

Technically Speaking

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For Students, By Students

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"In order to succeed, your desire for success must be greater than your fear of failure."

- - Bill Cosby

Bookstore Shortages



It's well into the fall semester here at Forsyth Tech, and some students still don't have their books. The Forsyth Tech Bookstore has recently been out of stock on textbooks for some popular classes, most notably ENG 111 and BIO 111. This has been a major inconvenience to some book-less students. Tests and homework inevitably come their way.

"I tried buying my BIO 111 books before class even started. It's been four weeks at this point, and that's a little ridiculous. I have a lab test coming up soon, and I'm totally unprepared," says Kara Miller, 21, an Associate in the Arts Major.

According to the Forsyth Tech Bookstore, there are currently issues on the publisher's end of the spectrum. Forsyth Tech is in the process of switching to "custom books," which take around 2-4 weeks to print on demand and then 7-10 business days to get to the school. These custom books are made specifically for Forsyth Tech students, including certain excerpts and side notes scattered throughout the text.

By: Nick Collins

Since the books are tailored specifically to Forsyth Tech students, the bookstore tries not to buy too many copies of a certain book. "We could buy one-hundred copies of a custom version of Beowulf. If we sell thirty of those one-hundred, then we have seventy books that end up collecting dust on the rack," said Danielle Hawkins, Customer Service Tech in the bookstore. "It's so smart on the publisher's side of things, but it's really hard on our end."

The bookstore has a small window in which it is able to return the custom books, for about 10% return on the purchase.

Students may keep up with the list of out-of-stock books by logging into their Techlink accounts.

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Education For Life

Congratulations Forsyth Tech Early College!

The Early College of Forsyth ranked in the top 3% of *Newsweek's* college preparedness and student achievement list. The ranking is based on enrollment rate, graduation rate, weighted AP/IB composite, and weighted SAT/ACT scores.

Passionately Pink Day!

Faculty, staff, and students are welcome to come out and participate in a one-mile walk to support Breast Cancer Awareness. This event is sponsored by Shugart Women's Center and SWCircle.

When: October 17, 2014 at 12 noon
Where: Oak Grove Center

Forsyth Tech Events

 **Community Day**
When: October 3, 2014
(rain date October 10, 2014)
Where: Stokes County Center

 **Domestic Violence Event**
When: October 18, 2014 11:00AM-12:30PM
Where: Oak Grove Center

 **Tanglewood Heart and Stroke Walk**
When: October 18, 2014
Where: Tanglewood Park

Save the Planet

Thanks for reading *Technically Speaking*, but give a hoot and don't pollute. Share it with a friend or put it in the recycle bin.

Recycle bins can be located in and around campus buildings!

Get Involved with Forsyth Tech's QEP!

As you wander around campus, you probably see signs regarding Forsyth Tech's QEP. What is a QEP anyway? QEP stands for Quality Enhancement Plan, a program designed to improve an aspect of education; Forsyth Tech has chosen Information Literacy as our QEP. Watch for upcoming seminars throughout the year to learn more!



Phillip Milano is the founder of Y? The National Forum on People's Differences, the acclaimed cross-cultural dialogue project that encourages people to ask unflinching, politically incorrect questions about our differences. Milano believes this no-holds-barred dialogue can help us overcome our fears of offending and gain greater understanding of one another.

book: *"I Can't Believe You Asked That!"*, as well as the writer of the pioneering newspaper column "Dare to Ask."

Milano is a 25-year newspaper veteran. He received his Masters of Business Administration from Northern Illinois University and his Bachelors of Science in Journalism from Southern Illinois University.

Since its creation in 1998, Milano's web site, YForum.com, has attracted millions of visitors and thousands of questions and answers. He has been featured on CBS, CNN, BET and the BBC, and in numerous newspapers, including *The Washington Post*, *New York Times* and *USA Today*.

Co-Sponsored by Student Activities, Global Awareness Committee, and Humanities Enrichment Series

"I can't believe you asked that! When PC is BS"

**Tuesday, November 4, 2014
Oak Grove Center Auditorium
12:30 PM- 1:30 PM**

He is the author of the Penguin



Silas Creek Culture

Movies

October

Anabelle (Horror)

Gone Girl (Drama)

The Good Lie (Drama)

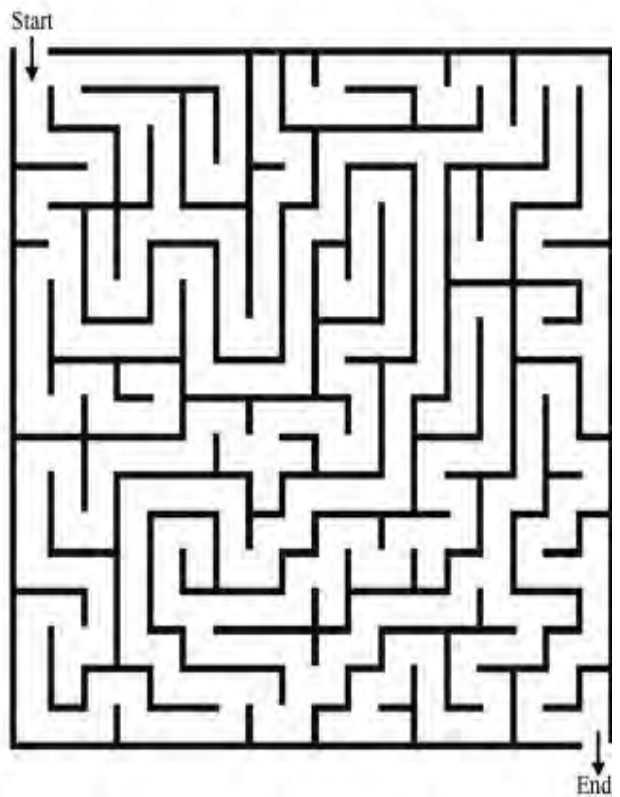
Ouija (Adventure)

Nightcrawler (Thriller)

Men, Women, and Children (Drama)

The Book of Life (Romance)

Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day (Comedy)



Helpful Tips

If someone presses all the floor buttons on an elevator, press each button again to avoid stopping on every level.



Sugar can help cure a burnt tongue.



Rubbing alcohol will remove pen marks and stains from most any kind of fabric.



Exhale every time your left foot hits the ground when running to avoid cramps.



Resource: Pinterest



Fall Break

Fall break is posted in the student planner on two different weeks, but October 13-15 is correct.



Fall Fest

When: October 17, 2014

Where: Main Campus (Parking Lot 01 - between Bob Greene Hall and Oak Grove Center)

Come out and enjoy Fall Fest! There will be free food and entertainment!

Student Government Association



JOIN STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Membership Application Available on Techlink

YOU MAY QUALIFY FOR SGA IF YOU:

- Have at least a 2.5 GPA
- Have at least 3 hours per week to volunteer
- Are able to meet bi-monthly on Wednesdays at 3pm

TO APPLY TO SGA:

- Complete an application
- Complete the Availability Worksheet
- Submit a one-page personal statement
- Get 3 faculty/staff references

To learn more, visit Techlink: "Student Government" under the Student Life tab.

From the Desk of the Editor

Hello, Forsyth Tech students, faculty, and staff!

Thank you for picking up the latest issue of *Technically Speaking*. I hope everyone is having a great semester so far! Fall break is just around the corner, so hang in there.

Technically Speaking is a newspaper by students, for students. This means we want and need your ideas and suggestions! If you have poetry, short stories, artwork, movie reviews, recipes, photographs, or articles, feel free to send them to us to be published!

As you flip through *Technically Speaking*, I hope you find it informative and enjoyable. If you have any suggestions on how to improve the paper, feel free to email *Technically Speaking* at technicallyspeaking.forsythtech.edu or me at covera1494@students.forsythtech.edu.

Alexis



Alexis Cover

A Thousand Words



Carrying hot-n-ready pizzas, a group of Forsyth Tech students enthusiastically make their way to their next class in Snyder Hall.



A group of Forsyth Tech students enjoying a beautiful mid-September day and the sounds of John Jennings' guitar.

From left to right: Robert Peace, Christopher Brookes, Stephanie Bull, and John Jennings.



Thomas Myers, a Forsyth Tech student, cuts wood for a greenhouse project for the Carpentry Class.



Faculty member Steven Kauffman (left) tutors sophomore Jennifer Greens (right) for a statistics test.



Josh Campbell and Nyeshia Adams sitting outside of the TEC building taking advantage of the beautiful weather.

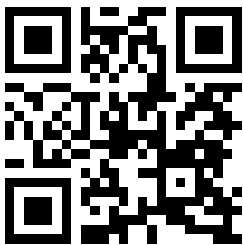


Antonia Marquez listening to music while working on an assignment in the Grill.

Registration Celebration



2014-2015 Registration Celebration



Look for QEP events taking place throughout the year!

QEP Modules

Forsyth Tech will offer a series of interactive learning modules covering topics related to information literacy. Topics will include the importance of acknowledging and giving credit to the source of borrowed work(s), use of the Modern Language Association (MLA) and American Psychological Association (APA) formatting guidelines for writing papers, effective search strategies, and much more. These modules will be available to all as they are piloted, revised, and released for widespread use. For now, please consult with your instructor about the availability of these modules or contact the Center for Transformative Learning at 336-734-7887.

Information Literacy *Because We C.A.R.E*

Communicate

Students will be able to develop the questions necessary to obtain the information they seek.

Access

Students will be able to identify and access appropriate information sources.

Research

Students will be able to search, retrieve, & utilize information for a specific purpose.

Evaluate

Students will be able to critically evaluate information.



Creative Corner

Veteran Resource Center

Open: Monday through Thursday
9:00AM-12:30PM and 1:00PM-2:00PM

Student veterans can use the center for studying, resource information, and academic help such as advising and study skills.

Counseling for student veterans is offered Monday through Thursday in the Student Success Center from 2:00PM-3:45PM.

Listen

By: Loretta Hairston

put your ear to my heart, you can hear my soul cry
from all the hurt, frustration, and tears inside
i feel pain in all shapes and sizes,
it's like a burning wind blowing straight in my eyes,
but the tears won't come out
i've yet to figure out why
i scream, rant, yell,
sometimes i feel as though i'm living in hell,
everyone loves my smile, my laugh, the sparkle in
my eyes,
but if you really wanna know me,
put your ear to my heart and hear my soul cry....



Did you know?



Michael Jordan always wore his University of North Carolina shorts under his NBA Bulls uniform for good luck.



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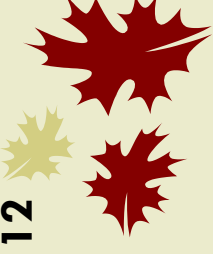
Are you interested in contributing to *Technically Speaking*?

Do you have a suggestion or an idea that might improve
Technically Speaking?

Or would you just like to get involved with the Journalism Club?

Contact us at technicallyspeaking@forsythtech.edu

October 2014

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Soccer League & Bowling League begin	2	3 Student Leadership Retreat & Community Day	4
5	6 SGA Meeting at 12:30 in TEC 130	7 Volleyball & Flag Football	8 Domestic Violence Event & Soccer League	9	10	11 
12 	13 Fall Break	14 Fall Break	15 Professional Development Day (No classes)	16	17 Fall Fest and Passionately Pink Day	18 Tanglewood Heart & Stroke Walk
19	20 SGA Meeting at 12:30 in TEC 130	21 Volleyball & Flag Football	22 Blood Drive & Bowling League	23	24 Ambassador Meeting, Angel Tree Applications on Techlink, & Golf Tournament	25
26	27 Clubs Council	28 Volleyball & Flag Football	29	30 Minority Male Mentoring Program FT Day	31 