Forget your miracle drugs, proper dieting and exercising, or even kicking that ever-addictive smoking habit. Sophomore public relations major Nicolette Johnson knows that there’s only one thing that would have saved more than 22,000 lives in this past year alone: a long strip of elastic polyester, which we commonly refer to as a seatbelt. The daughter of a certified firefighter, Nicolette has had to hear numerous horror stories of tragic roadside fatalities from her father over the years, in which the victims of these unfortunate traffic accidents could easily have survived had they simply taken the proper safety precautions and worn their seat belts. As a result, this is an issue that she has held very near and dear to her heart for quite some time. Nicolette always wears her seatbelt, and she insists that everyone who is a passenger in her vehicle must do the same. Her routine actions behind the wheel have spoken of her beliefs, and today her words will do just the same, as Nicolette Johnson will aim to convince all of you of the absolute need to “buckle up” whenever in a moving automobile. Ladies and gentlemen, adjust your mirrors, check your blind spots, and fasten in tightly for Nicolette Johnson’s “Seatbelt Safety,” one of the only persuasive speeches you will hear today that just might literally mean the difference between life and death.