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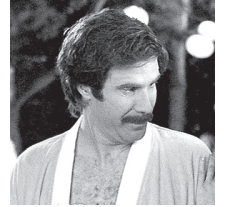
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Dining Services feeds U.S. troops

Troops arriving at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport from overseas yesterday were greeted with specially prepared lunches, courtesy of Tech's Dining Services. Box lunches served approximately 150 troops, out of a total 600 that arrived at the airport. The event was coordinated by the United Services Organization (USO).

Employees of Dining Services participated in the handouts. Melissa Moore, director of communications for Auxiliary Services said "We didn't invite students because security at the airport was limited to four people."

Engineers aid Angolan gov't

Graduate students with the School of Civil Engineering recently traveled with Chair Joseph Hughes to Luanda, Angola's impoverished capital city of 4.5 million people. The students advised the national government on infrastructure improvements.

SLIP AND SLIDE



By Christopher Gooley / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

The Campus Recreation Center opened its new 185-foot water slide Tuesday, which feeds into a leisure pool. For the slide's complete hours of operation, visit www.nique.net.

New VP heads Student Affairs

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After the retirement of Lee Wilcox, the previous Vice President of Student Affairs, last year, administrators undertook a lengthy search for a replacement. The candidate selected from the interview process, William Schafer, arrived and formally started his job on campus on July 1.

"It's an incredible feeling to have this opportunity ... to come here and work with the students at Georgia Tech, who are some of the top in the country," Schafer said.

Schafer said he was excited to have started his new position. "I've been getting to know the university since late February, but it feels better being here full-time and really getting to know people," he said.

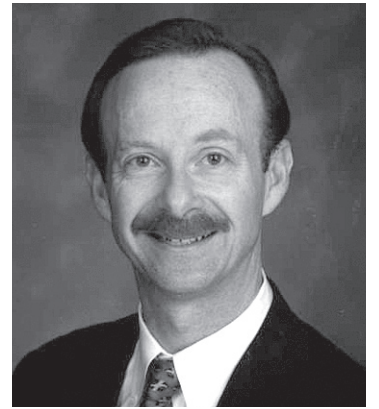
One of Schafer's first priorities will be to get acquainted with the needs and desires of the campus. In his first few days, he has been speaking with a variety of students, faculty and staff around campus.

"I think my first step has to be to listen to a lot of people ... about what they view as the needs and priorities of the university," Schafer said. "I'm setting up a large number of meetings with different people to get to know them."

"As a new person coming in, you've had all kinds of experiences at the other schools that you've been at, but it's really important to find out about the Georgia Tech culture, and what students are looking for from a student affairs position," he said.

Schafer has a variety of plans to implement in his new position. "I think as the Vice President of Student Affairs, you are the lead for setting the direction for many things that happen to students outside the classroom," he said. "It's a very wide array of responsibilities."

He hopes to build on some of his past successes by starting new



QUICK FACTS

NAME: William Schafer**TITLE:** Vice President, Student Affairs**REPLACES:** Lee Wilcox**PREVIOUS POSITION:** Associate VP and Dean of Students, University of Texas El Paso**EDUCATION:**

1975: B.S. in Chemical Engineering from UC Boulder

1977: M.A. in Guidance and Counseling from UC Boulder

1986: Ph.D. in Higher Education Administration and Curriculum from UC Boulder

programs that deal with building the leadership capabilities of students.

"I think that can be very beneficial to a student while they're in school, and when they leave to pursue their interests [further] either in graduate school or in their job," he said. He also hopes to create more social activities for students to participate in outside of classes.

"There [are] a lot of good programs in place, but I'd like to build on those and see how we can continue to strengthen those programs for students," he said.

In addition to his plans for new programs which would affect students, he hopes to have a personal

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CAPP system aids advisement

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The Registrar released a new test version of a system called Curriculum Advising and Program Planning (CAPP) on OSCAR June 28. CAPP is an advising tool designed to help students track their progress towards graduation.

The system lists the specific requirements for graduation and shows whether the requirements have been satisfied and which ones are still pending. The information provided is similar to paper forms that academic advisors have traditionally used.

"[CAPP] has been developed

to enhance the advisors and also to help the students as well," said Craig Womack, assistant registrar.

"The system helps free up advisors' time so that they can spend more 'quality time' helping students with their problems," he said.

Womack also asserted the benefits of students being able to accurately track their academic progress without the need of an advisor.

Registrar Jo McIver said "The student, the advisors and the registrar are going to know exactly where a student stands towards graduation ... this helps streamline the whole process and cut down on the amount of paperwork, which allows everyone to spend more time actually assisting

students."

Another feature of CAPP is the ability to perform a "what-if" analysis.

After the first couple semesters, a student can quickly and easily analyze their progress towards several majors without having to study the course catalogue and do everything by hand.

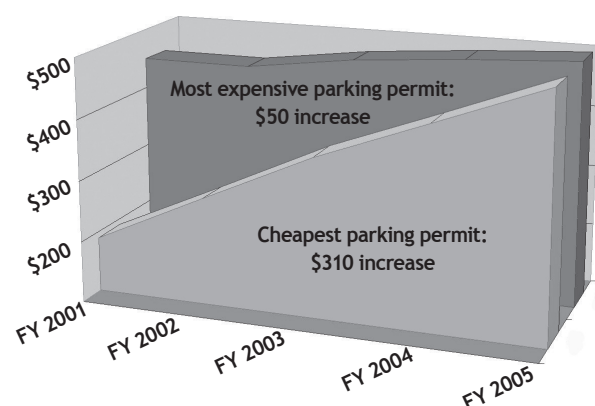
Jason Hurley, a fifth-year Computer Science major said "[CAPP] sounds awesome because I can always know how close I am to graduation without scheduling an appointment with my advisor."

He went on to say CAPP is "a very

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Debt, vandalism lead to parking permit rate hikes

PARKING PERMIT PRICE INCREASES OVER TIME



Over the last five years, parking permits have moved from a tiered price structure that charged more for high-quality spaces to a flat \$500 fee for all spaces.

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The Department of Parking and Transportation has hiked parking fees to cover a rapidly growing facilities deficit. This fall, the fee for all spaces will be standardized to \$500, a change from previous years' tiered structure.

Parking spaces in fiscal year 2001 ranged from \$190 for a spot at the Coliseum to \$450 for prime locations. Some of the tiers of previous years were merged to allay Parking's fears about an overly complicated fee structure.

Parking Director Bob Furniss said, "The fees pay for the repair of existing parking decks, the construction of new decks and employee salaries. The fees

also help service a debt incurred for the financing of new parking deck facilities."

The debt service in 2003 for existing parking decks was almost \$2 million a year. This sum will increase to around \$6 million for the current and planned parking decks by 2008. The new decks, built to handle increasing demand, are expensive, running approximately eight to ten thousand dollars per parking space.

Furniss believes that fees will increase further in future. "I think there are going to be increases; I don't think that we have a choice," he said. These increases are also necessary to fulfill a requirement mandated by the Board of Regents that Auxiliary Services must be

self-sufficient.

Vandalism is another contributing factor to increasing cost pressure.

"We are having an unbelievable amount of damage ... done to equipment. In January and February alone, I spent almost \$4,000 replacing parking gate arms [at \$25 each]," Furniss said.

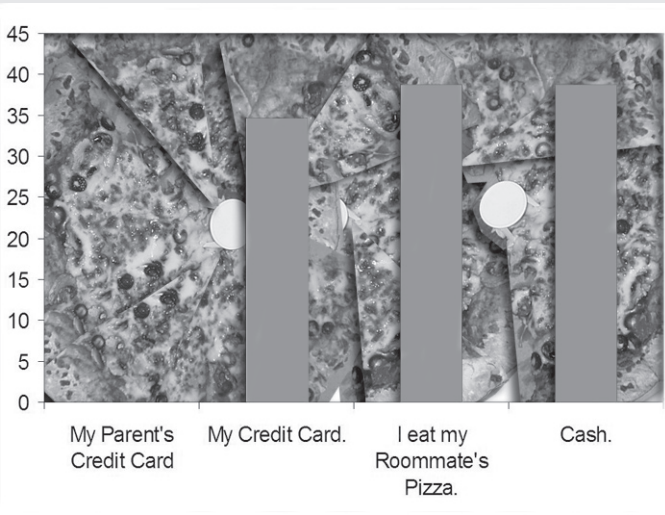
Cameras have been installed to monitor perpetrators of on-campus parking vandalism. The department discovered that students are simply walking up to the arms and snapping them off. The surveillance indicated that approximately 75 percent of the arms have been broken in the open position.

The department is also struggling

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Technique Online Voice your opinion!

Last issue's question received 49 responses
How do you pay for your Papa John's pizza?



By Lauren Griffin / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

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progressive move by the administration.”
The CAPP system is currently available on OSCAR (oscar.gatech.edu) under Student Records in the Student Services section. Womack cautions students to not use the feature as an authoritative source of information.
“This is a beta testing system, so we have the students go in there and take a look at it and if they find

problems, then they contact their advisor, and their advisor will contact us, and we will go in and make changes accordingly,” Womack said.
Nick Clift, a second-year Computer Science major, said “I’ve had to deal with paper systems in the past, and electronic systems are always better.”
CAPP will not support classes that were taken under the quarter system.
“The quarter system is one of the reasons we waited until now to bring



Property damage

6/24/2004 11:24:00 hrs.
Location: Players Entrance, Alexander Memorial Coliseum
Incident: Report of a damaged canopy
6/25/2004 9:26:00 hrs.
Location: Skiles Walkway
Incident: Report that a breezeway was damaged by paint

False alarm

6/26/2004 4:23:00 hrs.
Location: Hemphill Apartments
Incident: Report of a false fire alarm

From the files of the GTPD...
Crime Reports

Arrests

6/24/2004 12:23:00 hrs.
Location: King Building
Incident: Offender arrested on an outstanding warrant
6/26/2004 3:32:00 hrs.
Location: Tenth Street at State Street
Incident: Offender arrested for no insurance.
6/27/2004 20:00:00 hrs.
Location: Marietta Street at Wallace Street
Incident: Offender arrested by Atlanta Police Department
6/28/2004 23:20:00 hrs.
Location: 1030 McMillian Street
Incident: Offender arrested for criminal trespass

DUI

6/24/2004 12:23:00 hrs.
Location: Spring Street at Abercrombie Street
Incident: Offender arrested for driving under the influence

Sick person

6/25/2004 4:15:00 hrs.
Location: 301 Tenth Street
Incident: Report of a sick person transported to Crawford Long Hospital

Theft

6/24/2004 16:05:00 hrs.
Location: Chiller Plant
Incident: Report of a stolen red 1987 Chevy S-10 pickup truck
6/25/2004 15:28:00 hrs.
Location: Student Center
Incident: Report of a stolen Wachovia Bank Card

vising process. “I can’t easily meet with an advisor, so ...[with CAPP] I don’t have to meet,” she said.
The idea for such a system has been around for several years. Debbie Williamson, associate registrar, said, “[CAPP] is mandated by the Board of Regents that by the end of December this year every school in the University System of Georgia will use this system with the exception of that small place in Athens.”
SCT, the vendor for OSCAR’s backendsystem, has been developing this new addition. The Registrar’s

Office plans to keep CAPP in beta testing through the coming fall semester and fully release it in the spring.
Along with the introduction of CAPP, the Registrar eliminated the long-used ‘OscarWeb’ home page and has redesigned the main Registrar webpage to contain all of the information from OscarWeb plus several new features.
“In the grand scale of things, down the road it would be great if everything was electronic,” Womack said.

Breaking the Bubble



A lot of things went on outside the bubble of Tech in the past two weeks. Below are summaries of a few of the important events taking place throughout the nation and the world.

Kerry grabs Edwards for "broad appeal" ticket

Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry invited Massachusetts Senator John Edwards to be his running mate in this year's election. Edwards, a former candidate for the presidential nomination whose last campaign stop was at Tech, accepted the invitation when Kerry extended it Tuesday. The two started campaigning the same day on the platform "Kerry and Edwards: A New Team for a New America." The pair targeted Ohio and Florida, two crucial swing states that could determine the outcome of the 2004 presidential race.

The Bush administration has criticized Edwards for his lack of experience in government, as Edwards has only served one term as a senator. But supporters point to Edwards' extensive resume, which includes his service on the Senate Intelligence Committee and the congressional panel investigating the September 11 attacks.

Hot dog champion eats way to new record

Takeru Kobayashi—known to many as "The Tsunami"—broke his own record in the Nathan's Famous hot dog eating competition Sunday. The 5-foot-7, 132-pound resident of Nagano, Japan devoured 53.5 hot dogs in 12 minutes, beating 19 other contestants, and surpassing the 50.5 hot dogs he ate in the same competition in 2002. Witnesses report that he employed his trademark habit of breaking the dogs in two before swallowing them. The runner-up, Nobuyuki Shirota of Tokyo, managed to devour only 38 hot dogs.

Beam me up, Scotty—one last time

Actor James Doohan—known to fans the world over as Scotty, the miracle-working Scottish engineer aboard the starship Enterprise—has been diagnosed with the early stages of Alzheimer's disease. The 84-year-old star played Lt. Commander Montgomery Scott, aka Scotty, for three years in the original Star Trek television series (1966-1969) followed by seven films. Doohan will receive a star in the Hollywood walk of fame this August.

WORLD'S LARGEST ROAD RACE



By Ethan Trehwitt/STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

The Peachtree Road Race, the world's largest race, with 55,000 participants, was held July 4. Tech students were among the runners that crossed the finish line in Piedmont Park.

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impact on the student body.

"I hope [students] will feel comfortable ... talking to me, coming to get to know me, whether it's in my office or out at functions," Schafer said. Schafer is looking forward to joining the Tech community. "That's the most enjoyable part of a job like this for me, is getting to know students and watching them grow and develop during their years at Tech," he said.

Schafer, previously a vice president and dean of students at the University of Texas El Paso, officially accepted the position in late February. "In these searches, it has to be a good match both ways...[Tech] certainly needs to find somebody who they feel is good for the position, and then you as a person applying... need to feel comfortable," he said.

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with the theft of parking signs. Since 42 signs were installed four months ago, 21 have been stolen, leading to a replacement cost of nearly \$8000.

"I'm glad I don't drive to campus and cost has a lot to do with it," said Arthur Rozier, a first-year Mechanical Engineering major. Hassan Chaudhri, a third-year International Affairs student, echoed his sentiment, saying "I don't mind paying transportation fees, but [parking] cost is one of the main things that keep me from driving here." Not all students complained about the cost of parking permits, however. Instead, some focused on the cost of parking tickets. "Parking should be more lax on permit-holders for parking tickets; perhaps they should pay half," said Ross Levine, a Management major.

Furniss said that the biggest gripe he gets from campus staff is that parking fees keep going up while salaries have remained constant for the last two years. The department is reviewing some potential solutions. "I'm looking for some [remote lots] as an alternative," Furniss said. Remote lots would be located further from the campus, but would potentially have lower rates. Rick Sar, a staff programmer for the College of Computing said, "[Parking] is very expensive, and the college should subsidize parking for students and staff. Parking should charge visitors and fans of games...perhaps staff should be charged according to their rate of salary and students could pay according to how many classes they take," he said.

Antoinette Malcom, an Administrative Assistant said, "...I don't think employees should pay; I don't think anyone should."

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