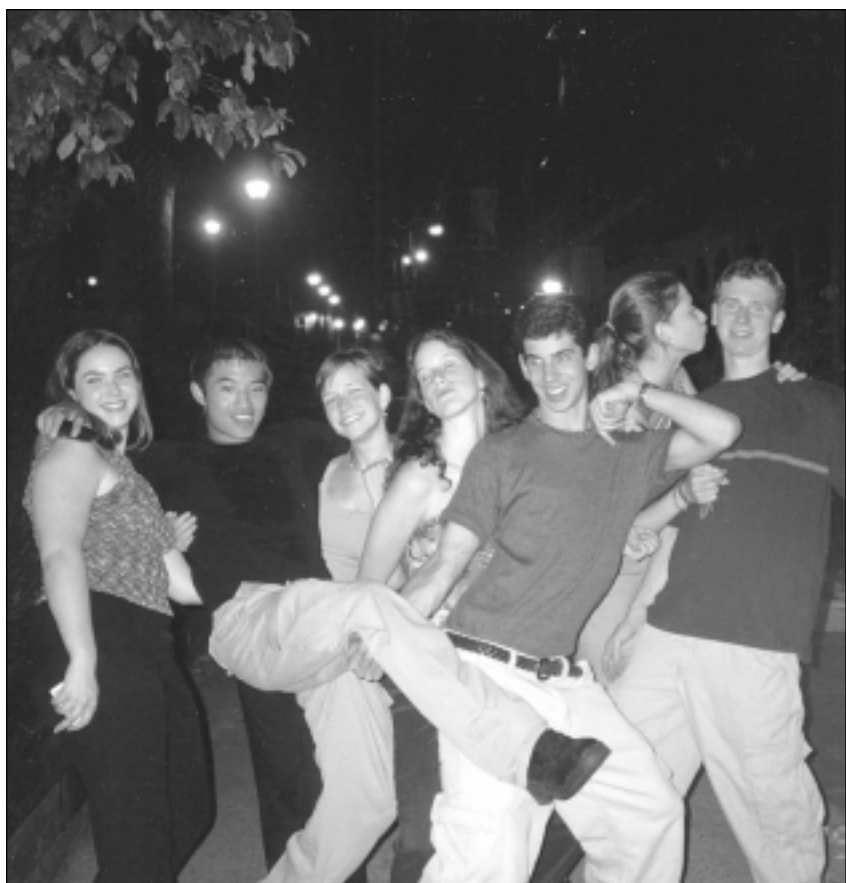


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Recently a night club has been running a bus service to and from the Buckhead Bar District. Above is a group of students enjoying their evening in Buckhead.

By Julia Barke  
*Feel better!*

For more than a month now, the Chili Pepper nightclub in Buckhead has (allegedly) been running a bus to Georgia Tech on Friday nights to pick up students and take them back down to the club.

The taxi service started when a group of students prepared a proposal about the idea, hoping to gain the endorsement of Dean Gail DiSabitino.

While it seems like a good way to prevent drinking and driving, there is some concern that it could encourage excessive drinking among students who no longer have to worry about how they will get home.

Dean DiSabitino expressed this concern to the students, and stipulated that her endorsement would be based on two conditions. First, that the club practice "Responsible Beverage Service," a program that educates drinking establishments in the prevention of underage and excessive drinking.

Second, that GT SMART, "Georgia Tech's campus/com-

munity coalition to reduce high risk drinking," vote to support the concept.

A short time later, a notice was sent out to a number of e-mail lists, and posted at walksidesways.com, stating that Dean DiSabitino supported the idea—without mentioning the conditions.

She had also made it clear to the students that she did not support drink specials, stating that "drink specials are one of the biggest factors in promoting binge drinking." The notice that was sent out listed a number of drink specials just above the erroneous endorsement.

There is some question, however, of whether the bus is actually running. John Jewell, a photographer for the Technique, recently tried to catch the bus in order to take some pictures. "We got there [the pick-up point] around 10:30. We waited till about 12, then got a ride with a pizza guy!"

The club itself has failed to return phone calls about the issue. When Jewell called the Stinger service asking for information, they reportedly told him that

whole thing was a myth. However, there were fliers being passed around campus at the beginning of the semester.

Matt Mason, one of last year's candidates for SGA president, used the idea as part of his campaign platform. He had originally planned to ask Georgia Tech to sponsor the bus, but then found out that the Chili Pepper would support it.

"We found out that we could get them to pay for it and just get students to pay a nominal fee to use it," said Mason. When he sought support from the administration, however, he met some resistance. "Students are going to do what they want to do... The administration has been slow to recognize the value of providing free transportation to our students."

The pick-up point is at the corner of Fourth Street and Techwood Drive. As public property, it is not under Georgia Tech jurisdiction, so the Dean's Office, GT SMART, or the Police Department can give their endorsements or withhold them, but it's up to the students to behave responsibly and safely.

## The Art of the Road Trip

By Kim Holton  
*Rocks the CL section*

Just like stealing the "T", George P. Burdell, and "To Hell with Georgia", road tripping is a long-standing Tech tradition.

However, road trips require more than jumping into a vehicle and heading off for the game. Road trips require time, planning, and a lot of spirit.

Who better to know about road trips than the guru himself: John Rafferty. Rafferty offered the following advice as a formula for a successful road trip.

"First off, a good road trip needs friends. Either find some of your own that want to watch

the same games that you do, or find some," he said.

"Secondly, plan trips where you can see more than one game at a time. In the case of the Clemson and Georgia football games this year, we play volleyball at each of the schools the night before we play them in football."

"Another hint is to leave early and pick a hotel room before going to the game. This will allow you to not worry about finding a hotel at midnight after a late game," Rafferty said. "Bring some food for the road, and always go to Outback Steakhouse."

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## WST community flourishes

By Julia Trapold  
*Campus Life Assistant Editor*

This year a floor in Hopkins is not just a place to live—it is a place to bond with peers and receive guidance from faculty. It is the Women, Science, and Technology (WST) Learning Community.

"This is an innovative venture that is sponsored by the Center for the Study of Women, Science, and Technology, and the Department of Housing," said co-director of the WST Center, Dr. Mary Frank Fox, who is also a professor of sociology in the school of History, Technology, and Society.

The community on the second floor of Hopkins on East Campus consists of eight female students.

Although the community is open to female students of all ages and majors, the eight that

live there now are all sophomores.

"The WST learning community aims to provide an environment that is both academic and social to enhance the quality of campus life," said Dr. Fox. "The main purpose is to support the instruction and development of Georgia Tech students through partnerships in an academic community."

Aside from the housing aspect of the community, the residents are invited to attend lectures, workshops, and informal discussions focusing on professional and personal issues significant for women entering science and technology fields.

"The lectures and programs aren't boring where you just sit there and listen to someone talk," said Adrienne Hairston, a resident.

"They are about how you can

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## Feature Photo Airport Fun Day



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Yellow Jacket Flying Club held an open house this weekend for nearly forty students, staff, faculty, and alumni. Attendees learned about the club's planes [above] and got a free flight to see Tech from the air [below].

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use experiences and resources.”

The idea of the community began a year ago when Carol Colatrel-la, co-director of WST and an associate professor in the school of Literature, Communication, and Culture, took the lead in developing the project with the help of the Department of Housing.

“She conducted a survey of all female students to get a sense of the students’ interests and needs, and also the direction in which this learning community would go to best serve the development of Georgia Tech students,” said Dr. Fox.

After the development of the idea, Chris Breeden, East Campus Community Director, recruited students. Adeshola Adeniyi, a resident, said, “I met with Aisha [Avery] and she told me about it. Then I talked to Chris and it sounded like a good networking opportunity because I could talk with older people in my major.”

Now that the recruiting is over, at least for this school year, Breeden continues to recruit faculty members to participate and obtain resources for the students.

“It is highly beneficial to bring faculty to them,” he said. “The resources are coming to the building. That shows a big commitment to the academic side of the program as well as the faculty’s commitment to the students.”

“We get to meet with faculty, deans, and a lot of women on this campus we would never have know otherwise,” said Adeniyi.

Along with visits from faculty, the residents have many other resources open to them. There is a mentoring program where each student is paired with a faculty member, and they meet two to four times each month. A regular activity is Lunch with Busy Persons, where students can have lunch with a faculty member or professor. Another regular programs is Enhancing Success at GT, which is a series of short presentations that lead to informal discussion among the students. All activities are open to the entire campus.

There is also an office on the floor where three graduate students, Kristin Adkins, Karen Ellis, and Leigh Gaston, hold office hours for the residents.

“The grad students are great,” said Aisha Avery, a resident. “They’re willing to help us in any way—you just have to ask.”

Along with the graduate students, both Fox and Colatrel-la play active roles in the program. “These women give you advice,” said Adeniyi. “They’re there for us – academically, emotionally, and socially.

For Dr. Fox, this is like her dream. She is so excited—getting to bring together students and faculty like this.”

“The students are just terrific,” said Dr. Fox. “They’re interested and they’re interesting. They are active participants.”

The residents also benefit from meeting other women on campus. “We have lunch with a lot of women,” Adeniyi said. “Just getting to know these women and their accomplishments is overwhelming.”



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Shihani Roy, Aisha Avery, Adria Miller, Adrienne Auirston, and Adeshola Adeniyi [left to right] are looking over homework. As residents in the WST housing program, they have many opportunities for growth and learning.

This year’s group is a pilot group, and Fox and Breeden plan on expanding the program next year, hopefully to Fourth Street Apartments.

“Though I’m not directly involved in the WST community, this is an important program to me and housing, and we really want to see it be a success,” said Breeden. “We will use the experiences from this year to make it a better program next year.”

The students who live in the community now plan to live there next year, also, and hope to recruit more students. They feel more advertisement will make more students interested.

Fox said, regarding the programs that are open to the entire campus, “They are a way to get to learn about the community and see if it’s right for you.”

“You can’t be informed about this until you get involved. You won’t know how it can help you,” said Avery. “It’s only good if you know what it offers.”

Overall, the students in the community feel it has been beneficial to them, and they hope that the community will grow with more advertisement and positive feedback.

“WST is not male bashing,” said Hairston. “It’s more trying to make sure we don’t get stressed out since there is such a small proportion of women on this campus compared to men. This is just something to bring us together so we don’t lose hope.”

“You get more guidance here than a regular dorm,” agreed resident Adria Miller.

“Even though we all knew each other before this, the program brought all of us closer together,” said Adeniyi. “There has been a good bonding experience for us.”

Shibani Roy, another resident, agrees. “I feel like this is bringing everyone together as a community,” she said. “It’s great. I give it a ‘thumbs up’.”

# FACES

## Faces at Georgia Tech

- Profile on Grant Jenman -

By Kim Holton  
*Two stories in one week!*

Graduate Student Body President Grant Jenman offers this pearl of wisdom to the students of Tech: "Grades matter if you want to attend Graduate School. Try every new thing you can possibly do at least once, not just at Tech but also in and around Atlanta. And above all, always ask, 'Why?'"

Grant came into the presidency under a bit of controversy. During the Graduate Presidential election last spring, several complaints were filed concerning possible miscount of votes, which had been cast by the

Institute of Paper and Science Technology (IPST) students.

However, a Judiciary Cabinet voted that Grant was indeed the rightful president.

This event was one of many that led up the Los Angeles native's election last spring. Grant is originally from Manhattan Beach, a small suburb of the City of Angels.

He received his undergraduate degree from Georgetown University, within the School of Foreign Service. Jenman said, "I would liken my degree to that of an International Affairs major."

During the summer of 1993, Grant interned on Capital Hill. He

then found himself working as the Deputy Press Secretary for Senator Jim Jeffords from Vermont.

After the Republican Party regained control of Congress in 1994, there was a great need for Republican Congressional Staff.

Grant began working as a legislative assistant for Bob Barr, a Georgian. This led the Georgetown graduate to Georgia, and Atlanta in particular. Grant began law school, but later left to pursue other interests.

He began working for BellSouth and discovered that he wanted to

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Grant Jenman, the Graduate Student Body President, speaks his mind during a Graduate Senate meeting. He brings an extensive background in politics to his office, and has made preventing fee increases his priority.

## Zack Procter seeks to represent Tech as a State Representative

By Becca Cutri-Kohart  
*Unbiased reporting at its finest*

It's easy to forget that Tech is part of the real world, and we are entitled to representation in the state and national government. But Georgia Tech's own INTA major and junior, Zach Procter, is seeking to change that sentiment by running for State House of Representatives.

He is running in the 48th district, which includes Tech, as well as a good portion of downtown and midtown. The current representative for the area is Douglas Dean, a Democrat, who has received some renown for his services to the African-American communities the 48th district also includes.

It may seem crazy for a full-time college student to be running for a state office. But Procter planned on spending this year on the campaign trail — working for the presidential campaign of Senator McCain.

However, after the Super Tuesday primaries when McCain dropped out of the running, Procter reevaluated where he wanted to put his efforts.

He decided the candidate most worthy of his energy was himself. To declare his candidacy, Procter had to fill out a long string of paperwork. And his cam-

paign team continues to answer surveys of his opinions and policies to a variety of local interest groups.

The next step for Procter was recruiting his campaign staff. He enlisted his roommates, friends, and members of the College Republicans to begin the long road to public service.

Procter is no stranger to political campaigns, and has been a volunteer on the Bush (the elder) and Dole presidential campaigns.

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But he readily admits running for state representative is a whole different ballgame, and he's running his campaign on a self-described "shoe-string budget," especially since he is receiving no support from the state's Republican Party.

So far, the main thrust of Procter's publicity has been to encourage students to register to vote in Atlanta, using their post office box.

Since there are 20,000 members of the Tech community, and there has never been a Georgia Tech student as this district's representative, Procter hopes that he can mobilize the student vote.

After the October 10 deadline for voter registration is over, Procter plans to branch out to

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attend Graduate School. Dupree College of Management’s master program caught his eye. He is now a second year graduate student.

“My first year,” Grant recalled, “I served as a Senator and on the Joint Finance Committee.” Grant said that he ran for Graduate President to help fight student fees. “In the end I’ll consider it a victory if I fight fees and there are no increases,” he said.

Grant describes himself as a “bomb thrower”. He said, “I have very charged rhetoric.”

“I want my legacy to be no legacy....the less the students hear from me the better.”

**Grant Jenman**  
Graduate Student Body President

J.R. Spriggle, Undergraduate SGA president, echoed those sentiments by saying, “When Grant is passionate about something, he is not afraid to let you know it. He always questions the status quo of the system.”

Grant will graduate from Tech in May. His plans are to move to Los Angeles or London and work for an Internet strategy consulting firm. When asked what legacy he hopes to leave behind, he replied, “I want my legacy to be no legacy....the less the students hear from me the better.”

Feature Photo Buffy Premier Party

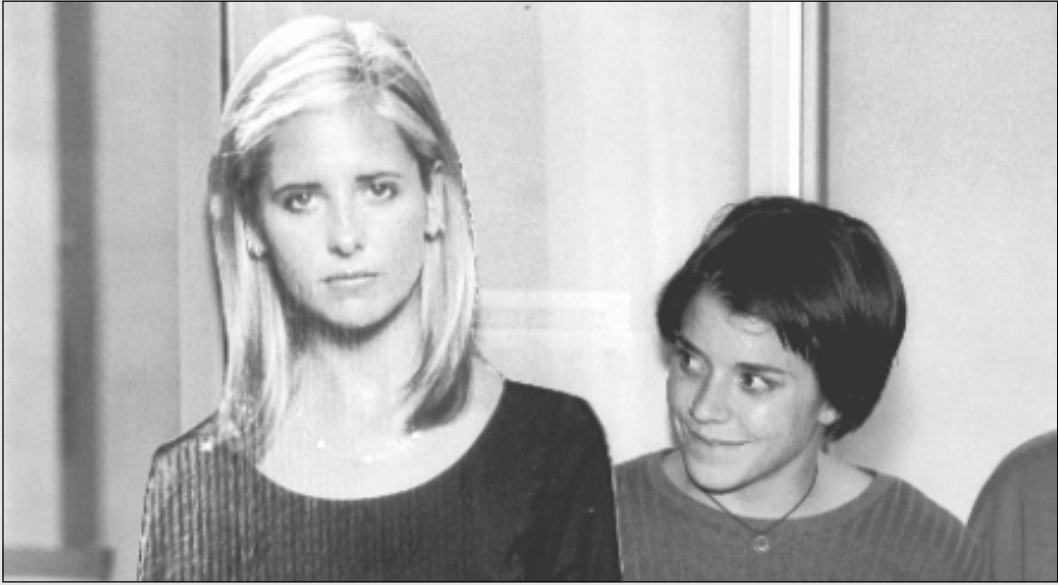


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Students gathered at the West Side Diner on Wednesday night for a “Buffy the Vampire Slayer” Season Premier Party. Before the show and during commercials, students were treated to prizes, trivia games and free food. Here, Katie O’Connor poses with the grand prize, a full size Buffy cardboard cutout.

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# ‘Who wants to be a millionaire’ brings out wishful students

*Tryouts were held for college students only at the Ritz-Carton; college students from all over the south came to try their luck at being on trivia show and we may be able to look forward to seeing a Tech student with Regis*

By Julia Trapold  
*La di da, da da*

Last Thursday, in front of the Ritz-Carlton Hotel on Peachtree Street, approximately 400 college students gathered early in the morning — when most would still be sleeping — in order to get a chance to appear on “Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?”.

The hit game show held their first in-person audition tour, recruit-

ing for a special college edition that will air in December.

Along with Atlanta, they were also interviewing in Los Angeles, Boston, Washington, and Chicago.

Students from all over the south-east arrived early in the morning to get their chance to appear on the show.

Contestants are usually recruited through phone tests, but these often leave people frustrated due to

constant busy signals, so the opportunity for an audition was appealing to most people.

There were three interview sessions on Thursday, and the first 125 people in line for each session got through the door.

Once inside, everyone had to show proof that they were college students, such as a tuition bill or a student ID. The first test was a 30-question test, resembling the “Fastest Finger” questions on the show,

which the students had to finish in 15 minutes.

After everyone finished the tests, the pass-fail results were announced to the room. Those that passed then had a six-minute videotaped interview.

At this point, the test scores were thrown out and the students were being judged based on their screen presence and personality. Students were asked questions about their lives and what they plan to do in the

future. Basically, the producers were looking to add diversity to the show.

On October 20, the finalists from all five cities will be called and told whether or not they made it onto the show. Considering they will pick only 30 people, the odds are rather slim.

However, the students that make it onto the show get a free trip to New York City from November 8 to 11. The three college shows will air on ABC December 19 to 21.

## Buzz Around the Campus



**Question** of the week

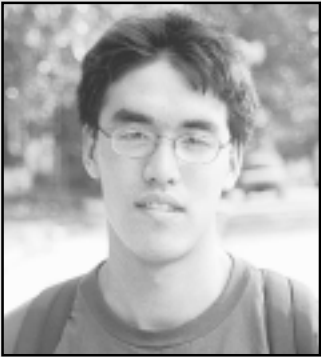
“What would you do with a million dollars?”

Feature and photos by David Ziskind.



**Justin Sellers**  
CompE Freshman

*“Take a trip around the world, stopping at all the Third World nations.”*



**Dan Warren**  
CS Freshman

*“Blow it on hookers. Have a good time and then invest the rest.”*



**Tara Murphy**  
INTA Freshman

*“Give a lot of it away and I’d buy a car. A Wrangler, no, a Defender!”*



**Natalie Horan**  
CE Senior

*“Throw a party.”*

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the rest of the Atlanta community to continue his publicity campaign. As for a political platform, Procter is still exploring different ideas. Though he leans toward the conservative side, his opinions diverge on several issues.

He is certain he wants to represent Tech students' interests, including strengthening the HOPE scholarship program so that it will never be threatened. His other big concern is increasing the amount of law enforcement in the Atlanta community.

As for the rest of the many issues that the State Legislature deals with, Procter plans to rely heavily on student feedback. He plans on holding town halls on campus and speaking to as many students as possible on a weekly basis while the legislature is in session. Balancing being a full-time student and his two year term as a representative is something

Procter has already given some thought. He currently plans on reducing his course load to only one class during Winter semester while the House is in session.

Though it seems that Procter is very driven in politics, he plans a career in law enforcement or national security issues. Procter is also currently the youngest person on the ballot, and, if elected, will be the youngest person ever to be a State Representative. The previous record holder is a University [sic] of Georgia alumni. Procter commented, "If I win, then we'll beat Georgia twice in November." But for now, you'll find Procter canvassing campus, encouraging students to make their vote count.

*For more information on the candidates, visit [http://www2.state.ga.us/Legis/1999\\_00/house/gash048.htm](http://www2.state.ga.us/Legis/1999_00/house/gash048.htm) and <http://www.procter.org/>.*

Feature Photo Hot Pepper Eating Contest



Photo by Daniel Uhlig / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

**Andrew Tate came in second place in the jalapeno eating contest sponsored by RHA. This was just one of many Spirit Week activities that dorm residents across campus participated in this week.**

if you like pina coladas, getting caught in the rain...  
write to me and we'll escape



# Campus briefs

## *Alpha Gamma Delta helps benefit diabetes research*

Alpha Gamma Delta will be holding a car wash to benefit Juvenile Diabetes Research and programs. It will be on Sunday, October 1, from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the Burger King on Peachtree Road just past the Peachtree Battle Publix. Fraternity and sorority members can earn philanthropy points for donations. For more information, call Alpha Gamma Delta at (404) 892-3319, or e-mail Erin McHugh at gte432i@prism.gatech.edu.

## *200 Hands on Atlanta service projects on Saturday*

Hands On Atlanta Day will be Saturday, October 7. Service projects will run from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m., and afterward there will be a Celebration of Service Party at Centennial Olympic Park from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. Choose from over 200 service projects around the metro area, from beautifying our locale to preparing meals for the homeless. Volunteer as an individual or as a team. For more information, visit <http://www.handsonatlanta.org/day> or call (404) 875-8500.

## *Volleyball tournament, with prizes, coming up*

Delta Tau Delta will be holding their Ninth Annual Volleyball Tournament to benefit the Atlanta area Ronald McDonald House on Saturday, October 7, beginning at 10 a.m. The entrance fee is \$40 per team, and there are four players per team. First place receives a cash prize, and there are other prizes for the runners-up.

For a registration form or more information, call Delta Tau Delta at (404) 892-8007, or e-mail Sean Harrington at gte141q@prism.gatech.edu. Teams may enter up to and including the day of the tournament.

## *ODK leadership society applications due today*

Omicron Delta Kappa is recruiting new members. The requirements for membership are junior or senior status, GPA in the top 35% of your class, and significant involvement at Georgia Tech. An applicant social will be held on Thursday, September 28, from 5 p.m. until 6:30 p.m., in the Student Center Room 301.

Applications are due by Friday, September 29. The application is online at <http://cyberbuzz.gatech.edu/odk/membership.html>. For further information, e-mail James Stovall at gt0633b@prism.gatech.edu

## *AASU and TI sponsor resume writing workshop*

The African American Student Union and Texas Instruments is sponsoring a resume workshop on Tuesday, October 10, at 11 a.m. in the Student Center Theater. Admission is three copies of your resume, and food will be served.

*Send briefs to [campus.life@technique.gatech.edu](mailto:campus.life@technique.gatech.edu).*

## Road Trip

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There's one in just about every city and it makes a good place to talk about the upcoming/just finished game."

Traveling hundreds of miles down the long interstate brings lessons that you just can't get within the lecture halls of Ma Tech. "I have learned most schools don't charge for the non-money sports like women's basketball and volleyball," said Rafferty. "In some cases, if you let the coach know that you're heading up there, and he has seen you at a lot of games, they'll put you on the guest list and you won't need a ticket. Another important lesson is to make sure you have a car if it's possible you will get thrown out of a football game."

When you mix screaming Tech

fans, food, and sports, you are very likely to get some exciting results. Whether it is getting thrown out of a game or watching the most exciting play, road trips produce stories that you can tell for years to come.

Rafferty offered this anecdote: "At the ACC baseball tournament in Fort Mill, SC, I saw third baseman Mark Teixeira get thrown out running from first to home. He hit a pop up to right field, and while thinking that the outfielder caught it, returned to home (to get to the dugout). Well, the fielder didn't catch it, but a relay in to home plate got him out."

Road trips can offer a chance to see the downfall of old rivals. For example, Rafferty offered this story from earlier this year. "While driv-

ing to Virginia Tech for the first rainout of the season this year, we parked in one of the lots on campus and started our way to the stadium," he said. "Well, when we were crossing one of the roads, we saw a black convertible Miata with UGA's face on the side of it and six people riding inside all wearing red. A small group of Georgia fans were so jealous of our victories the past two years that they traveled all that distance just to see us lose. It made the rainout all the much sweeter."

Sports blunders, fan bloopers, Outback Steakhouse, friends, food, and fun are all a part of what makes road trips amazing. There's only one question left unanswered: "Why are you still sitting here?" Hit the road Jack.



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Sporting event road trips are a longstanding Tech tradition. By keeping in mind a few tips and some common sense—and bringing along a few of your favorite friends—road trips can make memories that lasts a lifetime.

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