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IAC NEWS IN BRIEF

- New website just for IAC students!
www.iac.gatech.edu/students
- Ashley Jennings, a fourth-year STAC major, was awarded the first annual Ivan Allen Jr. Legacy Award at Founder's Day.
- Alan Bakowski, a BS/MS PUBP major, has been designated as the winner of the 2004 Phi Kappa Phi award. The highest academic award given to one graduating senior at Georgia Tech each year.
- Congratulations to the IAC 2004 graduating senior class!
- School of Modern Languages moves to O'Keefe.
- Get involved in research! Deadline for Fall April 30th and July 30th.

Nunn awarded Ivan Allen prize at Founder's Day

By Daniel Amlick

Former U.S. Senator Sam Nunn received the Ivan Allen Jr. Prize for Progress and Service at the Ivan Allen College Founder's Day celebration Monday, March 22.

Past award winners include President Jimmy Carter, Georgia Governor and U.S. Senator Zell Miller, and nationally syndicated columnist Molly Ivins.

After accepting the award, Nunn delivered a keynote address entitled "America's Security Challenges." He said that to effectively fight terrorism, the U.S. required a multilateral, cooperative approach.

Nunn also spoke of the dangers of nuclear, biological and chemical weapons falling into the hands of terrorists. He said securing nuclear fuel should be a top priority and that it is a difficult "but finite" job.



When asked his opinion on the Bush administration's doctrine of preemptive war, Nunn said he could not understand why the president pursued such a policy, saying it was unnecessary in order to justify

the war in Iraq. He said the administration should move away from such a policy.

Other Founder's Day events

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Link newsletter builds college-wide community

By Ashley Jennings

SAB President

Many of you reading this newsletter have probably never heard of the Ivan Allen College Student Advisory Board. The *Link* aims to change that.

This is the inaugural edition of a newsletter produced by IAC students, for IAC students. We hope the *Link* will grow into a publication that brings students from across the college

together—a link that informs, that challenges, and entertains.

The *Link* will give you highlights of interesting and exciting projects in which your colleagues are involved. We will profile IAC student organizations, student leaders and new programs.

But before we do any of that, we want to tell you a little bit more about our organiza-

tion.

The SAB is a group of students passionate about making the IAC experience all that it can be.

At our meetings, we discuss issues that affect you, and we give feedback, criticism and suggestions to college administrators.

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THE INSIDE SCOOP ON STUDY ABROAD

By Ashley Case

There is nothing quite like studying abroad. This past summer, I left for Argentina and Brazil to take international affairs courses with INTA professors Kirk Bowman and Michelle Dion. I returned a completely different person, filled with memories and stories that I will cherish my entire life.

My intimate group of 20 Americans and 2 Panamanians found ourselves in Argentina at the most perfect time to study politics. After some interesting electoral twists, Nestor Kirchner was inaugurated as president during our stay.

He invited close friend Fidel Castro to participate in the celebration. Castro accepted the invitation and used the appearance to promote

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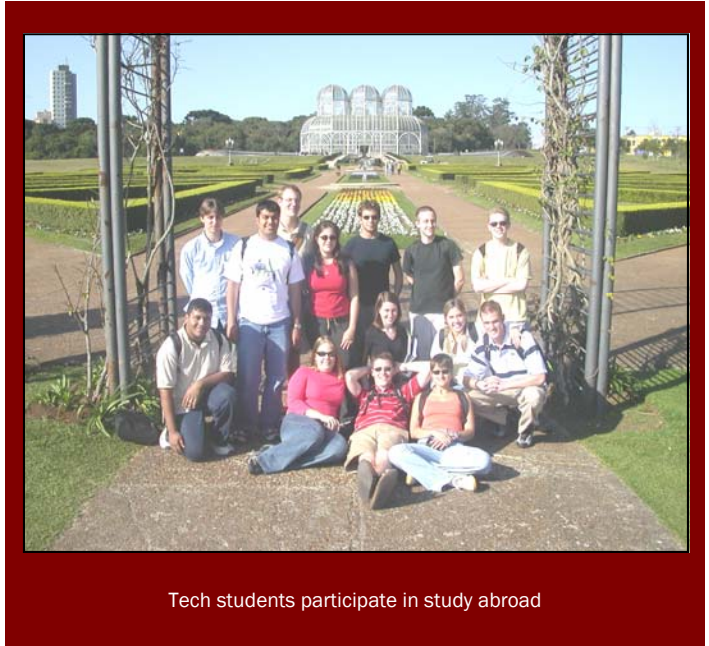
his agenda at a communist rally in the capital, Buenos Aires.

There was no way our small American group would miss out on an opportunity to attend a communist rally with Fidel Castro himself.

We stood out like fire flies among the crowd of olive skin, dark-haired Argentines.

As a safety precaution, my blonde hair, blue-eyed “yanqui” (equivalent of “gringo”) friends and I promised not to speak a word of English throughout the night. I remember staring with fascination as thousands of people gathered around a local Argentine university waving communist flags and anxiously awaiting the arrival of their leader. The air smelled of strange herbs and you could hear drums pounding in the distance as protesters gathered on the outskirts.

When Castro appeared, the crowd went wild. During



Tech students participate in study abroad

his speech, I witnessed a sea of hands thrown up to the sky in approval. I vividly remember a woman moved to tears at Castro’s inspirational words. He was a very charismatic speaker, somewhat long-winded, but able to touch those around him. Castro amazed me. I was shocked to see thousands of people nearly worship someone I have been taught to despise.

After experiencing the intensity of a communist rally led by master-in-command, Fidel Castro, we figured it was time

to relax.

Our now tightly-bonded study abroad group traveled on a ferry across *El Rio de los Platos* from Buenos Aires to Colonia, Uruguay. Colonia is a place I constantly find myself dreaming of now that I am back at Tech. It is a quaint, clean town with cobblestone streets and ornately-decorated shops.

In Argentina, we witnessed chaos at futbol games—masses of people screaming, spitting, singing, drinking,

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included a panel discussion of the mayoralty of Ivan Allen Jr. This marks the first Founder’s Day since the former Atlanta mayor died last summer.

Allen was mayor during the Civil Rights movement in the 1960s. Panelists argued that Allen’s leadership during that time prevented the kind of violence that sprang up in many Southern cities during this time from occurring in

Atlanta.

Founder’s Day concluded with a panel discussion on the impact of terrorism on society that included panelists from the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Indian Institute of Defense Studies and Analysis.

On Tuesday, March 23, the Sam Nunn Bank of America Policy Forum addressed the myriad of threats from bioterrorism.

President Bush’s assis-

tant for homeland security, Ret. General John Gordon, gave the opening address. A series of panel discussions followed throughout the day, addressing issues of weaknesses in prevention capabilities, building effective partnerships between agencies to respond to bioterror threats, and protecting the food chain from biohazards.

Sam Nunn is a former U.S. senator from Georgia. He served as chair of the Senate Armed Services Com-

mittee and was heavily involved in the effort to persuade former Soviet states to give up nuclear weapons.

Nunn now serves as co-founder and chief executive officer of the Nuclear Threat Initiative, an organization that works to reduce the threats posed by nuclear, chemical and biological weapons.

Nunn has been nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize three years in a row.

PURA OFFERS UNDERGRADS RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

By Ruth Malhotra

This academic year, 24 students from the Ivan Allen College received President's Undergraduate Research Awards (PURA).

PURA gives up to \$1,500 to students so that they can conduct research with faculty members. Some research topics include "The role of leadership and social learning in restoring transatlantic relations" and "The gender effects of pension reforms in Latin America."

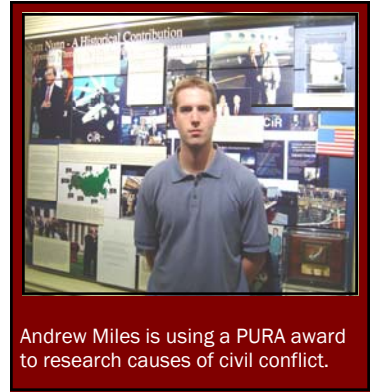
One of the recipients, An-

drew Miles, is currently researching "The Emotive Causes of Recurrent Civil Conflicts" with Dr. Bill Long. Miles has worked as Long's undergraduate research assistant for the past four semesters.

Miles finds his work very relevant to the current situation in the world. "Today civil conflicts remain the dominant form of warfare and yet our understanding of their causation remains extremely limited," he said. "We are working on a problem that causes much pain and suffer-

ing to people around the world...Our research seeks to investigate how human emotions and motivation can be better integrated into our understanding of conflict."

"Working with an undergraduate research assistant allows a faculty member to share another side of their work with students," Long said. "Students are often interested in learning what the research enterprise is all about. The PURA program allows them to go behind the scenes and share the excitement (and drudgery) of re-



Andrew Miles is using a PURA award to research causes of civil conflict.

search and discovery."

Students can apply for PURA awards each semester. For more information, contact PURA coordinator Leigh Bottomley at leigh.bottomley@carnegie.gatech.edu.

FIRE UP YOUR TIME AT TECH BY JOINING *Prometheus*

By Sarah Edwards

For many students of the classics, Prometheus is the name of a mythological Titan who brought fire from Mount Olympus and gave it to humanity.

At Tech, Prometheus is also the name of the History, Technology, and Society Club. Founded in 1997 by a group of history and sociology students interested in activities outside of the HTS curriculum, Prometheus is now open to everyone.

Prometheus members participate in many fun activities throughout the year. Last spring, the club hosted a bi-weekly movie series with professor commentary.

This fall, Prometheus kicked off the year with a pizza party in which the members, faculty and incoming freshman had a chance to socialize. Other

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events in the fall included trips to the Atlanta History Center and the Fernbank museum. In October, Prometheus members volunteered with the Annual Meeting of the Society for the History of Technology. This was particularly exciting for many of the members because some of the world's most acclaimed technological historians attended.

This semester, Prometheus has hosted journalist, author, and Middle East specialist Sandra Mackey, who talked about her book "The Reckoning: Iraq and the Legacy of Saddam Hussein." Other events planned for this semester include the annual HTS spring picnic and possibly another film series.

For more information about the group, including meeting times, contact Laura Massey at gtg578a@mail.gatech.edu.

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But SAB is not just a talking shop. We tackle problems. Some of our current projects include educating the community about IAC and participating in high school recruitment efforts. As well as developing career and internship resources for IAC students by establishing relationships with our Alumni and developing a single, easy-to-use on-line alumni and careers database.

But until now, we were

missing a very important link—the voices of Ivan Allen students, your voices. We want to hear your feedback. To let us know what you think, visit our website at www.iac.gatech.edu/sab. From there, you can read profiles of SAB members and email any one of us directly, or fill out a comment form.

Help us make the IAC a better place. We should always continue to grow and reach for new heights. Get involved. Make a difference.



Members of the Ivan Allen College Student Advisory Board. For more information about the board, its activities and how you can get involved, visit our website at www.iac.gatech.edu/sab.

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**Did you
know?**

Here are some little-known IAC facts...

- *That the field of the History of Technology was created at GT in the 1960s by Mel Kranzburg.*
- *US News ranked the School of Public Policy as 4th in the nation in the field of information technology policy.*
- *The IAC student body is 52 percent female. Tech's student body overall is 27 percent female.*
- *There are 750 students and 130 faculty in IAC. INTA is currently the largest major and IAML is the fastest growing major.*

The Link

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IN PROFILE: ALUM HEADS MARYLAND'S ANTI-TERROR TEAM

By Ruth Malhotra

Donald "Doc" Lumpkins graduated from the IAC in 1995 with an INTA degree focusing on International Security Policy.

Today, Lumpkin is the State Anti-terrorism Officer and Administrator for Maryland's Emergency Management Agency.

After graduating, Lumpkin returned to his native Baltimore and joined the security department at Johns Hopkins University. During his three years of service, he earned a Radiological Emergency Management Certificate from FEMA and developed the off-site radiological response plan for the Homewood Cam-

pus. He also began the process of developing an overall emergency operations plan.

While at Johns Hopkins, Lumpkin was appointed as the Homewood Security representative to the Improved Response Program. A joint effort between local jurisdictions and the Department of Defense. IRP has a three-year goal of developing plans in the event of a WMD terrorist incident.

Lumpkins was named the State Anti-Terrorism Coordinator for the Maryland Emergency Management Agency in June 1999. He is the first person to hold this position. A year later, he was promoted to officer. He also serves as an instructor and

exercise designer for terrorism consequence management efforts throughout the State of Maryland and is the lead organizer for the State Rapid Response Team, and the lead planner representing the State of Maryland to the National Capital Region for Weapons of Mass Destruction.

Lumpkins was named the State Anti-Terrorism Coordinator for the Maryland in June 1999.

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smoking and cheering. We ate some of the most delicious meat on a beautiful day in the countryside, then hopped on horses and galloped through the fields like gauchos without a care in the world.

We went paragliding from the highest, greenest mountains to a beach next to water that was as blue as the sky on a clear summer day. We gazed at some of the most beautiful people in the world stretched out on Ipanema Beach.

My study abroad trip feels like my best kept secret. I wish that I could give to everyone the things I gained: a desire to learn, greater cultural understanding, deep friendships, and a better insight of who I am.