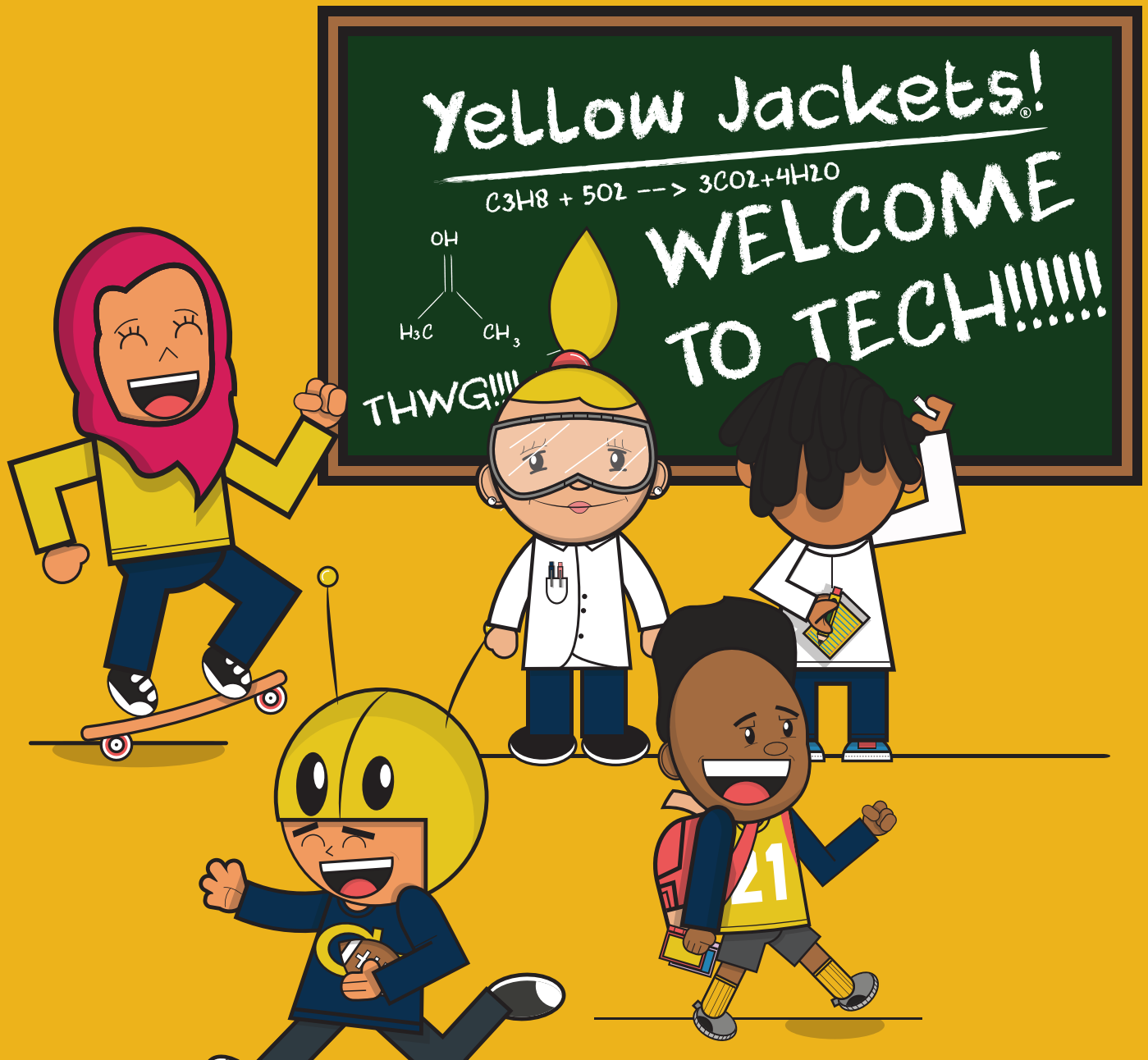


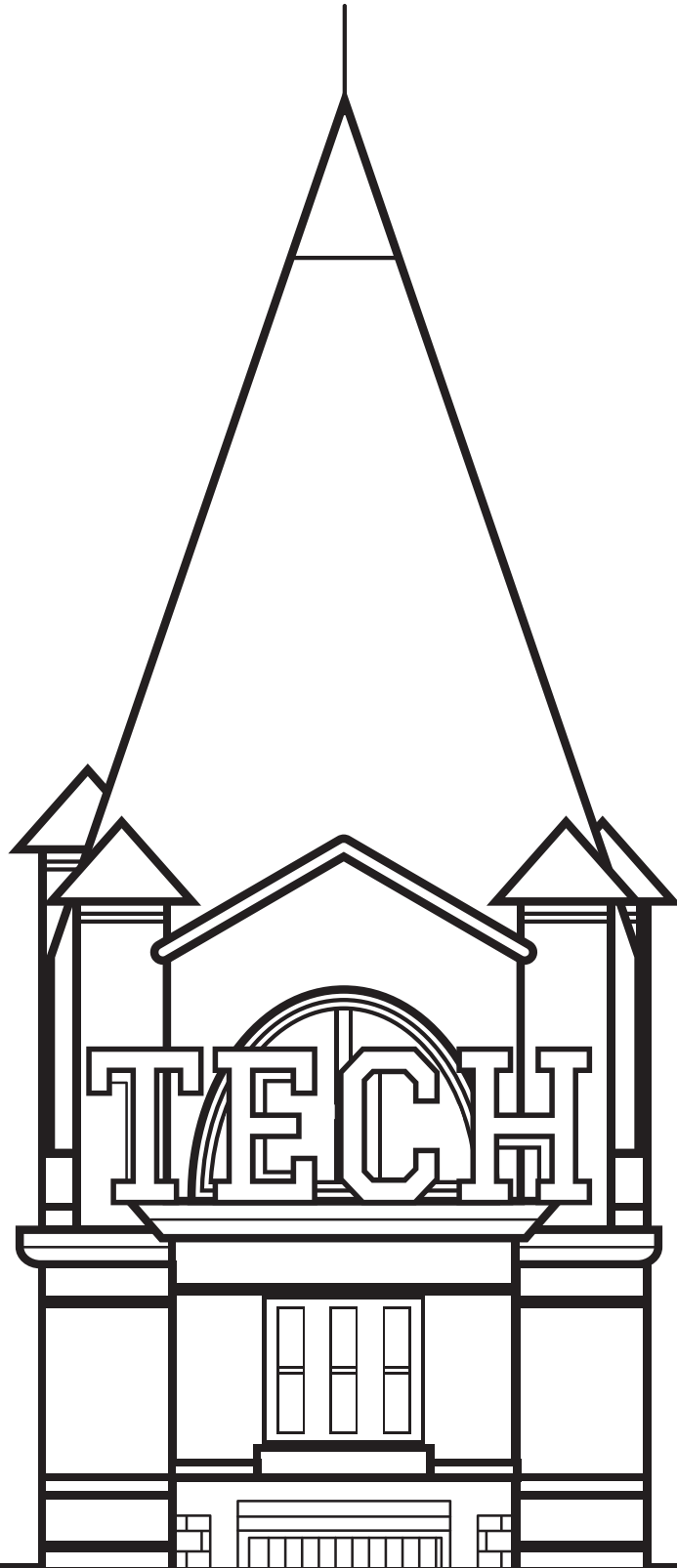
# TECH TALES

A COLORING AND  
ACTIVITY BOOK

Illustrated By: Francisco Sandoval



The **Tech Tower** was the first building on the campus when Georgia Tech® opened in 1888. It has a steeple on top that can be seen above the tree tops.

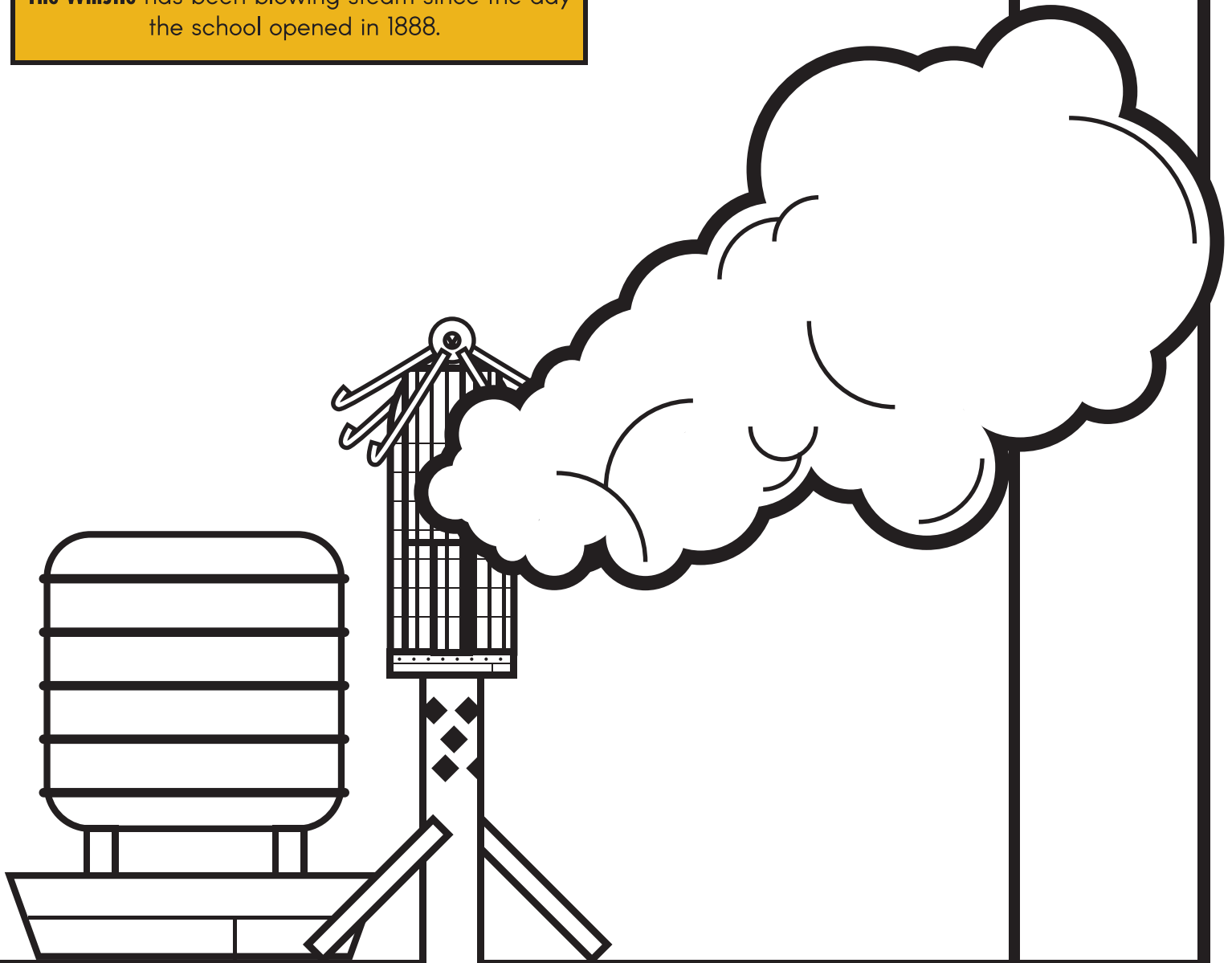


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# THE WHISTLE

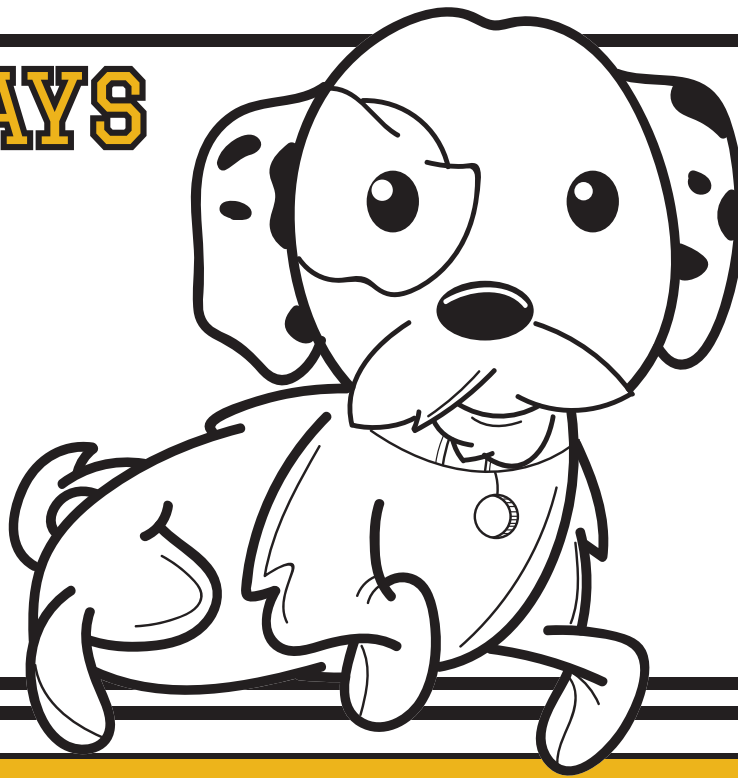
*"When the Whistle Blows"*

The Whistle has been blowing steam since the day the school opened in 1888.



Check this box once you have visited the Whistle.

# SIDEWAYS



**Sideways** was a little dog who was injured as a puppy and walked sideways. She attended classes and was every student's best friend from 1945-1947. Her grave is next to TECH TOWER and visitors throw coins onto it for good luck.

Mar .1. 1945

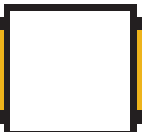


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## Sideways

EVER FAITHFUL AND TRUE  
CAMPANION OF STUDENT BODY OF GA TECH

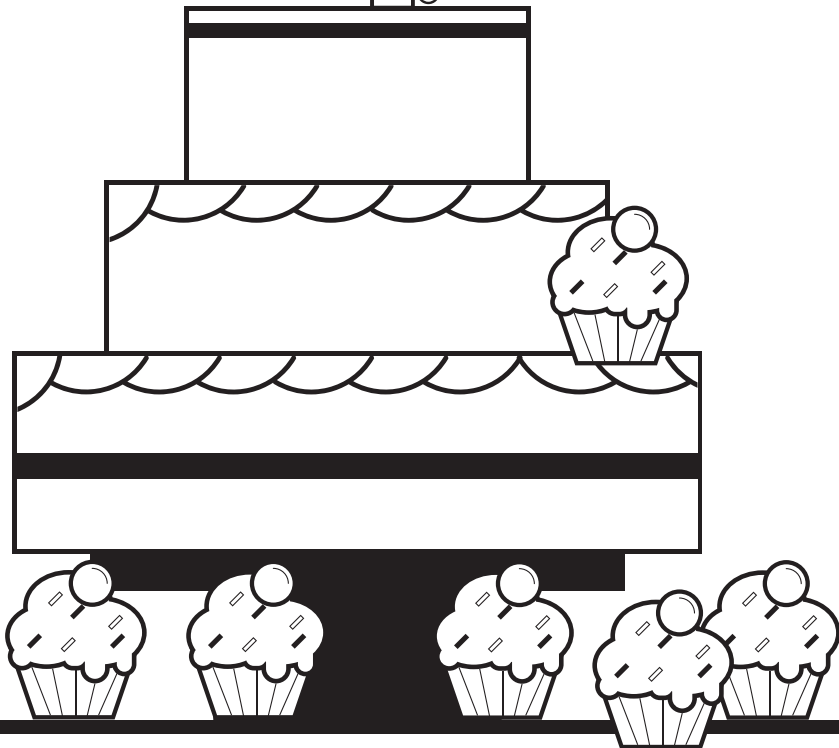
Check this box once you have visited Sideway's resting place.



Tradition started in 1911



# CAKE RACE



## FINISH

After the 1st race, faculty members' wives started baking cakes for the winners thus the name **Cake Race**. In 1935, the **Cake Race** became a part of Homecoming events in which Freshmen are required to run. The night before Ramblin' Wreck Club bakes cupcakes for the runners.

Mini  
**500**

Racing since 1969



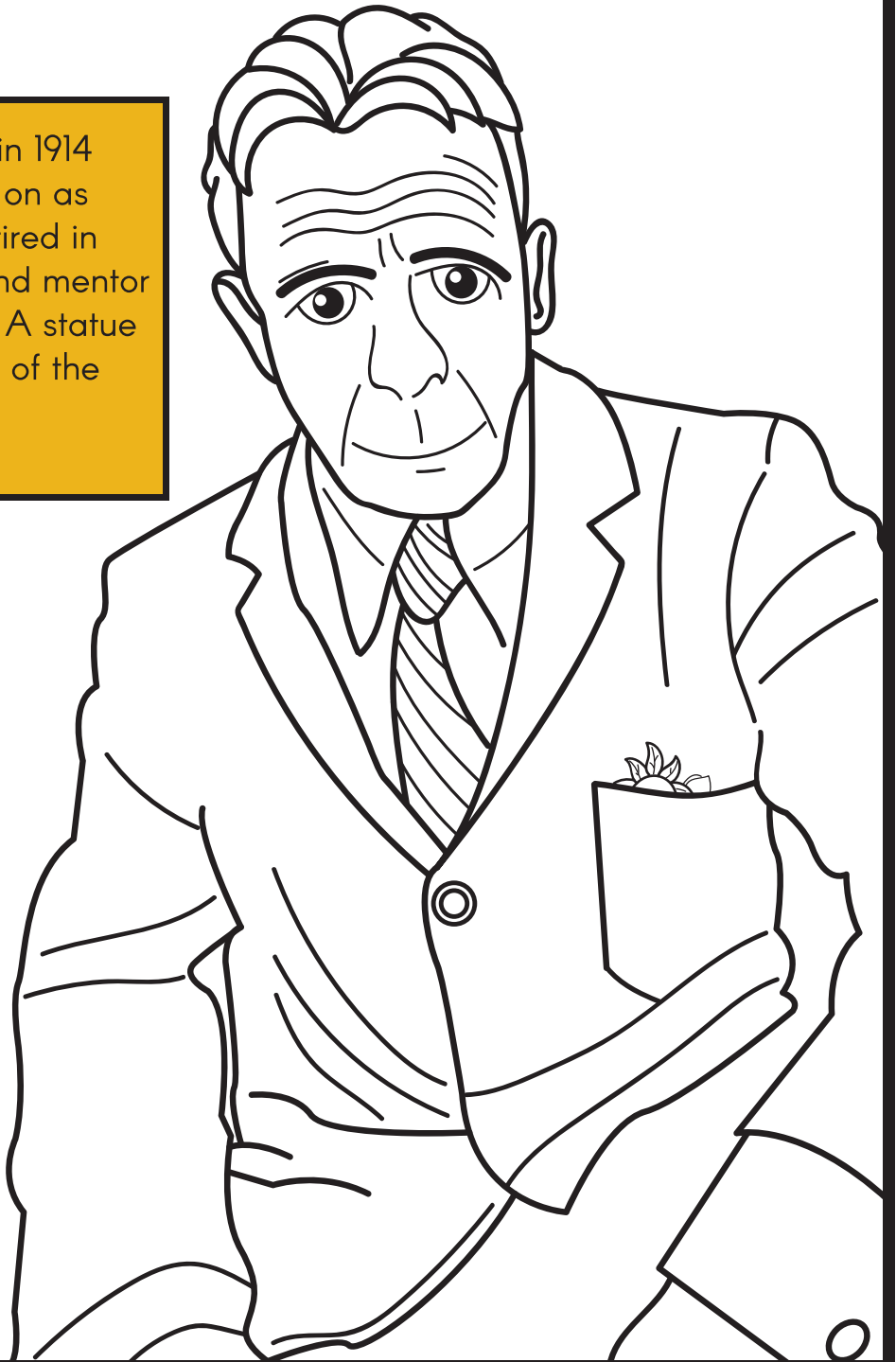
Annual tricycle race around Peter's Parking Deck that occurs the Friday before the Homecoming football game. Teams are comprised of seven members: four take turns as drivers and three make up the pit crew. All teams must complete 8 laps without destroying their tricycle. The **Mini 500** is without a doubt the most exciting events of Homecoming week at Georgia Tech.

**DEAN**

**GEORGE GRIFFIN**

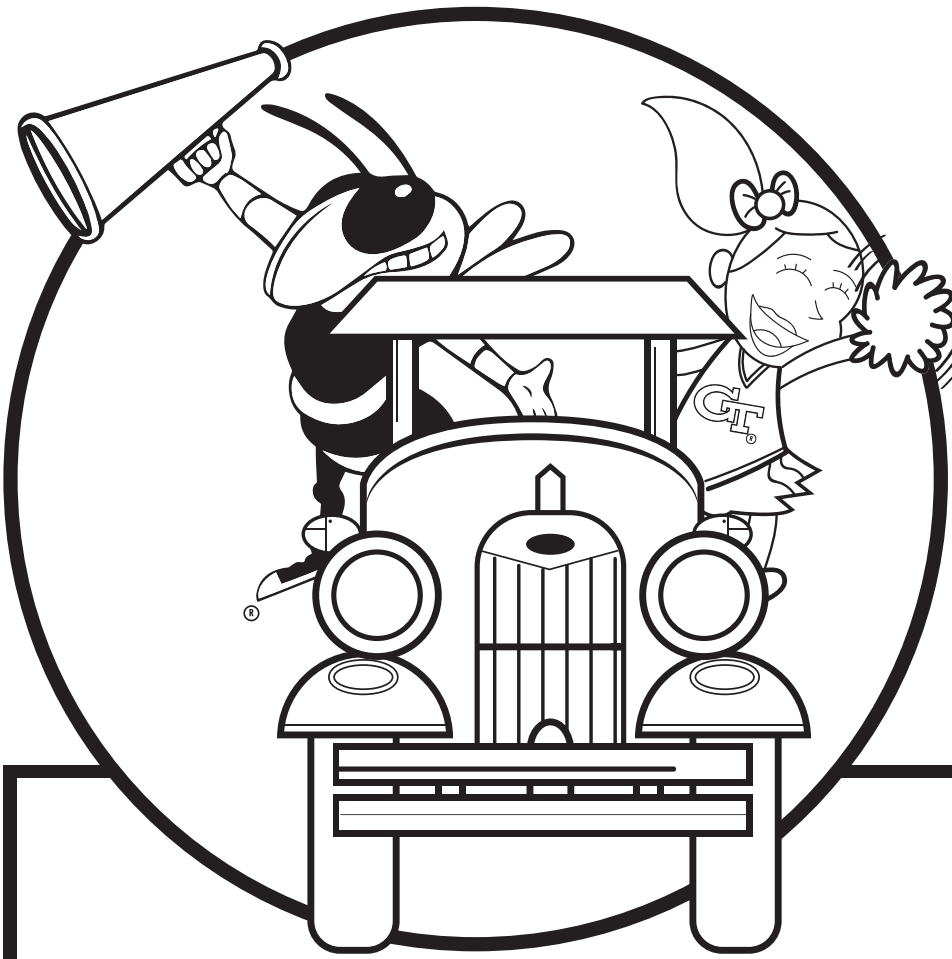
1897-1990

George Griffin came to Tech in 1914 as a student and then stayed on as a coach and dean until he retired in 1964. He served as speaker and mentor until he passed away in 1990. A statue of him sits on a bench in front of the Ferst Center for the Arts.



Check this box once you have visited Dean Griffin's Statue.

# THE *Ramblin'* WRECK<sup>®</sup>



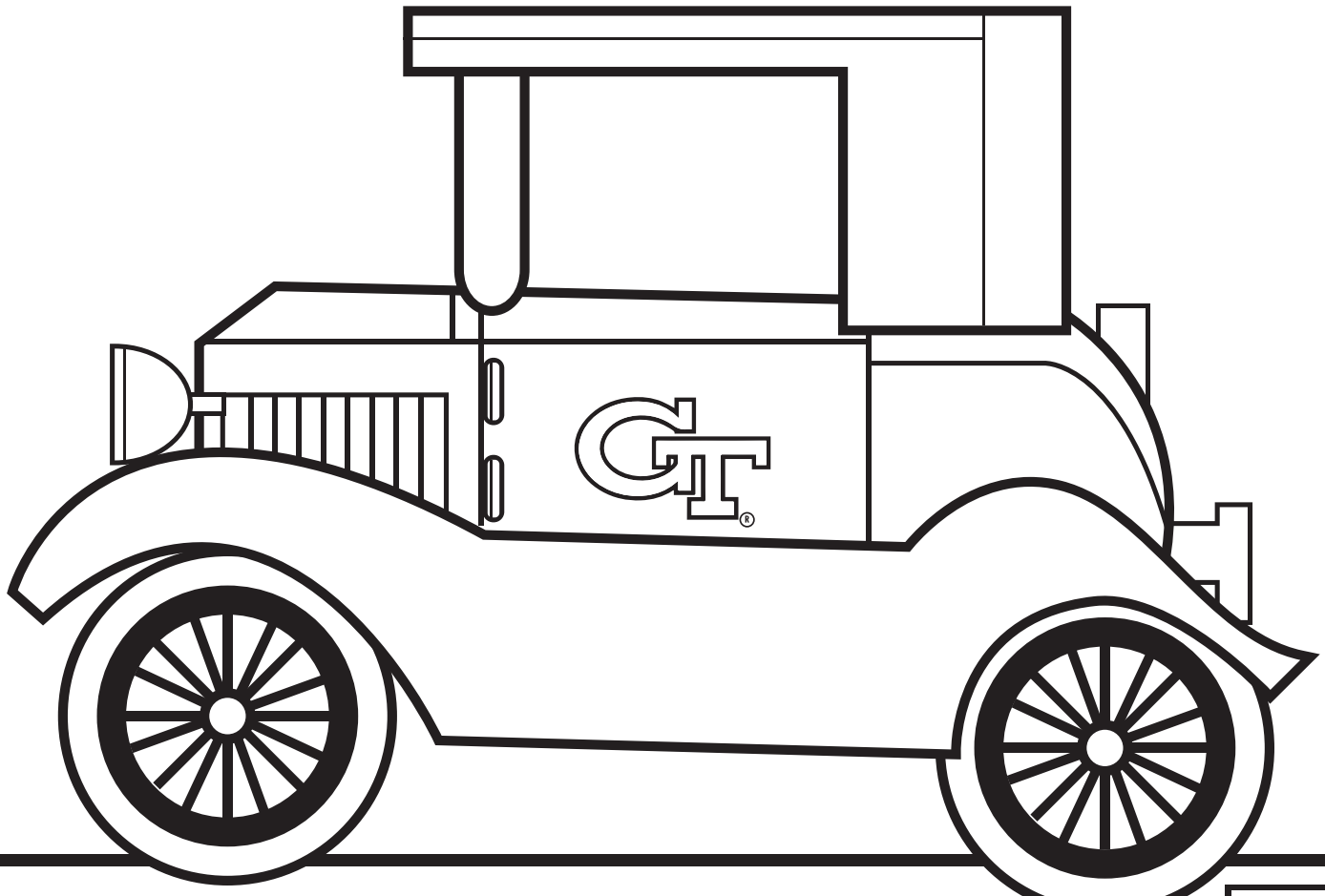
## **The Wreck**

is a 1930 Ford Automobile that has served as official mascot since 1961. Its white and gold colors represent Georgia Tech<sup>®</sup> at football games and other events.

It is cared for by the

## ***Ramblin' Reck Club***

who select a driver each year.



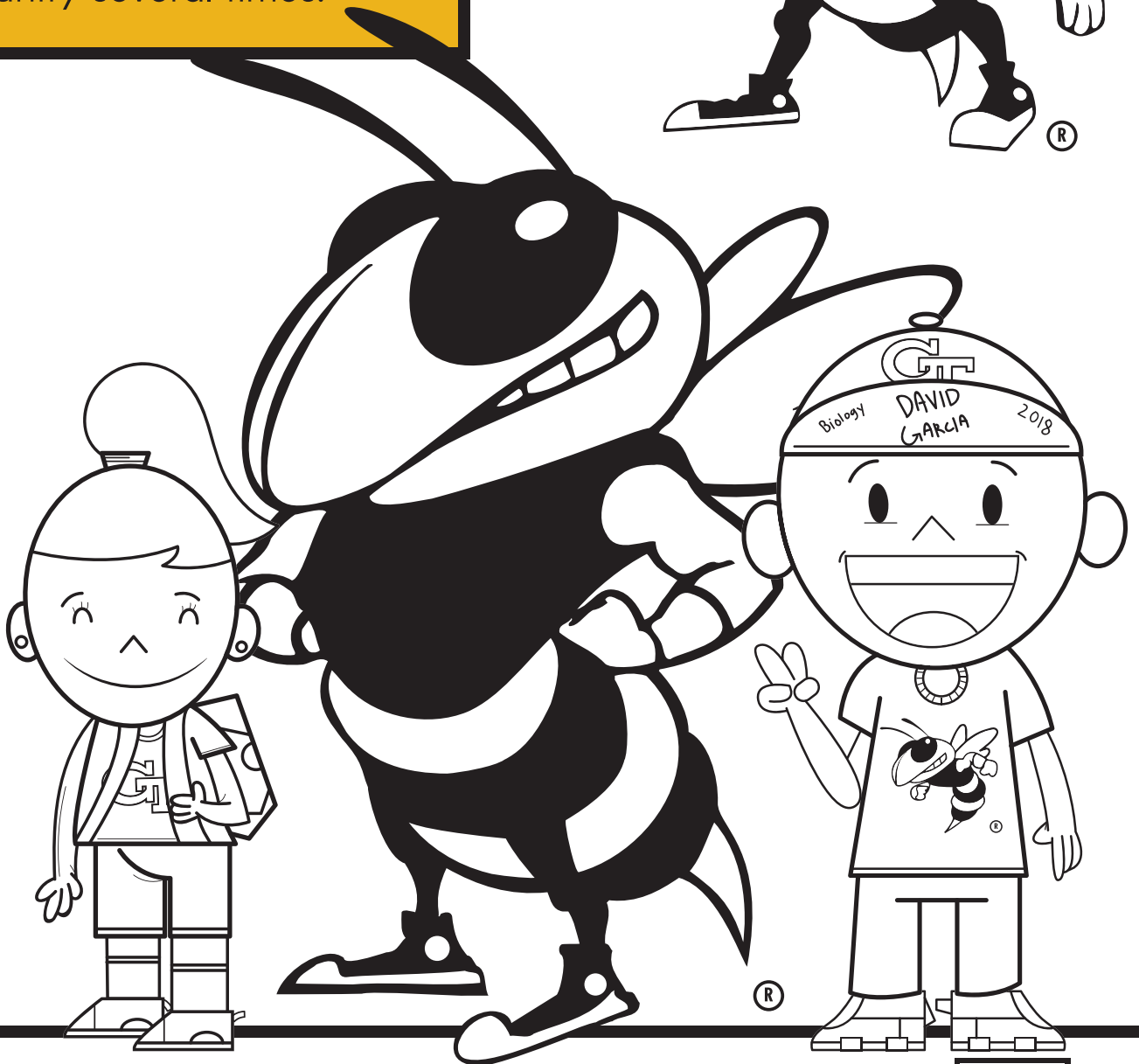
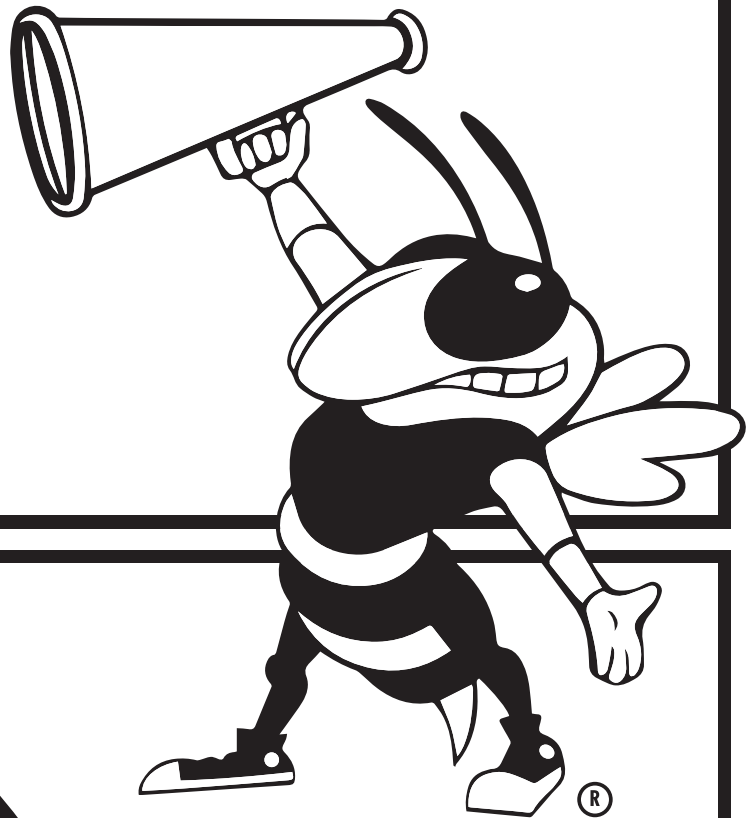
Check this box once you have seen the Ramblin' Wreck<sup>®</sup> in person.



SAY HELLO TO

# BUZZ<sup>®</sup>

Tech mascot since 1980. Silly and energetic, Buzz has won best mascot in the country several times!

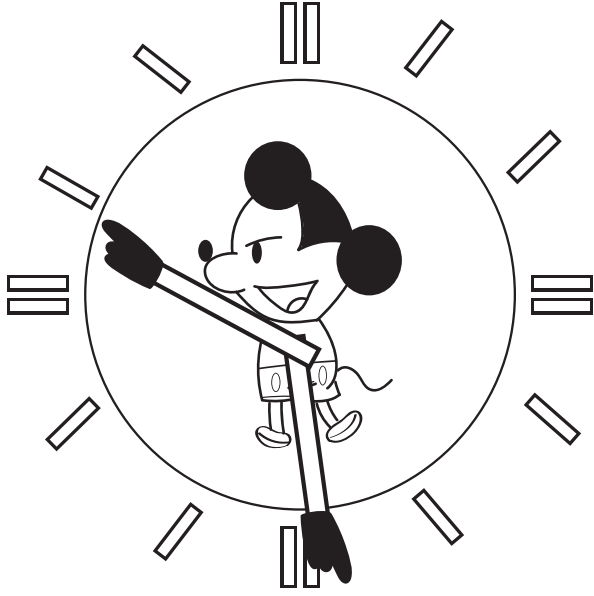


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## MICKEY MOUSE CLOCK



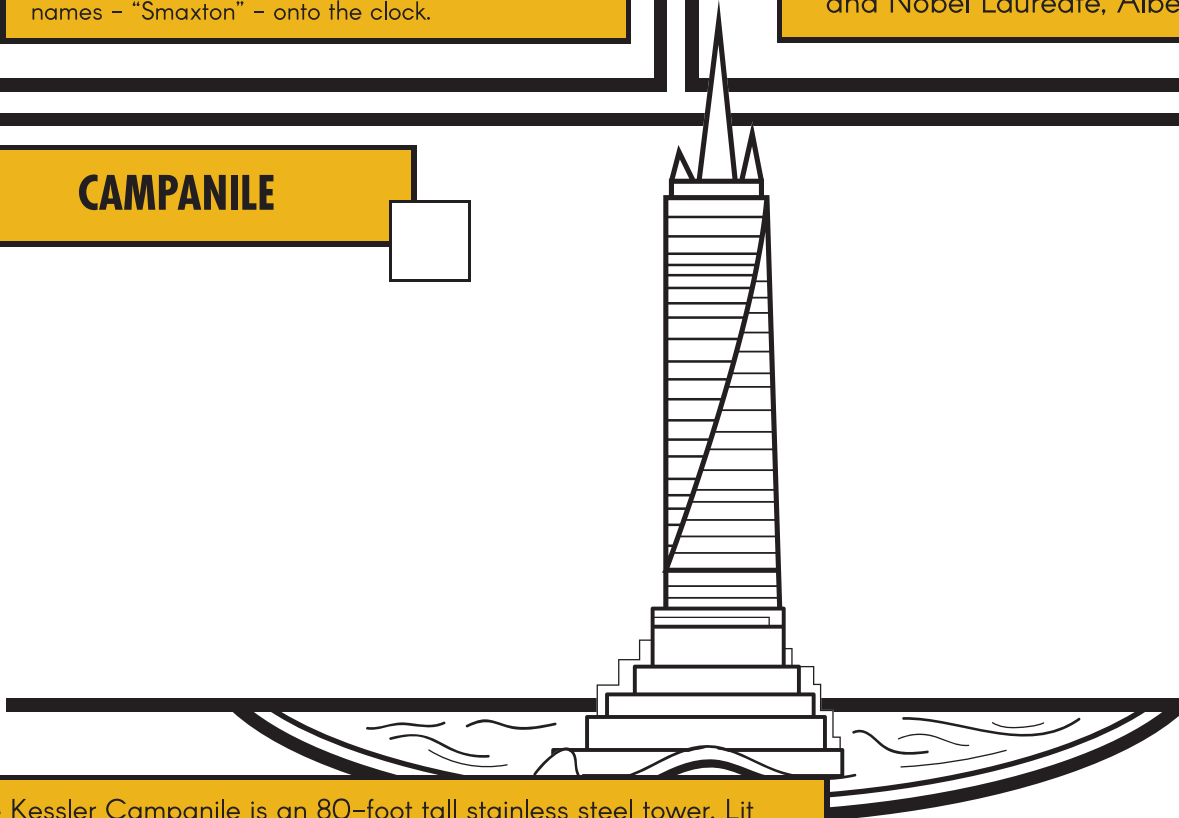
The clock went up in the Fall of 1978. Two alumni, Lindsey Smith and Henry Claxton, hung the clock as a prank. They signed a combination of their last names - "Smaxton" - onto the clock.

## EINSTEIN STATUE



Georgia Tech® is home to the World's third and final statue of the Physicist and Nobel Laureate, Albert Einstein.

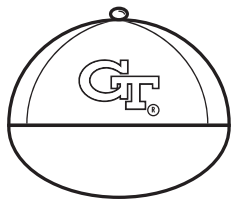
## CAMPANILE



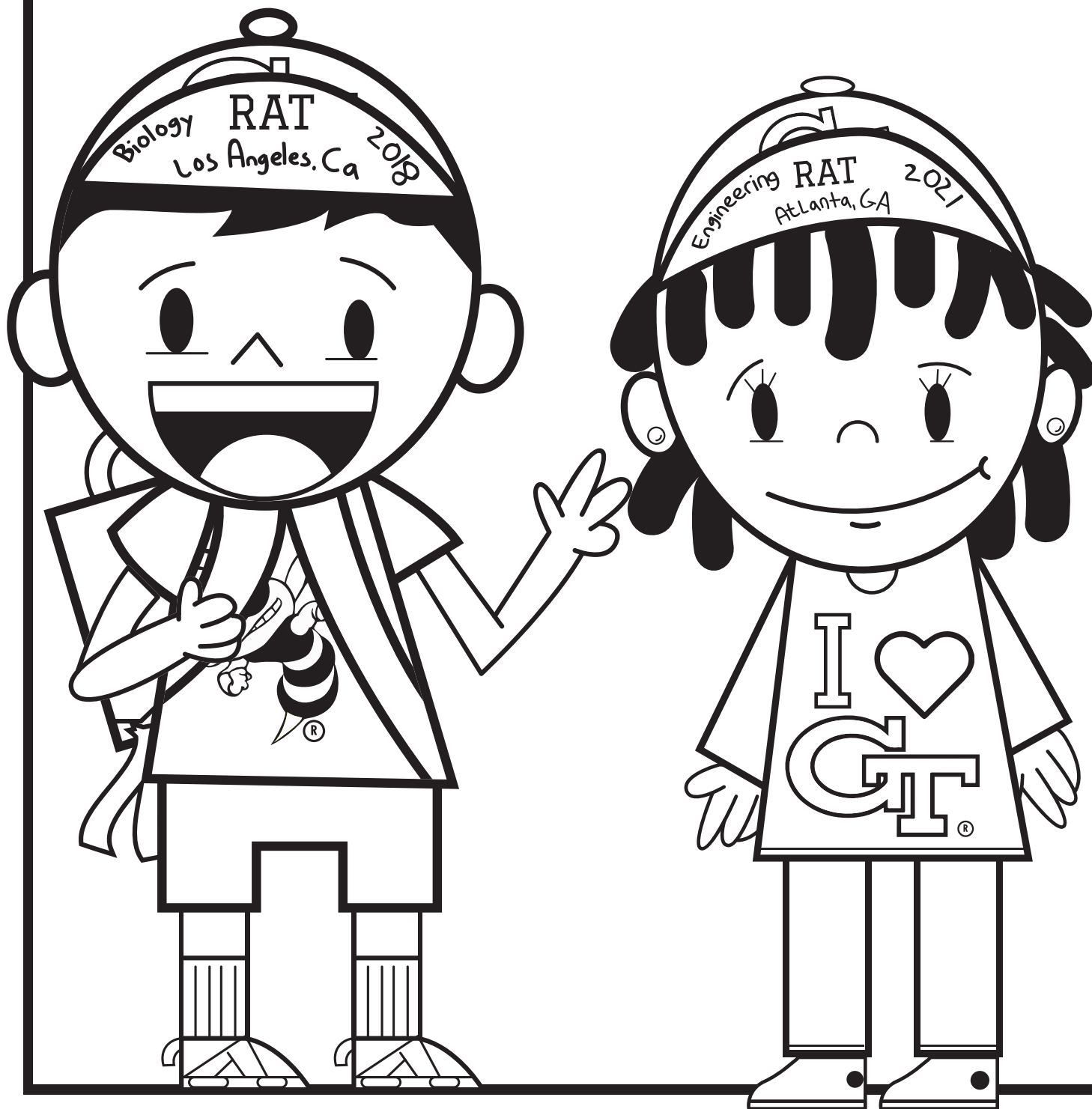
The Kessler Campanile is an 80-foot tall stainless steel tower. Lit from within, it is capable of belting out a carillon version of "Ramblin' Wreck" or Olympic theme music. The Shape of it is reminiscent of the cherished TECH TOWER, yet has a contemporary new look.

Check each of the boxes after visiting the artwork.

# RAT CAP

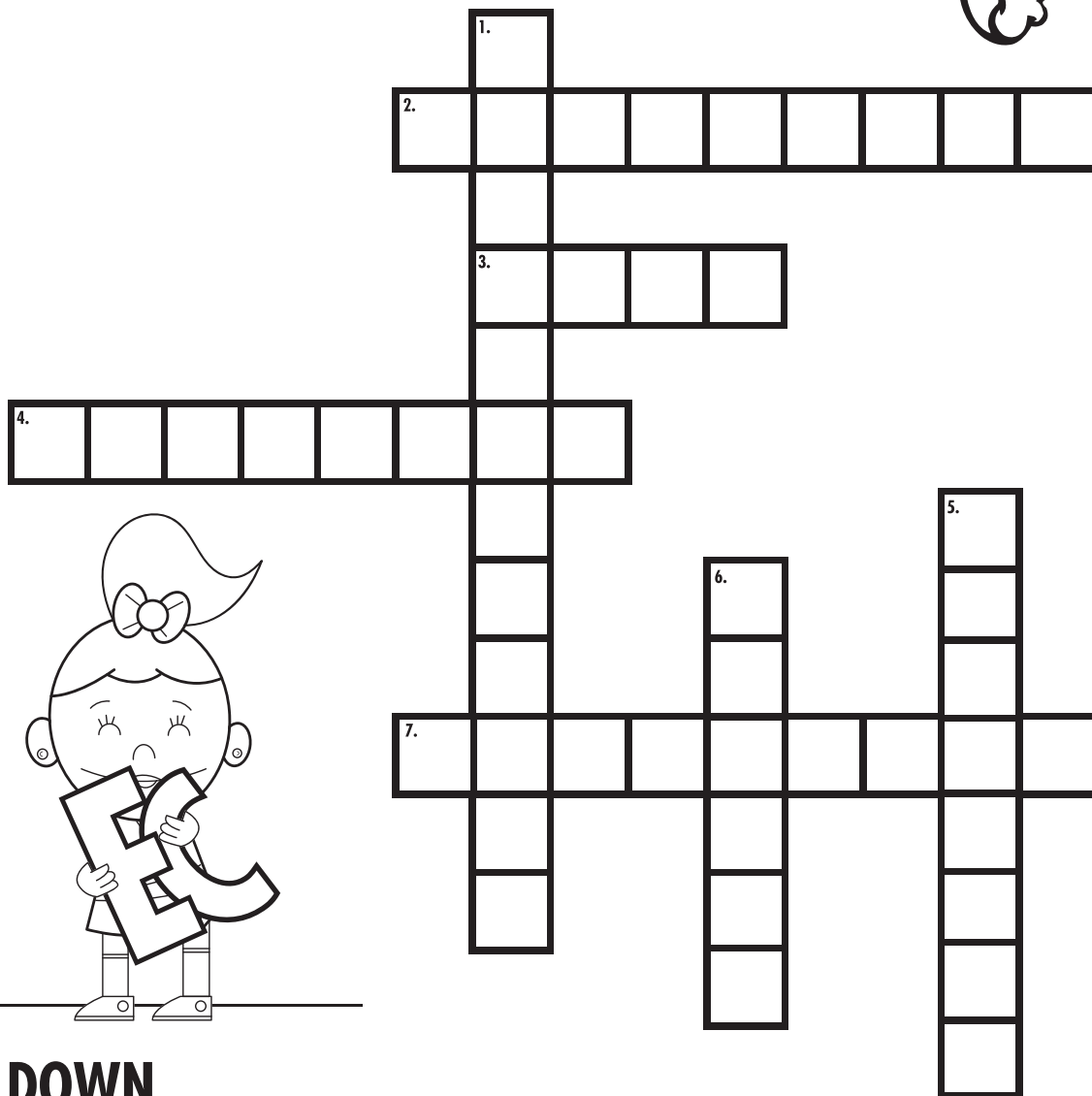


For many years freshman had to wear Rat Caps during their first year of school, unless the freshman football team beat the UGA freshman team on the Thanksgiving Day Game. The Caps were introduced to Tech in 1915 and were a tradition until about 1965.



# BUZZ'S WORD CHALLENGE

TEST YOUR GT KNOWLEDGE



## DOWN

1. This Ford automobile is painted gold and yellow and represents Georgia Tech. at football games
5. A race held before sunrise on the morning of the Homecoming game. Cakes will be awarded to winners
6. Given to each incoming freshman at convocation

## ACROSS

2. A tribute to Tech Tower
3. The name of Georgia Tech's Yellow Jackets mascot
4. He is most famous for the equation  $E=MC^2$
7. This was the 1st building on Georgia Tech's Campus

# GEORGIATECH<sup>®</sup>

## FUN FACTS

### DID YOU KNOW.....

According to the *Dictionary of American Slang*, the word “**rat**” refers to a student, especially a freshman, and this was first used this way back in 1850.

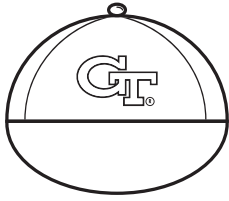
The class of 1892 chose for its class pin to be gold, white and blue; the combination stuck. Around Thanksgiving 1891, Georgia Tech<sup>®</sup> students attended a football game and decided to wear unifying colors—White and Gold. True gold fabric was hard to come by at the time, so avid Georgia Tech<sup>®</sup> fans supported the team by wearing the closest thing they could— yellow colored jackets. From this a new nickname was born, the “**YELLOW JACKETS**”.

The first woman to graduate from Georgia Tech<sup>®</sup> was **Annie Wise Teitlebaum**, a night school student who earned her degree from the School of Commerce in 1919.

The Ramblin’ Wreck<sup>®</sup> Parade originating with the Old Ford Race in 1929, has showcased human powered “contraptions” for the past 79 years.

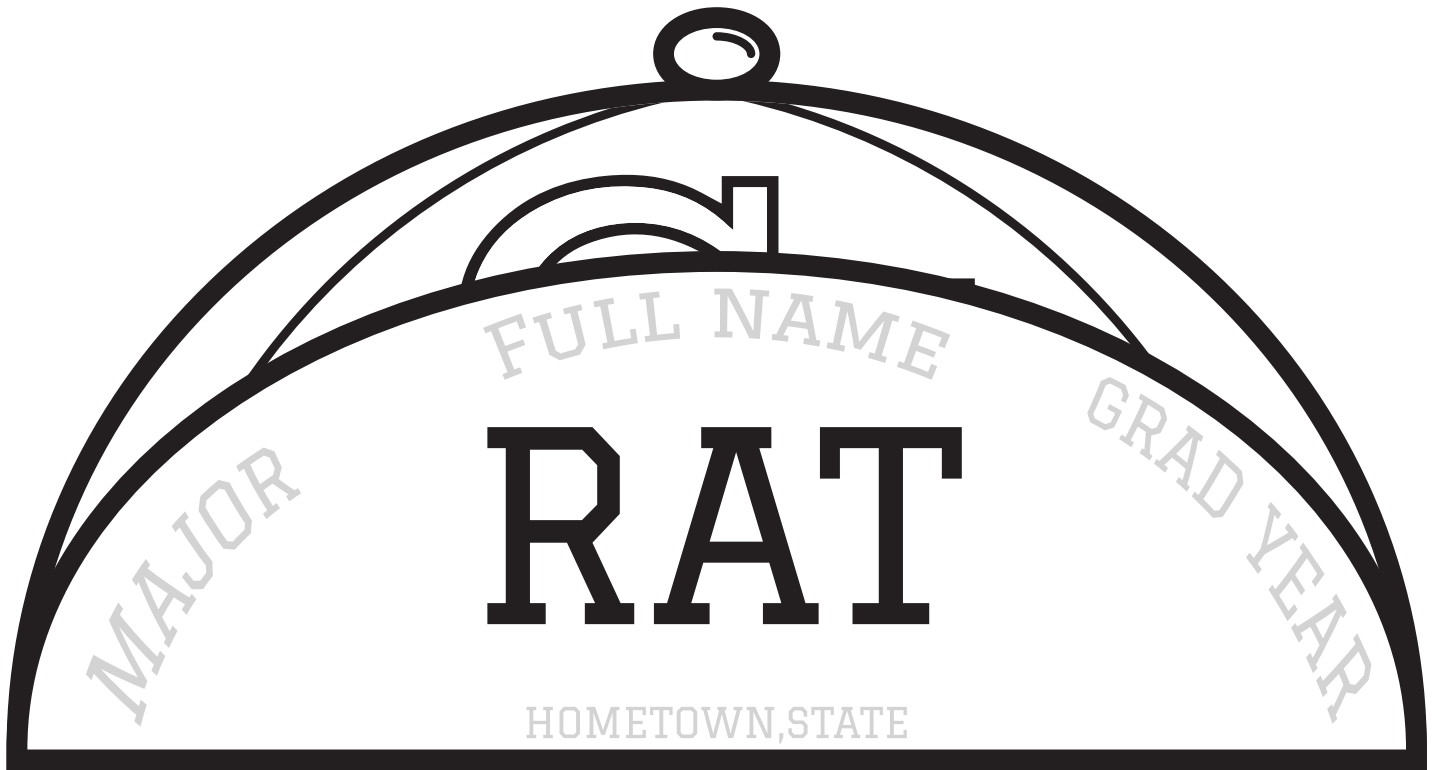
In 1927, a Georgia Tech<sup>®</sup> tradition began when a mythical student named **George P. Burdell** appeared on class rosters, registration forms and grade reports. The most accurate accounts claim Burdell was the creation of Ed Smith. While completing a registration form, Smith had the idea of enrolling a non-existent student. He turned in separate exam papers for Burdell, convincing professors that George was a student in good standing. Burdell received a bachelor’s degree from Tech.





Create Your Own


# RAT CAP



Now it's your turn  
to design a Rat Cap!  
Be creative with it!





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