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Naked Races

Maybe we should start a new tradition at Tech—Michigan students get to run a naked mile to prepare for graduation. **Page 15**

Greek Week

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Janet Reno helps College of Computing celebrate birthday

Reno, the first female Attorney General, spends the day meeting with students and delivering lecture

By Katy Jo Schroer
Lucky Duck

Under the administration of former President of the United States Bill Clinton, the Attorney General position was appointed, for the first time in history, to a woman: Janet Reno.

The longest serving Attorney General since before the Civil War, Reno recognized both the benefits and disadvantages inherent in the electronic information revolution that marked the phenomenal growth of the 1990s.

Although she was adamant about increasing the government's information technology resources devoted to law enforcement, she also recognized that the uncharted airwaves of cyberspace could facilitate globalized criminal activity—and that effective electronic security measures are needed to assure the

common international economic good.

While enjoying a catered lunch, students and faculty had an open discussion with Reno who addressed issues such as facilitating businesses in obtaining advanced computer technology while still handling terrorism issues, the need for funding and training of law officials so to promote proper investigation practices and emphasizing collaboration between national and global businesses.

"She spoke on information security, although never touching on the substantive issues," Matt Norris, President of the College Republicans, said. "She stressed how much we need improved information security for our nation's computers and how we are behind in pursuing that goal."

After the invitation-only

lunch and discussion, Reno moved onto an Open Forum in the Tennenbaum Theater where she delivered the Thomas E. Noonan Distinguished Lecture on Information Security in honor of the 10th Anniversary of Georgia Tech's College of Computing.

Mary Alice Isele, the CFRE Director of Development of the College of Computing at Tech, organized Reno's presence here and was instrumental in all that occurred for the celebration.

The celebration included events such as the Spring Advisory Board Meeting and the Annual CoC Awards Ceremony.

Reno gave one more speech the night of the big event and many alumni, faculty, and students were there to hear her lecture and learn more about the

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By Daniel Uhlig / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Janet Reno made the keynote address at the College of Computing's 10th anniversary celebration, speaking on issues involved in information technology.

Scholarship winners inspire classmates

By Andrew Santelli
Is it Belly or Jelly?

The number of Tech students winning prestigious endowed scholarships this year has just increased by two. Already this year, Tech students have earned the Truman scholarship and the Marshall scholarship, and now, we have two Barry M. Goldwater scholars.

Patrick Biltgen, an Aerospace Engineering junior, and Danielle Dees, a Computer Science sophomore, have recently been awarded the distinguished Goldwater Scholarship from the Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation. The scholarships will cover the cost of tuition, fees, books, and room and board up to a maximum of \$7,500 per year, for one or two years.

The Goldwater Scholarship was awarded to 302 students this year across the country, from the 1,164 students in mathematics, science, and engineering who applied and were nominated by the faculties of their colleges and universities.

"It gives me a lot more freedom to do things like study abroad, pursue research opportunities, and participate in extracurricular activities," said winner Dees.

Jane Weyant, assistant dean of the College of Engineering, nominated both students. "The Georgia Tech community is delighted that

the Goldwater Foundation has recognized the outstanding accomplishments of these two individuals," said Weyant.

In addition, Weyant said of Biltgen and Dees that they "exemplify the high level of talent and creativity we have come to expect of Georgia Tech students, and we are immensely proud of what they have achieved."

"It was an honor to be nominated," said Dees. "And I was shocked that I won."

Biltgen, who hails from Marietta, Georgia, plans to pursue a Ph.D. in advanced propulsion systems design. Biltgen has his eyes set on true

"rocket science," with future career aspirations of managing a propulsion-based research project at a major aerospace firm or educational institution.

Originally from Lilburn, Georgia, Dees also has her eyes on a Ph.D., and her goals for a career

include DNA computing research and teaching at the university level. According to Dr. Hans Mark, chairman of the Goldwater Foundation's board of trustees, Goldwater Scholars merit much attention after graduation.

Recent Goldwater Scholars have won 39 Rhodes Scholarships, 32 Marshall Awards, 93 National Science Foundation fellowships, and numerous other scholarships, fellowships, and awards.

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Dr. Jane Weyant
Assistant Dean of Engineering

FACES at Georgia Tech

- Profile on Dr. Manohar Kamat -

By Emily Cavender
Campus Life Staff

Making students his top priority, Dr. Manohar Kamat, Professor and Assistant to the Chair for Undergraduate Programs, hails all the way from Goa, India. After obtaining a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from the University of Poona, India, Kamat seemed to be well on his way to a career in civil engineering. He traveled to England in 1964 to begin a post graduate diploma in concrete technology. "I was a pure civil engineer up to that point," he said.

While working in England, he began to develop an interest in

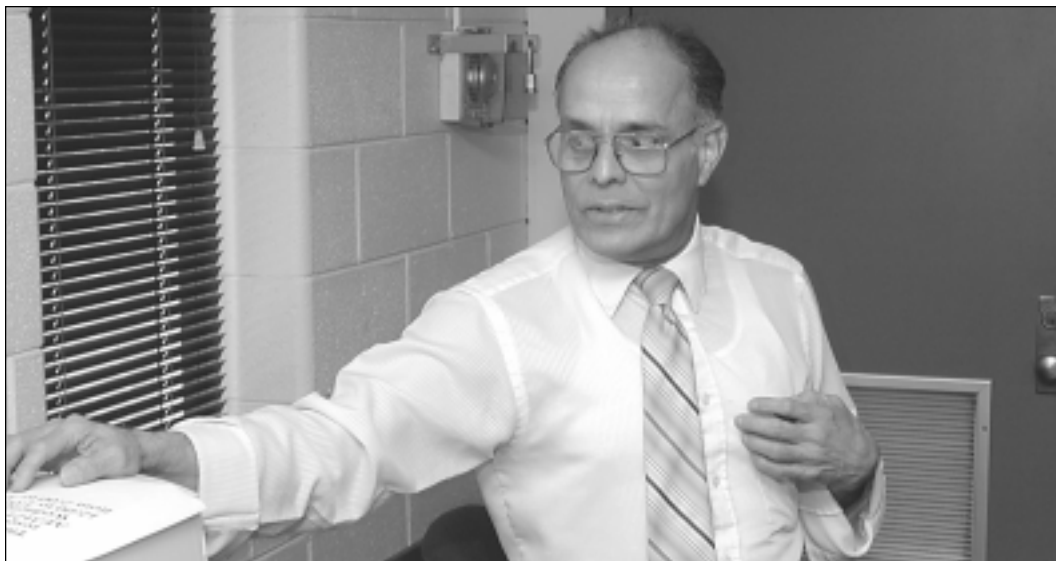
aircraft structures. Luckily, opportunity would soon come knocking to let him bring this interest to fruition.

At that time, Lockheed was advertising for engineers to work on the C-5A, the largest cargo airplane the company was manufacturing. "They were looking for a lot of engineers from England. I applied for the job even though I had no training in aerospace engineering," Kamat said. "They hired me based on my structures background." He accepted the position because he believed it would prove interesting. With no formal experience in the field, though, he had to be trained at Lockheed.

He came to America with Lockheed in 1966 and settled in Marietta. After working for the firm for a year, he enrolled at Georgia Tech on the Lockheed Tuition Reimbursement Program to complete his master's degree in Aerospace Engineering. Finishing up in 1969, Kamat wasted no time starting on his doctorate. Still on the work-study program, he took two courses every quarter while working for Lockheed. "[Lockheed] was very sympathetic with me," Kamat said.

As he was about to finish his dissertation, his advisor asked him to attend school full-time. Kamat

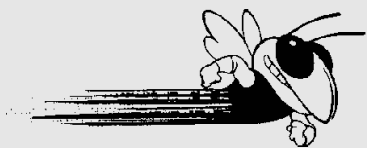
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By Daniel Uhlig / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Dr. Manohar Kamat makes academic advisement one of his top priorities. In addition to academic advisement, Kamat also serves as a faculty advisor to American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics.

Buzz Around the Campus



Question of the week

“What’s the best
thing about spring?”

Feature and Photos By
Carter Green and Sarah Graybeal



Brady Solheim
ME Senior
“Ultimate frisbee.”



Beau Haynie
AE Freshman
*“So you can go out
and play soccer. It’s
the best sport of all.”*



Holly Harper
EE Senior
“End of classes!”



Marilyn Corn
CMPE Freshman
*“It’s when cold beer
tastes the best.”*



Joe Pyen
MGT Junior
*“It’s when girls start
taking their clothes
off!”*



Angela Wrona
CE Sophomore
*“It’s when guys start
taking their clothes
off!”*



Ryan Walthall
AE Freshman
*“Baseball and warm
weather.”*



Bridget Farley
MGT Freshman
*“Laughing at the poor
saps on campus
tours.”*

Campus briefs

Earth Day celebrates with ecosystem symposium

Next Thursday, April 19, Tech will begin its Earth Day celebration with an Economics and Ecosystems symposium from 9 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. in the GCATT Auditorium on Fourteenth Street. Speakers include professors and faculty from Tech and other schools, as well as several other members of different organizations. Lunch will be provided for all attendees. On Friday, there will be a roundtable discussion of environmental issues from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the Student Center Ballroom. Breakfast will be served during the discussion. For more information on the symposium, go to <http://www.cos.gatech.edu/symposium>, or contact Ashley Notabartolo at 404-894-3300.

SGA looking for students to fill Executive Branch

SGA is looking for students to fill Executive Branch and committee chair positions. Applications are currently available in the SGA office and online at <http://sga.gatech.edu>. Turn in completed applications in Room 131 of the Student Services Building before 4 p.m. on Friday, April 13, and sign up for an interview time. Executive Branch positions include Vice President of Campus Affairs, Vice President of Administrative Affairs, Vice President of Finance, Executive Assistant to the President, Special Assistant to the President, and Freshman Cabinet Coordinator. Committee Chair positions are available in Campus Affairs and Administrative Affairs. For more information, contact Chris Kavanaugh at chris.kavanaugh@sga.gatech.edu.

Volunteers needed for program to stop youth racism

On Monday, April 23, Youth Art Connection in partnership with the Martin Luther King Jr. Historic Site, will sponsor “Stomp Out Racism.” In this program, middle school students will create a special mural for a United Nations exhibit by literally stomping on top of the words “racism,” “xenophobia,” “intolerance,” and “discrimination.” The students will also sign a pledge stating that they will continue to fight all types of discrimination in their lifetime. Volunteers are needed for several activities, including preparing and bagging lunches, assisting the youth during the mural creation, and facilitating small group discussions among participants. Work shifts are two hours each. If you are interested in volunteering for this event, please contact Youth Art Connection at 404-614-6233 and ask for Trayce Marino.

Women’s defense and crime survival class scheduled

On Saturday, April 21, there will be a self-defense and crime survival seminar titled, Becoming Empowered—Women’s Assault Resistance Education. The seminar is being offered as a follow-up to Women’s Awareness Month and Take Back the Night. This free seminar will be from 12 p.m. until 4 p.m. at SAC. Learn ways to deter an assailant, moves to protect yourself, and skills to survive an attack. To sign up, contact Andrea Ostby at gte127n@prism.gatech.edu.

Running naked through campus

By Maria Sprow
Michigan Daily

(U-WIRE) Ann Arbor, Mich.—Wednesday, University of Michigan seniors will open their e-mail boxes to find an annual letter from University President Lee Bollinger discouraging them from running the Naked Mile next Tuesday, the end-of-term tradition begun in 1986 as a prank by the men’s lacrosse and rowing teams.

Bollinger’s e-mail to describes the Mile as an “event laden with risk.” Vice President for Student Affairs E. Royster Harper and Department of Public Safety Director William Bess also plan to send an e-mail to the student body Wednesday discussing problems with the run.

University Provost Nancy Cantor has also sent a letter to faculty urging them to dissuade their students from running.

“Many runners who were motivated by the enthusiasm of the moment, further fueled by alcohol, later expressed regret at having participated,” Cantor wrote.

“Participants are subjecting themselves to potential assault, arrest and serious physical harm; and there is the very real likelihood that the consequences of their actions will come back to haunt students far into the future.”

University spokeswoman Julie Peterson also said the University has spent “a couple thousand” dollars on print ads characterizing the mile as dangerous and a “groper’s paradise.”

“It’s an educational campaign,” Peterson said. DPS spokeswoman Diane Brown said she could not comment on the number of officers that will be present but that security and police enforcement will increase

until students stop running.

“We need it to go away long before anyone incurs a major injury or death,” she said.

Although runner participation decreased last year to an estimated 400 students, the size of the crowd watching the event remained consistent with previous years, at about 10,000.

Brown added that construction surrounding Angell Hall could be a unique safety hazard this year.

“There’s a lot of construction activity and fencing in the area where

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this has traditionally taken place, and this has made some areas a lot smaller,” she said.

There has been speculation that the route, which traditionally takes runners through the West Hall arch and through the Diag, will change this year, bringing runners down Washtenaw Avenue to South University Avenue instead. Such a change in the route would mean the entire run would be under the jurisdiction of the Ann Arbor Police Department and not DPS.

Bollinger’s e-mail also claims that the “narrow pedestrian walkways

between (the Harlan Hatcher Graduate Library), Haven Hall and Tisch Hall/Museum of Art will be closed off and access to and from the Diag in that vicinity will be restricted.”

DPS patrols all University-owned areas and made 15 arrests last year, Brown said, but none for indecent exposure.

“Our citations tend to be for alcohol-related violations,” Brown said.

AAPS officers patrol city and street areas, especially along South University. Last year AAPD arrested three runners for indecent exposure and another subject for malicious destruction.

Last year was the first year AAPD arrested anyone for indecent exposure, which is considered criminal sexual conduct. Persons charged with CSC can be required to register on the National Sex Offender Registry.

After a group of Livonia residents sent a letter to Michigan Attorney General Jennifer Granholm complaining about the run last year, the AAPD stated they would make arrests for indecent exposure and increase police presence. The AAPD has not yet announced any plans for this year’s event.

As in previous years, the Michigan Student Assembly will be present at the run to promote runner safety. LSA junior Elizabeth Anderson, chair of MSA’s Women’s Issues Committee, said MSA hopes to have 300 student volunteers on hand to warn runners about street hazards, keep the path clear and keep sexual harassment and video taping to a minimum.

What do you think, next year should we run the Pi-mile naked? It could be really entertaining. Definitely more spectators.

Reno

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legal issues involved in information technology.

Reno also discussed the need to properly hire people with skills to handle the security technology challenge.

She emphasized that people needed to sit down and discuss the jurisdiction issues that arise between national and global communication businesses.

She stated that boundaries needed to be drawn and laws had to be developed in order to maintain a peaceful conversion between competing nations. Only with cooperation and facilitation, Reno stated, could our future in security technology be secured.

Most importantly, Reno issued a challenge to efficiently and effectively deal with security technology issues and make smart decisions that will ultimately effect our future.

Immediately following her lecture, she answered questions and the Media was invited to attend.

“She seemed to have a clear di-

“She seemed to have a clear direction for collaboration between the private and public sectors.”

Trey Childress
GSS President-elect

rection for collaboration between the private and public sectors in the area of information security,” said lecture-attendee and Graduate Student Body President-elect, Trey

Childress.

Students and faculty asked many questions and she later remarked that the audience was a delightful and bright group of young people.

“She was honest and she admitted that she could not at that time answer all questions fully of specifically but she did offer to meet with people after the lecture to elaborate,” Becky Glatzer, Public Policy senior, said.

She noted that her plans for the immediate future were to travel the U.S. in her red pick-up and to teach as a guest-teacher at the University level.

“Janet Reno was surprisingly cool, laid back and easy going. She gave great advice and seemed to really care about the students,” said the Pre-Law society secretary Kristin Parker.

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Greek Week events include games and fun



By Dale Russell / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS
Greek Week events continued through the week. Strange athletic feats were accomplished in limbo contests, sack races, chariot races, so that every sorority and fraternity had the opportunity to win.

Greek Week event results show everyone wins

Arm Wrestling
Sigma Nu
Alpha Xi Delta
Phi Kappa Tau
Alpha Chi Omega

Bat Race
Pi Kappa Alpha
Zeta Tau Alpha

Car Pull
Pi Kappa Alpha
Phi Mu

Chariot Chug Race
Tau Kappa Epsilon
Zeta Tau Alpha

Climb Mt. Olympus
Pi Kappa Phi
Alpha Chi Omega

Greek God
Theta Chi
Phi Mu

Greek Goddess
Lambda Chi Alpha
Phi Mu

Limbo
Pi Kappa Phi
Alpha Chi Omega

Greek Letter Day
Pi Kappa Phi
Zeta Tau Alpha, Theta Chi

Home Run Derby
Pi Kappa Alpha
Alpha Gamma Delta
Kappa Sigma
Zeta Tau Alpha

Limbo
Pi Kappa Phi
Alpha Chi Omega

Obstacle Course
Pi Kappa Phi
Alpha Xi Delta

Olympus Derby
Tau Kappa Epsilon
Alpha Chi Omega

Pass the Torch
Theta Chi
Alpha Chi Omega

Sack Race
Pi Kappa Alpha
Alpha Gamma Delta

Slam Dunk Contest
Phi Gamma Delta
Alpha Chi Omega

Campus briefs

SGA and Freshman Cabinet starts new e-mail list

The Student Government Association and its Freshman Cabinet has started a biweekly e-mail list that briefly mentions the major campus events that are currently relevant. To register for the list, visit <http://cyberbuzz.gatech.edu/theloop>.

Spring musical “Forum” continues at Drama Tech

Drama Tech continues into its second week of, *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*. The musical will be performed in Drama Tech’s Dean Dull Theatre on April 13 and 14. It will also be performed in the Robert Ferst Center for the Arts on April 19-21. Student tickets are \$4 at all showings; faculty/staff tickets are \$6 in the Dull Theatre and \$8 in the Ferst Theatre; and general admission tickets are \$8 in the Dull Theatre and \$10 in the Ferst Theatre. All shows are at 8 p.m. For reservations, call Drama Tech at 404-894-3481, or the Ferst Theatre at 404-894-9600.

West Campus Luau provides break for students

On Friday, April 20 West Campus provides a break for students at a late night Luau. Activities include Slip n' Slide, sponge toss, dancing, and b.y.o.g (bring your own water gun). Located at the Burger Bowl, the Luau is from 12 a.m. till 4 a.m. Free food will be served. Contact Ben Upchurch at gte111v@prism.gatech.edu or 404-206-0469 for more information.

Raku pottery firing takes place during Earth Day

In conjunction with GT Earth Day celebration, the Raku pottery firing will take place from 10 a.m. till 2 p.m. on Friday, April 20 on the Skiles Walkway. Contact Renee Villa at sc26@prism.gatech.edu or 404-894-2805 for more information.

Dunk Tank SGA working for Charity



By Jody Shaw / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Nate Watson, Student Government Vice President-elect, took his turn in the dunk tank on Tuesday. Lamda Sigma sponsored the event, and students paid a dollar for the opportunity to get their leaders all wet.

So long TECHNIQUE. So long Georgia Tech. Bye!

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went on a leave of absence from Lockheed. Finishing his doctorate in 1972, in Engineering Science and Mechanics (ESM), Kamat had the opportunity to return to Lockheed. Instead, he left the company to pursue an interest in academia. And so began the second phase of his career.

He accepted a position as Professor of ESM at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in 1972. There he taught undergraduate and graduate courses in strength materials, dynamics, numerical methods and optimization. In 1985 he was offered the opportunity to return to Georgia Tech, where he once again became a professor of numerical techniques and finite elements.

Along with his teaching responsibilities, Kamat was also an advisor for aerospace engineering students. Reveling in student interaction, he accepted the position of Assistant to the Chair for Undergraduate Programs. Kamat began to pay special attention to student advisement. “I did not understand the intricacies of advising all the courses, but I soon learned them after assuming this position,” Kamat said. With responsibilities such as scheduling the courses, taking care of the six FASET orientations, and approving all degree petitions, including graduate students, Kamat stayed busy. “It was a learning curve for me,” Kamat said.

In addition, he began dealing

with students hands-on basis. Not only was he responsible for assigning advisors, but he also assumed a major portion of those advisement responsibilities; sometimes working with as many as 45 students. “I enjoy being with the students and listening to their problems and trying to help them out,” Kamat said. “That’s what makes my day. I really enjoy it.”

Kamat also serves as a faculty advisor for the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics

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Professor, AE

(AIAA). A student-run organization, AIAA invites speakers to Tech, attends shuttle launchings, visits Warner-Robbins, and participates in the annual Southeastern Regional Student Conference; a regional event composed of roughly a dozen chapters from all over the Southeast.

“My duty is to try to get them excited and participate in these conferences,” Kamat said. He also presents papers, informs faculty about upcoming events, and motivates students by emphasizing the advan-

tages of participating in AIAA events.

When asked what he would like to see changed within the Aerospace Engineering program, Kamat answered that he only wants to see the students happy with their field of study. “Students feel like we are not sensitive to their complaints,” he said. Dedicated to improving student-faculty interactions, he wants to ensure that all advisors know how to mentor students and have a good understanding of degree requirements.

Kamat also wants to help students set realistic and attainable goals, efficiently communicate information, and keep them well informed of all of policies that effect them and their graduation. “We try as much as possible; the Chair, the Associate Chair, the Academic Council, to improve this,” Kamat said.

Kamat emphasized the strength of the Aerospace Engineering Department. “It is diversified with extremely well know national and international faculty,” he said. He also noted the strength of the both the graduate and undergraduate programs, and he believes that the harder faculty and students work together, the greater the program will become.

“We are here to help the students. That is our main business,” Kamat said. “They are like our customers and we are here to educate them.”

He went on to stress the importance of keeping students’ paths free of unnecessary hurdles.

“We have to have very high standards. We cannot compromise on the standards, but the process of



By Daniel Uhlig / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Dr. Kamat helps Aerospace Engineering students Ramses Ramirez and Eduardo Fuchs with their homework in the Knight building’s computer lab.

education has to be made as painless to them as possible without putting some bureaucratic hurdles in their path. If we can eliminate those and make learning a pleasant experience than I have been successful in my objective.”

In his opinion, students have a

great voice in the administration and in the running of the educational process at Georgia Tech. However, he still hears students voice complaints about the advisement process. “Students still complain, which means we need to do more,” Kamat said.