



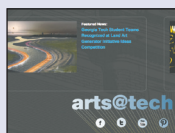
# THE Whistle



## ASK AWAY



Is there a centralized website for everything arts-related at Georgia Tech?



The newly formed Council of the Arts and Office

of the Arts have launched [www.arts.gatech.edu](http://www.arts.gatech.edu) — a site that features information about everything from student concerts to research projects. Members of the campus community are invited to contribute content to the site. For more information, email [jenna.farmer@arts.gatech.edu](mailto:jenna.farmer@arts.gatech.edu).

Have a Tech-related question that you'd like answered? Email it to [editor@comm.gatech.edu](mailto:editor@comm.gatech.edu).

## 40,000+ Enroll in First GT Coursera Course

AMELIA PAVLIK  
INSTITUTE COMMUNICATIONS

Sitting in front of a camera and giving a lecture to students you can't see is intimidating. This is just one of the things that Tucker Balch has learned about the process of teaching a massive open online course (or MOOC) through Coursera.

"One of the reasons I enjoy teaching in front of students is because I can see if they're getting the material, but lecturing online is like diagnosing an illness over the Internet. It's a challenge," said Balch, an associate professor in the School of Interactive Computing. "Instead of gauging reactions, I really have to pay attention to the online forums to see if people understand."

In late October, Balch began teaching Georgia Tech's first free class on Coursera to more than 40,000 students, ranging

from retirees to high schoolers, around the world.

The course, Computational Investing Part I, runs eight weeks and focuses on how modern electronic financial markets work, why stock prices change and how computation can help people to better understand these issues.

(Learn more about the course at [www.coursera.org/course/compinvesting1](http://www.coursera.org/course/compinvesting1).)

Balch's interest in teaching a MOOC began last year after hearing that other institutions were offering them. He approached Rich DeMillo, director of the Center for 21st Century Universities (C21U), about teaching one.



Tucker Balch's Computational Investing Part I course is Tech's first offering on the free online learning platform Coursera.

"I've had colleagues tell me that there's much less support for teaching these types of courses at other universities," Balch said. "I'm really proud of Georgia Tech for being bold enough to give this a try."

Although Balch thinks that the ideal teaching environment is still a single

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## NEWS BRIEFS

### Faculty, Staff Appreciation Day at Tech vs. Duke Game

Faculty and staff members can purchase tickets to the Nov. 17 football game against Duke for \$10 with a valid BuzzCard. Learn more at



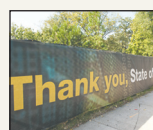
[tinyurl.com/cdwqtch](http://tinyurl.com/cdwqtch)

### Tuition Assistance Deadline Is This Week

The Spring 2013 semester deadline for the Board of Regents Tuition Assistance Program and the Staff Tuition Reimbursement Assistance Program is Nov. 15.

[tinyurl.com/c2z8ybp](http://tinyurl.com/c2z8ybp)

### Philanthropy Results Are Near-Record



For the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2012, private gift income

to Tech and its associated foundations totaled \$118.4 million. Read more at

[tinyurl.com/bzvx23c](http://tinyurl.com/bzvx23c)

## Attend Nov. 16 Festival at Community Garden

KRISTEN BAILEY  
INSTITUTE COMMUNICATIONS

You don't have to go far to find fresh food on campus. In fact, on the southeast side of the Instructional Center lawn, a plethora of fresh produce grows from six garden beds maintained by Students Organizing for Sustainability (SOS).

Last spring, SOS took its community garden from a nook on East Campus to the new West Campus location. In a few weeks, the group will have its inaugural fall crop.

Stephanie Kehl, vice president of SOS and a second-year chemical engineering major, oversees the garden — equipped with a "green thumb" acquired by watching her dad take up gardening in recent years. She and others who tend the garden

hope to provide food and knowledge to the campus community.

"People are confused about where their food comes from, but it's something you should know," Kehl said, who hopes the Georgia Tech community can learn more about their food sources by participating in the garden.

SOS will host a Fall Festival at the garden on Friday, Nov. 16, giving the community a chance to see what goes on and even plant something of their own.



All members of the campus community are invited to lend a hand in the community garden located on the Instructional Center lawn.

Image courtesy of Students Organizing for Sustainability

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## Institute Establishes Search Committee for Athletic Director

JASON MADERER  
INSTITUTE COMMUNICATIONS

President G. P. "Bud" Peterson has named a seven-member search committee that will recommend candidates to fill the vacant position of athletic director. The panel includes current Georgia Tech faculty and staff, alumni and a recent student-athlete.

The committee will advise Peterson on a successor for Dan Radakovich, who resigned on Oct. 26 to accept a similar position at Clemson University. The new athletic director will oversee a department that includes more than 400 student-athletes representing the Institute in 17 varsity sports.

Peterson has selected alumnus Stephen P. Zelnak Jr. to chair the committee. A member of the Georgia Tech Foundation Board of Trustees, Zelnak is the former chairman and president of Martin Marietta Materials of Raleigh, N.C.

Other committee members include Sue Ann Allen, associate dean for faculty development and scholarship in the



Dan Radakovich

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## ARTS &amp; CULTURE

## November 14

Students involved in string quartets, piano trios and brass quintets will perform music for small ensembles at 7:30 p.m. in room 115, Couch Music Building. Admission is free.  
[www.music.gatech.edu](http://www.music.gatech.edu)

## November 14-16

DramaTech presents Neil Simon's "Laughter on the 23rd Floor" at 8 p.m. Visit the DramaTech website for more information about performance dates and tickets.  
[www.dramatech.org](http://www.dramatech.org)

## November 15-18

The Ferst Center presents the Urban Nutcracker. Check the center's website for times and ticket information.  
[www.ferstcenter.gatech.edu](http://www.ferstcenter.gatech.edu)

## November 29

The Georgia Tech Chorale, Jazz Ensemble I, Combined Symphonic and Concert Bands and Symphony Orchestra will perform a holiday concert at 7:30 p.m. at the Ferst Center for the Arts. Admission is free with a BuzzCard; general admission tickets are \$15.  
[www.music.gatech.edu](http://www.music.gatech.edu)

## CONFERENCES AND LECTURES

## November 14

The Georgia Tech Cyber Security Summit will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. at Georgia Tech Research Institute and is free and open to the public. Register at [tinyurl.com/cixun5z](http://tinyurl.com/cixun5z)

Henry Wienczek will host a talk (followed by a book signing) about his latest book, "Master of the Mountain: Thomas Jefferson and His Slaves," at 1 p.m. in the Library's Neely Room.  
[www.hts.gatech.edu](http://www.hts.gatech.edu)

The IMPACT Speaker Series presents Robin Bienfait, chief information officer of BlackBerry, at 4:30 p.m. in LeCraw Auditorium, College of Business.  
<http://ile.gatech.edu/IMPACT.html>

## November 16

Geoffrey Harris, deputy head of the European Parliament Liaison Office with the U.S. Congress, will give a lecture on "The European Union's Role in Human Rights: Problems and Prospects" at 1 p.m. in the Library's Neely Room.  
[www.library.gatech.edu](http://www.library.gatech.edu)

## November 20

Talks @ Tech presents Bill Gates, who will address the audience and take questions via videoconferencing at 6 p.m. in rooms 152 and 144, Clough Commons. Students will be given priority seating, but faculty and staff are also invited to attend.  
<http://talks.gatech.edu>

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## Liberal Arts Meets Science at the Sci Fi Lab

REBECCA ROLFE  
SCHOOL OF LITERATURE,  
MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION

Does a dependency on a smart-phone make you a cyborg? Does riding a bicycle? What about throwing spears at woolly mammoths?

The people behind the mics at the Georgia Tech Sci Fi Lab are deep in discussion. It's Two-Minute Madness time on the WREK 91.1 FM radio show. The hosts and special guests speed-talk through mentions of Dr. Who, iPhones, Lance Armstrong and zombies — all in the quest of determining what, specifically, makes something a cyborg.

"We can say that this week's topic is 'cyborgs,' for example, but that can mean different things to different people: from Darth Vader, to Google Glass, to Daft Punk," said Adam Le Doux, program manager, a host of the show and a computational media major.

Since 2006, Sci Fi Lab has taken to the radio waves to discuss all things science fiction on Thursdays at 7 p.m.



The Sci Fi Lab airs Thursdays at 7 p.m. on WREK 91.1 FM.

The School of Literature, Media and Communication (LMC) in the Ivan Allen College of Liberal Arts coordinates Sci Fi Lab with the Library and WREK.

"Six years into the program, we find that now we're approached by authors and artists who want to appear on the show, and we've even been studied in the University of Liverpool's grad program in Science Fiction Studies as an example of living science

fiction," said Lisa Yaszek, a professor in LMC and a behind-the-scenes Sci Fi Lab organizer.

October's guests included the director of an independent zombie apocalypse film, Tech computing professors and actor Frank Langella from "Robot and Frank."

"We try to cover the best in current and popular science fiction from all media — literature, film, television — and we try to tie that in with the real science and research that occurs on campus every day," said Justin Ellis, who shares hosting duties with Le Doux.

Ellis serves as associate producer for the show and works at the Library. His time on the development committee for the science fiction collection connected him with Yaszek. She thought there was a strong need for the Library to provide academic foundations for the show, so Ellis signed on.

"I think the fact that we try and tackle both the 'pop' side — literature and entertainment — and the real science and research side is one way to bridge the gap between the sciences and the liberal arts," Ellis said.

[www.wrek.org/scifilab](http://www.wrek.org/scifilab)

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professor teaching 20 to 30 students face-to-face, he also thinks MOOCs have a place in higher education.

"For example, teaching these courses allows us to reach a wider audience — including millions of people in India and China," he said. "And it's also a great marketing tool to reach high school students who might one day attend Tech."

Balch selected the course topic because it's fairly new, and he wanted to be one of the first to teach a course about it.

The information taught in this class is based on a class that Balch teaches at Tech, which he has broken into two parts for Coursera. Each week, students view two modules, with each module being made up of four 5- to 12-minute lectures.

"One of the things I've learned is that lectures need to be broken up into short chunks of time, because it's easier for students to process the material," Balch said.

To keep students engaged, he tries to use visuals as much as possible. In the future, Balch also plans to integrate interviews with people who work in investing fields (such as hedge fund managers and stock traders) into the lectures.

Students take weekly multiple-choice quizzes and complete optional code-writing projects throughout the course to assess their learning, and projects are peer graded by students in the class.

When it comes to cheating, Balch isn't as concerned with the issue as he might be with a for-credit course.

"They have nothing to gain by cheating," he said. "I suppose they could, but that would be like jumping to the end of a

## RSVP for Dec. 6 Town Hall

A second town hall discussing online learning will be held on Dec. 6 at 11 a.m. in room 1116, Klaus Advanced Computing Building. RSVP at <http://provost.gatech.edu/town-hall/rsvp>.

good book and skipping the good parts in the middle."

The estimated workload for students is about five to seven hours per week. At the end of the not-for-credit course, students receive a certificate of completion from C2IU.

Although Balch has taught distance learning courses in the past, one of the things that was a surprise to him about teaching a MOOC is the amount of time he has needed to put into it.

"Multiply your estimate of time you'll put into it by two," he said. "I have spent about 15 to 20 hours a week on this course, because it takes time to make my material online-friendly. But I also realize that when I offer the course next semester, it won't take up as much time, because I'm not starting from scratch."

On Jan. 28, 2013, Balch will offer the course again, and several other Tech Coursera courses will also kick off.

For more information about the Institute's offerings, visit

[www.coursera.org/gatech](http://www.coursera.org/gatech)

## Office of Institute Diversity Welcomes Ancis

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In September, the Office of Institute Diversity welcomed Julie R. Ancis, as its new associate vice president.

"Dr. Ancis' academic expertise on the intersections of identities and social climate makes her an excellent fit for this role, as much of her time will be devoted to helping our campus learn about our strengths and opportunities and building upon our successes in pursuit of our inclusive excellence agenda," said Archie Ervin, vice president for Institute Diversity.

Some of her responsibilities will include assessing Tech's progress in achieving diversity, equity and inclusive excellence; developing and coordinating training and leadership programs focused on diversity and inclusive excellence; and providing diversity consultation services to support climate assessment in academic and administrative units.

Ancis is a Fellow of the American Psychological Association and has been published widely in the area of multicultural competence and diversity. Prior to Tech, Ancis was a professor in the Department of Counseling and Psychological Services at Georgia State University. She has also held a faculty appointment at Old Dominion University.

[www.diversity.gatech.edu](http://www.diversity.gatech.edu)



Julie Ancis

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## BME Freshmen Take On Real-World Problems

AMELIA PAVLIK  
INSTITUTE COMMUNICATIONS

Many believe the H5N1 virus — bird flu — is one of the deadliest viruses known to man, and a Dutch scientist has created a mutant form of the virus that can easily spread from person to person. He wants to publish his findings in an international scientific journal.

Opinions are divided on whether to allow this. Some warn that the information could be used for bioterrorism, while others argue that it could be used to develop new vaccines and drugs to fight dangerous viruses.

Imagine that you've been asked to consider this scenario and determine what impact publishing the work will have on the world. Now imagine that you're only a freshman in college.

Welcome to the course "Problems in Biomedical Engineering," which all freshmen in Georgia Tech's Department of Biomedical Engineering (BME) are required to take. During the course, students analyze and respond to scenarios just like this one.

"My intention was to have them try on the identity of a biomedical engineer," said Wendy Newstetter, who helped develop the curriculum and is now director of educational research and innovation for the College of Engineering. "The goal is to empower students to become agents of their own learning, who are fearless in the face of a complex problem."

When BME created the course in 2000, it was one of the first engineering programs in the country to integrate problem-based

learning — which has its origins in medical education — into a curriculum, Newstetter added. (The department received a 2013 Regents' Teaching Excellence Award for its design and implementation of a problem-focused curriculum.)

Students are divided into teams of eight and are given three problems to analyze over the course of the semester. Problems can stem from newspaper headlines or a presentation that one of the BME faculty members recently attended at a conference.

"The scenarios we give these students are difficult to work through," Newstetter said. "But their fear of dealing with these complex issues diminishes as they become more familiar with the problem-solving process."

At the end of each four-and-a-half-week problem cycle, teams come to a resolution that two team members present to the class. Although the nature of the problems changes from semester to semester, the learning outcomes remain the same and include the following: tackle a complex real-world problem, conduct self-directed inquiry, demonstrate effective group skills and communicate solutions to problems.

In addition to the problem-solving focus of the course, another unique component is that the facilitator-to-student ratio is 8-to-1.



Freshmen use specially designed problem-based learning rooms to work through real-world scenarios during the course "Problems in Biomedical Engineering."

Image courtesy of the Department of Biomedical Engineering

Facilitators can include faculty members, post doctoral students or graduate students.

"Usually, senior faculty members don't engage much with freshmen students," Newstetter said. "This approach provides students with an opportunity to engage with BME faculty on a personal level, which leads to a number of them continuing on to do undergraduate research throughout their time at Tech."

Since the BME course launched, Newstetter has worked with various units including the School of Aerospace Engineering and the School of Public Policy to integrate problem-based learning into other curricula. (The Whistle will be featuring articles on some of the other problem-based courses at Tech in future issues.)

For more information, contact Newstetter at [wendy@bme.gatech.edu](mailto:wendy@bme.gatech.edu).

[www.bme.gatech.edu](http://www.bme.gatech.edu)

## Editorial Board Defines Direction for Articles, Reporting

INSTITUTE COMMUNICATIONS

To coordinate coverage of Georgia Tech's many activities, accomplishments and research outcomes, Institute Communications has established an editorial board.

The board includes Amelia Gambino, assistant vice president, and Lisa Grovenstein, senior director of News and Campus Communications; Michael Hagearty, campus news and events director; John Toon, research news director; and Matt Nagel, media relations and issues management director.

Using the strategic plan as a guide, the board identifies and assigns stories and coordinates coverage and how information will be shared internally and externally.

Newsworthy information or ideas should be submitted through the college, school or unit's designated communicator. If there is no communicator, ideas may be submitted to the board through the News and Campus communications staff or using an online submission form at [www.gatech.edu/comm/toolbox/media.html](http://www.gatech.edu/comm/toolbox/media.html). After logging in, click on "Media Relations" (under the "Communications Toolbox" heading). The form is at the bottom of the page under "Editorial Board."

Learn more about the board at

[tinyurl.com/ctslzhg](http://tinyurl.com/ctslzhg)

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Those who take up tools in the garden will be able to take whatever produce they want, and SOS will donate leftovers to a soup kitchen. The garden is tended almost entirely by students, but SOS is looking for more involvement from the entire campus community.

"Faculty and staff have the ability to support the community garden by providing continuity and historical perspective as the garden achieves a longer history on campus," said Chrissy Spencer, academic professional in the School of Biology and a mentor for SOS. "There are lots of reasons why faculty and staff should support and enjoy a community garden on our urban campus, such as the delicious produce to take home and eat."

SOS participants gather to tend the garden about once a week. It's home to more than a dozen crops — all grown without chemical fertilizers. Gardeners recently pulled up radishes and will soon harvest cabbage and spinach.

<http://sos.gatech.edu>

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College of Engineering and the Institute's NCAA faculty athletics representative; Lynn Durham, assistant vice president, Office of the President (ex-officio); alumnus Roderick "Roddy" Jones, current MBA student and four-year football letterman (2008-2011); Patrick "Pat" McKenna, vice president for Legal Affairs and Risk Management (ex-officio); Steven Swant, executive vice president for Administration and Finance; and alumnus Al Trujillo, current member of the Foundation Board of Trustees and the College of Engineering Advisory Board.

Peterson plans to announce the selection of a search consultant firm in the coming weeks to assist in the recruiting process.

[www.gatech.edu/president/ADsearch](http://www.gatech.edu/president/ADsearch)

## EVENTS

### MISCELLANEOUS

#### November 15

The Student Center and Dining Services have partnered to bring local, sustainable food to the Georgia Tech community on Thursdays through Nov. 15 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Tech Walk.

[tinyurl.com/4ya5o9m](http://tinyurl.com/4ya5o9m)

#### November 28

The Institute's Retirement Dinner, which will honor employees who have or will retire between Jan 1. and Dec. 31, 2012, will be held at 6 p.m. at the Wardlaw Center. Learn more at

[tinyurl.com/bo7tjp2](http://tinyurl.com/bo7tjp2)

#### November 29-30

The Student Center Craft Center Craft Fair will feature vendors selling handmade crafts and gift items just in time for the holidays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

<http://studentcenter.gatech.edu>

For a more comprehensive listing of events updated daily, visit

[www.gatech.edu/calendar](http://www.gatech.edu/calendar).

## CLASSIFIEDS

### AUTOMOBILES

1995 Volvo 960, 181,500 miles, black with tan leather interior, clean interior, good condition, reliable. Maintenance records available for review. \$1,695. Contact Dinesh Sharma at 770-939-3121. Serious inquires only.

### REAL ESTATE/ ROOMMATES

3BR/3BA condo in Vinings, 15 to 20 minutes to Tech. Unparalleled amenities, penthouse level, two parking spaces, upgrades and spectacular views. \$499,000. Contact Enas at 404-931-9922.

Looking for tidy roommate for our newly renovated Atlantic Station home. \$350/mo. plus utilities. Fully furnished with new granite counters, cabinets and gas stove. Email [bblount@gatech.edu](mailto:bblount@gatech.edu).

Female roommate wanted to share TWELVE condo. Walk to Tech, Emory Midtown and Georgia State. Adjacent to MARTA. Bathroom, pool, fitness/business center. Available Nov. 15. \$875. No pets. No smoking. Deposit: \$875. Email [Trecarcia@aol.com](mailto:Trecarcia@aol.com).

Commuting Tech female seeks female roommate for studio with room divider next to Tech Square. \$650. Available now. Call 404-578-4168.

Room for rent in Kennesaw area. Private bathroom w/washer and dryer, kitchen privileges, free Wi-Fi and DIRECTV/HD, all utilities paid. \$450/mo.; no deposit required. Available Nov. 1. Call: 678-687-7884.

Looking for handicap-accessible apartment or small house in Atlanta to rent. Cousin was in diving accident and in wheelchair but doesn't want to move back home. Wants to stay in Atlanta. Email [kcheek@gatech.edu](mailto:kcheek@gatech.edu) or call 404-435-0803.

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## Kistenberg Provides Prostheses to People in Need

AMELIA PAVLIK  
INSTITUTE COMMUNICATIONS

A one-time good deed that involved providing a man in Belize with prosthetic legs has evolved into an ongoing — and ever growing — nonprofit effort for Robert Kistenberg.

It all started while Kistenberg, co-director of the Master of Science in Prosthetics and Orthotics (MSPO) program in the School of Applied Physiology, was teaching at the University of Texas (UT) Southwestern in Dallas in the 1990s.

“A friend of mine was doing medical mission work in Belize when she met a man without legs, who had managed to make do with getting around on a skateboard,” he said. “When she asked if I could help, I told her that I couldn’t send him a set of legs, that he’d have to come to the United States and that I couldn’t promise anything. Within three days, she’d raised the money, and Adrian was on his way.”

Although the fittings were a success, Kistenberg was concerned about how he’d do follow-up visits with the man to ensure that the prostheses were successful, given the distance.

“I started taking an annual trip to do follow-up with Adrian in 1996, and before I knew it, we had established a permanent clinic — which remains the only prosthetic clinic in Belize,” he said. “The name of the organization in Belize is called Project Hope Belize. The 501(c)(3) organization in the United States is Prosthetic Hope International, an organization that allows us to provide prostheses to people abroad and right here in Atlanta.”

Recently, The Whistle had a chance to learn more about Kistenberg and his time



Image courtesy of Robert Kistenberg

**Robert Kistenberg showing off his professional and creative passions: prostheses and plastic mushrooms.**

at Georgia Tech.

**What did you want to be when you were a child?**

I always liked to take things apart and try to put them back together again. In college, I realized that I wanted to do something related to health care. My sophomore year, I decided to talk to a physical therapist at my university about his field. During our discussion, he told me that I’d be a perfect fit for working with prosthetics and orthotics. As I learned more, I realized that this field offered me a position in the health care industry — that allowed me to “play” in a workshop, too.

**How did you arrive at Georgia Tech?**

I worked with Chris Hovorka at UT Southwestern in Dallas. When Chris started the MSPO program at Tech in 2002, he asked me to come and work with him. I started in 2003 and have been here ever since.

**How do you make learning engaging for your students?**

Throughout their coursework, students are

working with patient models to create prostheses. I also take students with me to Belize to work in the clinic. These opportunities to work firsthand with patients are the best way to help students learn the material in an engaging way.

**What is one misconception people have about your field?**

People think most of our patients are the amputees you see in the Olympics or soldiers who are returning from war, when in reality, they are older — and often diabetic — adults. Folks also tend to confuse the words “prosthetist” and “prostitute,” which can be problematic.

**What is the one piece of technology you couldn’t live without?**

Remote desktop access, because it allows me to do work from anywhere in the world.

**Where is your favorite place to have lunch?**

If I’m being good, it’s the salad bar in the Student Center. If I’m not being good, it’s Rocky Mountain Pizza.

**What is the biggest risk you’ve ever taken — did it pay off?**

In 2010, I had an opportunity to teach a short course in upper limb prosthetics in Tehran, Iran. I was very conflicted about going but went, and it was a phenomenal experience.

**Tell us something about yourself that others might not be aware of.**

One of my professors would mold leftover plastic from prostheses into objects, which gave me the idea to start making mushrooms out of the leftovers. I hate waste, and this allows me to recycle what’s not being used. I’ve included the mushrooms and other plastic sculptures in a couple of art shows, but I primarily give them as gifts.

## Personal Experiences Lead Perry to Volunteer, Give

INSTITUTE COMMUNICATIONS

Since Oveta Perry began working in Georgia Tech Facilities 10 years ago, she has volunteered for the Charitable Campaign.

“We have employees that don’t make much money, but they still give as much as they can — whether it’s \$1 or more,” said Perry, an administrative manager, who is also the campaign ambassador for her department. “If they can find money to give, anyone at should be able to.”

In addition to her time, Perry also donates money to the campaign. She gives to the American Cancer Society and one of the organizations for Alzheimer’s research.

“My son was diagnosed with oral cancer at age 36, and by the age of 37, he died from lung, liver and

brain cancer,” she said. “My mother died from Alzheimer’s, and my older brother is now battling the disease. I give because my donations and the donations of others might lead to the cure for one of these diseases.”

As of Nov. 7, the campaign, which will come to a close on Nov. 30, has raised \$162,484 toward this year’s goal of \$325,000.

Faculty and staff are invited to make donations through TechWorks ([www.techworks.gatech.edu](http://www.techworks.gatech.edu)) where they can elect to set up a payroll deduction or make a one-time credit or debit card payment.

There is also be a pay-by-check/cash option. Checks should be provided to unit ambassadors or to Hope Wilson, campaign chair. Although the other methods are preferred, cash donations are accepted at Tech’s Bursar’s Office in Lyman Hall.

[www.charitable.gatech.edu](http://www.charitable.gatech.edu)

## Tech’s 2012 Women of Distinction



This year’s Women of Distinction award recipients were named during the Women’s Leadership Conference, which was held Nov. 2 and 3. Awards went to Janet Murray, professor in the School of Literature, Media and Communication; alumna Pam Arlotto, owner of Maestro Strategies LLC; Etta Pittman, director of development for the School of Electrical and Computer Engineering; Kara Evanoff, a PhD candidate in the School of Materials Science and Engineering and Dimple Basal, a fourth-year industrial and systems engineering major.

<http://womenscenter.gatech.edu/wlc>

## MISCELLANEOUS

Thomasville bookcase, twin bed and trundle storage drawers for sale. Great condition. Bed measures 42.5 in. wide by 90 in. long. Bookcase is 12 in. deep. Two large storage drawers underneath measure 37 in. wide by 39 in. long by 9.5 in. deep. \$275. Email [msg624@gmail.com](mailto:msg624@gmail.com).

Adopt a tame and abandoned kitten or cat. All are spayed/neutered with some shots. Free adoption for GT employees, students and friends. Visit [www.krazyaboutkats.com](http://www.krazyaboutkats.com) or email Marilyn Smith at [marilyn.smith@ae.gatech.edu](mailto:marilyn.smith@ae.gatech.edu).

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