The beautiful azalea in the foreground is a Rhododendron Formosa. There are hundreds of cultivars and varieties of azaleas, and Georgia Tech’s 400-acre campus boasts numerous groupings, including the native azaleas lining Atlantic Drive. The Institute’s attention to creating and maintaining a landscape that is both aesthetically pleasing and resource-efficient has not gone unnoticed. With more than 14,000 trees, the campus has earned Tree Campus Higher Education certification for the past 13 years. The Kendeda Building for Innovative Sustainable Design and the adjacent EcoCommons were certified as a Georgia Audubon Wildlife Sanctuary, and The Kendeda Building property was certified as a Gold Native Plant Habitat by the Georgia Native Plant Society.

To inquire about making a gift to support campus beautification efforts on the Georgia Tech campus, contact Associate Director of Development Stewardship Trisha Sisk at trisha.sisk@dev.gatech.edu or 404.385.2650.
Letter from President Cabrera

Dear Friends and Supporters of Georgia Tech:

The Institute wrapped up another banner year last month as we celebrated more than 4,500 new bachelor’s, master’s, and doctoral graduates with four inspiring Commencement ceremonies at Bobby Dodd Stadium. It was the perfect way to finish one record-setting year — and hopefully begin another.

Over the last few years, Georgia Tech has become the fastest-growing university in the state. With an overall enrollment of nearly 44,000 — the largest in Institute history — we’re not just breaking our own records, but we’ve also grown into the largest source of tech talent in the nation. Among universities without a medical school, we’re now the nation’s No. 1 institution for research and development funding, and we’ve joined the top 20 overall. It is thanks to our growing number of endowed chairs and professorships that we’ve been able to attract the world-class faculty who have made this possible.

This unmatched scale in students and research has turned us into an impressive economic development engine for our state, a key element in the nation’s innovation fabric, and an influential source of solutions for some of the world’s most pressing challenges. And we’re not slowing down. We recruited our largest, most diverse incoming class in Institute history last Fall, and we’re about to break that record again. After receiving a record 50,600 applications for this year — 10,000 more than two years ago and more than three times the number we received a decade ago — Rick Clark, Tech’s executive director of Undergraduate Admission, believes we can expect a first-year class of about 3,750 students this year. That’s about 300 more than last year and 650 more than 2019, when I became president.

It’s not difficult to see why we’re growing so much, even during this particularly challenging time for higher education nationwide. Georgia Tech’s reputation, coupled with demand for tech talent at an all-time high, has multiplied our value for students and for companies alike. Thanks to the generous support from alumni, foundations, and friends, we are making sure this growth allows us to expand access to students who may otherwise have been left out of the life-changing opportunity to study at Tech.

In recent years, Georgia Tech has also emerged as a major source of new business ventures. Notably, in a recent annual report released by Panoramic Ventures, CREATE-X, our flagship student entrepreneurship program, was listed as the top startup incubator in the state of Georgia and second in the Southeast. That reputation is only bound to rise thanks to contributions like the recent ground-breaking gift of $10 million from Michael E. Tennenbaum, IE 1958, HON Ph.D. 2016, that will create a venture philanthropy fund to enhance support for CREATE-X startups.

On the heels of these exciting developments, Georgia Tech will soon launch a new comprehensive campaign designed to bring our strategic plan to fruition. The goal is to bring unprecedented advancements to the Institute that together have the power to shape the future — from scholarships and opportunities for student development to research breakthroughs and the faculty and facilities that make them possible. I’m talking about offering financial support to attract the brightest talent from every background and stage of life, promoting innovation and entrepreneurship, supporting personal growth and well-being, and emphasizing work that improves lives and livelihoods here in Georgia and across the globe. We eagerly look forward to telling you more about this opportunity to support Georgia Tech.

When I reflect on everything your support has helped accomplish, I’m reminded that the spirit of giving is indispensable to the Institute’s mission. We simply cannot do our job without the support and engagement of individuals and organizations who believe in our mission and vision for the future — who are excited and passionate about our capacity to advance technology and create solutions that improve the human condition. Your philanthropy makes transforming our tomorrow possible. Thank you for joining us.

In Progress and Service,
—Ángel
Miles Scholarship Endowment was funded primarily through a gift of Publix stock. 

Miles, who lived in Maryland for most of his adult life, also funded scholarships at Salisbury University, the University of Maryland Eastern Shore, and Wor-Wic Community College. According to his nephew, F. Rand Underwood III, Miles was a great believer in the transformational power of higher education. “He valued his own education so much, it was no surprise that he elected to establish a number of scholarships,” he said.

Born and raised in Memphis, Miles wanted to study engineering, and being accepted at Georgia Tech was a dream come true. He embraced all things Tech and remained a Yellow Jacket football fan for life. “He had little interest in professional football, but he loved the collegiate version,” Underwood said.

According to Bender, Miles “would’ve loved to have been part of The Hive,” or any of the other makerspaces on campus. “He appreciated the hands-on approach to learning.”

Underwood agreed, adding, “He would’ve been so happy to see how Tech has grown and evolved while maintaining its leadership in the sciences and in engineering.”

To inquire about making a planned gift, contact giftplanning@dev.gatech.edu or 404.385.6716.

L-R: Provost Steven W. McLaughlin, Peyton Underwood Bender, President Ángel Cabrera, and F. Rand Underwood III.
When Gail Panarello Smith, ChE 1978, attended Georgia Tech, there was one dorm for women students. “We had a guard at the desk, the doors were locked at 10 p.m., and we had to be checked in and out,” Smith said. Across campus, many buildings only had men’s restrooms. When some were designated for use by women, “They still had urinals in them,” she said.

Despite the challenges associated with being trailblazers, Smith and the other female students who attended the Institute during the 1970s were determined to make the most of their opportunities. “We joined clubs, participated in intramural sports, and held positions on campus. Several of us joined the Reck Club, and I was one of the founding members of the Alpha Chi Omega sorority at Tech,” she said. They pursued their education with similar determination. “All of those women have done extremely well in life.”

Now retired after 40 years and multiple positions in global leadership with Procter & Gamble, Smith and her husband, David, a retired banking executive, have made estate provisions designed to ensure that female students in the School of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering have ample opportunities to achieve their dreams.

The Gail J. Panarello Smith and David C.T. Smith Family Fellowship Endowment will support female Ph.D. candidates, with a preference for U.S. citizens. “We want to help the U.S. grow and stay strong in both technical fields and in technology,” Smith explained.

The Gail J. Panarello Smith and David C.T. Smith Family Faculty Endowment will fund appointments for female faculty, to include director’s chairs, faculty chairs, and professorships as determined by the School.

“If you look at current statistics for undergraduates, the female to male ratios are great,” Smith said. “But if you compare the numbers for graduate and Ph.D. programs — and for female faculty — Georgia Tech still looks a lot like it did when I was in school.”

According to Professor Krista S. Walton, the Smiths’ gifts will help improve the statistics. “They are providing the kind of targeted support for female faculty and Ph.D. students that is essential for achieving gender balance in these areas within the School,” she said. “Gail Smith was among the earliest female graduates in ChBE, and she knows what it’s like to be one of few women in the room. This endowment will help ensure a more inclusive experience for women in chemical engineering at Georgia Tech.”

Christopher W. Jones, professor, and John F. Brock III School Chair is pleased that the Smiths have directed support to Georgia Tech in general and the School of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering in particular. “Their gifts will enable us to attract top faculty and Ph.D. candidates and will allow our students and faculty to pursue new, creative research directions,” he said. Plus, the Smiths’ support “will allow us to both reward and retain critical members of our community.”

In addition to supporting Georgia Tech, where Gail Smith; daughter Christine N. Russell, CHBE 2014; and son-in-law Daniel D. Russell, EE 2015, earned degrees, the Smiths have bequeathed funds to Transylvania University in Lexington, Kentucky, where their son David C. T. Smith II earned his degree. They also established a scholarship at the Summit Country Day School in Cincinnati that both their children attended. “We believe a rigorous education can provide skills and tools to enrich people’s lives and careers, so we’ve dedicated our philanthropy to schools and universities,” Smith said.
Alumni Team Up for Swimming and Diving

When Dick Bergmark, IMGT 1975, and Mario de la Guardia Jr., IMGT 1982, ran into each other at a swim meet in Savannah last year, their conversation turned out to be a pivotal moment for Georgia Tech. They spoke about the need to renovate the swimming and diving team’s locker room, a project that Head Coach Courtney Shealy Hart had on her wish list for several years.

Bergmark is the retired executive vice president and CFO of petroleum analysis company Core Laboratories. De la Guardia Jr. is the founder of multicultural hair-care company Strength of Nature, and his father Mario de la Guardia Sr., CHE 1953, swam for Georgia Tech.

The swim program already has an Olympic-sized pool, located in the McAuley Aquatic Center, but a new locker room had only been a dream until now. Bergmark recalled the locker rooms he had to deal with as a student swimmer and noted, “Anything would be better.” He also pointed out that renovated facilities aid with recruiting and retaining outstanding student-athletes.

Mario de la Guardia Jr. wanted to give to the swim team because his father “loved sharing his knowledge of how to swim as our community swim coach, and he always shared great stories about coaches, friendships, and memories of swimming for Georgia Tech in the early 1950s.” He adds that the locker room renovation will help keep Georgia Tech facilities competitive and up to date. “Locker rooms are a tool to help students make their training routines efficient, organized, and more productive,” he said.

Coach Hart is enthusiastic about the project. “We are extremely excited about the men’s and women’s locker room renovations for the Georgia Tech swimming and diving teams. The Bergmark and de la Guardia families have been most generous with their contributions to this project. Their gifts to the locker room renovation will be instrumental in taking our program to the next level for both recruiting and student-athlete experience.”

Giving back to the Institute is important for both donors. Bergmark said he enjoys providing support where he can see tangible results. Philanthropy allows him to get to know the students and enjoy the mentorship aspect. “Watching the student-athletes graduate and then begin successful careers is a wonderful payback,” he says.

And de la Guardia Jr. finds satisfaction in meeting “so many inspiring student-athletes and dedicated coaches.” His parents’ story inspired his family’s support of Georgia Tech. They left Cuba in 1962 in part to give their children the “opportunity to live free and follow their dreams.” Mario’s son, Michael de la Guardia, ECON 2015, is a third-generation graduate, continuing the family tradition. And de la Guardia Jr. encourages fellow alumni “to invest in Georgia Tech to provide student-athletes with improved facilities and scholarship opportunities so they can achieve their dreams.”

Bergmark encourages others to support the Institute in traditional swimmer fashion: “Jump on in – the water’s fine!”

To inquire about making a gift in support of Athletics, contact any development officer or Director of Development for Athletics Mindy Hyde at mhyde@athletics.gatech.edu or 404.894.5435.
Coach Nell Fortner shares a laugh with the women’s basketball team. Photo by Danny Karnik.

Zelnaks Make Women’s Sports a Priority

Sports are a big deal in the Zelnak household. Brent Zelnak, MGT 1994, and his wife Amelia, have two daughters and a son, all of whom are active in middle- and high-school sports. “Amelia was a tri-varsity athlete in high school, and both of our daughters play sports, so supporting women’s basketball resonates with us as a family.”

Amelia, an oncologist at Northside Hospital, and Brent, President of ZP Enterprises, LLC, a leading supplier of precision machined parts and specialty coatings, have long supported Georgia Tech. In addition to gifts in support of scholarships and Roll Call, the Zelnaks have prioritized athletics by supporting facilities, scholarships, and discretionary funds. Most recently, they made a gift to support women’s basketball.

According to Zelnak, the success of Coach Nell Fortner’s team, as well as her approach to coaching, led them to make their gift. “She brings a lot of positive energy and aspiration to the program, and they’ve had some great wins so far,” he said.

The Zelnaks directed their gift toward supporting — and increasing — Fortner’s discretionary fund. “It’s important to provide her with the support she needs to be successful, and we felt the bar for discretionary funding had been set too low.” In exchange for the Zelnaks’ gift, Athletics agreed to raise the annual fundraising target for Fortner’s discretionary fund.

Coach Fortner is grateful for the Zelnaks’ support. “Their gift toward our discretionary fund helps our staff continue to recruit the best athletes and to compete at the highest level every year,” she said. “Because of their generosity, we can provide our student-athletes with opportunities that not only enhance their collegiate experience, but also strengthen their athletic ability on the court.”

For the Zelnaks, athletics is a way of life. Brent remembers fondly his time as a Georgia Tech student when the football team won a national championship and the men’s basketball team reached the Final 4. More importantly, the Zelnaks value the role that athletics can play in a person’s life. “Sports teach kids how to work as a team, how to engage in a personal work ethic at a high level, and how to be resilient when things don’t go their way,” he said.

To inquire about making a gift in support of Athletics, contact any development officer or Director of Athletics Development David Davis at d Davis@athletics.gatech.edu or 404.894.2398.
RELIEF FUND CREATED FOR STUDENTS FROM UKRAINE

The war in Ukraine is having a devastating impact on Georgia Tech undergraduates and graduate students from Ukraine and neighboring countries. Citizens in the region and students studying in the U.S. are facing economic hardship because they are denied access to financial institutions and cannot access their money.

Many students and faculty at Ukrainian universities are unable to continue their studies or their work. As part of its mission to improve the human condition, Georgia Tech would like to host several students to complete their degrees, as well as faculty in need of a temporary university home.

The Office of Development is leading a fundraising initiative to support the approximately 80 current Georgia Tech students from Ukraine and neighboring countries. While students will be the top priority, we also want to generate resources to support displaced scholars and welcome them to join the Tech community.

We estimate an urgent need of between $3 and $4 million in current, expendable funds, which will be administered through the Office of International Education. After four years, any funds not used for the purpose described will be allocated to a fund to support the ongoing emergency needs of international students.

To make an immediate gift, go to mygeorgiatech.gatech.edu/giving/ukraine.

For more information about giving opportunities for international students in general or Ukrainian students in particular, contact Associate Vice President for International Development Marta Garcia at marta.garcia@gatech.edu or 404.894.5505.
The Female Founders Program started out as an experiment conducted by VentureLab program directors Melissa Heffner and Sara Martin Henderson. “We knew that women in our program wanted to be surrounded by other like-minded women and coached by female mentors,” Heffner said. Heffner and Henderson launched a virtual four-week cohort in Fall 2020, and the response was so positive they decided to make the Female Founders Program permanent.

Twenty-five teams participated in the first cohort, and 10 of these teams participated in a follow-up program the following semester. For 2021, both Fall and Spring semester components were incorporated into the overall program, which is open to female students throughout Georgia Tech.

Audrey McLoghlin, IE 1999, founded Frank & Eileen, a luxury clothing company that earned B CORP certification in December 2020. Companies that receive this certification must meet high standards for social and environmental performance, accountability, and transparency. After earning the certification, McLoghlin pledged to give $10 million over the next 10 years to organizations that support female leadership. “I was over the moon to discover the incredible work that Melissa and Sara are doing with the Female Founders Program, and I am thrilled to have the opportunity to partner with Georgia Tech to support the female leaders of tomorrow.”

An entrepreneur from the age of 25, McLoghlin said she would have welcomed the type of coaching that participants in the Female Founders Program receive. “Without a mentor or a support network, I definitely learned things the hard way,” McLoghlin said. “I’m thrilled to be able to work with the Female Founders Program to help support women in their entrepreneurial journeys.”

In addition to a six-figure gift directed to the program, McLoghlin participated in the Female Founders Speaker Series on March 30.
Before Demaryius A. Thomas, Class of 2010, helped lead the Denver Broncos to a Super Bowl win over the Carolina Panthers in 2016, he’d amassed an array of franchise records and built an enviable partnership with quarterback Peyton Manning. Now, Peyton and Ashley Manning’s PeyBack Foundation has honored Thomas’ memory through the establishment of the Demaryius A. Thomas Scholarship Endowment.

“An important part of his legend was the way he inspired the next generation to pursue their dreams with the same perseverance and determination that defined him,” Peyton Manning said. “Through this scholarship at Georgia Tech, Demaryius will have a lasting impact on deserving youth from his hometown area who can follow in his footsteps and accomplish great things in life.”

The Thomas Scholarship is already resonating with other Tech alumni and friends, and some have pledged their support to grow the endowment. Blair N. Rackley, BIOL 1990, and her husband, Brady L. “Tripp” Rackley III, IE 1992, made a gift to add to the fund. “Peyton and Ashley are great friends. I remember a dinner several years ago where they both talked about their love for Demaryius and the positive impact that he made on his community and the individuals around him — including their family,” Tripp Rackley said. “Shortly after Demaryius’ death, Peyton and Ashley presented the idea of creating a scholarship to allow Demaryius’ legacy to continue to help future Georgia Tech Students. Blair and I were honored to be able to contribute — both to increase the reach and impact of the scholarship and to say thank-you to Peyton and Ashley for establishing it.”

Thomas is considered one of the greatest wide receivers in Georgia Tech history. He played three seasons for the Yellow Jackets, helping to lead the team to consecutive Atlantic Coast Conference Coastal Division championships in 2008 and 2009. Thomas earned All-America and all-ACC recognition in 2009, and he declared for the 2010 NFL Draft. He became the 12th first-round draft pick in Georgia Tech history when the Broncos selected him with the 22nd overall pick that year. Thomas played eight and a half seasons with the Broncos before ending his pro career playing for the Houston Texans in 2018 and the New York Jets in 2019. He retired in 2021.

Thomas was only 33 when died at his home on December 9, 2021. In addition to his many career accomplishments, the Laurens County native volunteered with the Denver Broncos Boys and Girls Club and sponsored football camps for children.

The scholarship endowment established in his name is designated for qualified first-year students from Laurens County and the surrounding areas who have significant demonstrated financial need, high school GPAs of 3.2 or higher, and have been involved in service to their communities.

“Thanks to the Mannings’ generous contribution, Demaryius’ legacy will be carried on by Georgia Tech students from Laurens County and the surrounding area for years to come,” Director of Athletics Todd Stansbury said.
Tech Enjoys Another Year of High Rankings

The Georgia Institute of Technology’s graduate programs were once again among the highest ranked in the nation in U.S. News & World Report.

The College of Engineering appears on the list at No. 7 among public universities, and each of its 11 programs was ranked ninth or better:

- #1 Industrial and Systems Engineering
- #2 Biomedical Engineering
- #3 Civil Engineering
- #3 Environmental Engineering
- #4 Aerospace Engineering
- #4 Mechanical Engineering
- #4 Electrical Engineering
- #5 Chemical Engineering
- #6 Computer Engineering
- #7 Materials Engineering
- #9 Nuclear Engineering

The Scheller College of Business was ranked 28th in the nation for its full-time Master of Business Administration program and 16th for its part-time MBA.

The Ivan Allen College of Liberal Arts made the top 50 overall for its public policy program.

HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENTS

TOP: Richard L. “Dick” Bergmark, IMGT 1975, is, along with his wife, Toni, a longtime supporter of Georgia Tech. A retired energy industry executive, Bergmark has served on the boards of the Georgia Tech Foundation, the Alexander-Tharpe Fund, and the Ernest Scheller Jr. College of Business, of which he is currently chair. The Bergmarks have directed significant philanthropy toward Athletics and the Scheller College, in particular.

BOTTOM: Raphael W. Bostic is the 15th president and CEO of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta. The renowned economist has served on the boards of Freddie Mac, the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, Abode Communities, and Enterprise Community Partners. He is a fellow of the National Association of Public Administration, the vice president of the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, and an advisor for Georgia Audubon.
TRANSITIONS
Institute Development Staff Updates

Kathryn Ballard has been named development assistant senior for Gift Planning. She previously served as assistant to the director of Georgia Tech’s Office of Undergraduate Admission. Ballard holds a bachelor’s degree from Agnes Scott College.

Scarlett Earley has been named associate director of development for the Ivan Allen College of Liberal Arts. She previously served as assistant director for Donor Relations at Georgia State University. Earley holds both a bachelor’s and a master’s degree from Valdosta State University.

Charles Fleming, Esq. has been named director of Gift Planning. He comes to the Institute from Ohio State University, where he was associate director of Estate and Gift Planning. Fleming holds two bachelor’s degrees from Arizona State University, and he earned his J.D. from Creighton University.

Jeremy Harper has been named human resources coordinator for the Office of Development. He previously served as a human resources specialist for Aarons. Harper holds a bachelor’s degree from Kennesaw State University.

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Georgia Tech is excited to introduce a new campaign that will build a foundation to support our students, advance our research and innovation, enhance our campus and our community, and expand our impact at home and around the world.

Learn more about our goals at transformingtomorrow.gatech.edu
Effective July 1, the newly elected members of the Georgia Tech Foundation Board of Trustees will assume their roles. Established in 1932 as a 501(c)3 foundation, the Georgia Tech Foundation serves the Georgia Tech community by promoting the cause of higher education in Georgia, assisting the Institute in its role as a leading educational and research university, and receiving and managing charitable gifts made in support of the Institute. Trustees are appointed to four-year terms on the 45-member board. For more information, visit gtf.gatech.edu.
Gifts & Commitments: Q1

Every day, individuals, corporations, and foundations give generously to support all aspects of the Institute. Each gift is important to the growth of Georgia Tech, preparing the way for the next generation. The following recognizes those whose new gifts and commitments of $25,000 or greater were recorded between January 1, 2022, and March 31, 2022. Gifts are listed at face value; however, for accounting purposes certain deferred gifts are discounted based on the age of the donor or life-income beneficiary.

General Institute, Multipurpose, and Interdisciplinary Gifts

Alexis K. and Omar B. Balkissoon, IE 2000, gifts totaling $50,000 designated for the CREATE-X Council Fund and the Alexis and Omar Balkissoon Tech Promise Scholarship Endowment in the H. Milton Stewart School of Industrial and Systems Engineering.

Toni M. and Richard L. Bergmark, IMGT 1975, a commitment and gifts totaling $950,000 designated for the Swim & Dive Locker Room Renovation Project Fund and the Scheller College Director of Alumni Relations Position; and to establish the George Davis Flowers, Jr. MBA Fellowship Endowment Fund; the Anne Michelle Gusler Scholarship Endowment Fund; the Sarah A. Stebbins Faculty Support Endowment Fund; the Anuradha “Ria” Banerjee Dean’s Scholarship Program Support Endowment Fund; the Declan G. Nishiyama MBA Fellowship Endowment Fund; and the Sum N. Medinger Scholarship Endowment Fund, all in the Ernest Scheller Jr. College of Business; and the Dianna Shelander First Female Letterwinner Athletic Scholarship Endowment Fund.

Sarah B. Brown, Past Parent, and the John and Rosemary Brown Family Foundation, a $25,000 grant designated for the Office of the President.


G. Wayne Clough, CE 1963, M.S. CE 1965, HON Ph.D. 2015, a $100,000 gift designated for the Anne Robinson Clough Promise Scholarship Endowment Fund.

Cognizant Technology Solutions, gifts totaling $47,000 designated for Design Studio Courses in the School of Industrial Design and for the Interactive Product Design Laboratory in the School of Interactive Computing.


Cheryl W. and David E. Ehrenspberger, Friends, a $130,000 estate provision designated for the Steven Ehrenspberger Scholarship Endowment Fund.

Facebook Inc., a grant and gifts totaling $135,000 designated for faculty research in the School of Electrical and Computer Engineering; for faculty research in the School of Interactive Computing; and for the Institute for Data Engineering and Science.

Peggy H. and Brent Farnham, Parents, a commitment and gift totaling $28,500 designated to establish the Chloe Pontier Farnham Legacy Endowment Fund and for the Georgia Tech Parents Fund.

Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation, a $25,000 gift designated for the Veterans Education Training and Transition (VET2) Programs in the Division of Professional Education.

Kolby J. Hanley, MSE 2019, a $50,000 commitment designated for the CREATE-X Council Fund.

Joan C. and Hubert L. Harris Jr., IM 1965, a $50,000 gift designated for purposes to be determined.

Daniel T. Hazlett, Staff, a $25,400 commitment designated for the Intramural Supervisor Retreat Endowment Fund.

The Home Depot, gifts totaling $1,037,000 designated for The Home Depot Corporate Liaison Fund; Supply Chain Vertical support in the Advanced Technology Development Center; general support for the H. Milton Stewart School of Industrial and Systems Engineering; The Home Depot General Research Support Fund for the H. Milton Stewart School of Industrial and Systems Engineering; the Business Analytics Center in the Ernest Scheller Jr. College of Business; the Steven A. Denning Endowment for the Technology & Management Program in the Ernest Scheller Jr. College of Business; the Georgia Minority Business Enterprise Center; the Invention Studio in the George W. Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering; the Design Sequence classes in the George W. Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering; the ECE Access Program in the School of Electrical and Computer Engineering; the Corporate Affiliates Program for the School of Civil and Environmental Engineering; the Dean’s Discretionary Fund for Corporate Affiliates in the College of Computing; for the Office of Minority Educational Development; the Georgia Tech Parents Program Operations Fund; the Georgia Tech Career Center Programs; the College of Engineering’s Women in Engineering Program; the Dean of Students General Operating Account; Hack Georgia Tech; and the Georgia Tech Chapters of the Society of Women in Business, the Society of Black Engineers, the Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers, and Alpha Kappa Psi.

Horizons Atlanta, a $189,985 grant designated for the Horizons Program in the Center for Education Integrating Science, Mathematics, and Computing.

Patricia F. and Richard T. Iannacone, IE 1962, gifts totaling $30,000 designated for the Carmine and Jean Iannacone Endowment Fund in the H. Milton Stewart School of Industrial and Systems Engineering and the Athletic Scholarship Fund.

Scott W. Jackson, IE 2000, a $25,000 commitment designated for the Billiee Pendleton-Parker Memorial Endowment Fund.

Jim Ellis Inc., a $35,000 gift designated for the Ramblin’ Reck Garage Fund.


Kimberly-Clark Corporation, gifts totaling $38,000 designated for the Dean’s Discretionary Fund for Corporate Affiliates in the College of Computing; the College of Engineering’s Women in Engineering Program; and the Research Symposium in the Institute for Materials.

Konica Minolta, a $100,000 gift designated for the Konica Minolta Robotics Technology Research in the Institute for Robotics and Intelligent Machines.

William H. Leavengood Jr., ME 1973, a charitable gift annuity and gifts totaling $102,000 designated for the William H. Leavengood Jr. Scholarship Endowment Fund; to establish the John P. James, LLC Expendable Swimming Scholarship; and for unrestricted support for the Institute through the Alumni Roll Call.

Lisa and George F. Longino, Parents, a $25,000 commitment designated to establish the Longino Legacy Endowment Fund.

Microsoft Corporation, gifts totaling $133,000 designated for the South HUB general research fund within the Institute for Data Engineering and Science; the Women in Data Science Group in the School of Computer Science; and for the IDEA5 MLSeismic Industry Partner Program in the School of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences.

Estate of George E. Miles, EE 1961, a $10,586,550 estate distribution designated for the Georgia Ernest Miles Scholarship Endowment Fund.
Laurine G. and Bryan S. Nazworth, IE 1987, a commitment and gift totaling $42,000 designated for the Laurine and Bryan Nazworth Family Tech Promise Scholarship Fund and for the Latin American Student Emergency Fund.

NCR Corporation, gifts totaling $120,000 designated for the Business Analytics Center in the Ernest Scheller Jr. College of Business; the Dean’s Discretionary Fund for Corporate Affiliates in the College of Computing; and for Hack Georgia Tech.

Beth and Richard O’Brien, Parents, a $25,000 gift designated to establish the O’Brien Family Legacy Endowment Fund.

Sandra Perez-Village, Past Parent, a $25,000 commitment designated to establish the Armando R. Perez Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund.

Polen Capital, a $250,000 gift designated for the America’s Heroes: Jesse Tarplin Scholarship Endowment Fund; the America’s Heroes: Gerido Perez-Villace Scholarship Endowment Fund; and the Marlin A. Sloan Jr. Roll Call Endowment Fund.

Allison M. Powell, CE 2006, and M. Andrew Powell, IE 2005, a $50,000 gift designated for the CREATE-X Council Fund.

Procter & Gamble Fund, a $27,000 grant designated for the Office of Minority Educational Development.

Qualcomm Inc., a $25,000 gift designated for the Institute for Information Security and Privacy.


Mary C. and Earl L. Shell Jr., BC 1962, a $32,500 gift designated for the Georgia Tech Charitable Life Program.


Anonymous, a $50,000 gift designated for named family endowment funds.

**The Hill Society**

The Hill Society is a prestigious association for principal philanthropists of Georgia Tech, with additional recognition for those who support the Institute at a transformational level. New members initiated or upgraded from January – March 2022:

*Members*

- R. Thomas Dyal, IE 1988
- Elizabeth B. and William E. Higginbotham, CE 1976
- Dana D. and Jack E. McCallum, BIOL 1966
- Debra R. and John D. Ratliff, IE 1981
- Debra C. and Leslie N. Shade III, IMGT 1974
- Robert F. Speyer, Faculty

**Burdell Society**

The Burdell Society recognizes those whose generous gifts to Roll Call reach $25,000 per fiscal year. Burdell Society members for July 1, 2021 – March 31, 2022:

- Mary G. and C. Perry Bankston, AE 1971
- Sandra S. and Gerald C. Durand, IM 1961
- E. Patrick Epps, ME 1956
- Penny P. and William W. George, IE 1964, HON Ph.D. 2008
- Bonnie P. Giglio, IMGT 1977, and Jeffrey V. Giglio, IE 1977
- Joan S. and John William Goodhew III, IM 1961
- Christopher W. Klaus, Class of 1996
- Diana DellaRatta and John D. Marshall, IE 1996
- James L. Oliver II, ID 1965, ME 1967
- Delores A. and Phillip J. Scott, IE 1969
- Sue G. and John C. Staton Jr., IM 1960
- Hilal Jane and Randy I. Walker, EE 1987
- Alfred P. West Jr., AE 1964, HON Ph.D. 2010
- Amelia B. and S. Brent Zelnak, MGT 1994

**Founders’ Council**

Donors who made estate or life-income gifts and commitments of $25,000 or more recorded between January 1, 2022, and March 31, 2022:

- Cheryl W. and David E. Ehrenberger, Friends
- Dr. Goodman B. Espy III, ME 1957
- Sharron A. Moore and Thomas P. Hoey, Parents
- Patricia D. and Carl D. Ring, ME 1965
- *William W. Scott III, IE 1950
- Gail J. Panarelo Smith, ChE 1978, and David C.T. Smith
- Katharine M. Pearce and Paul D. Wetenhall, IE 1973

*Permanently endowed at $500,000 or more.

* Deceased
Gifts & Commitments, continued

Carrie and Ronald W. Woliver, IE 1965, gifts totaling $31,000 designated for the Georgia Tech Houston Area Network Scholarship Endowment Fund and for unrestricted support for the Institute through the Alumni Roll Call.

Zhenhua Yu, M.S. ECE 2010, Ph.D. ECE 2014, a $50,000 commitment designated for the Georgia Tech-Shenzhen Unrestricted Fund.

Ernest Scheller Jr.
College of Business

Georgia-Pacific LLC, a $35,000 gift designated for the Steven A. Denning Technology & Management Program.

Lynne and Aaron J. Land, IM 1960, gifts totaling $147,585 designated for the A.J. and Lynne Land Dean’s MBA Fellowship Endowment Fund and the Dean’s Fund for Excellence.

Charles E. Madanick, MATH 1963, M.S. IM 1965, a $400,000 living trust provision designated for the Charles E. Madanick Fellowship Endowment Fund.

Sam N. Medinger, IA 2018, a $25,000 commitment designated to establish the Sam N. Medinger Scholarship Endowment Fund.

thyssenkrupp Elevator, a $50,000 gift designated for the Business Analytics Center.

Veritiv Operating Company, a $40,000 gift designated for the Business Analytics Center.

College of Computing

Computing Research Associates, a $49,129 grant designated for faculty research in the School of Computer Science.

J. Lawrence Hester, EE 1967, a $40,000 individual retirement account charitable rollover gift designated for the James Lawrence Hester Fellowship Endowment Fund.

JP Morgan Chase & Company, a $76,332 grant designated for faculty research in the School of Interactive Computing.

Megan M. and Richard B. Lane, CS 2003, a $50,000 gift designated for the Megan M. and Richard B. Lane Scholarship Endowment Fund.

Meta, a $765,000 grant designated for the Machine Learning Center at Georgia Tech.

Northrop Grumman Corporation, a $47,500 grant designated for faculty research.

Nvidia, a $42,000 gift designated for faculty research in the School of Interactive Computing.

Open Technology Fund, a $253,296 grant designated for faculty research.

Karen B. Steinfeld, ICS 1983, and David E. Steinfeld, ME 1985, a $25,000 commitment designated to establish the Karen B. and David E. Steinfeld Scholarship Fund.

College of Design

Georgia Forestry Association, a $80,000 grant designated for faculty research in the College of Design.

New Venture Fund, a $180,000 grant designated for faculty research in the School of Architecture.

College of Engineering

ALDI South, a $165,000 commitment designated for the Physical Internet Center in the H. Milton Stewart School of Industrial and Systems Engineering.

Amazon.com Inc., commitments totaling $1,480,000 designated for Georgia Tech SURE Program in the College of Engineering and the H. Milton Stewart School of Industrial and Systems Engineering Fellowships.

American Heart Association, a $68,994 grant designated for faculty research in the Wallace H. Coulter Department of Biomedical Engineering.

America Makes, a $219,375 grant designated for faculty research in the George W. Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering.

American Society for Engineering Education, a $259,200 grant designated for postdoctoral fellowships in the School of Civil and Environmental Engineering.


BECsIS LLC, a $140,000 commitment designated for the faculty research in the School of Materials Science and Engineering.

Eva and Alfredo C. Boratto, IE 1989, M.S. IE 1991, a $100,000 commitment designated for Technology Square Phase III: George Tower in the H. Milton Stewart School of Industrial and Systems Engineering.

Alexia B. Borden, IE 2001, and Gray M. Borden, a $50,000 commitment designated for Technology Square Phase III: George Tower in the H. Milton Stewart School of Industrial and Systems Engineering.

G. B. Espy III, ME 1957, a $500,000 estate provision designated for the Dr. Goodman B. Espy III Scholarship Quasi-Endowment Fund in the George W. Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering.

Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, a $399,155 grant designated for faculty research in the George W. Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering.

Georgia Power Foundation, a $25,000 grant designated for faculty research in the H. Milton Stewart School of Industrial and Systems Engineering.

Google Inc., a $175,000 gift designated for faculty research in George W. Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering.

Health Effects Institute, a $204,895 grant designated for faculty research in the School of Civil and Environmental Engineering.

Elizabeth B. and William E. Higginbotham, CE 1976, a $150,000 commitment designated to establish the William E. Higginbotham Fund in the School of Civil and Environmental Engineering.

Thomas P. Hoey, Past Parent, a $500,000 estate provision designated to establish the Kristen A. Hoey Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund in the H. Milton Stewart School of Industrial and Systems Engineering.

Anonymous, gifts totaling $74,464 designated for a named Chair Expendable Fund in the School of Electrical and Computer Engineering.

Institut Mines Télécom, a $67,690 gift designated for the Physical Internet Education Development Fund in the H. Milton Stewart School of Industrial and Systems Engineering.

Intel Corporation, grants totaling $133,000 designated for faculty research in the School of Electrical and Computer Engineering.

Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation International, a $53,321 grant designated for faculty research in the George W. Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering.

Margaret T. and Stephen A. Kendrick, IE 1988, a $100,000 commitment designated for Technology Square Phase III: George Tower in the H. Milton Stewart School of Industrial and Systems Engineering.

Nathaniel E. Barish, CS 2010, M.S. CS 2013, and Amanda R. Loftin, PFE 2013, a $30,000 commitment designated to establish the Loftin-Barish Family Scholarship Fund in the School of Materials Science and Engineering.

Tami L. Mace, M.S. POLY 2003, a $25,000 gift designated for the MILL 2.0 Renovation Project in the School of Materials Science and Engineering.
Linda M. and Xavier L. Mann, CERE 1982, M.S. CERE 1984, a $50,000 commitment designated to establish the Xavier and Linda Mann Scholarship Endowment Fund in the School of Materials Science and Engineering.

The Marcus Foundation, Inc., a $709,642 grant designated for faculty research in the Wallace H. Coulter Department of Biomedical Engineering.

Mayo Foundation for Medical Education and Research, grants totaling $30,000 designated for the Design & Innovation Support Fund in the Wallace H. Coulter Department of Biomedical Engineering.

The McKnight Foundation, a $100,000 grant designated for faculty research in the Wallace H. Coulter Department of Biomedical Engineering.

Anthony T. Gody, M.S. BC 2013, and Rebecca L. Nease, CE 1979, a $40,000 commitment designated to establish the Rebecca Nease and Anthony Gody Scholarship Endowment Fund in the School of Civil and Environmental Engineering.

Darrell W. Preble, Past Parent, individual retirement account charitable rollover gifts and a gift totaling $50,078 designated for faculty research in the School of Electrical and Computer Engineering.

Private Advanced Research Project Agency, gifts totaling $70,000 designated for faculty research in the School of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering.

Relogistics, a $60,000 commitment designated for the Physical Internet Center in the H. Milton Stewart School of Industrial and Systems Engineering.


Alfred P. Sloan Foundation, a $55,000 grant designated for faculty research in the George W. Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering.

Gail P. Smith, ChE 1978, and David C. Smith, a $1,000,000 retirement plan asset provision designated to establish the Gail P. Panarello Smith and David C. Smith Family Faculty Endowment Fund in the School of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering and the Gail J. Panarello Smith and David C.T. Smith Family Fellowship Endowment Fund in the School of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering.

Synopsys Inc., a $50,000 commitment designated for faculty research in the School of Electrical and Computer Engineering.

Toyota Racing Development, a $45,000 gift designated for the Toyota Racing Development Fund in the Aerospace Systems Design Laboratory.

United Parcel Service, a $75,000 gift designated for the Health and Humanitarian Logistics Scholarships for the H. Milton Stewart School of Industrial and Systems Engineering and for the UPS CHHS Program Support in the School of Industrial and Systems Engineering.

Kay and Stephen D. Walker, TEXT 1970, a $27,005 commitment designated to establish the Hilma Walker Scholarship Fund in the School of Materials Science and Engineering.

Water Research Foundation, a $199,519 grant designated for faculty research in the School of Civil and Environmental Engineering.

Linda R. and Michael J. Whalin, EE 1972, a $50,000 retirement plan assets provision designated for the Linda R. and Michael J. Whalin Scholarship Endowment for the School of Electrical and Computer Engineering.

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Megan L. Whittemore, ChE 1991, and Todd A. Whittemore, ChE 1991, a $30,000 estate provision designated to establish the Andrew Grant Whittemore Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund in the School of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering.

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**Intercollegiate Athletics**


**Stephanie and Russ P. Bell**, Past Parents, a $25,000 commitment designated for the L. Guyton Branch Baseball Scholarship Endowment Fund.

**Charles C. Blackmon**, MGT 2011, a $25,000 gift designated for the James R. “Jim” Poole Athletic Scholarship Endowment Fund.


**Alexis M. and W. Joshua Brown**, Friends, a $125,000 commitment designated for the Josh Brown Family Scholarship Endowment Fund for Men's Basketball.

**Rose M. and Travis Collins**, IMGT 1979, a $450,000 commitment designated for the Bob Collins and Stuart Collins Athletic Scholarship Endowment Fund.


**Erin C. and Karl F. Dasher**, IE 1993, a commitment totaling $32,500 designated for the intercollegiate athletics volleyball program and the intercollegiate athletics women's basketball program.

**Sandra and C. Gregory Davis**, IE 1974, a $25,000 commitment designated for the intercollegiate athletics men's basketball program.

**Donna C. de la Guardia**, IMGT 1979, a $25,000 commitment designated for the intercollegiate athletics men's basketball program.

**Sandra and Edward M. Salley III**, IE 1968, a $25,000 commitment designated for the Athletic Scholarship Fund.

**Annie I. and Danny R. Shepherd**, GMGT 1973, a $125,000 commitment designated for the Athletic Director's Initiative Fund.

**Jennifer C. and Jonathan C. Sterling**, ME 1992, a $125,000 commitment designated for the Athletic Scholarship Fund.

**Sally and David R. Tyndall**, BC 1983, a $25,000 commitment designated for the Baseball Grand Slam Club.

**Katherine Miller and Charles L. Wallace**, IM 1964, a $100,000 individual retirement account charitable rollover gift designated for the Charles L. Wallace Family Athletic Scholarship Endowment Fund.

**R. Larry Whidby**, Friend, a $65,000 commitment designated for the Athletic Scholarship Fund.

**Amelia B. and Brent Zelnak**, MGT 1994, a commitment and gift totaling $260,000 designated for the intercollegiate athletics women's basketball program and the Football Coaches Committee Fund.

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### College of Sciences

**Burroughs Wellcome Fund**, a $33,201 grant designated for faculty research in the School of Physics.

**Chevron**, a $90,000 gift designated for the IDEASeis MLA Seismic Industry Partner Program in the School of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences.

**Myceillium Foundation**, a $125,000 grant designated for the Myceillium Foundation Scholarship Fund.

**Ovarian Cancer Institute**, a $200,000 grant designated for faculty research in the McDonald Ovarian Cancer Institute Research Laboratory in the School of Biological Sciences.

**Estate of Zalph A. Rochelle**, Friend, a $420,000 estate distribution designated for the Richard A. Duke Faculty Endowment Fund in the School of Mathematics.

**Rockefeller Foundation**, a $50,371 grant designated for faculty research in the School of Biological Sciences.

**Simons Foundation**, grants totaling $623,354 designated for faculty research in the School of Biological Sciences.

**Glenna and Anderson D. Smith**, Faculty, a $50,000 commitment designated to establish the Anderson D. Smith Ph.D. Lecture Series Endowment Fund in the School of Psychology.

**Anonymous**, a $25,000 gift designated for named Golf Program Endowment Fund.

**Jerry S. Johnson**, EE/1957, a $100,000 charitable gift annuity designated for the Jerry S. Johnson Athletic Scholarship Endowment Fund.

**Robert J. Lane**, MGT 1986, a $25,000 commitment designated for the Athletic Scholarship Fund.

**Sharon W. and Michael R. Moye**, IMGT 1979, a $25,000 commitment designated for the Athletic Scholarship Fund.

**Michelle L. and Peter E. Quinones**, MBA 2008, a $125,000 commitment designated to establish the Quinones Family Trust Athletic Scholarship Endowment Fund.

**Jean Marie Richardson**, MGT 2002, and **Harry L. Richardson**, BIOC 2002, a $30,000 commitment designated for the intercollegiate athletics women's basketball program.

**Donna S. and Edward M. Salley III**, IE 1968, a $25,000 commitment designated for the Athletic Scholarship Fund.

**Anne I. and Danny R. Shepherd**, GMGT 1973, a $125,000 commitment designated for the Athletic Director's Initiative Fund.

**Sandra D. and Charles P. Stephens**, Friends, a $25,000 gift designated for the Athletic Scholarship Fund.

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“We’ve had a blessed life thanks to the education we received at Tech, and we want to pay it forward so others can have the same opportunity.”

— Laura S. Huffman, EE 1979, M.S. EE 1981, and David C. Huffman, EE 1980

Laura and Dave Huffman’s professional and personal lives were influenced heavily by the Institute. They both earned electrical engineering degrees from Georgia Tech, where Laura also earned a master’s degree in the discipline. Dave, enrolled in a five-year, dual-degree program, completed both an electrical engineering degree from Tech and a physics degree from Georgetown College in Kentucky in 1980.

Georgia Tech is where Centerville, Ohio, native Laura met Dave, who hails from Oak Ridge, Tennessee. “Dave came to Tech for his last two years,” Laura said. “We never had any classes together, but I was a little sister in his fraternity.”

After graduating, Laura worked as director of product management at Lucent for several years before earning her J.D. from Emory University School of Law in 2008. Currently, she is a senior attorney with King & Spalding specializing in intellectual property. Dave was chief scientist with L3 Technologies Inc. until his retirement in 2010.

Although their hobbies are different — Laura enjoys running, reading, and music, while Dave follows Atlanta Braves Baseball, Georgia Tech sports of all varieties, and enjoys volunteering — they found enough common ground to build a life together.

Laura and Dave have established a generous estate provision to benefit the Institute. “We hope to support amazing students in the School of Electrical and Computer Engineering,” Dave said.
The Reck Garage, the future home of Georgia Tech’s beloved mascot, has been funded through the generosity of Anne T. Wallis, whose husband, William Barry Wallis Sr., ME 1968, was both a proud Yellow Jacket and “a car guy.” Anne (center, above) was present at the groundbreaking, and construction of the Garage is currently underway. Although the construction costs are covered, additional permanent endowment support for programming is needed.

To inquire about making a gift to support the additional programming endowment, contact Director of Development for Student Life Emily Takieddine at emily.takieddine@dev.gatech.edu or 404.385.0527.