George P. Burdell: the legend lives on

By Kyle Thomason
Editor-in-Chief

He's the most famous, well-traveled and mysterious Tech student. Ever.

George P. Burdell first enrolled at Tech in 1927, and, since that time, his legend has become a beloved part of the Institute.

In 1930, Burdell earned a Bachelor of Science degree. He studied at Harvard for a short time before shipping off to England where he flew bombers for both the Navy and the Eighth Air Force during World War II.

Burdell is more than just a gifted engineer and patriot—he is also a prolific writer, having penned countless letters to the editor that have appeared in newspapers, and he served on MAD Magazine's board of directors from 1969-1981. Burdell's name frequently appears on credit card applications. He is often paged by unsuspecting operators of public address systems at Tech away games and other large events.

Of all Burdell's achievements, perhaps the most notable came in December 2001. Burdell garnered the most votes in an online poll for Time Magazine's Person of the Year. Then, inexplicably, Time pulled Burdell out of the running, paving the way for George W. Bush to claim that illustrious title.

The origin of Burdell may never be known for certain, but the most likely story was described in a 1977 article in the Atlanta Journal-Constitution Magazine.

The article explains that in 1927, William Edgar Smith, BS '30, received an extra admissions application.

Instead of throwing the form away, Smith decided to fill it in for George P. Burdell, the disciplinarian headmaster of his high school.

Smith changed the name at the last minute to Burdell, the maiden name of his best friend's mother.

The prank didn't end there. Whenever a professor would take roll, students in the back of the classroom would answer for Burdell. Smith even handed in exams for Burdell, changing his handwriting and signing his name. In 1930, Smith and Burdell both received Tech degrees.

Smith's creation soon took on a life of its own. Burdell resurfaced at Tech with the advent of automated registration in the spring quarter of 1969. Burdell registered for every course offered, more than 3,000 credit hours. He did the same in 1975 and 1980, despite attempts by administrators to keep him out.

Burdell seems to have found a more permanent position at Tech in recent years. "The continued clamor and ridicule of my name can no longer proceed," Burdell wrote in a column in the AJC.

"I am and have been for 10 years dean of humanities and fine arts."

The Tech tradition of George P. Burdell now passes to the incoming class. Both alumni and upperclassmen look forward to the creativity of Tech's most famous student.
Plethora of tutoring options aid study

By Kyle Thomason
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Feeling nervous about your chances of keeping a high GPA at Tech? Abt worried that you suddenly don’t know everything—or at least no more than your classmates? Rest assured, you are not alone. Plenty of tutoring options are available to help you cope with Tech’s academic rigors.

Your first source of aid is your graduate or undergraduate teaching assistant in your specific class. They generally have knowledge of the particular class you are taking and are easily available. But when that fails, you might be able to turn to study sessions organized by individual schools. The schools of Math, Chemistry and Physics each offer study sessions for students in introductory courses. Professors, TAs or academic advisors can provide more information.

The Office of Minority Education (OMED), located in the Chapin Building, offers tutoring assistance to all Tech students. Complete information about tutoring hours can be found at www.omed.gatech.edu.

The Office of Success Programs also provides individualized tutoring services, as well as workshops and seminars focusing on topics like effective time management. More information can be found at www.succcessprograms.gatech.edu.

The Department of Housing’s Freshman Experience program offers tutorials for students Sunday through Thursday nights in freshman dorms. GTCN produces a call-in show hosted by a student who explains tough problems.

Another popular strategy is forming study groups. Some students find it helpful to pool their knowledge. However, students should be aware of the Honor Code and other restrictions on sharing notes and cooperating on homework and other assignments.

Sometimes followed by a “Headline: Subhead (Deck).”
Who am I?

Tech is certainly too large of a school for everybody to know everybody on campus, but there are certainly people around the school that everybody knows, or at least mentions from time to time.

The people on the right represent some of the most important people at the Institute, whose names are often mentioned in the Technique and other places around campus for the contributions they make to the school.

That is certainly not to say that these are the only important people around, or even the most important, but it is a good guide to recognizing the people students constantly come into contact with on campus.

So, take a glimpse at the people depicted on this page, as well as the next, as you are likely to run into many of them over your time at Tech, and take the chance to say hello if you happen to see them around; they’d all be happy to know who you are, as well.

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Former Vice Provost for Academic Affairs

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Assistant Dean of Student Involvement

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Rosalind Meyers
Associate Vice President for Auxiliary Services

Mike Black
Director of Housing

Dan Morrison
Associate Director of Housing for Residence Life

Rich Steele
Director, Student Center
Deep roots, fierce competition mark Tech-UGA rivalry

By Kyle Thomason
Editor-in-Chief

What’s the good word? "$TO HELL WITH GEORGIA!"

It starts at FASETT and continues throughout much of the year. The students at the rival school, although rumored to be less intelligent, are not all that different; they are often next-door neighbors and friends.

As freshmen are now quickly learning, Tech and UGA have enjoyed a long history of “clean, old-fashioned hate” that dates back more than a century.

On Nov. 4, 1893, the two football teams met for the first time. Tech emerged the victor, winning 28-6. Enraged, UGA fans pelted the team with rocks and chased them back to their train.

The rivalry simmered until World War I, when, during UGA’s “Senior Parade,” students unfurled banners accusing Tech students of not wanting to go to war. Tech’s athletic director demanded an apology. The situation escalated, leading Tech to suspend all athletic competitions against UGA for six years.

In 1930, Tech freshmen chased a cow onto Grant Field while carrying a sign that said “This Ain’t No Bull. We Gonna Beat UGA.” During halftime, a riot broke out that police were unable to quell. The editor of the Atlanta Constitution, Ralph McGill, wrote, “A freshman is not a freshman until he has bloodied somebody’s nose, or had his bloodied.”

In 1946, UGA fans convinced a local union boss to call a coal strike that shut down the railroads taking Tech fans to Athens. Coach Bobby Dodd used an Eastern Airlines DC-5 to take his team to Athens.

In 1984, Tech fans tore down the goal posts after defeating UGA and paraded them onto North Avenue. On the one-hundredth anniversary of the first Tech-UGA game, players fought in the south endzone in a brawl similar to the 1930 event.

Tech plays their arch-rival from Athens in football in Atlanta at Bobby Dodd Stadium on Nov. 27, this year.

Buzz and Hairy Dawg confront each other. Even the mascots get after each other when the Tech-UGA rivalry heats up on the field.
### Fight Songs

**Ramblin’ Wreck**

I’m a Ramblin’ Wreck From Georgia Tech and a hell of an engineer.
A helluva, helluva, helluva, hell of an engineer.
Like all the jolly good fellows, I drink my whiskey clear,
I’m a Ramblin’ Wreck from Georgia Tech and a hell of an engineer.

Oh, if I had a daughter, sir, I’d dress her in White and Gold.
And put her on the campus to cheer the brave and bold.
And if I had a son, sir, I’ll tell you what he’d do,
He would yell “TO HELL WITH GEORGIA” like his daddy used to do.

I wish I had a barrel of rum and sugar three thousand pounds,
A college bell to put it in, and a clapper to stir it round.
I’d drink to all the good fellows who come from far and near,
I’m a ramblin’, gamblin’ hell of an engineer. Hey!

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**To Hell With Georgia**

Sung to the tune of “Battle Hymn of the Republic”

Don’t send my boy to MIT
The dying mother said,
I’d rather see him dead,
But send my boy to Georgia Tech
’Tis better than Cornell.
And as for the University of Georgia
I’d rather see him in hell!

[chorus]
To hell, to hell, to hell with Georgia,
To hell, to hell, to hell with Georgia,
The cesspool of the South!

Mine eyes have seen the glory
Of the stomping of the Dogs,
We will teach the poor dumb farmboys
They should stick to sloppin’ hogs.
When the Jackets are triumphant
There will be a mighty cheer—
We’ll do the same next year!

On the field between the hedges
There arose a mighty stench,
In the Dogs’ machine the engineers
Had thrown a monkey wrench.
When the Jackets are triumphant
We will raise a mighty yell—
Thom Dogs can GO TO HELL!

[chorus]

Mine eyes have seen the glory
Of the N.C. Double-A
They’re investigating Georgia players
To see how much they’re paid.
After counting all the cars
And the loans alumni made,
They out-pay the NBA

[chorus]
You certainly won’t find these in Webster’s...

The dictionary of essential Tech terms

A
The first letter of the alphabet. It also allegedly appears on grade reports. We’ll believe it when we see it.

Acronyms
Used for anything and everything on campus. Examples include buildings (MRDC), majors (ME) and colleges (CoC).

Brittain Beach
The patch of grass in the East Campus quad where freshmen traditionally throw frisbees and sunbathe in summer and spring.

Bursar’s Office
The place where you take your money, or your parents’ money, or the government’s money, but no credit cards...

BuzzCard
Student ID and campus debit card. Don’t leave home without it.

BuzzPort
A portal for Georgia Tech web resources, at least we think. Mention BuzzPort to an upperclassman and you’ll probably get a puzzled look.

Caffeine
Sleep in a bottle, cup or other non-bed form. See Sleep.

Capital Campaign
President Clough’s fundraising drive that concluded in spring 2001. It raised $712 million for the Institute, including the funding for many of the recently-completed construction projects around campus.

Chem Annex
One-fourth of the College of Computing’s building.

Clyde Bumps
Giant speed bumps (near the CoC and CRC, for example) that are only crossable at speeds under five miles per hour (any faster, and you’ll make the guys over at Mdas very happy and very rich). Named for Clyde Robbins, who at one time was responsible for campus planning. See also Clyde Walks.

Clyde Walks
Term for the sidewalks that have bricks in them. Another useful innovation of Clyde Robbins. See also Clyde Bumps.

Coca-Cola
Obey the word of the man. This is Atlanta, after all. Use this building to locate the Student Center, which houses the only Pizza Hut in the country that serves Coca-Cola.

Coed
A female college student was first admitted to Tech 52 years ago. Although more sightings are reported each year, females only account for around 30 percent of the student body.

College of Computing Building

Complaining
Something all Tech students are expected to do often and well. Good examples can be found on newsgroups and in Technique letters to the editor.

CRC
Campus Recreation Center. A place to exercise and forget about differential equations for a while. Enjoy the fact that there is now a waterslide, which is only entering its second year of existence. See also SAC.

Cumberland College
The school that the Tech football team defeated 222-0 in 1916.

Dead Week
The week before finals during which you are not supposed to have any tests. Be forewarned: some professors don’t understand this concept, at all.

Dean’s List
Only takes a 3.0....sounds easy, doesn’t it? Just wait.

D.M. Smith
History and Social Sciences building across from the library. Does not have a state-of-the-art air conditioning system.

Drop Day
The Friday that marks the last day to drop a class. It’s recently been moved to a point later in the semester, taking some of the guessing out of the decision to drop a class. You freshmen have it so easy...

The Campus Recreation Center, or CRC, is one of the newest additions to campus. Although it is no longer the official name for the recreation center, many upperclassmen still call the CRC the SAC.

Drownproofing
A P.E. class that was required of all Tech students until 1988, so if you cannot swim now, do not worry. The class involved being tied up with rope and thrown into a pool. The goal was to allow you to survive indefinitely in the water through a variety of techniques.

E-Mag
PHYS 2212, considered one of the most difficult and/or confusing classes at Tech. Back under the quarter system, the saying used to

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Perks, drawbacks come with living off campus

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To many students, living on campus may seem like the ideal arrangement. After all, friends, food, and classes are all within easy walking distance, and conventional wisdom holds that living on campus away from home is an important part of the college experience.

However, some members of Tech’s student body have elected to live far from campus—so far, in fact, that they’ve forced to drive or ride their bikes to classes every morning. But they argue that there are merits to this arrangement, something they would encourage freshmen to consider after they’ve been at Tech for a year or two.

“I like having more room,” said Hudson DeLee, a fourth-year Mechanical Engineering major who drives to campus 15 minutes every morning from his apartment in Dekalb County. “Price-wise, you can get a lot better deals off campus.”

Kevin Guthrie, a fourth-year Math and Physics major, agreed. “The apartment is cheaper...Also, I had been living right next to [the 75/85 connector] for two years, so it was nice to have a quiet place to sleep back away from the highway. One big plus was not having a communal bathroom and shower.”

Some students like DeLee also leave when they become fed up with the Department of Housing’s quality of living.

“Over here, I’m not living under the thumb of Housing, my air conditioning works, and I don’t have all that uncomfortable furniture in my room that I have to keep in there,” he said.

Others even defy the rebellious college student stereotype and return home to their parents, especially if finances are tight.

“I moved in with them to save money while I looked for work,” said Charles Whittington, a fifth-year Computer Science major. “Being on loans, I did not want to rent an apartment and drive up my loan money.”

But, he said, that hasn’t kept him from reaping the benefits of living off campus.

“The best thing is that I can’t go back to my room and goof off. I get more work done during the day and the time that I am there,” Whittington said. “When I lived on campus, all I did was drink and download stuff off the web with that killer connection. I actually go out now. My spirits and grades rose dramatically after moving off campus.”

Living off campus even carries psychological benefits. Some students who commute find it easier to relax every evening because they can escape the academic environment.

“I really enjoy getting away from the campus each day, as it gives me a time to unwind and to differentiate from work (that is, school) and home,” said Frank Rietta, a fourth-year computer science major.

Some commuters can also take advantage of MARTA, Atlanta’s rapid transit system. While users argue about its reliability, it provides a cheap alternative for those who worry about transportation expenses.

MARTA offers a transportation alternative to freshmen who cannot afford their cars and students who commute to Tech each day.

MARTA is also beneficial for on-campus residents eager to explore the city. The trains can take riders to a number of Atlanta’s major hot spots, and the buses—free for train riders—drive to most of the remaining locations. But, said Rietta, he forewarned: “Walking to the MARTA station late at night is not exactly safe.” The Tech Trolley stops at MARTA, carrying students to and from campus, and the Stingerette transports students after hours.

“Living off campus is a great way to save money and have a great place to live,” Rietta said.

Other students argue in favor of living on or near campus. Time, they said, is a premium.

“Spending 1.5 hours on average in the car takes a chunk out of the day which at some times could be used for studying,” Rietta said.

He commutes from his parents’ house in Duluth. “In addition, group classes can be harder when other group members prefer to meet late at night.”

It also means that students with early classes have to get up even earlier than their on-campus counterparts, and there’s no room...
Off from page 10 for those famous last-minute mad dashes to lecture.

“When I wake up at 7:55 a.m. for a final at 8 a.m., I’m going to be late,” DeLee said. “Whereas on campus, I can sprint out the door and get there.”

“I prefer living on campus,” said Scott Kim, a fourth-year electrical engineering major. He commutes from his parents’ home in Lawrenceville—a 45-minute drive—and regrets that the cost of housing could not justify staying on campus over the summer. “It’s more convenient, and I enjoy being around friends at Tech.”

Part of the problem, DeLee said, is that commuters often find themselves away from campus during peak social hours and have difficulty making it back to campus to visit with friends.

“You’d be going home after classes, or at dinner, and really, after that, that’s when all the fun stuff happens.”

That is why many students, including commuters, usually recommend on-campus residency to incoming freshmen.

Living with fellow students, who are facing the same challenges of being on their own for the first time and are looking to meet new people can create good friendships.

“You can go out and meet new people and enjoy the college atmosphere,” Kim said. “It also gives a greater feeling of independence and responsibility since you are on your own.”

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**Get involved, it’s easy**

By Kyle Thomason  
**Editor-in-Chief**

By now, as a freshman, or even as an upperclassman, you have seen advertisements for more organizations than you ever thought existed; in fact, you probably do not think there could possibly be any more organizations around.

Well, there probably are. Tech has hundreds of clubs and organizations, and if there is not one that fits your particular interest, you can start one.

If you’re at Tech because you have always wanted to be an engineer, and you want to spend all of your free time concentrating on engineering, there are certainly groups for you, but that’s not all.

In addition to all imaginable organizations related to math, the sciences and engineering, there are many organizations that cater to the liberal arts side of students, such as the Technique, the Blueprint, DramaTech, glee club and mock trial.

In addition, there are many organizations that promote leadership and help to hone all sorts of skills such as FAB, SGA and Freshman Council that are involved in a multitude of events and provide great experience for students.

There are also many opportunities to get involved within your major, whether it is working for a professor, doing research or helping with recruitment.

There are so many opportunities, and there is undoubtedly a place for everyone on campus to "fit in." Not only is going out to join an organization a great way to get involved personally, it’s a great way to meet people that often will have the same interests as you and are interested in doing something outside of studying.

So, go ahead, go to a meeting today and get started; it’s much more fun that extra Calc work.

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**Fight Songs**

**Up With the White & Gold**

Oh, well, it’s...

Up with the White and Gold, down with the red and black, Georgia Tech is out for a victory.

We’ll drop our battle axe on Georgia’s head
When we meet her, our team is sure to beat her.

Down on the farm there will be no sound
’Till our Bow-wows rip through the air.

When the battle is over, Georgia’s team will be found
With the Yellow Jackets swarming round.

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Final Four 2004
The event which generated more excitement at Tech than anything else in recent memory. Hopefully, it will become an annual event.

F.O.
Frosted Orange. See The "V."

Gates
The best development in parking, ever. Please do not break them.

Good Word, The
"To hell with Georgia!"

Hill, The
The area filled with old, historic buildings between the Administration Building and the Library. See Tech Tower.

Honor Code
Supposedly sexy. Says you’re supposed to squeal on cheaters. And profs are supposed to provide word.

Yep, that’s what it says.

Hoywey
The Physics Building on the corner of Ferst and Atlantic where many freshman classes are held.

IC Auditorium
a.k.a. Tenenbaum Auditorium, located in the Instructional Center, which is across from the CRC.

Junior’s
Campus diner where Tommy serves up some of the world’s greatest chicken fingers.

Late Fees
Fees that apply in addition to regular semester fees if your payment is late. Better take out another loan to pay these off.

Library West Commons
Computer lab on the first floor of the library, and perhaps the nicest on campus. At one time in the not-too-distant past, this was one of the least-used parts of campus, but now you can almost always expect a wait before a computer opens up.

M.L.T.
Georgia Tech, North Campus

Ma Tech
The cherished name used by students and alumni as the personification of Georgia Tech.

MARTA
Metro Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority—since freshmen don’t have cars, this is your way around Atlanta, unless you can suck an upperclassman into driving.

Midnight Madness
Starting the Sunday before finals and continuing every night during finals, students gather at midnight in public areas around dorms or lean out their windows for the age-old tradition. Promptly at midnight, students scream and yell to relieve the stress of their finals preparation.

North Avenue Trade School
Nickname for Tech.

Office of Information Technology (OIT)
The campus computer office. At one time, they had the nicest computer labs on campus. See Library West Commons.

O’Keefe
This is where the volleyball team plays. It is next to the Coliseum. See athletic Coeds.

Olympics
Hosted by Atlanta during the summer of 1996. Tech served as the Olympic Village. Most on-campus apartments were built around this time.

OSCAR
Not a green muppet. Online Student Computer Assisted Registration; it’s how you get classes, view your grades, pay your bill, and eventually, check your graduation status.

Orange
Thanks to construction, it has become an unofficial Tech color.

Parking Permit
Once just a hunting license before former Parking Director Rod Weis stepped in and restored some order. Most freshmen can still leave it out of their vocabulary.

Quarter
A relic of the past. Alumni, faculty, staff and really old students will probably remember. Tech switched from the quarter system to semesters in 1999, causing all kinds of problems. See Semester Conversion.

RAT
Any freshman. Recruit At Tech, or Recently Acquired Tech Students. Origenates in Tech’s strong military roots.

Road Trip
Something every college student should and must do in order to truly experience college. All you need is some clean underwear, a toothbrush, and...oh yeah...a car with gas, which is not cheap these days.

SAC
Student Athletic Center, now renamed the Campus Recreation Center. See CRC.

Semester Conversion
A big hassle that occurred before the 1999 school year. Resulted in lots of graduation appeals. See Quarter.

Sex
Oh, wait...

Shaft
(1) Any examination or class (not necessarily longer than it is wide) which inflicts mental anguish due to being unnecessarily difficult and/or impossible to pass.

Shaft (2)
The large metal campanile fountain outside the Student Center.

Sliver
A phrase, used often in journalism, meaning “intentionally so written.” According to Webster’s Dictionary, it is used after a word or passage to indicate that it is intended exactly as printed or to indicate that it exactly reproduces the original—especially when the passage appears to contain a mistake. Example: University [sic] of Georgia.

Sideways
A stray dog who’s head was cocked toward her tail. She captured the hearts of Tech students in 1945.

Sixth-Year Senior
Every fraternity has one; Someone who has already been here longer than the recommended schedule, but is still striving to get out. This person has funny stories.

Sleep
We at the Technique are glad to be able to define this for you. Although we haven’t experienced it first-hand (and neither will you), we hear it has something to do with shutting the eyes and entering into a catatonic state for several hours on a nightly basis. See Caffeine.

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A comment, quip, inside joke or one-liner that runs in the Technique Silver Box. Contribute one at www.qnite.net.

**Square Root Club**
The elite club that only admits members who meet this stringent criteria: The square root of your GPA is greater than your GPA. Get it? Don’t strain your brain too hard...

**Staff**
The hardest-working professor at Tech. He teaches most of the lower-level classes, but never receives any credit. Why isn’t he in the course evaluation?

**Stinger, Stingerette**
Campus vans and buses. They aren’t on a strict schedule so budget extra time if you want to make it to class, or just get some exercise and walk. An hour should be enough. See also Tech Trolley.

**Stop Signs**
Disregarded by most drivers. If you see someone using a crosswalk, you’re supposed to speed up...right?

**Student Center Commons**
The Houston Building. Used to be the Tech bookstore. Now houses student orgs, WREK Radio, and several stores and restaurants.

**Tech Tower**
The Administration Building. The tops of the tower are probably more heavily guarded than anything else on campus.

**Tech Trolleys**
Not really trolleys. They’re actually Stingers disguised as trolleys, with much more uncomfortable seats. They run from the IC to Technology Square. We’re still waiting for the moving sidewalk, though.

**Technique**
“The South’s Liveliest College Newspaper.” An excellent distraction during Friday afternoon lectures.

**Whistle, The**
The Georgia Tech faculty and staff newspaper published by Institute Communications and Public Affairs.

**Word**
Old tests and notes to help you study for tests. Some professors change their tests all the time, but remember that most people are lazy.
The Technique proudly presents...

99 things to do before you graduate

1. Go to the beach. Any one you will do.
2. Ride the elevator to the top of the Westin Peachtree Plaza. It is nice.
3. Eat at Junior’s (and wonder why Tommy isn’t in charge of all campus dining).
4. Buy a class ring (the year can be changed).
5. Drop a class.
6. Go to the top of the Mason Civil Engineering Building and watch the sun set or rise.
7. Wear your RAT cap.
8. Swim in the fountain (either the Library or the Shaft—both count).
9. Stand in line.
10. Visit the Career Services office (before your senior year).
11. Pull an all-nighter (as if you have a choice).
12. Blow off homework for a date.
13. Find the Habersham Building. Go inside of it and find out who’s in there.
14. Walk into a final and say, “What the hell is this crap? Where is the regular guy?”
15. Read at least one Technique from cover to cover.
16. Wander aimlessly around campus after being shafted by your latest exam.
17. Warn tour groups away from the Student Center.
18. Complain about Auxiliary Services. Take your pick from parking, housing, dining, etc.
19. Meet the waitress at Waffle House at 4 a.m.
20. Count her teeth and play the Waffle House song.
21. Fall asleep on your keyboard and claim to be from Enu, Alaska.
22. Work for the Technique, or at least come to a meeting.
23. Climb one of the magnolia trees near the Campanile.
24. During senior year, show up for your last lab or final hammer. But don’t blame us for the consequences.
26. Send President’s Eughan’s email.
27. Make a movie for iMovieFest, or Delta Campus Movie Fest, or whatever it happens to be called this year.
28. Have a long conversation with someone on a bench on Skiles Walkway.
29. Go to Under the Couch.
30. Go on North Ave. and beg for money.
32. Pick up a guy or girl in the Library West Commons.
33. Light sparklers in your on-campus apartment to celebrate New Year’s.
34. Run in the Freshman Cake Race. Senator Sam Nunn did, and look what it did for his career!
35. Sneak a large metal beer-distributing object into your dorm. When it is empty, pass out.
36. Figure out why differential equations are important things to know.
37. Vote in a national election in the Georgia Tech precinct (why not this November?).
38. Put on weight.
39. Work out at the new and improved CRC. See #38.
40. Be in the Blueprint (somewhere, anywhere).
41. Date someone from another school.
42. Imagine that your roommate is the Dean Griffin statue until someone notices. Then stare back like he or she is the weird one.
43. Learn the words to “Up With the White and Gold.”
44. Make friends, or visit old ones, at Georgia State or Emory.
45. Go to Lenox Square and wear the Waffle House song.
46. Ask someone the date, then realize you’re three days behind.
47. Go to Under the Couch.
48. Eat Easy Mac and/or Ramen noodles five times in a given week.
49. Get some condoms. Use when appropriate (guys and gals).
50. Successfully appeal a parking ticket.
51. Go to Under the Couch.
52. Join SGA.
53. Quit SGA.
54. Wish you were home (not too much in your freshman year—it looks bad).
55. Streak during Midnight Madness (watch out for the GTPD).
56. Go to every Tech home game during one football season.
57. Road trip to at least one away game. While there, try to convince the public address announcer to page George P. Burdell.
58. Take the Stinger to the CRC.
59. Decide not to go to the CRC when the Stinger fails to arrive promptly.
60. Drink “Hunch Punch.”
61. Take aspirin and reconsider #60.
62. Make a movie for iMovieFest, or Delta Campus Movie Fest, or whatever it happens to be called this year.
63. Have a long conversation with someone on a bench on Skiles Walkway.
64. Make a movie for iMovieFest, or Delta Campus Movie Fest, or whatever it happens to be called this year.
65. Go to Under the Couch.
66. Take the yellow envelope from the Georgia Tech precinct (why not this November?).
67. Figure out what’s at the top of the Web site. Use the style “End of the Westin Peachtree Plaza. It is nice.”
68. Go to Under the Couch.
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71. Ask a professor to join you for lunch.
72. Take the yellow envelope from your old parking ticketers and put a slip of paper in them that says “Getcha!” Put them on all the parking mini-trucks.
73. Have a conversation with the Dean Griffin statue until someone notices. Then stare back like he or she is the weird one.
74. Learn the words to “Up With the White and Gold.”
75. Break up, then make up, with your boyfriend or girlfriend.
76. Sleep on your, or your hallmate’s, floor by accident.
77. Learn the stories of Sideways the dog.
78. Register for a class that is taught by the Georgia Tech precinct (why not this November?).
80. Get your picture made with the Rambin’ Wreck.
81. Eat too many “Naked Dogs” from the “V.”
82. Express every opinion you’ve ever had (relevancy not required) on every newsgroup.
83. Go on North Ave. and beg for money.
84. Go to Under the Couch.
85. Get your picture made with the Rambin’ Wreck.
86. Wake up. It was only a bad dream. See #89.
87. Relax in the green space on campus. Pace one at a time, please.
88. Tour CNN Studios and visit Centennial Olympic Park (they are both within walking distance).
89. Have a cold one at the non-alcoholic pub in the Student Center Commons.
90. Go to a DramaTech production.
91. Earn a degree.
92. Get lost while driving in Atlanta. Curse the plethora of roads named “Peachtree.”
93. Make friends, or visit old ones, at Georgia State or Emory.
94. Go to Rocky Mountain Pizza, Fifth Street Ribs and Blues, or anywhere for that matter.
95. Concoct, but don’t exact, a plan to steal a “T” off Tech Tower.
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Michelle Annette Clark
Junior
Mechanical Engineering

"Since my enrollment at Georgia Tech in the Fall of 2003, I have encountered two types of people: those who indifferently ride through life, and those who passionately drive through life. I can confidently say that I belong to the latter."

Brandon Cory Elson
Junior
Management

"...making an impact is more than just doing the job that's asked of you, but being passionate about what you do and spreading that enthusiasm to others."

Caroline Meagher Mahoney
Junior
Management

"I helped bring Dance Marathon to Georgia Tech because of the impact it would have on both our campus and Georgia Tech’s image in the Atlanta community. I truly believe it is the largest reason I am a person of impact."

Kathy Pham
Sophomore
Computer Science

"I strive to make a difference and leave a mark wherever I go. I join organizations not for the superficial titles but for the opportunity to make an impact in the organization or the lives that the organization affects."

Christine Cory Vaughn
Sophomore
International Affairs and Modern Language

"I am a person of impact because I care about the people around me so much that I do whatever I can to provide for their needs."

Esteban Devoto
Junior
Industrial Engineering

“To be chosen as a person of impact among the many solid applicants is a very remarkable thing since it means that you stand out amongst students with amazing potential.”

Justin Matthew Harper
Sophomore
Computer Science

"Making an impact by accident."

Pelham David Norville
Doctorate
Electrical and Computer Engineering

“I have held leadership positions in several organizations at Georgia Tech, but leadership is action, not position. I believe that one should not simply be content to passively experience life, but rather work to improve human condition.”

John Alan Dean
Senior
Management

“Being a person of impact involves constantly living in a state of possibility and being a catalyst for positive change.”

Clint Gregory Warren
Junior
Mechanical Engineering

“I have achieved one of my primary goals at Tech: to give back to and to develop the student community that I love so much.”