GT CLUB orange county

Greetings and welcome to the first newsletter of the Georgia Tech Club of Orange County. We are proud to serve everyone in Orange County, as well as Northwest Riverside County. The entire steering committee thanks you for taking the time to learn more. We hope to see you soon at a future event.

Mission

The purpose of the Club is to provide support for Georgia Tech academics, athletics, and community relations, and to recruit prospective students in Orange County. Alumni and friends share common interests while having fun, meeting new people, and giving back to our community.

Officers

President & Scholarship Chair:	Nina Atluri - IE '99
Vice President:	Antony Gaynair - AE '87
Treasurer:	Rich Aguiar - EE '94
Secretary:	Ari Flechner - EE '92
Roll Call Chair:	Steve Cheuk - ME '03
Communications:	Dorron Margalit - IE '97
Social Chair:	Anita Makwana - Arch '96

Activities

The club sponsors diverse events including:

- Local prospective student recruitment
- Provide scholarships for GT undergrads
- Social, athletic, and networking events
- Incoming freshmen send-off party
- Speakers & dinners
- Community service

For all the latest information, please visit
www.GTCLUBOC.org,
send an email to info@gtcluboc.org,
or call Ari Flechner at 714-731-2009

Happy Hours

Reminisce with old Tech friends, and welcome new grads and transplants to our beautiful corner of the world. Our happy hour is the 1st Thursday of the month (from 6pm) at The Shark Club in Costa Mesa. Drink and food specials abound until 7pm. (www.sharkclub.com)

Game Watchings

Show your Tech spirit and support our great football and basketball programs! Our game watching home is National Sports Grill in Santa Ana. They have most games on satellite and we get discounts on food and drinks. (www.nationalsportsgrill.com)

How We Stay in Touch Locally

Online invitations are sent for our monthly happy hours and game watchings through evite.com. We have separate distribution lists for each, and if you give us your email address we can start sending you invitations!

The Georgia Tech Alumni Association will send electronic invitations to our scheduled events.

We also have a Yahoo group in which all members post messages and announcements. Let us know if you want to join gtocalums.

Stay Connected with Georgia Tech

Have you recently moved, gotten married, changed jobs, gotten a promotion? Be sure to let the Alumni Association know! Keeping us informed is simple - just email at bioupdate@alumni.gatech.edu.

Scholarship Fund

We intend on providing an Orange County (or Northwest Riverside County) incoming GT freshman a scholarship. If we can raise $500 in tax-deductible donations, the GT Alumni Association will match our funds dollar for dollar. For more information on how you can contribute, contact Nina Atluri at 818-645-2565 or send an email to info@gtcluboc.org.

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Membership

Voluntary dues are $25/year ($40/year for a couple). Our fiscal year starts on July 1st and ends on June 30th. Funds that remain at the end of the year are applied towards the club's scholarship fund.

Because it costs money to host/maintain a website, pay for club operating expenses, and host exciting local events, we must ask for dues to survive. However, membership gets you discounts to all future events, and on locally branded merchandise (GT Club of OC Polo Shirts will be available soon!).

As an incentive to join the Club in 2005, all paid members by April 1st will be entered into a drawing for 2 1-day Park Hopper tickets to Disneyland®. This is no April Fools Joke! Complete, tear off, and return the form on the back today.

To date, the following people have paid membership dues for 2004-2005: *Anita Makwana; Ari Flechner; Bill Magee, Bob Bullard; Brian Drachman; Dorron Margalit; Nina Atluri; Rich Aguiar; Ron Wensel;* and *Steve Cheuk.*

Coach Paul Hewitt Speaks!

Come hear Tech's head basketball coach, Paul Hewitt, speak on Wednesday May 4th, 2005. You and your family are invited to attend this event. We expect to hear some great news from Coach Hewitt, as he talks about Tech's basketball program successes and what lies ahead for the future.

Location:	Shady Canyon Golf Club, Irvine
Time:	6:30pm silent auction, Hors d'Oeuvres 7:30pm program starts
Cost:	$25 for members, $30 for guests
Contact:	Rich Aguiar at raguiar@seic.com

Please note that reservations are required, and your check must be received by Wednesday April 27th, 2005. More details will follow in the coming weeks!

Georgia Tech Club of Orange County
338 5th Street
Huntington Beach, CA 92648

Other Upcoming Events

Family Edition BBall Game Watching Sunday 2/26
Come watch TECH play a crucial late season ACC basketball game. The game is against Miami, and is only on ESPN Full Court.

Location: Ari Flechner's house
3013 Young
Tustin, CA 92782
Time: 12pm, game starts at 1pm
Format: Potluck lunch, chips/drinks provided

Contact Ari at 714-731-2009 or ari@flechner.com for more information and to find out what to bring.

Temecula Wine Tour Saturday 6/18
We have reserved a bus that leaves from the Irvine Amtrak Station and will take us to 3 or 4 wineries. The tour takes approximately 5 hours, and lunch and wine are included!

Location: Irvine Amtrak Station
15215 Barranca Parkway
Irvine, CA 92618
Cost: $49 for members, $55 for guests

You must be 21 to attend. This event is on a first come first served basis. To reserve a spot send your checks ASAP made out to GT CLUB OC, c/o Nina Atluri, 25131 Via Bajo Cerro, Laguna Niguel,CA 92677

Freshmen Send-off Party Saturday 8/6
Come join fellow TECH alumni and friends at a picnic in honor of our incoming Southern California freshmen.

Location: Mason Park in Irvine or
Mile Square Park in Fountain Valley
Time: 1pm

It's a picnic, so bring whatever you enjoy eating, drinking, and doing outdoors. Contact Antony Gaynair at 714-962-7651 or agaynairaal@msn.com for more information.

More Things Yet to Come…

Look for our Fall 2005 newsletter for exciting events and activities during the coming academic year! If you want to stay informed about these exciting events we need your contact information and email addresses!

Finally, we also respect your right to privacy. If you are not interested in being a part of the club, please let us know. We will gladly take you off our distribution lists.

Joining is simple, just complete this form, tear it off, and send it to the club along with you check payable to:
Georgia Tech Club of Orange County, c/o Richard Aguiar, 338 5th Street, Huntington Beach, CA 92648

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____, State: _____, Zip: _____
Phone: (Work, Home, Cell – circle one) _____
Email Address: _____

MEMBERSHIP:
Single: ☐ $25
Couple: ☐ $40
Enclosed…… $ _____