**Australia first target in RISK plan**

**By Hugh Dunnit**

Institute president G. Wayne Clough announced Wednesday the creation of the Renaissance in Innovation, Vocational, Scholarships, and Knowledge (RISK) Strategy as an initiative for managing and expanding Georgia Tech’s network of campuses and facilities.

“We will only achieve global domination... or, mean, excellence, if we coordinate our existing facilities and establish new satellites,” Clough said, hands clenched on the sides of the podium. “We will do just that with our new RISK Strategy.”

Georgia Tech currently maintains satellite campuses in Savannah, Ga., and Merz, France. In addition to an EIEE dual-degree program in Shanghai, China, GTRI, the Institute’s research organization, has recently announced its intentions for a laboratory in Athlone, Ireland.

As part of the announcement, Clough detailed RISK’s five-year plan, which will focus on development in Australia and East Asia. First we will build a stronghold in Australia, then set up a line of research labs from there to GT-Shanghai. After that we’ll fan out, setting up campuses as far as India, Ural, Iceland and Korea, remember to fortify back to GT-Shanghai as needed,” Clough said.

In response to questions about RISK’s lack of aspirations in South America, Africa and Europe, Clough hinted at goals that might form a second five-year plan.

“We will use our Regional Engineering Program to expand up through the Eastern United States and then over the Europe and Iceland. We’ll spread through Central America, Venezuela, Brazil. Then we’ll roll through part of North Africa, Great Britain and the Ukraine while we draw reinforcements from our base in Merz,” Clough said.

“It will be tough going, but the time has come for us to take over the world... pardon, I mean, take over a greater share in the world’s education.”

**Parking office gets the boot**

**By Luo Natic**

Last week, one or more students stole all of Parking’s “parking boots” and then boarded every single one of Georgia Tech Parking Office’s vehicles, and a few Georgia Tech Police Department (GTPD) cruisers.

In what GTPD and the administration are calling a “despicable terrorist act,” the students left anonymous statements explaining their actions in yellow parking envelopes.

Sample statements expressed dissatisfaction with the organization, pricing and availability of parking or simply gave directed advice such as “Don’t be a dick,” or more cryptically, “G. Wayne wuz here.”

Officials at the Georgia Tech Parking Office were confused, as they didn’t have that many parking boots to begin with. The source of the extra parking boots is still unknown. This prank brings attention to the extreme cost of parking; each year, they didn’t have that many parking hooks.

Student reaction to the construction was mixed. “I don’t care,” said Jeffery Neumann, second-year STaC major. “I’m okay with it just so long as the dude they get to direct traffic is energetic as that guy who’s been working the intersection by the Physics parking lot. I mean, whoa.”

“So far today,” said Terri Bendit, fourth-year Math student. “I mean, they’re not just going to tear it up again, right?”

**Housing institutes mold redecoration**

The Georgia Tech Department of Housing announced earlier today that it will be instituting a mandatory mold policy for all student dorms, effective immediately.

“It really just made sense to do it,” said housing official Thomas Fairchilde. “We were spending our entire budget trying to alter the dorms from what should be their natural habitat.”

Fairchilde added that the move will allow some of the older dorms to comply with newer EPA regulations for “green buildings.”

So far, student response to the policy has been mixed. “When I first moved in it was a little hard to breathe at first, you get used to it,” says Emphi Zima, a fifth-year student in an undisclosed dormitory.

Another student declared his intent to park in a no-parking zone to celebrate the occasion, but he was gunned down before committing such a horrible atrocity.

The terrorists left few clues, so the joint investigation between the Atlanta Police Department, the GTPD, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, your mother, the Central Intelligence Agency, the Joint Terrorism Task Force, the Georgia Bureau of Investigation and the American Red Cross will have to work hard to discover their identities.
In what comes as no surprise to many members of Tech’s campus, SGA President David Andersen was discovered to be a cyborg. “He came back from an outdoor speaking engagement,” his secretary said. “When I saw him, it looked as though his skin was melting. And there was the eye. The lone red eye,” the secretary said.

It looks as though he is some sort of metal robot with a simulated organic skin.

The conspiracy newsgroup has been buzzing with many different theories about where he is from and what he is doing. “We believe he comes from the future,” said Par Anoid, an avid poster on the newsgroup. “He is most likely from around the year 2029. His mission seems to be destroying the Editor-in-Chief of the Tech-Phreak, who would clearly be a thorn in the side of President Cough’s plans to secure his rule as Overlord of Georgia Tech,” Anoid said.

Although this story may seem a little far-fetched, Andersen, who the newsgroup is now calling the Techinator, has always harbored distaste for the Tech-Phreak. In addition, many close to him say that he changed radically after becoming SGA President. “His speech became very monotone,” said his past roommate. “And those suits, it’s as if he was programmed to wear them.”

Andersen had little to comment. “Hasta la vista, baby,” he said. “I’ll be back to get the Tech-Phreak.”
Squirrels injured in pipe-bomb incident

By Bink1 the Squirrel
Can I have your nuts?

Chris Thomason, Mechanical Engineering major and reputed halfwit, recently built a simple pipe-bomb yesterday and promptly set about trying to get somebody killed with it.

Thomason, who are paint chips as a child, says the idea of building a homemade explosive device came to him when he was, “dropping big rocks out of [his] window.”

“I really like that sound it makes whenever one of them rocks slams on the ground,” Thomason said. Thomason also expressed his love for when small animals are unfortunate enough to be caught in the path of his flung debris. “Yeah, that’s awesome. They pop like ticks,” said Thomason.

Inspired by his desire for loud noises and dead rodents, Thomason decided high explosives were the way to go. He encased three sticks of dynamite into an old lead pipe and rigged the whole thing with a compression trigger that should have gone off when the device struck the ground outside of Thomason’s fourth story window.

However, when the time came and Thomason actually dropped the bomb, it was a dud, and rather than retrieving an unexploded high yield bomb of his own design, Thomason decided instead that it was Miller Time.

“I figured, ‘What’s the worst that could happen?’” Thomason said.

For the record, the worst that could happen involves large masses of human flesh being violently separated from other large masses of human flesh and flung to parts unknown at high velocity.

Fortunately, no one was injured by Thomason’s idiocy. However, a family of squirrels that tried to take up residence in the pipe is now no longer with us.

Thomason faces no jail time for his ridiculous insipidness, but by order of a judge, he will be available on Skuleas all Saturday should anyone wish to punch him in the nuts.

GSS coup of WREK fails

By Paul Marvey
I have a face fit for radio.

In a stark illustration of its inferiority complex, the Graduate Student Senate (GSS) attempted to forcefully take over WREK radio last week.

The junta failed thanks to the heroic resistance of WREK’s staff.

“We’re tired of feeling irrelevant,” said John Rich, graduate vice president, while caressing his gavel. “Yeah, that’s awesome. They pop like ticks,” said Thomason.

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This role was almost natural for me. I was the head of an academic institution full of awkward kids that believe in magic,” Clough said.

“The problem was that I had to really grow my beard. In no time I was looking like a ‘wine-o’ or a ‘crack-head’ from North Avenue."

In late 2002 Clough was part of another geek-applauded trilogy: Attack of the Dooku (a.k.a. Darth Tyranus) in Episode II of the Star Wars series. "Playing this character was very important for me considering the number of [fiction fans] studying at Tech. Being Saruman is one thing, but a Jedi in Star Wars is simply at another level!"

The large fantasy-loving community at Tech did not have to wait for long before Clough surprised audiences yet again in a fantasy-oriented trilogy. Chosen to play the role of the architect in The Matrix Reloaded (2003) and later in The Matrix Revolutions (2003) Clough reached an all-time high level of popularity at Tech.

"I asked the costume designers if I could wear a white and gold suit. They went with the idea at first, but it was modified last minute to an all-white version,“ Clough said.

While details are released on the academy’s recognition, Clough continues his work as Tech president and is currently considering the lead role in ‘Finger Lickin’ Good’, a biographical film on the life of fried chicken fanatic Colonel Sanders.

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