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Tech community mourns loss of Ivan Allen, Jr.

By Michael Handelman
Contributing Writer

Ivan Allen Jr., Tech graduate (B.S. Commerce, '33) and former mayor of Atlanta, died July 2. Allen served as student body president from 1932-33, was also a member of Omicron Delta Kappa, the ANAK society, past president of the Alumni Association and recipient of the Georgia Tech Alumni Distinguished Service award. In 1990, the Ivan Allen College, was named in his legacy. Allen's death came ten days after the death of former mayor Maynard Jackson, who served three terms as mayor of Atlanta.

While at Tech, Allen was active in student life; following discussions by the Board of Regents to move Tech's School of Commerce to the University of Georgia, he rallied 450 students marching in protest. In a previous interview, Allen noted, "Georgia Tech has had a tremendous impact on the city of Atlanta and on the whole economy of the

South...I can remember staying close to Tech alumni for years, and not just the people from my class of '33, but from other years."

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Ivan Allen, Jr.
Former Atlanta Mayor

Atlanta, a comparison he would like. He is successful, optimistic, young in spirit, and disdainful of anything that stands still. He is the perfect personification of that great American phenomenon, the civic shaker

and business mover," the *New York Times Magazine* reported in 1966.

As a long-time supporter of Tech, Allen's contributions included a recent \$25 million donation to the Ivan Allen College made in his name by the Woodruff Foundation. According to the director of development for the college in an article published by the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, "It's not just writing a check or his family writing a check but also the extraordinary ability to channel the resources of people who admired him or were supportive of him in the college's direction as well."

Nearly thirty years after leaving Tech, Allen served as mayor of Atlanta from 1962-1970. "During his time in office, Mayor Allen made great contributions to the City of Atlanta such as leading efforts to attract the Atlanta Braves and to build Atlanta Fulton County Stadium, to create MARTA, and to establish the first International air routes

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Photo Courtesy of ICPA

Ivan Allen, Jr., a Tech alumnus and namesake of the liberal arts college, passed away last Wednesday. His accomplishments as mayor of Atlanta focused on supporting and enforcing the civil rights laws of the 1960s.

Students scream for (Marble Slab) ice cream!



By Scott Meuleners / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Emily Brighton receives her order from a worker at the new Marble Slab Creamery, which opened late last month. Its close location in the new Technology Square project is quickly making the creamery a hot spot for both students and residents of Midtown. See page 9 for more info on the new development.

Recycle your old computers July 12

Dell Computer Corporation is supporting the Environmental Protection Agency's "Plug-In To eCycling" campaign by organizing a computer recycling event at Tech.

On July 12, members of the Tech community, as well as Atlanta area residents, are invited to drop-off any unwanted personal computer equipment at the Alexander Memorial Coliseum.

Equipment can be dropped off any time between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., and the recycling is free of charge. Atlanta is the final stop on a fifteen city tour.

New lighting to be installed in A05

Due to the insufficient lighting and security concerns in the A05 Parking Deck, GT Parking and Transportation has contracted a company to install and reposition additional, higher quality lighting. The contractor began installing these new light fixtures on the lower level of the deck and will work their way to the upper levels. This project is scheduled to be completed by Aug. 13, 2003. During the installation of the lighting fixtures, sections of the deck will be temporarily barricaded off until that specific section being worked on is completed.

Student Center plans free concert

On Tuesday, July 15, Bain Mattox will be playing from 11 to noon at the Campanile, sponsored by the Student Center Programs Council. In case of rain, Bain Mattox will preform in the Cyberbuzz cafe. Wednesday July 16 from 10:30 to 1:30, the SCPC will be handing out free ice cream and tie-dying shirts on Skiles Walkway, and give you the opportunity to play around with some race cars. The cost is free for students; shirts will cost two dollars each, although you can bring your own. More info can be found at their website, www.fun.gatech.edu.

Court sodomy ruling could impact policy

By Tim Atkins
News Editor

On Thursday, June 26, the Supreme Court made history yet again as they struck down a Texas ban on sodomy as an unconstitutional violation of privacy, in the case *Lawrence v. Texas*.

The 6-3 ruling reverses a ruling from 17 years ago, *Bowers v. Hardwick*, which stemmed from a case in Georgia in which the court ruled that states did have the ability to ban sodomy.

As recently as 1960, every state had an anti-sodomy law. In 37 states, including Georgia, the statutes have been repealed by lawmakers or blocked by state courts.

Of the 13 states with sodomy laws, four, Texas, Kansas, Oklahoma and Missouri, prohibit oral and anal sex between same-sex couples. The other nine ban consensual sodomy for everyone: Alabama, Florida, Idaho, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Utah and Virginia.

"Liberty protects the person from

unwarranted government intrusions into a dwelling or other private places. In our tradition, the state is not omnipresent in the home," Justice Kennedy wrote in the majority opinion handed down on the last day of the court's term.

"Liberty presumes an autonomy of self that includes freedom of thought, belief, expression and certain intimate conduct."

Justice Anthony Scalia, joined by Justice Thomas and Chief Justice Rehnquist, wrote in the dissenting opinion that the court had "largely signed on to the so-called homosexual agenda."

Activists from both sides of the issue wonder if this will be a stepping stone for gay marriage and other gay rights.

Vermont is currently the only state to al-

low "civil unions" although there is a case pending before the Massachusetts State Supreme Court that will decide if that state will allow same-sex marriage.

There are several countries out-

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Technique Online Voice Your Opinion!

Last issue's poll garnered 26 responses to the question:
"What's your opinion on the expanded cable channel offerings?"

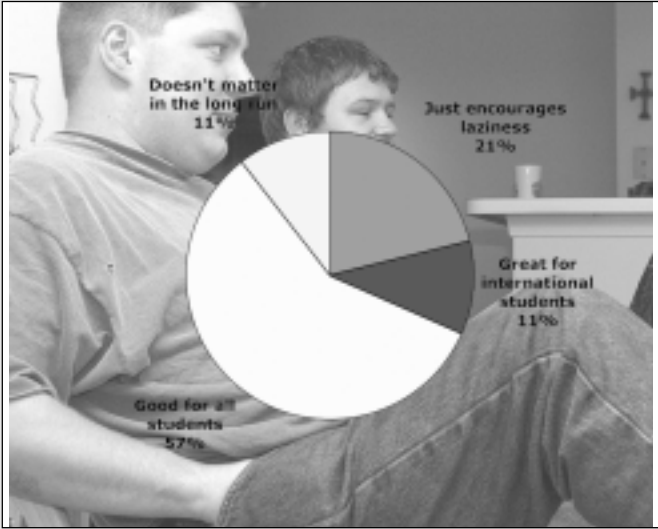


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This week's poll question relates to the ACC expansion. Which team should the ACC pursue as the 12th team in the conference? Tell us what you think at www.cyberbuzz.gatech.edu/technique.

CRIME REPORTS

INCIDENT: Larceny/Theft
7/3/03 10:45 a.m.
Place: Alexander Coliseum
Missing black leather wallet

INCIDENT: Criminal Damage
7/4/03 2:02 a.m.
Place: Caldwell Parking Lot
Report of a damaged forklift

INCIDENT: DUI
7/4/03 4:30 a.m.
Place: North Ave. & Fowler St.
Offender arrested for a DUI

INCIDENT: Criminal Damage
7/4/03 4:51 p.m.
Place: Bookstore
Report that a van was entered and the console was damaged

INCIDENT: Lost property
7/5/03 12:04 p.m.
Place: Student Center
Report of a lost black leather wallet

INCIDENT: Entering Auto
7/5/03 5:26 p.m.
Place: Sixth Street West
Report that a 1996 Red Honda Accord was entered and items taken

INCIDENT: Criminal Damage
6/2/03 8:20 p.m.
Place: Peters Parking Deck
Report that the tires on a 1995 Subaru Legacy were slashed

INCIDENT: Larceny/Theft
7/7/03 11:42 a.m.
Place: Tech Square
Report of a stolen computer monitor

INCIDENT: Entering Auto
7/7/03 3:21 p.m.
Place: IC
Report of a green 1993 Ford Ranger trunk was entered and items taken

INCIDENT: Property Damage
7/7/03 3:27 p.m.
Place: State St. @ Tech Parkway
Report that a 1999 Honda Civic was flooded

INCIDENT: Entering Auto
7/7/03 4:43 p.m.
Place: Lower Peters Deck
Report that a 1994 Honda Accord was entered and items taken

INCIDENT: Criminal Damage
7/7/03 5:06 p.m.
Place: Lower Peters Deck
Report of a damaged vehicle door

INCIDENT: Entering Auto
7/7/03 5:31 p.m.
Place: IC Parking Lot
Report that a 1995 Chevy Blazer was entered

INCIDENT: Entering Auto
7/7/03 5:48 p.m.
Place: Lower Peters Deck
Report that a 1994 Dodge Caravan was entered and items taken

INCIDENT: Entering Auto
7/7/03 7:46 p.m.
Place: College of Mgt. Lot
Report that a green 2001 Ford Trunk was entered and items taken

Allen

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departing from Hartsfield Atlanta International Airport. This City of Atlanta has suffered a great loss, and Atlanta has lost a wonderful friend, with the death of this exceptional man," said current Atlanta mayor Shirley Franklin.

Remembered for his racially progressive politics, Allen's political leadership guided Atlanta through the civil rights battles of the 1960's, giving the city the moniker, "the city too busy to hate." Allen was "the only Southern elected official to testify before Congress in favor of what would become the 1964 Civil Rights Act...[he] desegregated city government the day he took office. The

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Ivan Allen College Dean

'colored' and 'white' signs were taken down, and he hired blacks for many city jobs," the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* reported.

The Ivan Allen College established a founder's day on the anniversary of Allen's birth, March 15. "[The College] also instituted the Ivan Allen Jr. Prize for Progress and Service, which has since been given each year to an individual with Georgia connections...who personifies the ideals of the college," according to a statement released by Tech.

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Ruling

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side the US as well who allow same-sex marriage, including the Netherlands, Belgium and some provinces of Canada.

Scott McRae, president of the Tech Pride Alliance, believes, "The Supreme Court's decision sends the message that it isn't the public's business what gay people do in private. Although the states never enforced sodomy laws strictly, this decision still strongly affects the way public policy views homosexuality."

"This ruling doesn't imply that dedicated gay partners should be treated the same way as married partners, but many argue it brings up the question of why they are not." McRae questions "why treat gay couples differently if there is nothing illegal about homosexuality then?"

The gay community is also using the ruling as a stepping stone for advocating for more rights. A former soldier, dismissed eight days from retirement due to the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy of the armed forces, has appealed the decision.

The ruling was also used by Georgia Equality, the main GLBT political organization in the state, in lobbying the Fulton County Commission to allow domestic partnership benefits for county employees, which the Commission granted.

Domestic partnership benefits were granted to the faculty and staff of Tech last fall. Although the benefits were limited due to Board of Regents restrictions, those working for some type of recognition from

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INTA-FL major

the Institute cheered the decision.

In spring of 2002, the first opportunity for students to act on domestic partnership benefits arose in the Undergraduate House of Representatives, where the bill was failed, although the Graduate Student Senate passed this resolution 13-11.

Among the reasoning given by the Undergraduate Representatives was that Tech did not have a policy put in place already. In addition, the Board of Regents had no such policy for faculty and staff, although

Georgia State currently offers the domestic partners of students, alongside spouses of students, membership to their athletic center, among other benefits.

Nich Kelley, a third year INTA-FL major, says, "It is surprising Tech hasn't established universal benefits for domestic partnership

since it claims to be on the forefront of desegregation since the early 1960s."

"The credibility and relevance of same sex partnerships has already been established by the most recent US census and by the Supreme Court Case dealing with Texas that legalized sodomy (mostly in the case of gay couples."

"I find it unclear why Tech would not give benefits to all partnerships within the school. Tech should grant domestic partnership benefits to all partners, opposite sex and same sex."

Davene Wright, a third year PTCH major said, "In the wake of this ruling, perhaps it's time for Tech to sit down and seriously revisit this issue."

Students given highest priority in visa screenings

By Tracy Dang
Daily Texan

(U-WIRE) University of Texas-Austin—International students returning from a visit home may find re-entering the country to be a much quicker process. The U.S. State Department told overseas consular offices to give students, professors and researchers first priority for interviews that are part of antiterrorism screenings for most visa applicants.

"This has always been problematic, and there's not a lot we can do," said Deane Willis, director of the University of Texas International Student and Scholar Services. "Last summer, [the University] had students coming in a semester later because of the delays."

College advocacy groups including the Association of American Universities, the American Council of Education, the Council of Graduate Schools and the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges had been concerned that the interviews were delaying too many university students' and employees' entry back into the United States.

"Current policies are hampering the ability of the world's best and brightest international students, scholars and researchers to study and work in our country and to contribute to our nation's science and technology enterprise, economy and security," the presidents of those organizations wrote in a collabora-

tive letter to Secretary of State Colin Powell.

The groups were referring to a May message from the State Department that required all foreigners and visitors to have in-person interviews with consular officials before they could receive approval for visa documents.

The Department of State was hoping the process would prevent potential terrorists from entering the country.

"Our first concern is that many international students and scholars are now experiencing unusually long delays in receiving visa decisions," the organizations' letter said.

"We share

this pessimistic assessment and believe that, without a commensurate increase in resources to accommodate the substantial increase in workload that will result from this new requirement, there will be even more delays than there already have been for [them]."

According to a message in June from Powell to all consular offices, there are currently a small number of posts that have a four-week or longer waiting period for interviews.

The State Department may waive in-person interviews for a limited number of returning students. "There are concerns that the [interview] appointments will delay the visa process, but we believe that the Department of State will do the interviews in a timely manner," said Willis.

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Summer Semester 2003 Final Exam Schedule

Class Meeting Time	Exam Period	Day	Examination Time
TTH 12:00 - 1:45	1	Mon 7/28	8:00 - 10:50
MWF 4:00 - 5:10	2	Mon 7/28	11:30 - 2:20
MWF 10:40 - 11:50	3	Mon 7/28	2:50 - 5:40
MWF 1:20 - 2:30	4	Tue 7/29	8:00 - 10:50
TTH 10:00 - 11:45	5	Tue 7/29	11:30 - 2:20
MWF 9:20 - 10:30	6	Tue 7/29	2:50 - 5:40
TTH 8:00 - 9:45	7	Wed 7/30	8:00 - 10:50
MWF 8:00 - 9:10	8	Wed 7/30	1:30 - 2:20
MWF 2:40 - 3:50	9	Wed 7/30	2:50 - 5:40
MWF 12:00 - 1:10	10	Thu 7/31	8:00 - 10:50
OPEN	11	Thu 7/31	11:30 - 2:20
PERIOD FOR CONFLICT	12	Thu 7/31	2:50 - 5:40

NOTE: For a class meeting at irregular times, the examination period is determined by the day and hour at which the regularly sequenced class meets.

EXAMINATIONS FOR COURSES SCHEDULED DURING EVENING HOURS (5 p.m. or later): Examinations for courses scheduled during the evening hours will be conducted either during the regular evening class hours during the period July 28-31 or during the examination period for a daytime section of the course if one is available and the instructor approves.

EXAMINATIONS FOR CLASSES MEETING A STAGGERED SCHEDULE: Examination for classes meeting a staggered schedule should use the examination period for the days of the week that the majority of course meets. Should the exam period be changed to the period for the other days, then it will be the responsibility of the instructor making the change to accommodate all conflicts created.

EXAM CONFLICT: If three examinations are scheduled in one day, the examination for the middle period will be rescheduled to the conflict period or to another period mutually agreed on by the instructor and student. Should the exam period be changed to the period for the other days, then it will be the responsibility of the instructor making the change to accommodate all conflicts created.

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Racial motive blamed in MS factory rampage

Douglas Williams, 48, a worker at the Lockheed Martin plant in Meridian, Mississippi, shot and killed five co-workers Tuesday, wounded nine others and then killed himself. Allegations that the attack was racially motivated have prompted the authorities to conduct new interviews with plant workers. The morning of the shooting, Williams was attending an ethics course. He left the course without speaking, armed himself, returned to the meeting and opened fire. Several of the now deceased co-workers of Williams expressed fear over his racial threats for years, which has prompted authorities to take a closer look at his record and also at Lockheed Martin.

Iran mourns loss of Ladan and Laleh Bijani

Landan and Laleh, 29-year-old twin sisters who were conjoined at the head, died after their separation attempt in a Singapore hospital on Tuesday. It was the first time surgeons tried to separate adults joined at the head. The historic attempt to separate the Iranian twin sisters ended tragically Tuesday when Ladan and Laleh Bijani died within 90 minutes of each other after a marathon operation. Doctors told a news conference afterwards that the twins lost too much blood as the neurosurgical stage of the 52-hour operation, in which their tightly enmeshed brains were separated, was coming to an end.

The team of 24 doctors and about 100 medical staff began the world-first operation at 10:00 am on Sunday knowing that one or both of the sisters might die. But they decided to press on after again being reminded by the twins' relatives and friends in Singapore of their "wish to be separated under all circumstances. The fate of the twins was closely monitored in their homeland, with millions of Iranians absorbing the minute-by-minute updates provided on state-run television and radio.

Crisis in Liberia may prompt U.S. intervention

Liberian president Charles Taylor, who controls barely a third of his country and has been indicted for war crimes, has accepted a Nigerian offer of asylum, but he warns that his exit will unleash chaos without outside intervention. The White House is keen to prevent trouble, but wants Taylor out as soon as possible. The United States is under pressure to act in a country founded by freed American slaves more than 150 years ago. U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan, Britain and France would all like to see a big U.S. role.