



## WREK loses athletics deal

*New \$50 million Athletic Association contract cuts WREK radio's budget by 30 percent*

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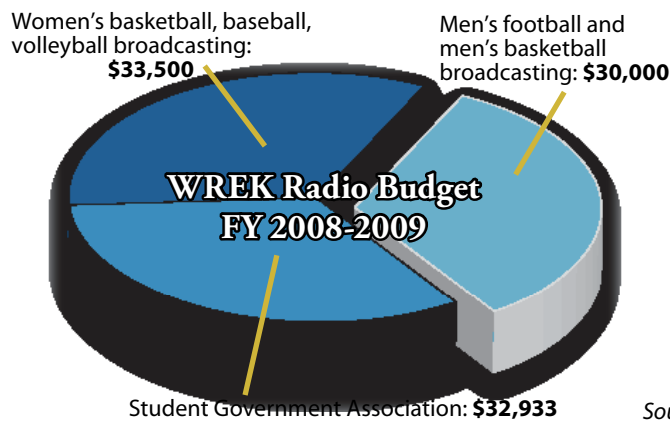


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**By Corbin Pon**  
News Editor

The Athletic Association (AA) and International Sports Properties (ISP), agreed to a new 10-year partnership that will pay Tech nearly \$50 million but cuts in half the revenue WREK receives from ISP for athletic event broadcasts.

As part of the renewed deal, ISP will continue to receive the broadcasting rights to Tech sports. However, it has decided to drop WREK radio as its carrier for evening broadcasts of football and men's basketball. As a consequence, WREK will lose around \$30,000 in yearly revenue, about 30 percent of its annual budget.

According to Owen Shull, ISP vice president and gen-

eral manager for Tech-related operations, four years ago ISP asked WREK to broadcast some of their night games, while informing WREK that ISP would keep looking for a traditional commercial FM station. Broadcasting on a college radio station, ISP would not be able to raise revenue for the AA through on-air ads.

Starting at the beginning of this summer, WYAY (106.7) will replace WREK and become the sole FM carrier for all of Tech's men's basketball, football games and coaches' shows.

"WREK has been a wonderful relationship for us, and one that will continue, as women's basketball and baseball have been on WREK [for a long time]," Shull said. "Ob-

viously we are a big financial part of their operation, and I think it was a good, positive relation....It will change, but I think it will continue to be a good relationship."

However, for Tech's college radio station, this change in the status quo took them by surprise. Trey Rhodes, general manager for WREK, stated that they had no indication that ISP was looking for a new FM carrier. As a student organization, WREK is only able to negotiate one-year broadcasting contracts with ISP and could not secure longer term deals.

"We always knew that it wasn't impossible for [our relationship] to change....[However] no one on the current staff was under the impression that

[broadcasting these games] was a temporary situation. We were looking forward to expanding the relationship [with ISP]," Rhodes said.

WREK's current budget comes in around \$90,000, with one-third of the funding coming from the SGA and the last two-thirds coming from ISP. They also receive a smaller amount of revenue from underwriting and fundraising efforts. Rhodes claimed that the \$30,000 lost from not having the men's basketball and football contract would be impossible to make up through their current funding sources.

According to members of the SGA, they are considering funding at least some of

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## Campus MovieFest continues at Tech despite close call

**By Vijai Narayanan**  
Staff Writer

As students have spent the week zipping in and out of class to stay out of the cold, their classmates participating in Campus MovieFest (CMF) have spent that time filming their entries. The annual competition, which challenges teams of students to create short films in the span of one week, almost did not happen this year due to concerns over cost and a lack of communication.

"A lot of the charter members who started CMF at Tech graduated last year, really creating a void in leadership that made it difficult for us to bring the event back," said Qiyu Liu, an ECE



Photo by Blake Israel / Student Publications

**Students shoot a film for Campus MovieFest.**

graduate student who has been involved with CMF since it first came to Tech in 2003. "We had several students step up to take their place but due to the perceived cost, they weren't as enthusiastic about the event as the charter members."

In the past, Tech has been well represented at the CMF competition, with teams winning many of the top prizes at the regional and national level. When the competition first began, it was operated informally and

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### INAUGURATION DAY



Photo courtesy of Scott Medway

**A** historic day: Millions of people swarmed the National Mall in Washington, D.C. this Tuesday to observe the inauguration ceremonies for Barack Obama, the forty-fourth president of the United States.

## White House honors two professors with awards for early career excellence

**By Vijai Narayanan**  
Staff Writer

Nick Feamster, professor in the College of Computing, and Kim Cobb, professor in the School of Earth and Atmospheric Science, were awarded the Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers (PECASE) for their early research efforts.

The PECASE award was established in 1996 by the National Science and Technology Council to award the nation's most promising young scientists. The award is the highest honor given by the U.S. government to outstanding scientists and engineers just beginning in their career pursuits.

Feamster was chosen for his work on network security systems, and Cobb was chosen for her work on paleoclimate and climate change. The pair received their awards at the White House last December, where they had a chance to meet then-President George W. Bush and other young researchers from across the

country.

Nine federal departments annually nominate scientists and engineers for the award, for a total of 65 recipients. Both Feamster and Cobb received their award through the National Science Foundation as part of the Faculty Early Career Development Program (CAREER), which provided them with funding for the research that won them their PECASE award. Out of the several hundred recipients of the CAREER Award, only 20 of them were chosen to receive PECASE awards.

Both Feamster and Cobb credit their success in some part to the great deal of national interest in their research topics. Feamster noted that the general public is becoming increasingly aware of cyber-crime. Furthermore, the issue is a matter of national defense.

"Just as the government spends money on roads and bridges, it wants to secure the telecommunications network, because without it we would be crippled," Feamster said.

He also noted that the research-friendly nature of OIT helped him a great deal in his research.

Cobb hopes that this award will highlight the importance of paleoclimatology to the study of climate change.

"Paleoclimate research represents a small portion of climate change research and I hope that this selection reflects the fact that we need more paleoclimate data to test our climate models," Cobb said.

David Anderson, professor in the School of Electrical and Computer Engineering and a 2004 PECASE recipient, underscored the importance of this award to a young scientist's career.

"You get a lot of respect for winning this award. It gives you the freedom to have a vision, and take risks in exploring new ideas. Most importantly, it gives you the opportunity to be a leader," Anderson said.

Feamster's research deals with network security and

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From the files of the GTPD...

## Campus Crime

By William Brawley  
Assistant News Editor



### Clubbing and robbing

At 3:50 a.m. on Jan. 18, the police were called to the construction lot of the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity regarding a burglary in progress. The witness was contacted near the scene and stated that she observed two black males in a white truck breaking into a construction trailer on the property.

The two officers converged on both sides of the construction lot and observed two black males crouching down behind the back of a white truck. The two men then ran away in opposite directions.

The police then proceeded with a foot pursuit to the black male that was closest to them. The

other suspect jumped the fence and ran down the hill toward the interstate.

The police apprehended the man after running across Fifth St. into the Perry/Matheson parking lot. The man was handcuffed and charged with obstruction of a law enforcement officer.

The police questioned the suspect who stated that he had borrowed the truck from a friend and went to the club. The man said later that the two of them were driving around looking for household items left outside. The suspect said that he spotted an HVAC unit sitting on the property of the construction site, and they decided to take it. The police arrived on

the scene at the time when they were taking the item. The suspect denied entering the trailer and removing any property.

The site was inspected, and a broken lock was found on the ground next to the trailer. A pair of bolt cutters were found inside the white truck. The truck was later found to be a rental truck upon further inspection. The truck was impounded by the police and the owner of the truck contacted. The two suspects were then transported to jail.

### Happy birthday

At around 5:30 a.m. on Jan. 18, the police were dispatched to Smith Residence Hall in reference to a sick student. The police arrived and made contact with the sick person, who was observed with a strong odor of alcoholic beverages on his breath and clothing. The student admitted to drinking alcoholic beverages.

The police officer asked the

student for identification, and the student pulled out his wallet. The police took the wallet and found not the student's identification, but three identification cards from the Dominican Republic, each displaying the same name and a different date of birth.

The student stated that his birth date was one of the three listed, which was labeled 1989. The student admitted that the cards with the different birth dates were fraudulent, and the cards were then confiscated by the police officer.

The police called for a Grady ambulance, and the student was transported to Crawford Long Hospital.

### Is that a gun in your pocket?

While the police were patrolling Fifth St. on Jan. 16 at 4:30 a.m., an officer noticed a car parked in front of Tin Drum Cafe. The officer observed a tan coat moving inside the car, and

he originally suspected that someone was having medical problems, because the person appeared slumped over. The officer walked up to the car, and saw two males engaged in intercourse.

The officer demanded that the men put their clothes on and step out of the vehicle. Later on, after several other police officers had arrived on the scene, one of the men jumped out of the car and ran into the closed-off courtyard near the Global Learning Center and was quickly apprehended.

A loaded 9 mm pistol was found in the car's center console when the police conducted an inventory of the car.

The driver of the car was charged with pandering and having a weapon on school grounds. The other male admitted to prostituting himself for money, and he was charged with that crime. The car was then impounded and the two men transported to Fulton County Jail.

# Opportunities still await students at career fair

By William Brawley  
Assistant News Editor

The recent downturn in the economy and the growing strain on available jobs has affected many people, including recent college graduates.

However, a large group of companies on the lookout for full-time jobs, internships and co-op positions was represented at the recent

career fair sponsored by the Georgia Tech Society of Black Engineers (GTSBE).

The GTSBE held their thirty-second annual career fair last week on Thursday, Jan. 15 and Friday, Jan. 16 in the Student Center Ballroom.

Split over the two-day event, 82 companies turned out to speak with prospective students looking to take their first step into the job

market.

"We've had a couple of no-shows from companies due to financial reasons," said La-Trice Lambert, a third-year CS major and chair of the GTSBE. "However, there are more smaller companies this time."

Lambert also noted that there were more internships available than co-op positions this year, yet the number of full-time positions

remained the same compared to past years.

The career fair was open to all students, with the majority of companies represented focusing on hiring computer science and engineering majors. However, there were some available positions for management majors.

A variety of companies sent representatives and recruiters, including Fluor, Harris Assured

Communications, Lockheed Martin and Intel.

Concerns over the poor economy have not stopped some companies from trying to fill open positions. Corporate representatives stated that while they may not be hiring as many positions as in years past, they are in fact still hiring.

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## Council Clippings

This week in Student Government

Each Tuesday, elected members of the two houses of the Student Government Association, the Undergraduate House of Representatives (UHR) and the Graduate Student Senate (GSS), convene to consider allocation bills and discuss issues facing campus. Here is a summary of those two meetings.

By Corbin Pon, News Editor, and Zimu Yang, Contributing Writer



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**Corey Boone, representative from management, addresses the UHR during their debate to fund a bike rental program. The bill was postponed over questions of rider safety and student demand.**

This edition of *Council Clippings* covers the UHR and GSS meetings from Jan. 20, 2009.

### Bike Rental Program

The UHR and GSS both thoroughly debated a bill that requested capital funding for a new bike rental program being set up by Students Organizing for Sustainability (SOS). SOS originally requested \$2464.50, primarily for the repair of 70 bikes held by Auxiliary Services that would be used as part of the rental program.

The bill amount of the bill was amended to \$1681.50 as the expenditures were considered capital investments, and the SGA will only pay two-thirds the value of a capital expense.

In both the GSS and the UHR, members voiced concerns over the potential safety hazards posed by using repaired bikes. Liability and the safety of the riders were mentioned as the primary concerns.

Some members of the UHR

felt that there was not enough evidence to show adequate student demand for the rental program and called for a quantitative survey.

The GSS also cited a lack of specifics about the program as a point of concern.

However, both bodies indicated an approval of the effort by SOS to provide a sustainable home for the bikes.

In the end, the GSS passed the bill 13-12-2, with the speaker casting the tie-breaking vote.

In the UHR, they decided to postpone the bill for a week so that more information could be gathered.

### Bike Rental Program

The GT Racquetball Club requested \$376 for a racquet stringing machine, a speed gun and a racquet string. The Joint Finance Committee recommended that the bill be amended to \$286 to comply with their policy. This

motion was passed.

GT Racquetball Club justified purchasing a stringer by claiming it would allow their members to save money by not having to hire a third party, and said that they would provide the equipment to non-members at a cost much below market price.

When asked if the CRC had a stringer, the organizational representative stated that they did, but that the CRC only strings their own racquets with the machine.

The representative also said that the stringing machine would allow the club to restring their racquets at competitions.

As for the speed gun, the club said that it would be used to help members train, and serve as a fundraising tool to challenge potential members.

Both the GSS and UHR were satisfied with the club's explanations. The GSS passed the bill 23-2-1. The UHR passed the bill 32-0-1.

## Breaking the Bubble



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

### New computer wormsits dormant, for now

A new computer worm is spreading out through low security networks, memory sticks and out-of-date PCs, reported the *BBC*. The new virus, discovered in October 2008, goes by a variety of names, including Conficker, Downadup or Kido. No damage from the new worm has been reported yet, such as identity thefts or financial losses, though it appears the hackers are trying to infect as many PCs as possible. The total spread of the worm seems to be leveling off presently, but at 9.5 million infected computers, IT and security professionals are concerned that hackers could easily then take over all of these computers with administrator access.

Microsoft has responded by patching users' systems. However many PCs are vulnerable, especially at businesses which are behind in their system updates. Still, given that the worm can also infect computers using USB memory sticks, Windows patches do not provide full protection and dedicated updated anti-virus software is needed.

The worm works by inserting code into an executable file called "services.exe." It then creates a

random DLL file, and modifies the Windows Registry. Once the virus is up and working, it creates an HTTPS server, resets the System Restore point, and downloads files from the hacker's website. Rather than using one hacker website, the virus randomly changes the URLs.

### Obama sworn in, again

President Barack Obama on Wednesday, re-took the Presidential Oath of Office for a second time after Chief Justice John Roberts flubbed his recitation of it during the official inauguration ceremony on Tuesday. Obama paused and then repeated the error mistakenly. According to the *Washington Post*, Roberts traveled to the White House today to re-administer the oath properly.

According to the Constitution, a president is required to recite: "...that I will faithfully execute the office of president of the United States..." However, at the ceremony on Tuesday, Roberts said "...that I will execute the office of president to the United States faithfully."

The flawless recitation at the White House took 25 seconds and was done without a Bible. White House counsel Greg Craig said that they believe that the oath of office was conducted effectively and that the President was sworn in appropriately during the inauguration, but that the new oath was taken "out of an abundance of caution."

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The Student Center lab keeps cutting off my margins! I just want to print my resume. It works fine everywhere else!  
this is why I stopped going to bball games. it's so much less painful if you can change the channel

Hey SGA! Wanna know what students are REALLY concerned about? Read the slivers!

Living at tech without a phone is ridiculous and nearly impossible

i think you should take me on a date. or we could hook up again. either one would be fine by me.

YOU HAVE A GIRLFRIEND?!?!?! at least it'll make for a good story.

With enough gazmos and gidgets, Trey could beat up Batman Kid in dynamics at 11, your stupid questions are what office hours are for...don't waste my time.

We're going to steak night, we're gonna eat it right, steak is such a treat, it is the world's BEST MEAT!

fix the pdfs

Hi

Does anyone know what the point of Statics is?

She wore a raspberry beret. The kind you find in a secondhand store. And if it was warm she wouldnt wear much more.

Hg + Ss

You're such a stalker!!!

Spiller stop being a woman and drink mikes hard lemonade you woman while the rest of us will DRINK OUR WHISKEY CLEAR

Hey catgirl! What's with the ears and tail? Is there some reason behind it?

You don't have to wield the sword of truth to make a difference. Good job Perry/Matheson for not setting off the fire alarm so far this semester! Keep up the good work and remember, there is a popcorn button.

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# Mold damages WREK archives

By William Brawley  
Assistant News Editor

Over this past winter break, WREK radio suffered extensive damage to their storage facility in the annex building to Alexander Memorial Coliseum. A steam pipe that ran through the room burst, filling the locked room with heat and heavy moisture.

For at least three days, since the WREK staff was away on break, the room continued to stay saturated with moisture. This moisture, combined with the warm temperature and darkness, created the perfect growing conditions for mold, which began to thrive and grow on most of the WREK property.

Aside from the moisture damage, mold also poses a serious threat, not only to the condition of the WREK equipment but also to the health of anyone entering the room. According to the Office of Environmental Health and Safety, the mold posed a health hazard.

"A couple of our staff reported headaches and trouble breathing after spending 20 minutes in the room," said Trey Rhodes, WREK general manager.

Before the health risk from the mold was known, the WREK staff attempted to remove the items from the room and begin cleaning off the mold. Mac Pitts, director of Student Media, also noted that after being in the room he experienced headaches and that his throat closed up.

After the mold was discovered, the Office of Environmental Health and Safety was called in to assess the situation and analyze the health risks caused by the mold growth.

The Office of Risk Management is currently working on the case to find a mold remediation



Photo by Brian Casey / Student Publications

The WREK storage facility in the Alexander Memorial Coliseum annex suffered severe mold damage after a steam pipe burst.

company to clean up and dispose of the harmful mold growing on the WREK equipment and record cases.

Currently the room has been cordoned off by Environmental Health and Safety staff. According to Pitts, the locks on the doors have also been changed, preventing any WREK staff from attempting to salvage any of the items in the room.

WREK used the room as a storage facility for old recordings

and backup broadcasting equipment. The estimated value of the damage to WREK's property was not possible to determine at this time, as most of the items were of a historical and archival nature.

"Some of the equipment was custom built and designed by WREK alumni and is irreplaceable," Rhodes said. "It's very hard to place a value on the damages that occurred due to the unique nature of the recordings and equipment."

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helping network operators do their job more easily. As networks become more ubiquitous, making them easier to manage is critical to defending them against attack. One way to approach the problem is trying to make the network design more robust and secure from attack. "We also try to solve the problem by making it easier for a network operator to diagnose and fix problems once they occur by gathering information from devices and presenting them in a format useful for the operator," Feamster said.

Cobb's research involves study-

ing climate change through paleoclimatology, focusing on climate change over the recent geological past to understand climate change today and its future implications.

"We use samples from the Tropical Pacific to figure out the variability of climate in the past and how the ecosystem responded to those changes," She said.

Using stalagmites from a work site in Borneo and corals from a small set of Pacific Islands, Cobb applies geochemical techniques to gather data about the Earth's past climate. Her focus is to gather enough data about the past to test and improve climate change models for the future.

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Other companies, such as Lockheed Martin and Northrop Grumman, said they are still hiring at normal amounts.

"We're still hiring, looking for various engineers," said a recruiter from Northrop Grumman who requested to remain anonymous. "I'm unsure about the exact volume [of available positions], but I've had approximately over 60 interested students or submitted resumes."

Companies such as Microsoft and Schlumberger are still hiring for positions. However, they have held back on hiring as many entry-level positions.

"We are still hiring, but not so much. We aren't stopping though," said Humberto Larios, a representative from Schlumberger. "[We] still have about 50 internships and 100 engineering full-time positions."

Even with the rumors of layoffs reported by *CNET News*, Microsoft acknowledged that they were still in the process of hiring recent graduates.

"We aren't doing it as fast or aggressively now," said Steven Gray, a Microsoft representative. "We're looking for more interns

in areas like software engineering and program management. Also in core tech areas, such as the core OS division, Windows, high performance computing and security." Gray also stated that last year Microsoft employed more than a dozen summer interns who came from Tech.

Despite the views from the recruiters, the job hunt is proving difficult from the students' perspectives.

"The number of positions [has been] reduced drastically," said Aditya Padival, an ISyE graduate student and international student. "It's bad for international students, and better for U.S. citizens."

However, at least one Tech student was having some luck in the search for employment after being able to set up an interview with an employer.

"At this career fair, the diversity in the companies is better," said Philip Estrada, fourth-year ME. "However [the economy] has affected some more than others, and it makes it more challenging."

Estrada described how some companies aren't hiring as much. Southern Company, according to Estrada, has a hiring freeze for all full-time positions.

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sj and kp sittin in a treeee

Last friday's paper was crap...

a) the piece about the student center vans made no sense

b) never start an opinion piece with "Now I'm no \_\_\_\_\_, buuut..."

c) why is the sports editor writing about the economy?

... props on the Board of Regents hit piece, though :)

Sometimes I'll walk into my bathroom just to make sure that I flushed the toilet after I pooped last. If only my roommates knew all that I do for them.

Foreign Girl & BB Girl.....verrry niiece

Jeep Brah Lives

To the 3rd floor Folk guy with the Terrible Towel in his window.... GO STEELERS!!!!

JAY CUTLER!

My girlfriend has perfect boobs. Ah yeah!

Hey North Ave, you can open your vents back up by sticking a screwdriver in them!

Chew with your mouth closed please!

Tell the person next to you to chew with his/her mouth closed.

Tell your friends to chew with their mouth closed.

Has anyone noticed the hot wingnuts delivery dude? I wanna be like "You are hot like this 1/2 lb free deal!"

the time is 3:44 am on wednesday january 21, and I just witnessed a car crash on the highway outside my window!

traffic is slowing down now

# Humboldt Award honors Landman

By Kaitlin Goodrich  
Staff Writer

Uzi Landman, a professor who has been with the physics department for over 20 years, was recently awarded the Humboldt Research Award for Senior U.S. Scientists.

Humboldt awards are given out to researchers whose research has had a significant impact on their own discipline and who are expected to continue producing significant achievements in the future.

"All awards are nice, but this one is an especially nice award to get," Landman said. "It does not mean your work is done like some awards, but that you are expected to keep contributing and making a difference with your research."

The Alexander von Humboldt Foundation is based in Germany and strives to foster relations between the scientific community in Germany and those in other countries. The Foundation gives 100 awards annually—some to German scientists to do research abroad and some to scientists internationally to spend time doing research in Germany.

Recipients of Humboldt awards must first be nominated by established German academics in their fields. Landman's award was sponsored by the Technical University of Munich and the Max Planck Institute.

The award includes a grant of €60,000 and a chance to come to

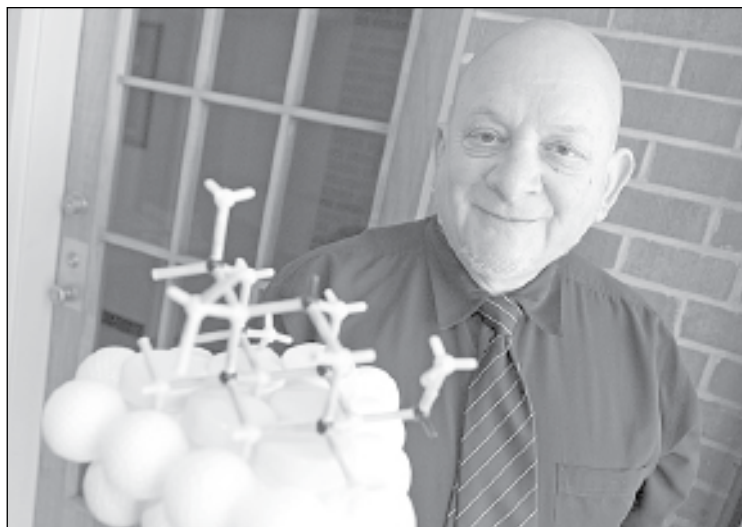


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**Uzi Landman, a Physics professor, was awarded the prestigious Humboldt Award, to conduct collaborative research in Germany.**

Germany for up to a year (in total, although that time can be divided into blocks) to do collaborative research with German scientists. It is considered a very prestigious award and is only given to internationally recognized scientists.

Landman was given the Humboldt award for his research on physics of microscopic-level interactions of materials. His work is recognized for pioneering the analytical models and computer-based simulations that reveal physical phenomena underlying the properties of matter at nano-scale levels.

In Germany, Landman plans to continue his work researching chemical reactions at nano-scale levels collaborating with

experimentalists who will test his models. Landman said he considers himself a theorist and that he looks forward to "the impact that working with German experimentalists will have on the models."

The prestige of the award not only promises to help Landman's career, but it also has the potential to bring new scientific opportunities to Tech.

"The benefit of this award will not just be prestige for me or publicity for what the faculty here is doing...but most importantly, it gives the opportunity [for myself and other Tech faculty] to large-scale integrate and collaborate with first-class scientists around the world and bring them here," Landman said.

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the revenue WREK expected to receive from ISP and are currently trying to work out a deal to have the AA help the radio station transition out of their current situation.

"We reached out...to let [WREK] know that this [new deal] was forthcoming. In some ways, we're saying that there is a six-month lead window before anything changes," said director of Athletics Dan Radakovich. "We as an athletic association invested \$25,000 a year ago in updating the new antenna....They asked us for that, and we said sure. I look at our relationship with WREK as a positive."

According to emails obtained by the *Technique*, Radakovich sent a message to William Schafer, vice president for Student Affairs, last Monday about the AA's new deal with ISP. On Tuesday, Mac Pitts, director of Student Media, was notified about the contents of the email, and he soon contacted WREK explaining the impact it would have on their organization.

"It was troubling to learn that ISP Sports and the AA had moved toward another FM station in the area when WREK...had been providing sports coverage for them for the past several years," Pitts said. "As an advocate for student media, it's easy for me to feel that little or no warning of this relationship being dissolved was afforded the students who depend upon the ISP Sports contract dollars to operate the station. While it is a tough blow for WREK, I

can understand how the athletic program needs to make certain all of their obligations are being met as well."

When asked if WREK radio could have been contacted more directly, Radakovich said that in his position, it would be difficult to know the correct individual to contact as members of student organizations change every year. He said that in his email, he asked Schafer to contact the appropriate parties.

According to Rhodes, WREK radio has direct connections with both ISP and the AA, and yet, they were not contacted directly. "The whole situation struck us as odd and backhanded," he said.

Jason Boral, sports director for WREK, said that last year, ISP had allowed the radio station to broadcast all of Tech's ACC games, instead of just the evening games that they usually covered. Boral indicated that he thought this move by ISP was a step to a more permanent partnership.

The items in WREK's budget include personnel costs, the costs for broadcasting material, equipment maintenance, FCC requirements and electronic equipment.

The \$50 million that Tech is receiving through its new deal with ISP will come through a revenue-sharing model that will see Tech's yearly royalty grow from just under \$4 million to more than \$5.5 million at the end of the tenth year. Tech's previous deal with ISP was in its last years, and over that period of time it paid out around \$22 million, according to Radakovich.

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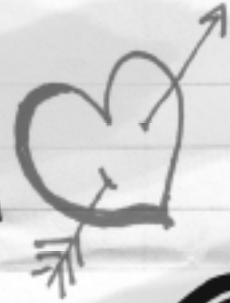
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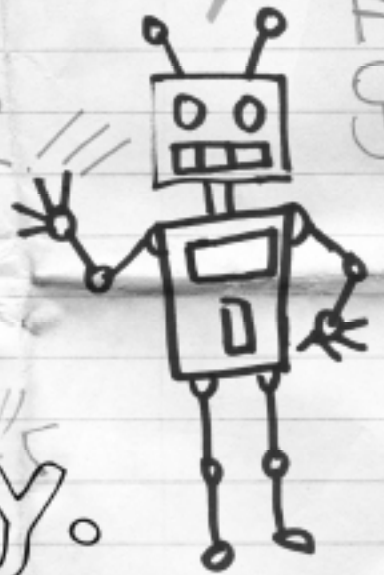
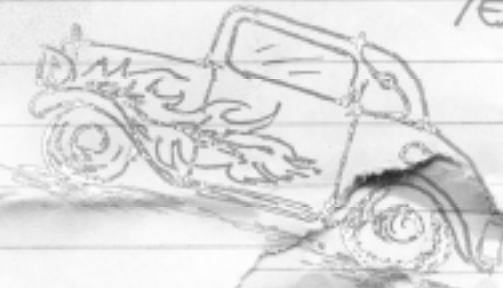


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# Record numbers turn out for Spring Rush

By Zimu Yang  
Contributing Writer

Tech students interested in participating in the Greek system had a chance to get to know Spring Rush and tour the various fraternities on Tech campus from Monday Jan. 12 to Thursday Jan. 15.

David Fendig, chair of Spring Rush and vice president of recruitment, said that while not every fraternity participates 28 of the 31 fraternities were involved in the activities.

While some campus sororities have their own recruiting drive, most sororities recruit in the fall only. The Interfraternity Council (IFC) operates Spring Rush so the term refers exclusively to fraternity recruitment.

The number of fraternities participating is an increase from eight years ago when only half the fraternities were involved. This year, more students attended Rush compared to last year.

"[We broke] last year's number," Fendig said. "[We had] a high volume of traffic than from past years."

While the IFC does not provide definitive records of the total number of people who pass through each fraternity during the week, there were 140 new pledges this spring, compared to only 100 pledges last year. Also for the first time in four years, two fraternities managed to bring in double-digit pledges.

The biggest discrepancy between rushing in the fall and spring is the number of students involved. During Fall Rush, the number of students going through each fraternity house averages anywhere from two hundred to three

hundred per night, and the average pledge class sizes are around sixteen members.

Spring Rush sees a much smaller number however, with ten to twenty people visiting per night and pledges classes coming in at around four members.

Recruitment numbers fluctuate and there does not appear to be any identifiable trend. The recent economic problems facing our country did not affect the number of attendees either as evidenced by the larger turnout this year. Additionally, the rain that sprouted up during the past four years did not hamper this year's Spring Rush.

Another reason given by Fendig for the amount of people who decided to rush in the spring and not the fall was the uncertainty of rushing so early.

"[Students] were unsure about school and so they wanted to see if they can handle the work loads at Tech before pledging," Fendig said.

He said that fraternities provide tutoring and teach time management skills for students who are unsure about the time commitment demand by Greek life.

The Rush activities in the spring are informal like their fall counterparts. Students tour fraternities, sample foods and meet brothers. Fendig said that one advantage of rushing in the spring is that due to the lower volume of traffic.

According to Fendig, fraternity members and touring students are better able to "make a connection and get to know each other" in the Spring Rush environment.

"During fall brothers might not be able to meet everyone who goes through, but in spring they will be able to," Fendig said.



Photo by Blake Israel/ Student Publications

Students set up camera equipment to shoot a scene for their movie. Students are given a camera, a laptop and other accessories for free to make a 5-minute short film for the competition.

## CMF from page 1

did not charge the participating universities, but as the event became more high profile, the company running CMF, Ideas United, took steps to raise the competition's visibility. These actions, which included renting out the Ferst Center, contributed to the increase in cost.

On the whole, CMF costs \$36,000, most of which is covered by corporate sponsors. Tech's CMF committee was left with the responsibility for finding an additional \$10,000 in funding.

In November, Liu, Daniel Fuller, a third-year CM major, Wryen Meek, a fifth-year PUBP major, Melissa Pitcher, a third-year BIO major, Sharad Gopal, a first-year EE major, and Sidarth Kantamneni, a third-year STAC major, organized an emergency meeting to save CMF. They set themselves up as the CMF organizing committee and began lobbying SGA and other student organizations for funding.

"The organization was very hard for those couple of days and met with me and they were very proactive in pushing the event,"

said Kristie Champlin, second-year PUBP major and chair of the SGA Institute Wide Committees. "There was some confusion in SGA because they didn't have the precise line items necessary to get SGA funding, but we decided in the end that the event is important to Tech's campus and we expedited the bill through SGA."

Tech's CMF committee tapped several sources, including SGA, FAB, RHA and Buzzfunds, to keep the event at Tech. SGA alone funded over \$12,500 for the event. "We were able to get the funds in time for the event and do some advertising and it looks like we'll have a pretty decent turnout this year, around what we usually have," Liu said.

"If you look at the size and the number of teams involved in the event, including the friends they pull in for filming and those who come to watch the movies, it probably brings together about 30 percent of Tech's student body," Liu said.

In the past, clips from CMF entries have appeared on ABC News, Times Square, and this year the top films will be showcased at Paramount Studios in

Los Angeles.

"It's really a great opportunity for people to get together with their friends and do something fun for a whole week," said Daniel Fuller, third-year CM major. "During CMF you can produce something that is really complete, from start to finish, whereas if I was making my own movie, I might never get through the editing process."

Created by a group of students at Emory University in 2001, CMF provides each team, free of charge, with a digital HD camcorder, boom microphone, MacBook Pro and two AT&T camera phones to make their movies. The Apple laptops are loaded with editing software such as iMovie and Final Cut Pro. The competition gives the participants only one week to film their movie, and requires the movies to be less than five minutes long.

"CMF gives you an opportunity to exercise your right brain. Sometimes at Tech you forget how to do that," said Bryan Chang, third-year AE major. The CMF at Tech Finale will be held Jan. 29 in the Ferst Center and will be open to all students.

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## Sharing the blame

The Athletic Association's decision not to renew its football and men's basketball broadcasting contract with WREK radio may be justified, but the way in which the change was handled by both sides is not. While the Athletic Association exhibited a lack of concern for timing and communication, WREK also failed to adequately plan ahead.

At the heart of the matter are the opposing statements made by both actors. Director of Athletics Dan Radakovich's claim that the reason why WREK was not notified of the decision—which would strip it of around \$30,000, or one one-third of its budget—any earlier was because he did not know who to contact at the radio station seems weak, to say the least. There is no good reason to explain why either WREK or Student Publications had no inkling of the decision until one day before a press release was announced.

Given that WREK had to submit its yearly budget to the Student Government Association in October and that it was not given a chance to renegotiate or state its case, the Athletic Association's communication efforts seem like too little, too late. Even though the decision may be financially smart for the Association, its actions showed little savvy and respect in treating a Tech student organization as a sub-par business partner. We doubt that a commercial partner would have received the same treatment.

However, the Athletic Association has also explained that when it first began broadcasting with WREK, it clearly expressed that it would continue to look for a commercial broadcaster. While WREK's staff may have changed during this period, organizational leaders should have ensured that such an important piece of information would have been transmitted from year to year. In addition, WREK should have taken care not to rely too heavily on what was never a permanent source of funding. Careful planning might have eased the difficult transition into the next year that the station is now experiencing.

SGA now has to fill in WREK's budget for next year, taking twice the usual funds from the Student Activity Fee to make up for the \$30,000 loss. The large budget cut was unexpected, and we understand that WREK needs these emergency funds, but the station should look to the future to make sure it does not come to rely too heavily on the student body for funding.

WREK offers a creative musical alternative to metro Atlanta. As it continues to grow, we challenge it to use this same creativity in figuring out a way to be sustainable in the future, with or without the Athletic Association.

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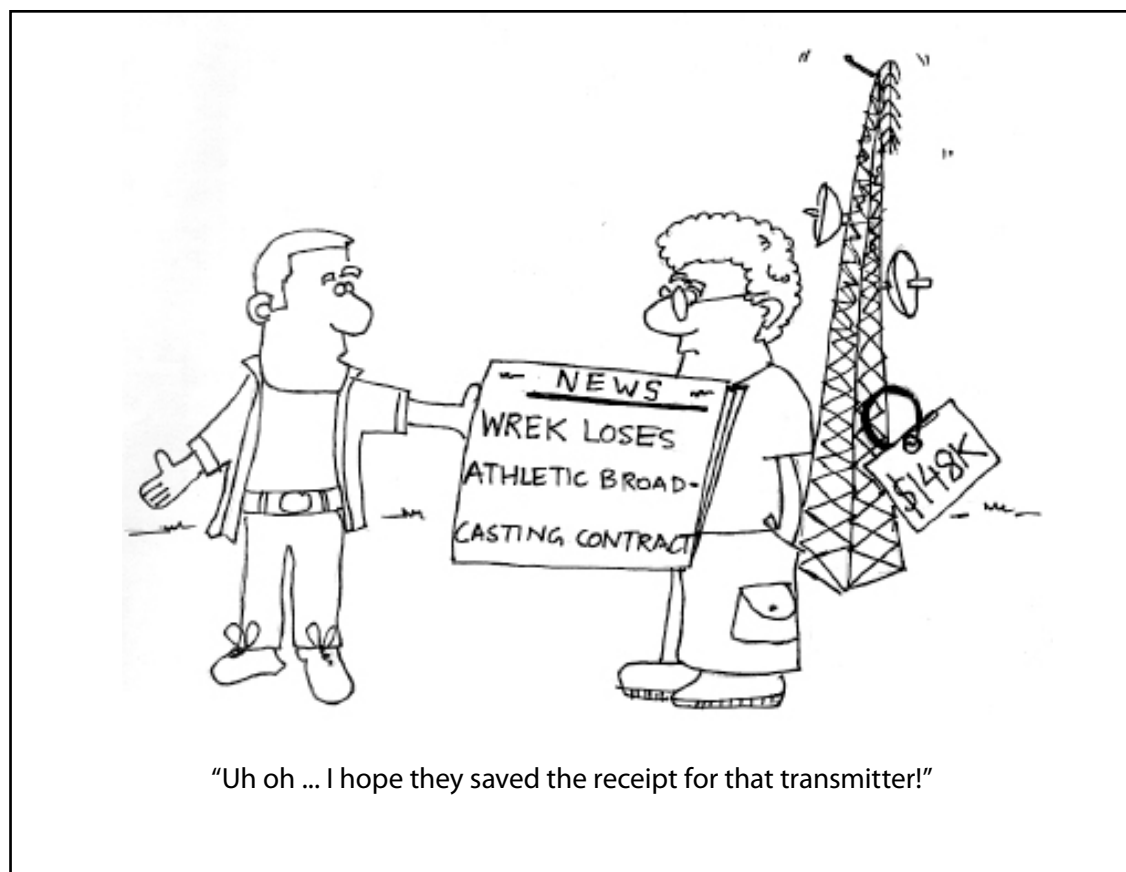
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By Abhishek Jain / Student Publications

## A new generation of do-gooders?

Imagine you're in a tent in the heart of the Africa. With you are three prostitutes, a couple of local businessmen and a two-time Pulitzer winner, whom you have to thank for bringing you along on this surreal trip.

For a third year in a row, *New York Times* columnist Nick Kristof is offering U.S. college students this rare opportunity. One lucky winner will get the chance to accompany Kristof on his travels through the developing world and gain first-hand exposure to some of its tragedies, including extreme poverty, famine and war, to name a few.

As I excitedly read about the contest, I reached a quote by Bill Gates that made me stop: "I left Harvard with no real awareness of the awful inequities in the world," Gates said in a 2007 commencement address. Thousands of dollars and four (or five, maybe six) years later, have most U.S. graduates fallen victim to what Kristof labels "one of the failures of the American education system?" Have we really learned next to nothing about the vast world that lies outside these borders?

Yes and no. On the one hand, it is all too easy to obtain a degree in the U.S. without hearing about the tragedies mentioned above. It is as if the U.S. isolationist dogma of yesteryear has infiltrated American schools and minds (if not our actual foreign policy).

It may be true that while most students abroad learn at least two languages, U.S. students are generally complacent with a basic knowledge of English. It's also known that even though traveling is a habit for foreigners with similar means as ours, less than a third of Americans even own a passport—but this does not mean that our generation is comprised of inward-looking dimwits.

At Tech, President Clough



"Is Generation Y really willing to look beyond the materialism, individualism and isolation that were so in vogue last century...?"

Naihobe Gonzalez  
Opinions Editor

hoped to increase the proportion of students who study abroad to over half—a realistic goal given current participation rates—and despite being a technical university, we offer a terminal degree in international affairs, a diverse environment at International House and a holistic global experience through the International Plan. In fact, our generation is part of a growing "internationalist" movement, a direct result of the powerful forces of technology, globalization and what I hope is also a shift towards greater public responsibility. While this movement marks progress, one of my fears is that although we will know more about the rest of the world, we will not do more.

All in all, is Generation Y really willing to look beyond the materialism, individualism and isolation that were so in vogue last century? Can we lead the transition into a new world order in which real change (to use the word *du jour*) is possible?

In the past few years, for example, the spotlight has been shined on the Darfur crisis. My guess is that most people in our age group are familiar with the genocide taking place and want the U.S. government to help make it stop. I see this issue pop up in Facebook profiles, celebrity interviews and movie theaters, but I don't want Darfur to just become a pet cause for young America if we're not going to do something about it. I

also don't want to see other crises be relegated to the back burner because they failed to reach the same iconic status in our popular culture.

But what to do? Maybe it's just me, but there is a certain futility in passing out flyers, attending rallies and listening to lectures that I find both frustrating and disheartening. This futility can lead to cynicism (and inaction), but there are many things that our generation can do to make a palpable difference.

From joining the Peace Corps to choosing a career that touches others' lives (the developing world is in dire need of technological, scientific and engineering know-how), the possibilities available to our generation are boundless.

If making a big commitment seems like too much, sometimes just becoming a mentor to a child, going on a short volunteer trip abroad or writing elected officials about neglected issues can achieve great results (and from experience, I can affirm that the personal pay-offs are often greater than what you put in). Or, as a fun alternative, you could even enter Kristof's contest.

I'm not arguing that the U.S. should be the watchman of the world. But as privileged, educated individuals, we should stop being so shortsighted and measuring our success by how far along we get on the rat race. The world—and its injustices—are ours to change.

# Resolutions aren't the way to a new 'you'

This year, I have resolved to eat a little bit healthier and exercise a little more often. Both are things that I have pretty easily attained and will be able to continue doing—nothing too unreasonable.

Some people, however, go slightly overboard with their resolutions. It seems as though many people believe that once the New Year rolls around, they are suddenly reborn and become this whole new, better person: "I am going to go to the gym every single day and lose 100 pounds in three months!" This is a little absurd considering this person has likely not used their gym membership since they bought it.

People always say, "This is my year; this year I'm going to stick with it." And while I certainly admire the perseverance and determination of these over-the-top resolutionists, most of them can't seem to stay with their goals for more than a few weeks.

After years and years filled with millions of broken resolutions, one would think that people would have realized that always setting such extreme goals for themselves will likely result in failure. What is it about the New Year that tricks people into thinking there is no other time of year they could possibly improve



**"Changing habits is not something that can be done overnight, which is why resolutions often fail."**

**Jennifer Aldoretta**  
Assistant Entertainment Editor

things about themselves?

The same can be applied to the holidays. Why is it that people always start a diet *after* they have gorged themselves with calorie-packed foods for weeks on end? It seems far more logical to begin a diet before the holidays when all of those extra pounds haven't yet been packed on. This will result in less work on the dieter's part.

That being said, if your resolution is to exercise more, why didn't you get a head start before the holidays rolled around? You would have had the leg-up on all of your friends and wouldn't have had to work twice as hard to shed those holiday love-handles.

While I understand the draw of starting the year on a new foot (because I am also guilty), New Year's resolutions have unfortunately become more of a competition between friends or family

members than a personal self-improvement project, as they should be. "I am going to work out every other day," says Suzy. "Oh yeah, well, I am going to work out *every* day," says JoJo.

Don't resolve to do better than your friend. Resolve to do better than yourself. Just make sure to resolve within reach.

Extreme resolutions will get you resolutionists nowhere. Why not just make it your goal to walk more during the day? Or even eat more fruits and veggies instead of that bag of greasy potato chips? Or cook more of your own meals instead of going out to eat?

Little changes like these are the ones that will lead to goals being attained. These are the resolutions that you will actually stick to, and you'll feel better about yourself knowing that you are doing something that is better for you. It is the small changes that will lead to bigger, long-term ones. Huge,

sudden lifestyle changes very rarely end up being long-term.

Changing habits is not something that can be done overnight, which is why resolutions often fail. You have to start out small and progressively go bigger as you feel you can handle the change. Resolve to eat less junk food. This may lead to eating more fruits and veggies which may, in turn, lead to becoming more active. As you get used to living a healthier lifestyle it becomes easier to make more small changes for the better.

Now, I will certainly not sit here and claim to be a health expert or dieting expert, but everything that I have mentioned seems to be common sense. And yet, so many people keep making resolutions they know they cannot keep.

Statistically, only about ten percent of resolutions are actually kept. About 80 percent of people who resolve have already failed by Jan. 20.

The point is, what is the point of New Year's resolutions? Most of them fail. So why not resolve to resolve in a few months or on a smaller scale? All of these would statistically yield better results.

Don't resolve just to resolve. If you want to make a change, it shouldn't matter the time of year.

## BUZZ Around the Campus

**What will you remember George W. Bush by?**



**Eric Zaniga**  
First-year AE

**"He said many awkward things, and he got us into a war."**



**Andy Wu**  
Second-year CHBE

**"I will remember him most by the Iraqi war and how he destroyed the American army and cost many American lives."**



**Elizabeth Whiting**  
Second-year ME

**"Maintaining his composure even when he was unpopular. He stayed with his position even when times were tough."**



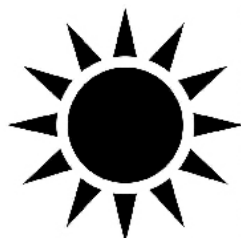
**Nikhil Kadle**  
Third-year BME

**"I will remember him by his failed policies that put this country in financial turmoil."**

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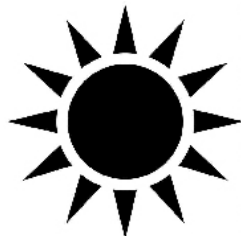
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### Making history

This week's Inauguration marked an extraordinary moment in our nation's young history, sending a much-needed jolt of invigoration throughout the country. About 1.5 million people flooded the streets of Washington D.C. to celebrate the swearing in of the country's first black president. No matter who you voted for last November, why not take this week to celebrate?



### Super alum

Even though the Arizona Cardinals killed the Falcons' slim chances of making it to the Super Bowl, the Tech community still has one reason to cheer for the Cardinals. Ken Whisenhunt, CE '90, will try to coach the Cardinals to victory against the Pittsburgh Steelers.



### Basketball blues

Tech men's basketball lost its first five conference games this season, making the team the last-ranked team in the ACC (and 327th out of 330 Division I teams). At this rate, even if the team made 140 straight free throws, it would still be dead last in free throw percentage in the ACC. Despite all the recent talk of "hope," we're starting to lose hope in our own team.



### Tasty?

Peanut butter lovers beware: a recent salmonella outbreak has affected cookies, crackers and ice cream, killing up to six people. Even worse, the outbreak was traced to a plant in Georgia. We can only hope the Nutter Butter cookies sold in Tech vending machines have been removed.

## Extending change to Israel and Palestine

Staff Editorial  
The Daily Iowan

(U-WIRE) For the last 40 years, every U.S. president has had one common foreign-policy concern: peace in the Holy Land. After witnessing a 22-day bombing campaign in Gaza, President Obama enters the Oval Office with more pertinent matters to attend to than the banal promise of a fresh paradigm for a peaceful Israeli-Palestinian existence.

The unilateral ceasefires by Hamas and Israel may have ended the current campaign during the end of the Bush administration; however, it will fall on Obama and his Cabinet to effectively deal with the bloody aftermath in Gaza.

While Obama went to great lengths during his campaign to confirm that he, like almost all American politicians, is de-

cidely pro-Israel—largely in response to ridiculous arguments that somehow his Arabic middle name directed his foreign-policy views to be inherently against Israel—is administration cannot afford to be blindly pro-Israel in its reaction to the Gaza campaign.

A realistic resolution in the Holy Land is going to require an administration that is capable of publicly, not just privately, admonishing the military decisions of the Israeli government and its continued second-class treatment of the Palestinian people.

Inevitably, the subject of Israel foments extremely polemical and emotional reactions. A sharp criticism of Israeli policy is often prone to a hasty accusation of anti-Semitism. Many equate a disapproval of governmental policy as a direct threat

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# Rethinking Facebook: social networks could educate

I first opened my Facebook account roughly three years ago. At that point, as hopefully we all remember, Facebook was for college students only. I had waited diligently to get my Georgia Tech e-mail account set up instead of cheating the system and using my DeKalb County provided email address instead, as so many of my impatient friends had done.

Barely six months later I came to terms with the fact that Facebook, that far off land of social networking that my older cousins had tormented me with and excluded me from for years, was no longer so exclusive. High school users were allowed to join and create profiles, and even more depressingly, my own sibling's friends' profiles popped up in my friend request box daily.

Needless to say, I was not a big fan of Facebook's first foray into social inclusion of those not burdened by college tuition, and much less so by the eventual universal access to Facebook. For one thing, how could non-college students, otherwise known as "people with real lives," possibly have the hours of endless free time needed

to keep an up-to-date profile and entertain me?

Thanks to extreme self-control I was able to resist joining one of the "1 million strong against the new Facebook" groups, which is fortunate because I am sure that my inclusion in the Facebook group would have had huge consequences, such as convincing Facebook management that traffic through their service had at least a million people who were willing to use their product, despite hating its very format.

Recently though, Facebook has been bucking its trend of creating improvements that annoy me. In fact, this week's partnership with CNN to help broadcast the inauguration was downright convenient. While I cannot express to you how annoying it is to see an easy-to-find streaming news source show up just after I got back to the country (not in time to save me hours of tears and hassle), the function was definitely one of the most useful applications released lately.

For those of us not brave enough to stand out in Centennial Park to witness the historic



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**Emily Chambers**  
Outreach Editor

swearing-in ceremony yet still stuck without a TV (no, I don't own a TV), the application was, in a word, perfect.

Not only did it capitalize on young American's combined obsessions with Facebook and the Obama family in a brilliant money-making scheme, but it also was actually educational. By watching the scrolling status updates of my friends and fellow viewers I was able to confirm that yes, Dick Cheney looked like an evil mastermind being wheeled around by his minions, as well as my suspicion that it was Roberts, not Obama, who messed up the Oath of Office written into the very constitution that both of them specialized in as attorneys.

Most importantly, I found universal affirmation to my belief that the poor, innocent poet who read after President Obama probably should have memorized the poem she wrote for the occasion if she wanted to even appear competent when speaking after a man who has been declared one of the greatest orators of our age.

Watching the status updates from my friends in Europe, other lazy students still in bed like myself and those brave few actually in Washington D.C. with their iPhones, I realized that the mix of social media and news networks on Inauguration Day, although only temporary, is the next obvious step in news broadcasting.

Modern America's compulsive

need-to-know nature requires us not only to hear news that is updated constantly, but also to know what our friends think about it. To quote the video "Twitter in Plain English," sometimes people just need to know what is happening *between* daily blog posts, or in this case, between sentences in any given news broadcast. The combination of instantaneous user-generated content with "hard news" is a revolutionary step in that direction.

While news stations becoming too involved in social media poses obvious risks (mainly, that I will lose the ability to claim that I ever check any other websites, or that desperation to generate hits and commentary will drive the media to even new lows of partisanship), this sort of partnership could be what is needed to keep America informed.

Consider it like a mental vitamin: every morning when you check to make sure your significant other hasn't posted on their ex's wall, you could instead choose to check the state of current affairs, without even having to navigate away from the page.

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to the right of the state of Israel to exist.

Others quickly jump to protect Israel's right to defend itself, usually framed in the playground accusation of "He started it." Meanwhile, the initial critique or examination of policy is lost in finger pointing and red-herring indictments of character.

In examining the fundamentals of Israel's response, we would be hard-pressed to find a majority of any population that would argue with the premise that a

country doesn't have the right to defend itself when attacked.

However, the Obama administration cannot focus on who started "the fight." Both Hamas and the Israeli government are equally to blame for the needless deaths of more than 1,250 Palestinian civilians. Nevertheless, a nonviolent solution will not be found in assigning the appropriate percentage of responsibility to each party.

A peace process in the Holy Land must focus on the underlying causes of Palestinian angst and long-term stability in the region. If Israel can give the Palestinians

a reason to live, self-annihilation tactics should subside; Palestinians aren't predisposed to embrace suicide and the murder of Israelis.

Anger and despair breed terrorists; military incursions and air strikes only breed more anger and more despair. Killing Hamas officials is nothing more than placing the violent cycle of reprisal in abeyance. Hamas needs only go down to the most recent neighborhood destroyed by Israeli rockets to find recruits willing to trade long-term peace for immediate retribution. Defiance is victory for Hamas.

If our wars in Iraq and Afghan-

istan have taught us anything, it should be that military might is a temporary remedy. Trickle-down peace accords don't work. As former President George W. Bush pointed out, this is also a "war of ideas."

Defeating terrorism requires a war on ideologies and perceptions. Israel should use its position as a democracy in the Middle East as an opportunity to promote the values of a democratic society: equality, social justice, and pluralism. Creating a culture that treats Muslim and Jew, Israeli and Palestinian as equal, instead of seg-

regated, members of society will go much further to assuage the threats to Israel's security than yearly military campaigns against Hamas or Hezbollah.

Obama must push to redefine "victory" in the Holy Land. Long-term stability in the region is going to require major shifts in military, social and economic policy by Israel and the Palestinian authorities.

Obama must do the same with Israel and Palestine as he did in America: win over the people with a message that hope does exist and change is possible.

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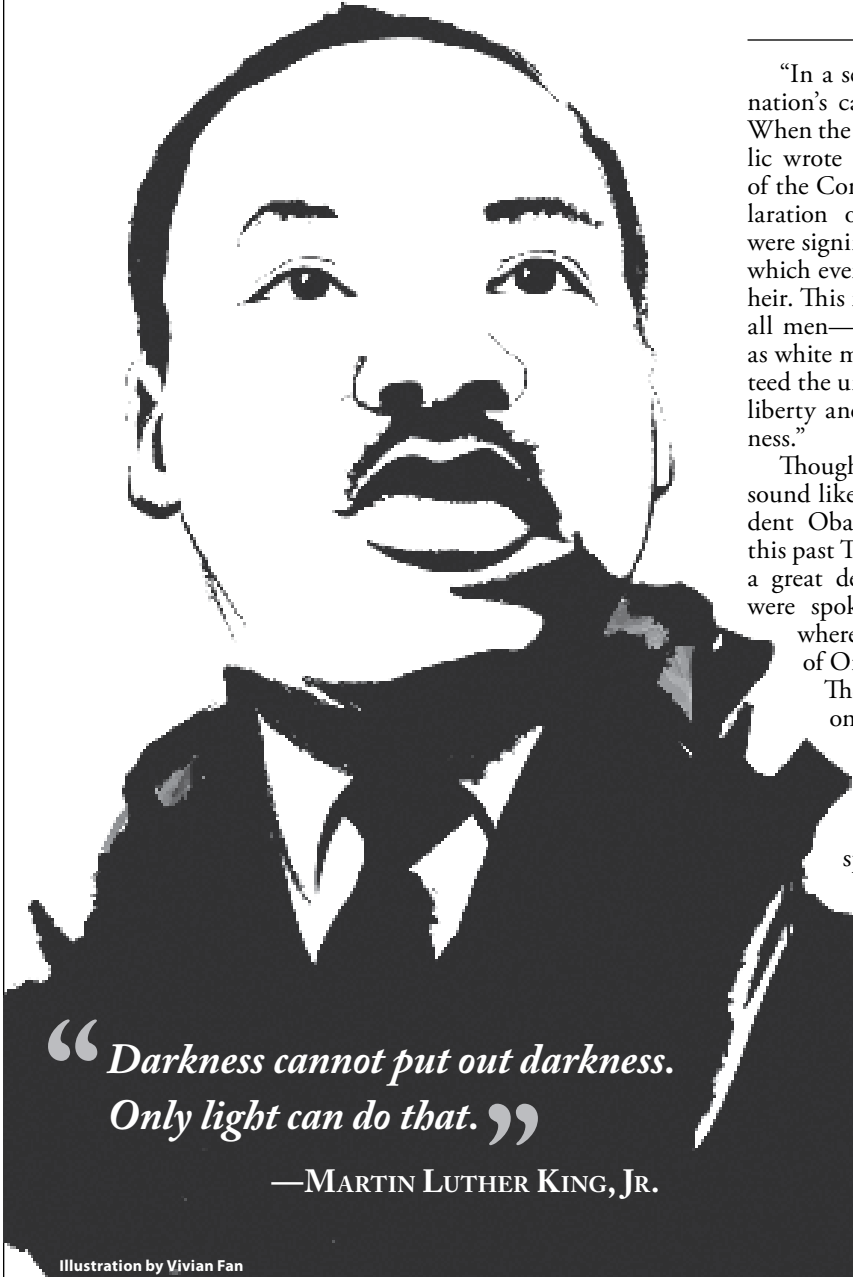
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# MLK: A DAY TO REMEMBER

By Chris Russell  
Staff Writer



“Darkness cannot put out darkness.  
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—MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

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“In a sense we’ve come to our nation’s capital to cash a check. When the architects of our republic wrote the magnificent words of the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence, they were signing a promissory note to which every American was to fall heir. This note was a promise that all men—yes, black men as well as white men—would be guaranteed the unalienable rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.”

Though these lines might well sound like they came from President Obama’s inaugural speech this past Tuesday, they are in fact, a great deal older, though they were spoken within earshot of where Obama took the Oath of Office.

These words are part of one of the most well-known speeches in American history: Martin Luther King, Jr.’s “I Have a Dream” speech. King gave the speech during the 1963 March on Washington, during which civil rights leaders attempted to raise awareness about and encourage the passing of the Civil

Rights Act.

Perhaps the most moving thing about this famous speech is that many of its best-known moments (including the phrase “I have a dream” itself) were never formally written down or even rehearsed. Midway through his speech, King put down his prepared notes and drew on his roots as a Baptist preacher to improvise the last several minutes. Many of what would later become some of the most famous lines in American history were simply ideas he pulled off the top of his head.

Though it is this speech that is often remembered most about his career, King’s entry into the public eye came several years earlier, from his involvement in organizing the Montgomery Bus Boycott, where Rosa Parks gained notoriety for refusing to give up her seat to a white man. After Parks’ arrest, King led a city-wide boycott of the bus systems in order to bring national attention to the case and put pressure on the government and bus companies to end segregation.

This marked the first example of what became one of the hallmarks of King’s involvement in the civil rights movement: non-violent protest, a form of civil disobedience that King adapted from Gandhi’s demonstrations in India. The philosophy behind this method of protest was to highlight injustice by making it impossible for the media and government to ignore or color it. The method worked, as it not only caught the world’s attention,

but also gained a wave of support for the civil rights movement and earned King the 1964 Nobel Peace Prize.

Atlanta’s role in the civil rights movement is one that’s difficult to ignore, not only as one of the South’s largest cities, but also as King’s birthplace, the home to a number of historically black colleges, and the headquarters of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference—the organization founded and led by King to fight for racial equality. Atlanta is also one of a handful of cities in which King was arrested for organizing demonstrations; in Atlanta, he was arrested for arranging sit-ins. Despite these incidents and a few violent outbursts, Atlanta city officials did their best to keep order and, as such, Atlanta was often referred to as “the city too busy to hate.”

Tech itself played an important role in the civil rights movement. Tech students protested in 1955 when the Board of Regents told them they couldn’t play a school with a black team member in football, and in the early 1960s, Tech became the first school in the South to desegregate without a court order.

Today, the heroic life of Martin Luther King, Jr. is celebrated on the third Monday of every January (in order to fall near King’s birthday, January 15th). Though King was assassinated in 1968, Martin Luther King Jr. Day wasn’t formalized as a federal holiday until the mid-1980’s, and wasn’t recognized in every state by its current name until 2000.

## LOCAL LEGACY: TECH’S JOURNEY THROUGH CIVIL RIGHTS

**1955** Students protest after Board of Regents decision to not play in Sugar Bowl because of a black player.

**1956** Despite racial tension, Tech plays first integrated football game.

**1961** John Gill becomes first black editor-in-chief of the *Technique*.

**1965** Office of Minority Education founded.

**1968** Tech becomes first university in the South to peacefully integrate.

**1979** Georgia Tech Afro-American Association (GTAAA) is formed; MLK Jr. is assassinated.

**1993** Tiffany Massey becomes first black SGA President.

**2002** GTAAA changes its name to GTAASU.

**2008** Barack Obama inaugurated as 1st black president.

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*Anonymous note criticizing Dean Harrison:* “Not HIS but our students will be expelled IF they gather together to protest negroes entering their college .... But - if negro college students parade thru 5 Points singing like heathen ... They are followed by reporters and photographers ...”

*Letter by freshman Bart Fay in support of Harrison’s decision to integrate:* “I hope the whole student body agrees and if faced with the integration situation will prove themselves more grown up than those students in Athens.”

*Brian Lewis, GTAAA President:* “Black Awareness Week is all about increasing the awareness of the entire Tech family of the contributions and feelings of Black people in America.”

*Obama in his inaugural address:* “... we have tasted the bitter swill of civil war and segregation, and emerged from that dark chapter stronger and more united...”

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# TAKING THE LEAD

## Tech student elected president of AIESEC-U.S.



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**By Kaydie Rudd**  
Contributing Writer

As a Tech student, it is sometimes difficult to find a way to stand out. However, Tiffany Curtiss, a fifth-year MGT major, has done just that by being recently elected to the position of President of AIESEC United States.

Association Internationale des Etudiants en Sciences Economiques et Commerciales (AIESEC), which is the largest non-profit student organization, allows its members to discover and develop their professional and leadership potential in an effort to have a positive impact on today's increasingly global society.

Three and a half years ago, Curtiss decided she wanted to join AIESEC only to discover that an AIESEC branch did not exist at Georgia Tech. Curtiss, who had previous experience with starting non-profit organizations in high school, saw this as an opportunity and decided to create a new chapter of AIESEC.

"I thought it was a great

chance to gain experience and be a part of an organization related to business," Curtiss said. In order to start the Tech AIESEC committee, Curtiss worked on organizing the chapter during the day while taking classes at night.

As a result, Curtiss has gained many valuable experiences as she was given the opportunity to travel to such places as Turkey, India, Germany and Kenya while participating in internships related to such topics as microfinance.

Such experiences allowed Curtiss to further develop her leadership and professional skills; however, as a MGT major, it was the business aspect of AIESEC that originally appealed to Curtiss.

"It is a business," Curtiss said. "And the product is global talent sourcing."

Through AIESEC's exchange program, Curtiss explained, over 4,000 students are paired with international companies that have available internships in which students may participate.

Many of these students are from the best universities in the world and underwent a selective application process in order to become members.

Companies around the world pay AIESEC to find within this pool of students the ones that have the appropriate talent, education, and leadership skills to be productive employees. It is to such a purpose, among others, such as the promotion of peace and globalization, that Curtiss has dedicated her time and efforts.

This winter, Curtiss applied to be the national President of AIESEC United States and was elected. As president, Curtiss will oversee national operations from AIESEC's headquarters in New York, where she will move after graduating this May.

Her main duties involve managing, training and supporting the other committees around the U.S., as well as dealing with the legal and financial obligations associated

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### About AIESEC

**Full name:** Association Internationale des Etudiants en Sciences Economiques et Commerciales

**Claim to fame:** Largest nonprofit student organization in the world

**Quick facts:**

- Helps members discover and develop their professional and leadership potential to impact the global society
- Provides 7,000+ leadership positions
- Runs an exchange program for 4,000+ students in 107 countries

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# A day in the life of A community advisor

By Aaron Parkman  
Staff Writer

Dorm life is a major change from life at home. With rooms shaped like jail cells and curfews no more, we find ourselves caught in the irony that is college life. Over the years, institutions have tried to ease the transition by providing support structures, one being housing staff.

Tech has historically used a lot of different titles for community advisors (CA), but for our purposes, we will only differentiate between "CA's" and peer leaders, "PL's."

Rachel Johnston, a CA in Center Street Apartments and second-year MGT major, is one of the hundreds of students employed by housing staff at Tech.

Speaking with her this week shed some light on the role of housing staff on our campus.

"You could say it's like having a job in human resources," Johnston said, still shivering and trying to recover from her frigid walk across campus.

"When people ask me how many hours I spend being an CA, it's hard to say, because it's like a full time job. You're just not clocking-in hours."

A sister in Alpha Chi Omega sorority and Ambassador for the College of Management, Johnston has had to develop a lot of self-discipline and time management skills early in life.

"It's a sacrifice of time, but anything you do is a sacrifice of time," Johnston said. "You just have to figure out what you want to do and then do it."

The most important thing to Johnston as an CA is community. "Getting to know my residents really well is the most rewarding



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Rachel Johnston tests a smoke detector and inspects a room for safety violations as part of her duties at the beginning of semester.

thing and working for housing is like being in a big community."

Although she would not disclose the details of any real life dorm drama, Johnston said that conflict resolution was covered in training, which includes two weeks of pre-semester workshops and a weekly CA seminar class.

Integral to the housing structure are the community-building programs that are held in each

residence hall. There are different "programming models" for freshmen, upperclassmen, graduate students, married students and international students, each tailored to meet the needs of that student population.

"Being an CA as a second year, I think it's necessary to quickly learn the needs of upperclassmen," Johnston said.

"Also, when you live in dorms,

there's only one door separating you, but in the apartments, you have to work a little harder to get to know people," Johnston said, citing a difference between CA's and PL's.

Of course, the main difference between CA's and PL's is that PL's work exclusively with freshmen, and CA's work with everyone else.

Johnston said that she would have been happy with either position, but that she had grown especially fond of her role as an CA now because of the greater emphasis on large-group social activities.

According to Johnston, PL's still plan large-group activities, but there is a greater emphasis on individual interaction.

At the CA/PL candidate meeting, staff explained that smaller groups were facilitated in Freshman Experience dorms by assigning fewer residents to each PL.

One of the most important things PL's can do to get to know their residents is to make sure they are going to the dining halls and eating with them regularly.

Johnston said that becoming an CA has been one of the most rewarding things she has done while at Tech, and she is glad that she has followed in her mother's footsteps, who was also an CA in college.

If you are planning on applying to be an CA or a PL, "references are a big deal," Johnston said. Every candidate is required to submit at least one letter of recommendation with their application, and finalists will be interviewed.

According to Center Street's Hall Director, Steven Jubert, "you want to put your best foot forward," which means treating the staff interview the same as you would treat any other interview.

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with running an organization.

One of her main goals for her term will be to improve the training and support of the 29 other U.S. branches in order to increase student exchange on the local level; that is, sending more students to other countries and bringing more in.

However, she also hopes to expand the number of committees in the U.S. in an effort to reach more students, universities, and cities. She will also have to make sure that quality standards are in place in the recruitment process.

According to Curtiss, such standards ensure that "the right students and the best students are chosen and that good, quality jobs are available for people entering the States." Curtiss hopes to improve international students' reception to the U.S. in order to break down some of the stereotypes surrounding the United States.

According to Curtiss, AIESEC originated shortly after World War II, when youth in five European countries, particularly France and Germany, decided it was up to them to overcome prejudice, rebuild their nations and reestablish peace.

The youth would hold meetings with one another in order to become more familiar with different cultures and ideas, but it was soon realized that it wasn't enough to just know someone from another culture. In addition to an education, early members of AIESEC realized that professional experiences would be necessary in order to continue to bolster improved international relations.

Today, AIESEC has become the only student organization recognized by the United Nations. It attempts to incorporate experience and immersion in another culture with professional experience and education in order to create more open-minded, global citizens.

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# Recipes for eating your way to a healthier you

By **Melissa Hardman**  
Contributing Writer

Just like millions of Americans, you may have made the New Year's resolution of getting in shape and acquiring healthier eating habits. Sticking to a healthy diet can be difficult in college, since fast food and pizza are popular choices. Cooking for yourself may seem like a daunting task, but below are some easy, enjoyable recipes that have been improved upon to make them less fattening and healthier in general. For more exciting and healthy recipes, visit [www.eatbetteramerica.com/recipes](http://www.eatbetteramerica.com/recipes). To analyze your diet and get helpful guidelines tailored to your body type and level of activity, see [www.mypyramid.gov](http://www.mypyramid.gov)



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## FRENCH ONION SOUP

Prep time: 1 hour  
Makes 4 servings

1 tbsp olive oil  
4 medium onions sliced (8 cups)  
1 carton (32 oz.) Reduced sodium beef broth (4 cups)  
¼ tsp dried thyme leaves  
¼ tsp pepper  
1 bay leaf  
2 tpsps reduced-sodium soy sauce  
8 slices (1/2 inch thick) of baguette French bread  
¼ cup shredded fresh Parmesan cheese

1. In 4-quart nonstick Dutch oven, heat oil over medium heat. Add onions; cook uncovered 10 minutes, stirring frequently. Reduce heat to medium-low. Cook 35 to 40 minutes longer, stirring frequently, until onions are light golden brown (onions will shrink during cooking).
2. Stir in broth, thyme, pepper, bay leaf and soy sauce. Heat to boiling. Reduce heat to low; cover and simmer 15 minutes. Remove bay leaf.
3. Meanwhile, set oven control to broil. Place baguette slices on ungreased cookie sheet. Sprinkle cheese evenly on slices. Broil with tops 4 to 6 inches from heat 30 to 60 seconds or until cheese is melted. Watch carefully so cheese does not burn.
4. To serve, ladle soup into bowls. Serve with baguette slices.

## SHRIMP IN TOMATO SAUCE OVER PASTA

Prep time: 15 minutes  
Start to finish: 45 minutes  
Makes 4 servings

1 tbsp olive oil  
1 small bunch scallions chopped  
2 garlic cloves minced  
1 can (28 oz.) crushed tomatoes  
¾ cup dry white wine or nonalcoholic white wine  
1 tbsp sugar  
¾ cup chopped flat-leaf parsley or basil  
12 jumbo shrimp, peeled and deveined  
8 oz. spaghetti  
¼ cup grated Parmesan cheese

1. Warm oil in a medium saucepan over medium heat. Add scallions and garlic. Cook 10 minutes, or just until scallions begin to turn golden.
2. Add tomatoes, wine, sugar, and 1/2 cup parsley or basil. Heat to boiling. Reduce heat to low, cover, and simmer 20 to 25 minutes, or until sauce is slightly thickened.
3. Add shrimp and return to a simmer. Cook 4 to 5 minutes, or until shrimp are opaque.
4. Meanwhile, cook spaghetti according to package directions. Drain and transfer to a large bowl. Add sauce and toss to mix.
5. Sprinkle with Parmesan and remaining 1/4 cup parsley or basil.

## PEANUT BUTTER COOKIES

Prep time: 45 minutes  
Makes about 30 cookies

½ cup granulated sugar  
½ cup packed brown sugar  
½ cup peanut butter  
¼ cup vegetable oil spread stick, softened  
1 egg  
2 tpsps honey  
1 ¼ cups whole wheat flour  
¾ tsp baking soda  
1/2 tsp baking powder  
¼ tsp salt  
Additional granulated sugar

1. Heat oven to 375°F. In large bowl, beat ½ cup granulated sugar, brown sugar, peanut butter and vegetable oil spread with electric mixer on low speed until well mixed. Beat in honey and egg until well blended. Beat in remaining ingredients until dough forms.
2. Shape dough into 1 ¼ -inch balls. Place balls about 3 inches apart on ungreased cookie sheets. Flatten in crisscross pattern with fork dipped in additional granulated sugar.
3. Bake 7 to 9 minutes or until light golden brown. Cool 1 minute; remove from cookie sheets to cooling rack. Cool completely, for about 15 minutes.

### NUTRITIONAL INFORMATION:

The french onion soup contains 210 calories, 7 grams of fat, 2 grams of saturated fat and 26 grams of carbohydrates.

The shrimp in tomato sauce over pasta contains 380 calories, 7 grams of fat and 59 grams of carbohydrates.

The peanut butter cookies contain 41% less fat, 50% less saturated fat, and more fiber than the traditional cookie recipe.

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**OUR TAKE:** ★★★★★

By Kristin Hanson  
Staff Writer

The Melting Pot is a restaurant with a unique style of dining that was first opened in Florida in 1975. Today, they have more than 138 locations across 37 states and have won countless awards for their food, service and community involvement. We are lucky

enough to have one located very close to Tech on Peachtree Street NE.

From the valet parking to the personalized service, it is an experience unlike any other. To get the whole experience, be sure to come with a large wallet and an even larger appetite, because the Melting Pot offers a meal choice of a cheese fondue, a salad and a main entrée. And who can resist getting a dessert plate?

The choices for cheese fondue range from beer flavored cheese to good old classic cheddar. Regardless of cheese choice, everyone gets pieces of bread, apples, carrots and celery to dip with. At first, the thought of dipping fruits and vegetables into any type of cheese might be a little odd for those of us without a more sophisticated

palette, but, surprisingly, I enjoyed the different taste combinations and jumping in and trying something I normally wouldn't. The Melting Pot is definitely a place to experiment with different flavors and foods.

Up next, there are several choices of salad to be had, but I almost didn't want to eat one because I knew the main course was coming and there was no way I was going to miss out on the duck, shrimp, beef, chicken and wonton noodles we ordered. When the main course comes it is really intimidating when the waiter or waitress sets down a whole plate of raw meat, about six different sauces and two types of batter.

The people who work there re-

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## MUSIC

### Killers' Day & Age tries new direction, takes step backwards

**The Killers**  
*Day & Age*  
**LABEL:** Island  
**GENRE:** Rock  
**TRACK PICKS:** "Human," "I Can't Stay"  
**RELEASE DATE:** Nov. 24, 2008  
**OUR TAKE:** ★★☆☆☆

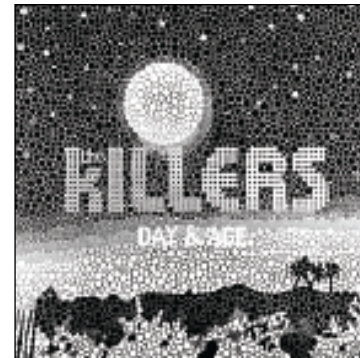


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By Zheng Zheng  
Contributing Writer

When The Killers first kicked off all the way back in 2004 with their debut album *Hot Fuss*, they identified themselves as a strong member of the post-punk revival movement with their simple yet catchy music style. However, their latest production *Day & Age* marks the group's attempt to transition into a different subgenre of new wave synthpop. Sadly, the result is too far from what diehard Killers fans are used to. And for new listeners, consider twice before being falsely bedazzled by the beautifully designed album cover.

*Day & Age* attempts to redirect both the band's style and lyrical creativity from the youthful and controversial style that captured many fans into a more mature and sophisticated direction. However, the heard-it-before philosophical lyrics and the rather predictable and calm beats make the Killers' coming of age rather boring. Where old fans could proudly sing along with the car radio while pondering over the fact that "You had a boyfriend, who looked like a girlfriend," now they can sit back and relax and wonder what on

earth "Are we human, or are we dancer?" means.

Conformity seems to be the best answer, but it is a topic so overrated and overused that the real emotions and curiosity behind the sexual ambiguity of "your boyfriend" are still more captivating. This is not the case solely for the album's first single "Human," but rather most of the tracks. The deep lyrics are really not that deep; they rather come off as the band trying too hard to let go of their youth.

Lead vocalist/keyboardist Brandon Flowers declared *Day & Age* the band's "most playful record." This statement is somewhat correct in that the group's experimentation with new sounds and musical instruments is apparent in almost every track. However, many of these changes come as a shock. "Joyride" employs the surprise of saxophone about one minute in while "This is Your Life" begins with the chanting of a chorus.

*Day & Age* also includes the new addition of electronic music sounds and disco beats such as in "Joyride." The new sounds

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## MUSIC

# Merriweather strays from old Collective sound

**Animal Collective**  
*Merriweather Post Pavilion*  
**LABEL:** Domino  
**GENRE:** Indie Rock  
**TRACK PICKS:** "In the Flowers," "My Girls," "Taste"  
**RELEASE DATE:** Jan. 20, 2009  
**OUR TAKE:** ★★★★★

By Philip Poole  
Contributing Writer

The word experimental seems to show up in iTunes' genre category a lot. As sort of a catch-all for indie bands that head in a non-traditional direction, it's generally a bad tag; some of the most experimental music isn't classified as such according to the endless levels of categorization music nerds love to create.

There is a common thread though: experimental music can often be pretentious. Bands in

this genre try to get around that label in different ways. Mr. Bungle avoided it by being incredibly non-serious (lyrically and musically), The Dillinger Escape Plan does it by being intensely aggressive and The Mars Volta does it by mixing several diverse genres (unfortunately those guys get that reputation for other reasons).

In *Merriweather Post Pavilion*, Animal Collective tries to avoid it the way people like Brian Eno have done before—by creating a sound that's very content to not be the center of attention. There are never any grand crescendos where the music starts to really assert itself. In the vein of so much electronica, it almost begs to be background noise.

Does that effectively stave off the label of self-importance? Well, mostly. Animal Collective does seem to take their music really seriously, a lot more than you would expect from artists who name themselves things like Panda Bear

and Geologist. But either way, the choice to keep their sound pleasantly contained helps AC avoid the same pitfalls of conceit that similar indie bands fall into.

That agreeable atmosphere is pretty consistent throughout the record. The individual songs flow well into each other, less because the album was designed as a coherent concept but more because the pieces just sound similar. "Taste" is a standout song. It's very glitchy and sort of industrial, and it gives the album's atmosphere a much needed lift toward the end.

Speaking of consistency, the fuzzy, harmonizing, singing-in-a-cave routine does get repetitive, but I'd bet that vocal style works better in person due to Animal Collective's strong reputation for outstanding live shows.

I found that to be true with Yeasayer (an indie band with similar vocals) after comparing a pick from their studio album to a live rendition of the same song

on YouTube. Even in that horrible quality the difference was stark; an X factor must be lost in production somewhere while they try to soften up the music.

The cover art is so crappy. It's a leaf pattern optical illusion in the spirit of those old Magic Eye pictures. That might have been cool a few years back, but in this technological era it's just reminiscent of pop-up window content. They might as well have made the cover a punch-the-monkey banner or an ultimate IQ test.

Actually, they should have done just that; no doubt their core indie fanbase would have called it "ironic" and eaten it up. Thankfully the worst part about this release is something that really doesn't matter, since few of us bother to keep CD cases anymore and even fewer impulse buy based on cover art.

What does matter is that Animal Collective is very comfortable with their sound by this eighth

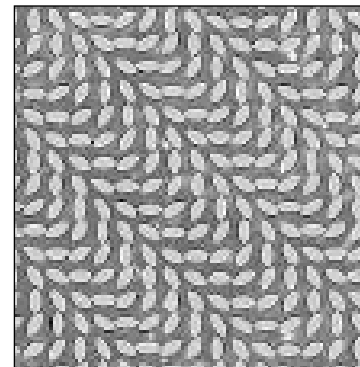


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studio album. Not that they haven't grown from previous efforts; they're comfortable in a way that lets them maintain their music's integrity while growing into something a bit more accessible.

This is not spiritual music, but it's not hipster garbage either. It's good casual listening that by all indications makes for an even better live show. *Merriweather Post Pavilion* should easily satisfy Atlanta Animal Collective fans until they roll back through.

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ally know their stuff, because our waiter rattled off the instructions for how to fondue our own meat in a matter of minutes and never got confused about the cooking times.

Each type of meat has to be left in the hot oil for a different amount of time in order for it to be safe to eat. Any time you leave it in after that is a personal choice. First, the meat is dipped into the batter of your choice and then held on a skewer in the oil. All the different sauce choices for dipping after the meat is cooked can really make every bite taste different. It's kind of scary cooking your own meat, because sometimes it's hard to tell if it is actually cooked because of the dim lighting. Somehow, we made it through okay without food poisoning and were ready for dessert.

By far, dessert was the best part of the meal. By the time dessert rolled around, I felt like I could not handle eating any more, but I manned up and we ordered a small plate of desserts, which ended up being not so small, just like every other previous course. There are tons of choices for the type of chocolate to dip pieces of cheesecake, pound cake, brownies, marshmallows and strawberries in. There is chocolate with caramel, nuts and even alcohol as a dipping base.

Aside from the nightly dining, the Melting Pot gives customers an option of joining something called The Melting Pot's Club Fondue where they offer the members wine tastings, food samplings and entry into exclusive events held at the restaurant.

Needless to say, everyone leaves the Melting Pot feeling satisfied, if not overly stuffed. Whether for a birthday, a romantic evening out or a get together with friends, the Melting Pot prides itself on an experience you won't soon forget.

## MOVIES

**Hoffman cannot save *Harvey*****Last Chance Harvey****GENRE:** Drama/Romance**STARRING:** Dustin Hoffman, Emma Thompson**DIRECTOR:** Joel Hopkins**RATING:** PG-13**RELEASE DATE:** Jan. 16, 2009**OUR TAKE:** ★★☆☆☆☆By **Kenny Phillips**  
Staff Writer

Released in most theaters last Friday, *Last Chance Harvey* is a story of an American songwriter who finds an English woman who changes his life. The film stars Dustin Hoffman (Harvey Shine) and Emma Thompson (Kate Walker).

Both Harvey's job and his family have suffered to the point that he has been driven out of each. Although the relationship seems parasitic at first, the couple soon becomes symbiotic as Harvey woos Kate with his persistent ardor and musical talent.

The film has many problems. There is no conflict. This movie lasts only for one hour and thirty minutes, but it is filled with excruciating nothingness.

The relationship between Harvey and Kate is a welcome reprieve that heroically saves the film from being labeled with a cautionary warning of extreme boredom.

The pair of Hoffman and Thompson is quite a match. The strange latching of Harvey to Kate after a chance meeting does not add any additional merriment, but it deserves points as a different way to make a connection in a film. Unlike the old standby of



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couples randomly meeting time and time again as seen in most romances, Harvey works a different angle showing that he must basically tag along with Kate hoping his personality makes an impression. The situation may knock hopeful, fictional love down a peg and would be terribly creepy in a non-fictional setting, but it shows realism in that the relationship needs work to keep its fire.

To be most frank, this film is unbelievably poor because of writer/director Joel Hopkins. Not knowing Hopkins' earlier works, I can still only come to this logical conclusion because there was nothing deemed worthy of any praise in this movie.

Stylistically, the camera work and directing were adequate, but nothing jumped off the screen to make me think that this was a masterpiece.

Hopkins' writing was quite far from greatness. The plot was left longing for something more dramatic. The ending was not at all surprising and most of the plot development was something that could have been deduced with

simple intelligence. The dialog of characters other than Harvey and Kate was unimaginably bad, and their performance could have been played by mannequins with a speech bubble of text read by a narrator (as for the extras having no dialog, they could have been replaced by cardboard cutouts).

That is to say, the smaller roles did absolutely nothing for the main characters. Hoffman and Thompson were alright in the film and had a nice chemistry, but it seemed overly platonic for a romance. The inner feelings were noticeable in each shared scene, but there was no external passion. With such awful writing and directing I am thankful that my berating can focus solely on Hopkins.

The movie really does not perform as well as it should with such actors as Hoffman and Thompson. The pair is the only quality of the film I would not smash apart in hopes that Hopkins may do a better job the second time around, and because of that I do not wish to recommend this movie to anyone.

**Killers** from page 15

make the latest album sound very happy and free, but much less interesting than the emotional music about a little girl's dreams or Uncle Johnny's cocaine. Sadly, the entirely new sound that is *Day & Age* contains very little of the Killers' former glories. Lead guitarist Dave Keuning's loud guitar riffs are long gone and Flower's catchy yet exotic beats are nowhere to be heard.

Though the new album is filled with new experimentation with musical influence, Flowers' singing is far less exploratory. The new tracks accompanied by his bounded smooth and perfected tone are in reality much less enchanting. However, when judged alone, several tracks on the album do deserve special mentioning.

"Human," perhaps the most well-known song and the reason that most purchased the album all together, is quite worthy of its fame. Voted the best song of 2008 by readers of Rolling Stone, this single stands out in the alternative rock genre.

"A Dustland Fairytale" manages to capture the old magic of The Killers with Flowers' crisp keyboard play and emotional voice.

"I Can't Stay" is a personal favorite. While the beginning is weak, the song builds up to a quite open and free sound that makes the listener feel like he is singing his heart out on a green hill or a mountain.

"The World We Live In" is a perfect example of the group's transformation. The beginning is very similar to "Viva La Vida" by Coldplay, which is a problem that several songs suffer from.

The Killers' effort to transcend genres and bring something new to the table is much appreciated and sometimes necessary among musicians. Sadly, not everyone is destined to succeed in doing so.



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Walking with a panda bear  
yeah, i wanna steal the campus movie fest gear  
i thought things were awkward between us.  
It took you half an hour to remember the words "wine coolers"  
turns out Target doesn't sell alcohol.  
I bought a beer based on the name. bad move.  
You know how we deal with hippies: Harpoon!  
skunk ape lives.  
I like my life in the sunshine.  
the day the campaneille freezes over...  
dude, you stank-nasty.  
See the quiet boy who's taking notes next to you? Say hi to him- I,  
uh, he promises it'll be worth it.  
I want to tell you that you're amazing and that I want to marry  
you. Too bad I'm a pussy.  
I have OCD, reason 42- I have to stack my Rubix Cubes so that  
all the colors face the same direction.  
The smell test is law. Why can't women understand?  
Kooooooza!!  
PrankTech@gmail.com  
digital aphasia  
who's gonna test the sound and mess around?  
motocross: prepare to be firebombed!!!  
Keep it unreal  
yeah i saw you walking into Cheetah  
Thanks to technology, I can sliver while taking a dump. My mom  
would be proud of my multitasking ability!  
i'm paying good money for my NA apartment, now give me some  
hot water, dammit!  
I can understand hot water going out in glenn last year (kinda  
but this is absurd!  
The longer I'm here the more I'm convinced that GaTech doesn't  
care about the students  
awesome, north ave west has no hot water again.....  
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# THEME CROSSWORD: FUEL EFFICIENCY

By Robert Zimmerman  
United Features Syndicate

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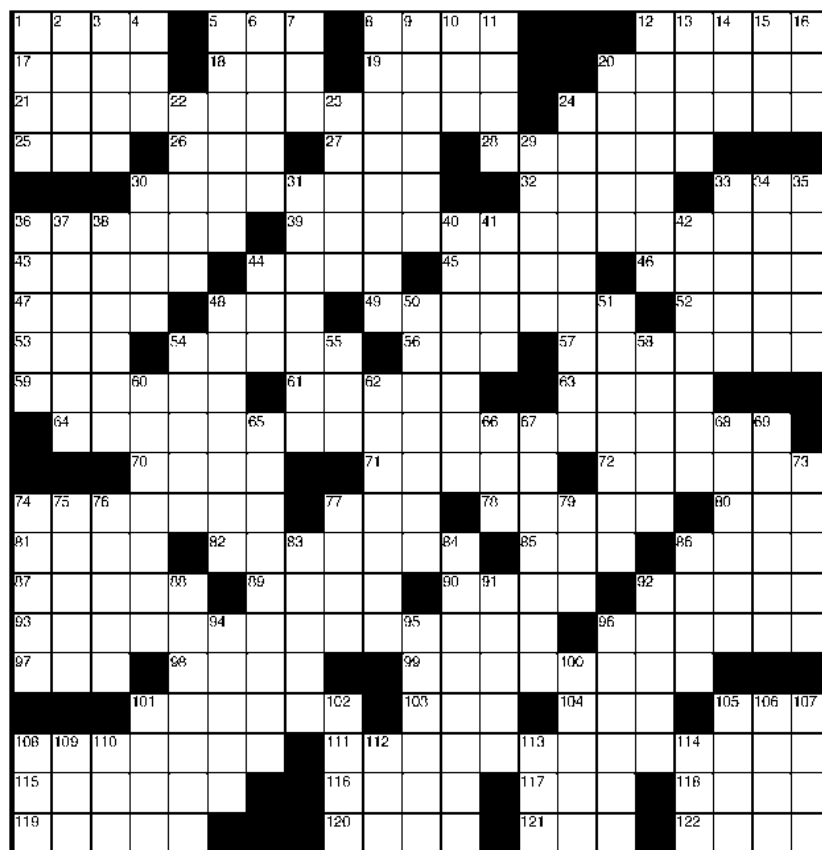
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- 26. Support for tracks
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- 1. - Q. Public
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- 12. Parodies: 2 wds.
- 13. Times

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- 49. Paint thinner, e.g.
- 52. Tossspots
- 53. "Love - - Many-Splendored Thing"
- 54. Of hair
- 56. Contend
- 57. Weasels
- 59. Ancient Biblical region
- 61. Lay out anew
- 63. Signet
- 64. Part 3 of quip: 5 wds.
- 70. Roseanne of "Roseanne"
- 71. A relative
- 72. Puget Sound city
- 74. Nazareth's province
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- 78. Ogre
- 80. Crib
- 81. Butterfly wings
- 82. Russian empress
- 85. Sallie -
- 86. Building area
- 87. Lighter part
- 89. Family
- 90. Ending for young or old
- 92. Trickery
- 93. Part 4 of quip: 4 wds.
- 96. Most rational
- 97. Part of GPS: abbr.
- 98. Hoosgow
- 99. Cables and anchors
- 101. Armies
- 103. Eagle
- 104. - Paulo
- 105. Archaic greeting
- 108. A Great Lake
- 111. End of the quip: 4 wds
- 115. Edible masses
- 116. Measure of area
- 117. Annex
- 118. Shortly
- 119. Inched
- 120. Interpret
- 121. French article
- 122. Lugosi

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- 15. Mary - Retton
- 16. MD specialty
- 20. Tackle-box items
- 22. Of service
- 23. Amerindian
- 24. Taipei denizens
- 29. "Fools rush in -..."
- 30. Rouse
- 31. "Daily Show" host
- 33. - Martin
- 34. Mesa
- 35. Pit
- 36. Corpsman
- 37. Ootheca
- 38. Cheese, often grated
- 40. Oval
- 41. Wheel hub
- 42. Vein in the arm
- 44. - canto
- 48. Muezzin's tower
- 50. Expression of acclaim
- 51. Support
- 54. Of a church leader
- 55. Legal matter
- 58. Taj -
- 60. Surrounding
- 62. "Who's - the store?"



- 65. Direction in music
- 66. Pretend
- 67. Noted Dutch painter
- 68. Ambulatory
- 69. Organic compounds
- 73. Existential dread
- 74. Fishing poles
- 75. Pewter is one
- 76. Dens
- 77. Word in a gazetteer
- 79. Scull
- 83. Equally
- 84. Mixed
- 86. Victories
- 88. Gave private lessons
- 91. Braided whip
- 92. Vehicle for hayrides
- 94. Nostril
- 95. Egyptian god: hyph.
- 96. Escargots
- 100. Tropical-plant fiber
- 101. Privileged one
- 102. Cicatrix
- 105. The best: hyph.
- 106. Old stringed instrument
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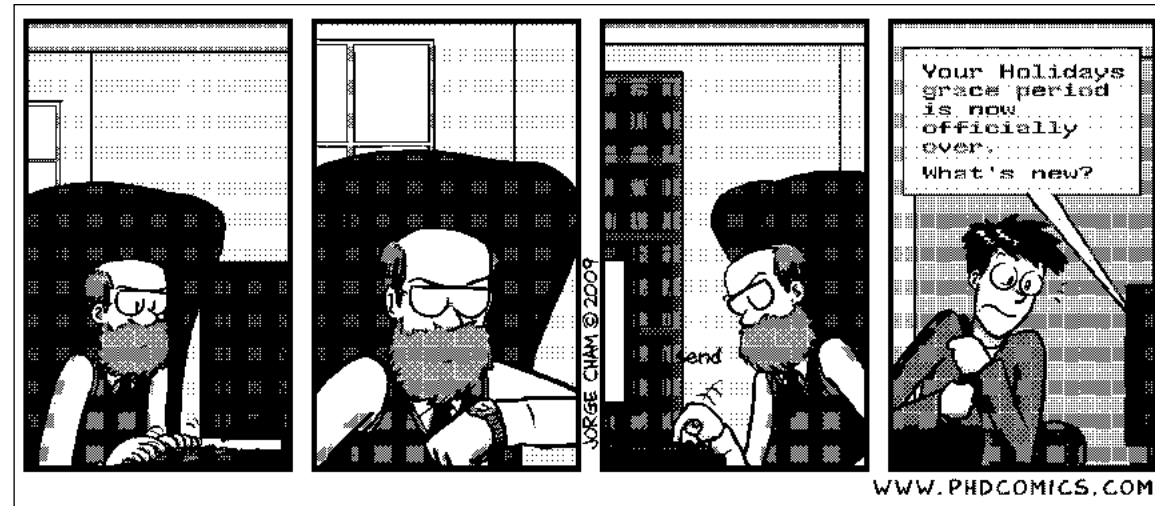
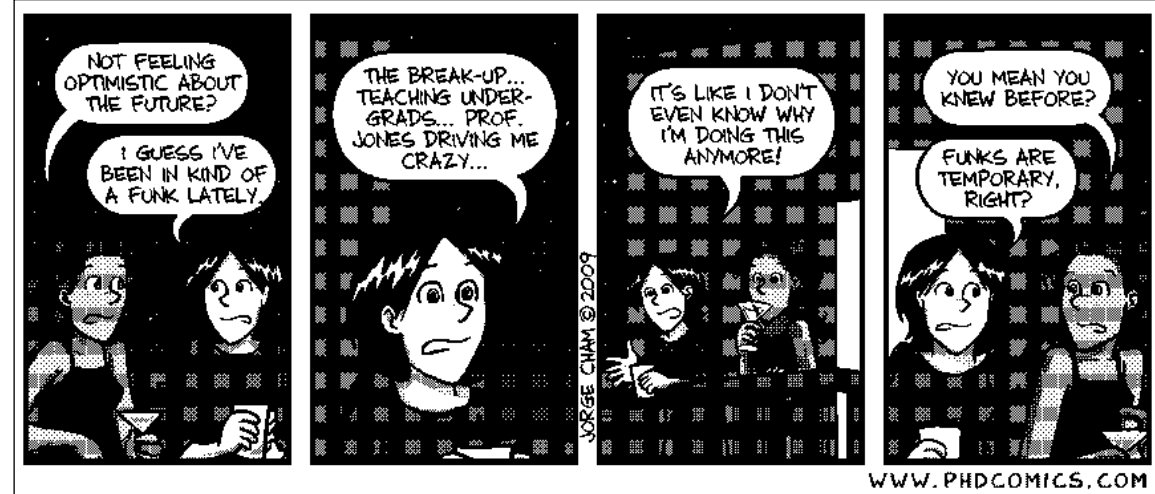
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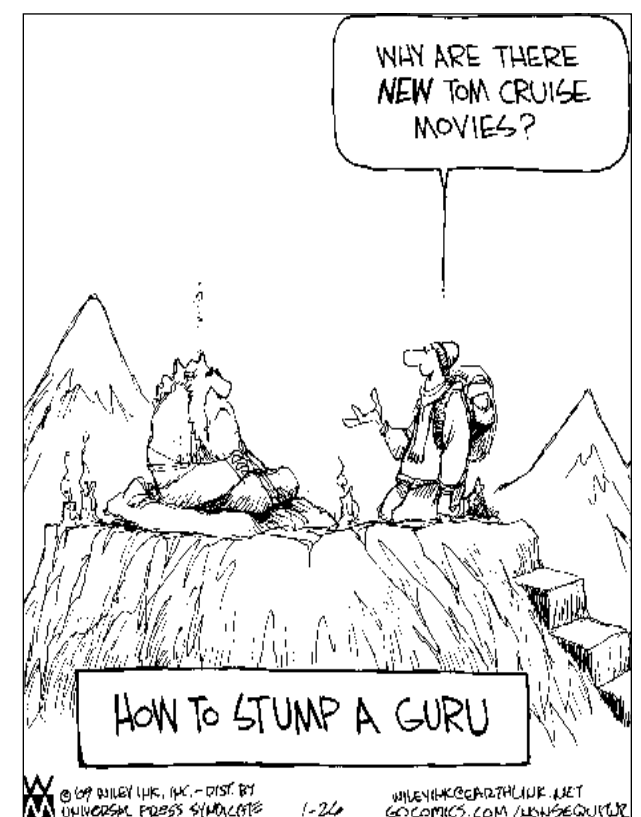
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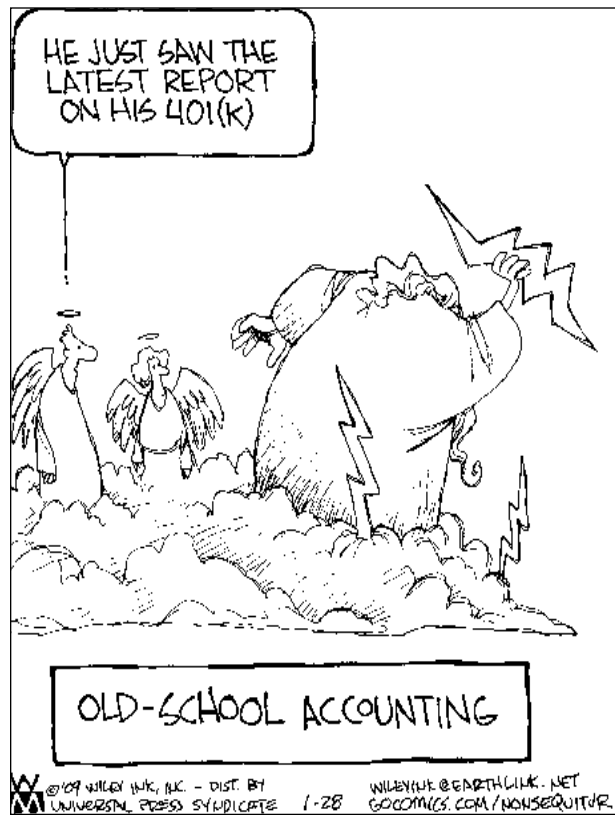
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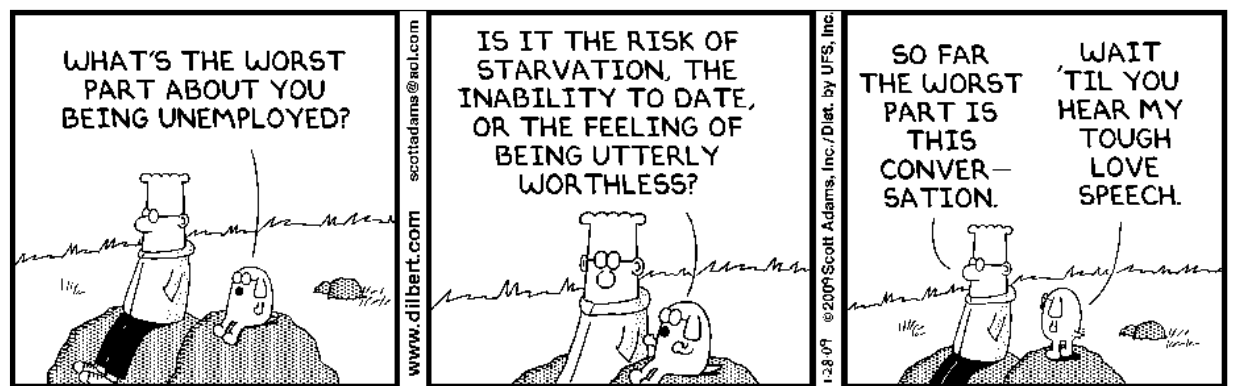
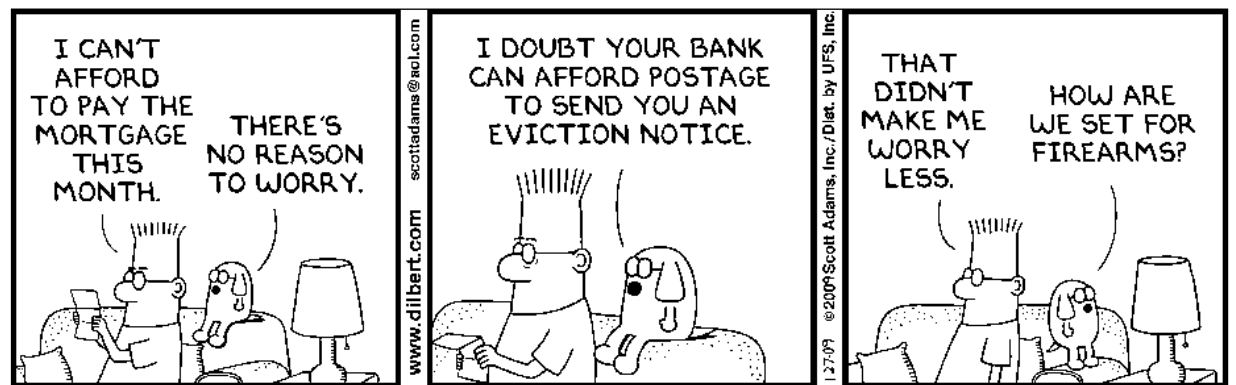
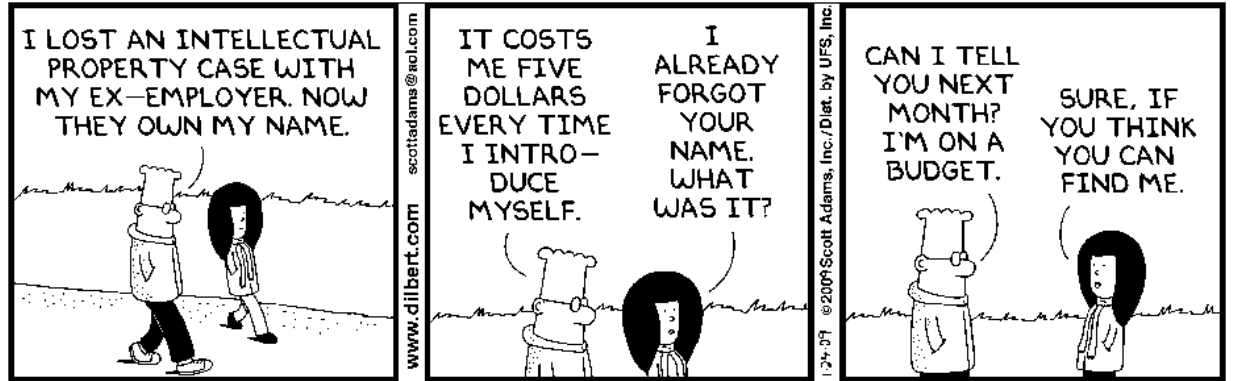




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Gani Lawal shoots a free throw during the Boston College game. Lawal has struggled with free throws this season, shooting just 52.4 percent from the line, seven points under the team average.

### ACC from page 24

age the game better and they've got to execute better," Hewitt said.

Against Boston College, the Jackets looked to take advantage of a reeling Eagles squad that had lost four straight games after defeating top-ranked North Carolina on Jan. 4. Tech struggled early on, with three turnovers in the first 2:17, and Shumpert was forced to sit most of the first half with two early fouls. However, Tech played well after the initial moments and held a slim lead for the last five minutes of the half. Sophomore guard Moe Miller scored 11 points in Shumpert's place, and Tech dominated the rebounding battle with 21 boards to Boston College's 12. The Jackets also contained BC point guard Tyrese Rice, holding the senior to just two first-half points.

Both teams shot just over 40 percent for the first half. Tech also hit six-of-six from the free throw line in the first half. Tech has struggled with free throws through out the season. Coming into the game, the Jackets were No. 327 out of 330 teams in Division I Basketball, shooting just 58.7 percent from the line.

"We scored [a lot] early in the game, so we were able to put some type of pressure on him and keep the ball out of his hands," Hewitt said after the game.

In the second half, BC began to build a considerable lead, and they went up 60-46 with 6:41 left as Rice began to warm up. By that point, though, BC center Josh Southern had fouled out, and starters Joe Trapani and Rakim Sanders were both in foul trouble. Tech tightened up its defense and began to close the gap, and after two Rice free throws made the score 62-51, the Jackets went on a 13-0 run, capped by a Miller dunk on a fast break, to take a 64-62 lead with two minutes left.

During the run, BC committed six turnovers, and both Trapani and Sanders fouled out.

Hewitt credited the late success to the team finally being able to set up its press on defense.

"We couldn't get into our pressure defense [early on]; you've got to score before you can set up your press. Give [senior center] Alade Aminu a lot of credit—he put a lot of energy at the top of that press, and...his efforts led to a lot of [BC] turnovers," Hewitt said.

The Eagles managed to regain a two-point lead, but with 14.5 seconds left, Shumpert hit two free throws to tie the game and send it to overtime.

Tech was the first team to score in the extra period, but Boston College took a three-point lead with 3:38 left and held on until the end. Rice managed to score 24 points between the second half and overtime and was 10-for-10 on free throw attempts.

"He's a great player.... He's been in this league a long time, and he knows how to run his team," Miller said.

Turnovers have been another spot of contention for the Jackets. Coming into the game, Tech was No. 303 in Division I for turnovers per game, averaging 16.9 per game. The Jackets surpassed the season average against Boston College, committing 20. The Eagles committed 16.

At 0-5 in ACC games, the Jackets' slide will not be easy to stop with their next two games coming against No. 10 Clemson on the road and top-ranked Wake Forest at home.

"It comes down to just making plays down the stretch...you've just got to make winning plays," said Lawal.

"We played well...we just executed poorly on a couple possessions at the end, and I think that's what we have to change...every game comes down to the ending," Miller said.

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## sports shorts

### Baseball cracks the NCBWA preseason poll at No. 13

Tech's baseball team will start the season No. 13 in the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association Poll. Three other ACC teams join the Jackets in the top 35 with North Carolina sitting at the top of the poll, Miami at No. 12, and Clemson at No. 26.

### Golf signs two top recruits in Nov.

The men's golf team signed two top recruits back in November. Seth Reeves of Duluth, who attends Peachtree Ridge High School, is the top ranked high school golfer in the state of Georgia. Bo Andrews of Raleigh, N.C. is the No. 2 senior golfer coming out of his home state.



By Joey Cerone / Student Publications

**B**uild it and they will come: Work is wrapping up on the new softball stadium, which is located on Fowler Street. Softball season kicks off on Feb. 7 against Georgia State in Panthersville. The Jackets will open up their new stadium on March 10 when Tech takes on Tennessee-Martin. The facility also includes an indoor batting area, so members of the team can practice their hitting year-round.

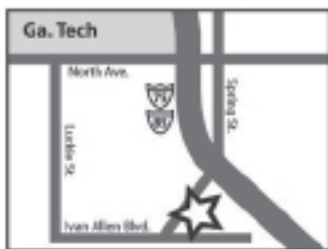


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Stinger bus = laziness  
Real men ride in the cold.  
Fluid mechanics is the most sexual class ever! were talking about orifices, long pipes, holes, Jet stream, and most importantly... HEAD!!!  
Watching water drip is actually a part of my expensive chbe major???? WTF  
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Please pray for Miss Elizabeth.  
Eisenberg gives off a bad aura  
are you out there brany horn?  
eisenberg is bad karma  
eisenberg has bad karma and feng shui  
we have to fix the feng shui in room 10  
ableman is bonkers  
Dear Fab "Weekly," it's "Woodies," not "Woody's."  
nilka is president  
To guy playing Power Rangers with his guitar, YOU TOTALLY MADE MY DAY!  
It's a good thing I'm not dying because this online appointment thing for the health center is not working for me!  
What's the deal with the giant green fence? It sure makes going from Klaus to Skiles a pain!  
Since they took away our sidewalk, I think they should atleast put in a gravel path across Yellow Jacket Park.  
The Clough "construction" makes getting from anywhere by Tech Tower to anywhere by Howey a real pain!  
Thanks Tech for forcing me to walk through Yellow Jacket Swamp!  
To that cute girl in my EAS 1601 lab, I think we should go out on Friday!  
I have an ipod. That brown haired Stac major with the nose ring in Evolution is HOTT!  
No Pants 2009  
Overheard on a Stinger: "Mom, if you're going to have a Facebook, you've got to stop stalking me." Poor sucker :)  
If they don't make any progress on the Clough building this semester, I'm going to be even more pissed than last semester.  
WTF is the green fence splitting East Campus in two necessary for?  
footlong...only five dollars?  
I would charge more.  
I mean if you have got the goods then use it for your profit.  
I would also pay more than five dollars for the crossword to be right for a change  
ASEE I ain't missin' you at all, no not since you've been gone  
Focus on this  
get buzzed

## technique

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# Swimming splits matches against N.C. State

By Nishant Prasadh  
Assistant Sports Editor

The men's and women's swim teams traveled to Raleigh to take on North Carolina State on Saturday in the team's first competition since the ConocoPhillips U.S. Short Course Nationals in early December. Both the men's and women's competitions came down to the final race, and Tech earned a split: the men came from behind to win 124-118, while the women's team lost 127-115.

The teams were very evenly matched; in eight of the thirteen events, one school won the men's race while the other school took the women's race. Tech took first place in both races in the 100-

yard freestyle, won by sophomore Garrett Robberson (46.02 seconds) and junior Agatha Kwasnik (51.39 seconds), and the 50-yard freestyle, which went to Kwasnik (24.41 seconds) and senior Mauricio Sousa (20.67 seconds). N.C. State swept first place in the 200-yard backstroke, the 500-yard freestyle, and the 200-yard breaststroke. The one-meter and three-meter diving events were splits as well, but Tech junior Hannah Krimm took both of the women's dives (282.98, 323.40) while NC State's Austin Hampton won both men's events (325.50, 393.60). Hampton set a school record with his three-meter score of 393.60, beating the previous record by 27 points.

Tech had a number of notable individual performances in the competition. Robberson, in addition to winning the 100-yard freestyle, was on the first-place relay teams in the 400-yard medley and the 400-yard freestyle. Sophomore Travis Wagner was with Robberson on both relay teams and set a personal record of 1:40.87 in the 200-yard freestyle, though he finished in second place. Junior Gal Nevo took first place in the men's 400-yard individual medley (3:59.71) and the 200-yard butterfly (1:51.77).

Both the men's and women's competitions remained undecided heading into the twenty-sixth and final event, the 400-yard freestyle relay. In the women's event, N.C.

State was able to secure the victory, as their top squad's time of 3:29.64 eclipsed the 3:30.91 notched by Tech's A-team of freshman Sarah Broadley, junior Taylor Flynn, sophomore Katherine Locker, and freshman Keren Siebner. The Tech women needed a victory to have a chance, so even though the B-team of freshmen Heidi Hatteberg and Jessie Mason, sophomore Christine Chuang, and junior Jing Li came in third, the Wolfpack secured a win in the women's competition.

The finish of the men's relay was far closer. As with the women, the men's team needed a win in the race to be able to win the competition, and they got that win—but only by a fraction of a second.

The A-team of Robberson, Sousa, freshman Nigel Plummer, and Wagner completed the relay with a time of 3:05.66, just five-hundredths of a second better than the 3:05.71 mark of N.C. State's A-team.

"Robberson really pulled it out for us at the end...he was pushing the team all the way and was strong from start to finish," said Head Coach Stu Wilson.

The team has three meets left before the ACC Championships begin in late February. Next week, both the men and women will travel to Blacksburg, Va. to take on UNC-Wilmington and host Virginia Tech, and on Jan. 31 they will conclude the regular season against Emory.



Photo by Michael James / Student Publications

A Tech swimmer races at the Georgia Tech Aquatic Center. Tech won the 400 meter freestyle by .05 seconds against N.C. State in Raleigh, N.C. on Saturday.




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# Track kicks off new year at Clemson, Kentucky

By **Steven Cappetta**  
Staff Writer

Tech men's and women's track and field teams began their 2009 portion of the season with the Clemson Invitational (Jan. 9-10) and the Kentucky Invitational (Jan. 16-17). Last spring, the men's team finished second place in the 2008 ACC Indoor Championships and returns 14 All-ACC performers. The women's team reached a 2008 indoor national ranking as high as No. 22 and comes into the new year with 29 underclassmen.

On the first day of competition at the Clemson Invitational, senior Jerome Miller's jump of 7 feet 4.25 inches set a new Tech indoor record and already qualified him for the 2009 NCAA Championships in the high jump. Miller held the previous record back from the 2007 indoor season and broke it at the Invitational by 1.75 inches. His jump was four inches higher than the next best mark that day. Because of the jump, Miller was the ACC Track and Field Co-Performer of the Week with Clemson's Jacoby Ford.

Junior Alphonso Jordan also saw success during the meet placing first in both the 60-meter hurdles with a time of 8.09 seconds and triple jump with a distance of 51 feet, 2.75 inches while placing second in the long jump with a distance of 23 feet, 6.25 inches.

On the women's squad, five freshmen made 2009 collegiate

debut. Freshman Bailey Wagner took first in the shot put with a throw of 46 feet, 10.25 inches, the second longest indoor throw in school history. Sophomore Janae Anderson won the 60-meter dash with a time of 7.59 seconds, which is the fastest time in the ACC so far this season.

At the Kentucky Invitational, the Jackets saw tough competition, facing 11 top-25 teams. Miller was the only Jacket to receive a first-place on the weekend with a jump at a mark of 6 feet 10.25 inches. Junior Tiffany Chavis was in a four-way tie in the high jump, but ended up receiving fourth place as she could not clear over 5 feet, 5.25 inches mark.

Wagner received a fourth place distance of 48 feet, 3.25 inches in the shot put, which was an improvement of about two inches from the week before. Jordan was the only other Jacket to place top five in the invitational with a fourth place finish in the long jump. Jordan jumped a distance of 23 feet 11.75 inches.

Tech will see more action today and into the weekend in Fayetteville, Ark. for the Razorback Invitational. The teams are preparing for the for the ACC Indoor Championships, which will be held in Blacksburg, Va. from Feb. 26 till Feb. 28. The Jackets will get a chance to test out the track at Virginia Tech next weekend, when they compete in the VT Elite Invitational.



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Sophomore sprinter Janae Anderson competes at the Kentucky Invitational. The Jackets competed against 11 top-25 teams at the event. Tech will compete in the Razorback Invitational this weekend.

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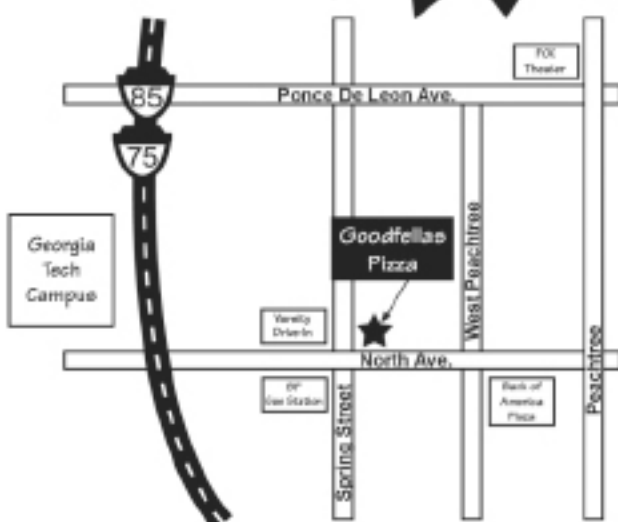
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## Basketball woes continue

*Jackets loses two in overtime against N.C. State, BC*

vs. NCS

Score  
**71-76**

FG  
**24-24**

3FG  
**10-6**

FT  
**13-22**

REBs  
**41-39**

vs. BC

Score  
**76-80**

FG  
**28-28**

3FG  
**6-7**

FT  
**14-13**

REBs  
**41-35**



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**Iman Shumpert goes for the slam dunk in the loss to Boston College on Tuesday at Alexander Memorial Coliseum. Shumpert led the Jackets with 16 points in their fifth ACC loss.**

**By Nishant Prasadh**  
Assistant Sports Editor

The men's basketball team suffered back-to-back overtime losses over the past week, falling 76-71 at North Carolina State on Saturday and losing an 80-76 heartbreaker at home against Boston College on Tuesday. Tech is now 9-9 for the season but remains winless in ACC play; the team has dropped all five of its conference games, three of which went to overtime.

The physical play of the N.C. State Wolfpack presented a new challenge for the Jackets. The game was very close for most of the first half; with five minutes left, Tech took the lead and built it to six points as

halftime approached, but a late N.C. State push closed the gap to just one point, so Tech held a 35-34 lead after 20 minutes of play. A key factor for the Jackets was three-point shooting; senior guard Lewis Clinch hit two three-pointers in the first five minutes, and Tech put up more long-distance shots than usual while struggling to get the ball into the lower post.

"[N.C. State] stepped up and became physical, and we didn't respond," said Head Coach Paul Hewitt in a press release.

The second half saw the teams trade large leads. N.C. State center Ben McCauley scored six straight points—four on free throws—to give his team a 47-42 lead. Tech

quickly battled back, and later, leading 55-54, the Jackets put together nine straight points and held a ten-point lead with less than five minutes remaining. However, McCauley and forward Brandon Costner led N.C. State back from the deficit, and the Wolfpack tied the game at 67 with under a minute left to force overtime. With the game tied at 69 and just over three minutes left in the extra period, Costner committed his fifth foul and was out of the game. His replacement, Dennis Horner, would guide NC State to victory. Horner scored six of his team's last seven points and added two rebounds as Tech fell by the final score of 76-71.

The Jackets finished the

game with a meager field goal percentage of 35.8, but they shot 55.6 from three-point range, led by Clinch's 6-for-10 performance. Sophomore forward Gani Lawal notched a double-double with 11 points and 10 rebounds, and freshman guard Iman Shumpert led the team with 22 points, including an 8-for-10 mark on free throws. Despite N.C. State's physical play, Tech out-rebounded them by the large margin of 41-25; however, of Ben McCauley's ten rebounds, eight came on offense.

"We're getting better. Our energy is great, our effort is great and our execution is much better...I've got to man-

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## Women's basketball falls to FSU

**By Randy Darnowsky**  
Staff Writer

The No. 24 Yellow Jackets came up short last Sunday on a road trip at Florida State, 59-49.

"It was a battle from start to finish. We played well in spurts but you can't take a play off because when you do, it seems like the other team goes on a 5-0 run," said Head Coach MaChelle Joseph in an interview with Ramblinwreck.com.

Sophomore guard Alex Montgomery earned her fourth double-double of the season, leading the Jackets in both points and rebounds picking up 14 and 13 respectively. Senior guard Jacqua Williams also scored 12 points, but struggled with fouls.

"Jacqua is our head to our team's body... All year long she has made the big shots for us but tonight she was limited," Joseph said.

Sophomore guard Deja Foster added eight points to the Jackets' total offense. Sophomore guard Iasia Hemingway also earned six rebounds in the game.

The Jackets shot over forty percent from the field in the first half and went into the half even with the Seminoles at 28 points apiece. But the Jackets shooting fell off in second half, shooting 9-33 from the field. FSU was also able to out block the Jackets, picking up nine to the Jackets three.

The Jackets struggled with fouls, racking up 22 for the game. The Seminoles were able to keep theirs at bay, only committing 12. As a result, Florida State shot 14 more free throws than Tech in the second half. The Seminoles also had an advantage on boards over the Jackets, picking up five more rebounds than the Jackets.

Tech hosted No. 2 North Carolina on Thursday night, at time of release to press the results were not available. Tech next travels up to Durham, N.C. to take on the No. 4 Blue Devils of Duke. The Jackets will close out the month of January back at home next Thursday against Miami.

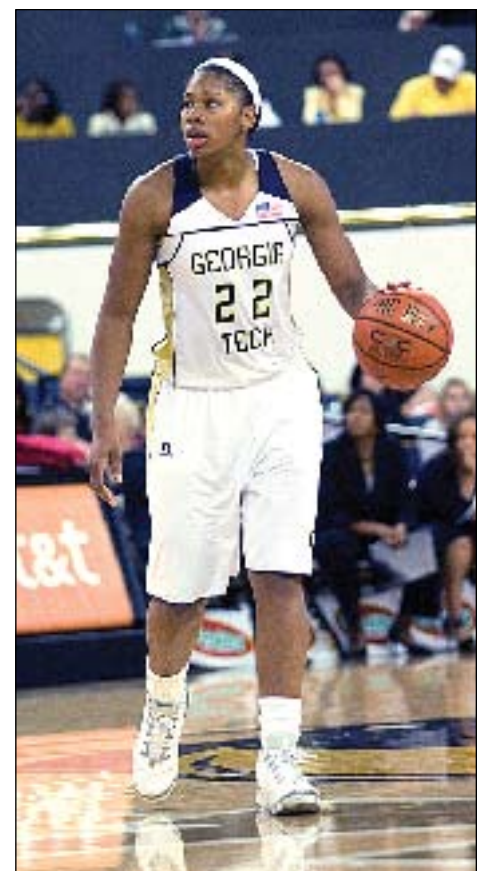


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**Alex Montgomery brings the ball up court during a game at Alexander Coliseum.**