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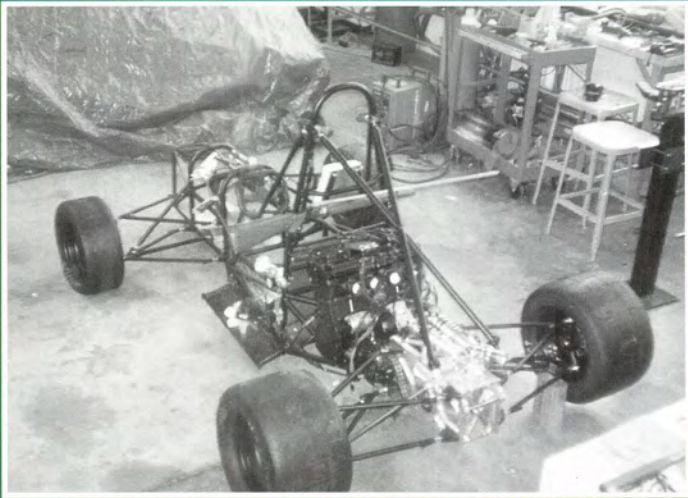
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A photograph of a globe sculpture on a pedestal in a landscaped area with trees and a building in the background. The globe is the central focus, surrounded by a circular flower bed. The background features several large trees and a building with a covered walkway.

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Randoms



The car team is serious this year!



Obviously, IET majors.



We should paint something on this wall, shouldn't we?



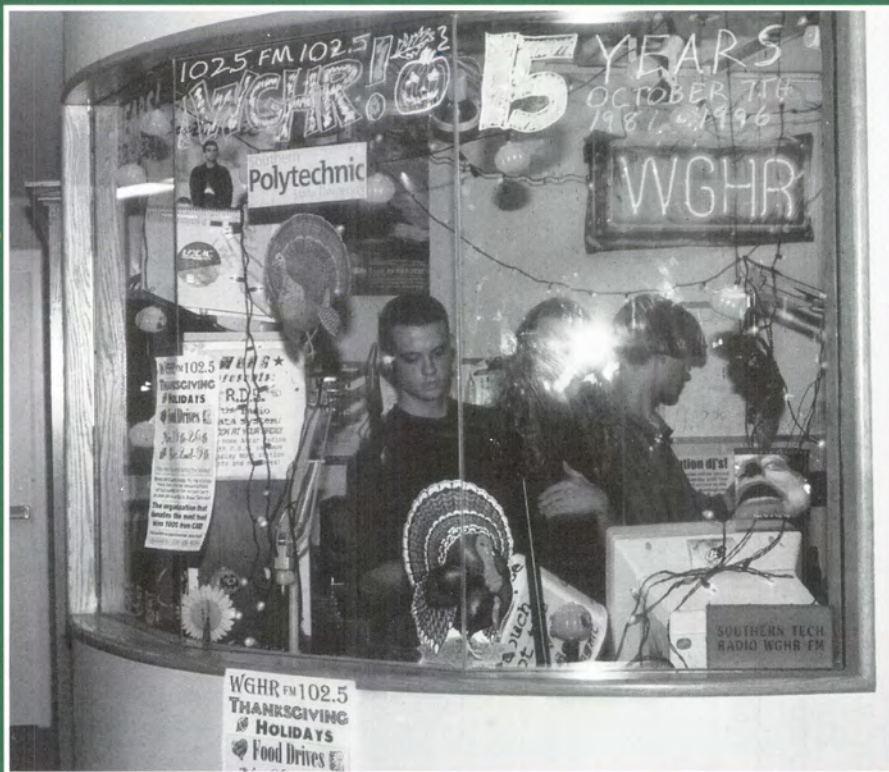
Wooger!



We want in, NOW!



*Another lazy day for an
Architecture student.*



They're caged for a reason.



It's Superman.



How does this work, again?

Recreation and Wellness Center Dedication

The Recreation and Wellness Center opened with much pomp and circumstance in the Fall of 1996. Chancellor Stephen Portch and President Stephen Cheshier officially opened the Center with a ribbon cutting event that was followed by a one-on-one game of "Horse." The Center's 35,000 square feet contains basketball courts, a volleyball court, racquetball courts, men's and women's locker and shower rooms, a weight room, and cardiovascular equipment. The approximate cost of the Center is \$3.7 million.



The leaders of cheer at SPSU!

Everyone, listen to me!!





Chancellor Portch speaks at the dedication.



Get ready for the ribbon cutting!



A rousing game of horse between President Cheshier and Chancellor Portch.



Will he make it!?!?

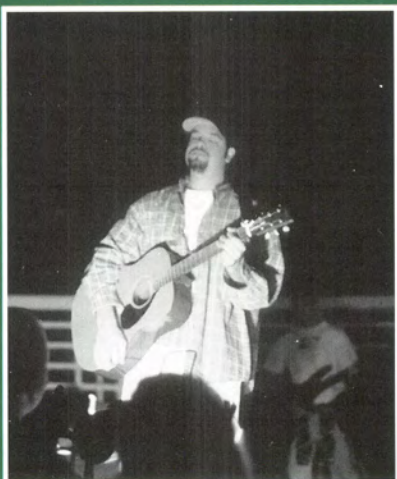


The 1st place winners of Goat night are the brothers of Pi Kappa Phi!

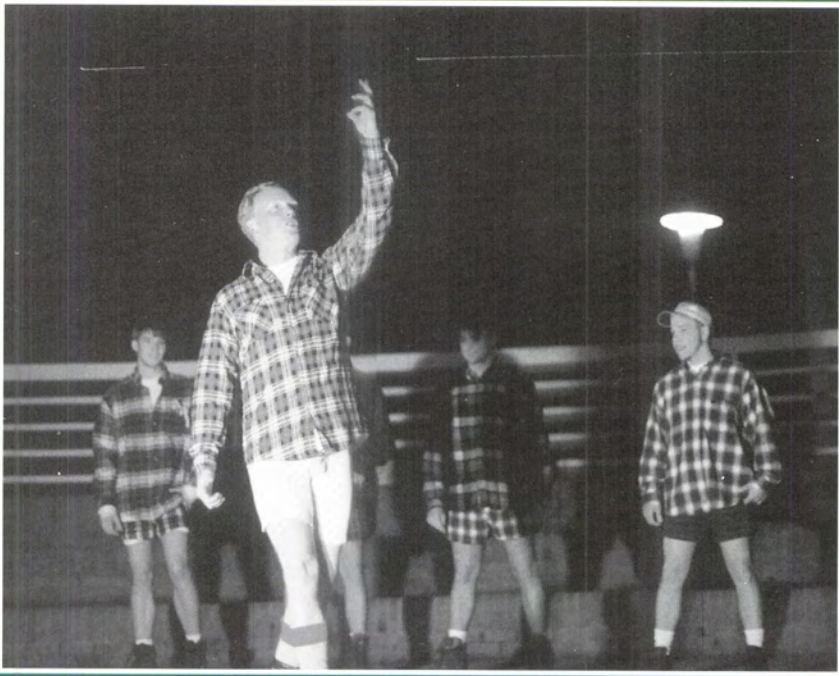
Goat Night



Tau Kappa Epsilon takes 2nd place at Goat Night.



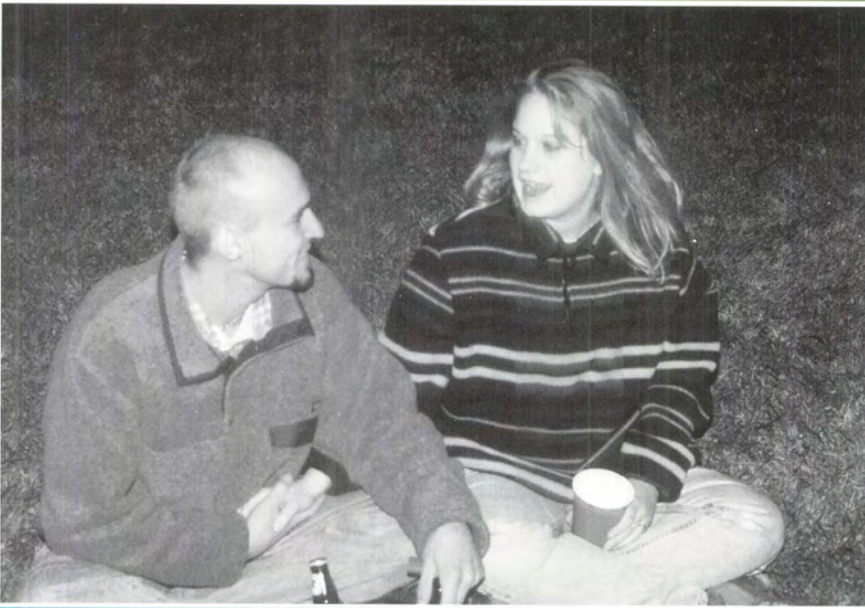
Hootie - without the blowfish!



To be or not to be...



Everybody was kung fu fighting!



That lasted long!?!



The Lambda "Pyro" Chi's.

Winter Formal



Nominee Amy Roberts escorted by Marc Weldon



Nominee Leigh Boros escorted by Dave Dula



Nominee Andrea Pitts escorted by Anzae Hardman



Nominee Lorie Aldredge escorted by nominee Carl Hawthorne



Nominee Rosadely Malare' escorted by Mac Meyers



Nominee Jonathan Taylor escorted by Tamie Meeks



Nominee Joe Wyatt escorted by Mary Tomasello



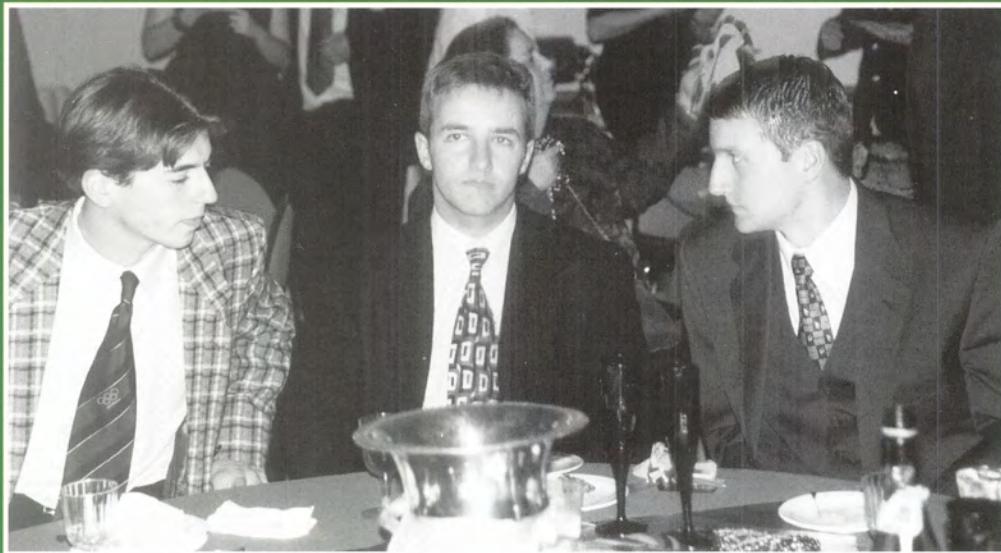
Nominee Sheldon deRoux with friend and escort Deanna Kent



Mr. and Ms. Southern Polytechnic State University



The live band!



Stop looking at me!



What is that, dancing?



The happy couple.



See, we've got chicks on campus.



Aren't they cute together?



I'm the Man!

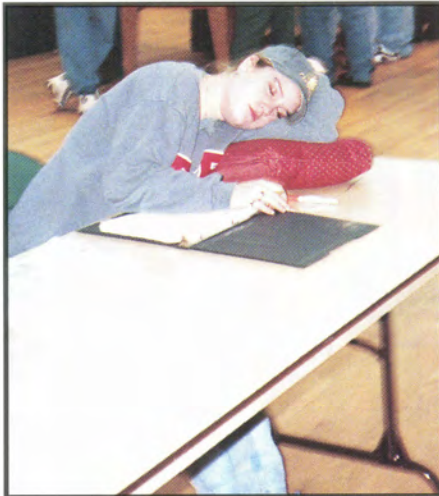


Don't touch the ice - you fool - it'll break!

Casino Night



Professor Patrick looks confused by the students.



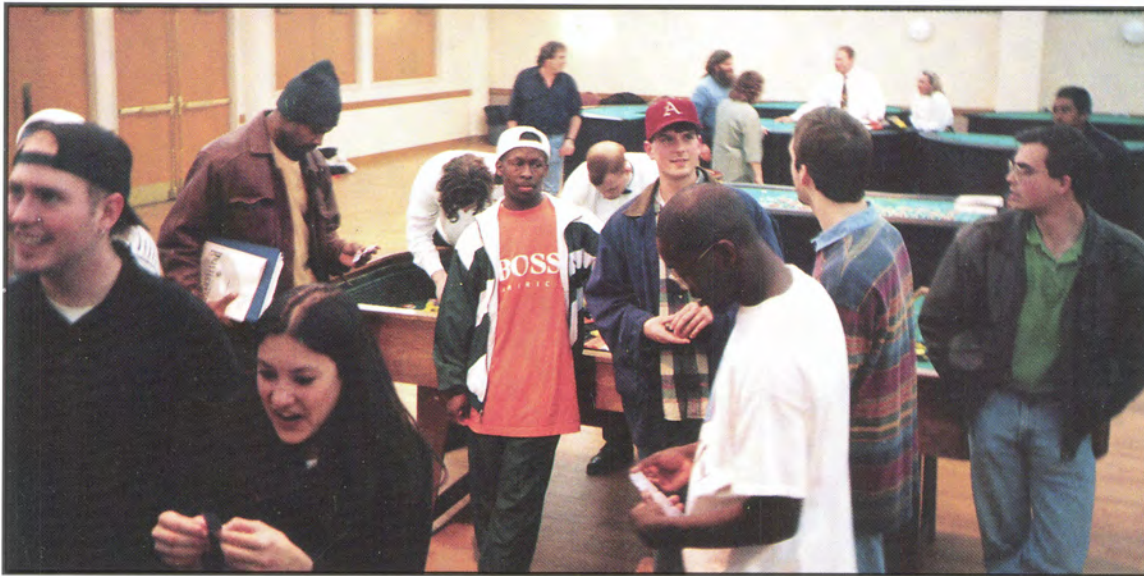
Stephanie sleeping on the job, again!

Students rakin -in the cash.





The illegal SPSU casino.



Students count their winnings.



Ray at the wheel.

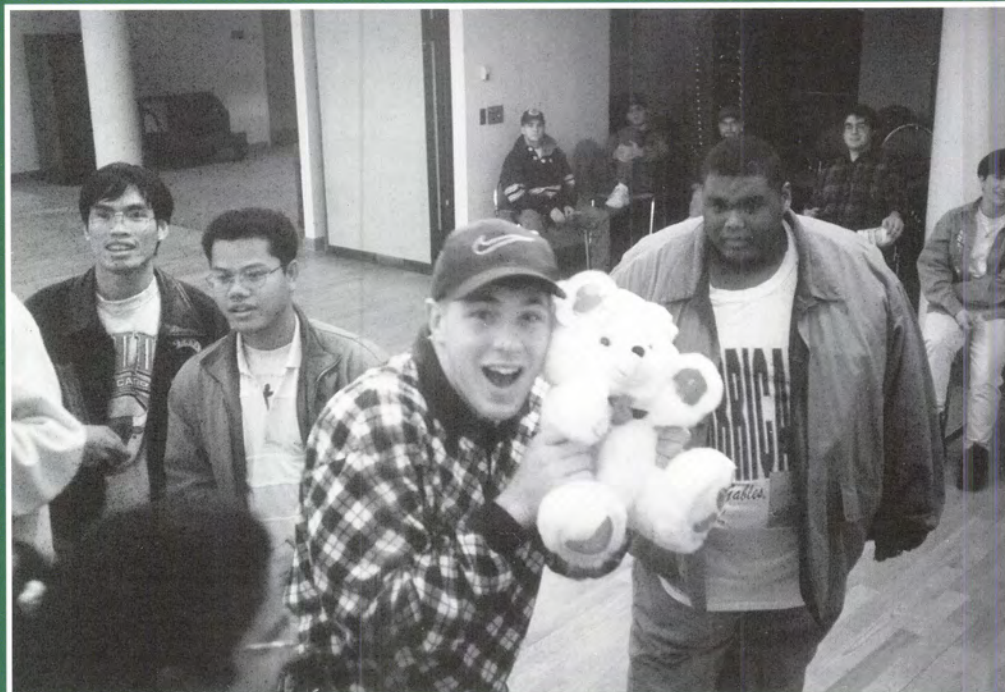


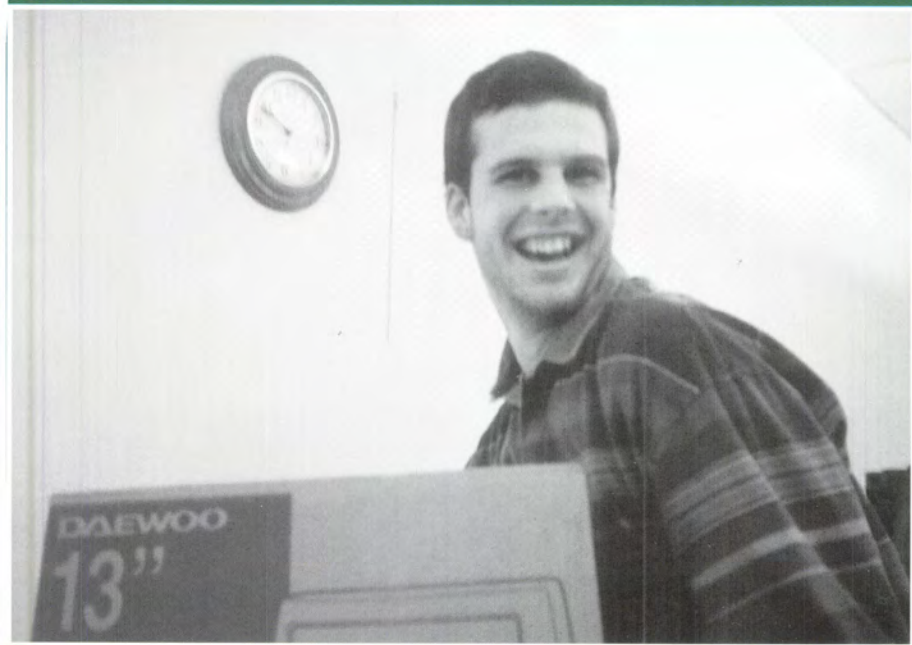
Play-Doh receives a "thumbs up" from this student.

One of the SPSU students models Mickey Mouse lingerie.



Look at what I won, Mommy!

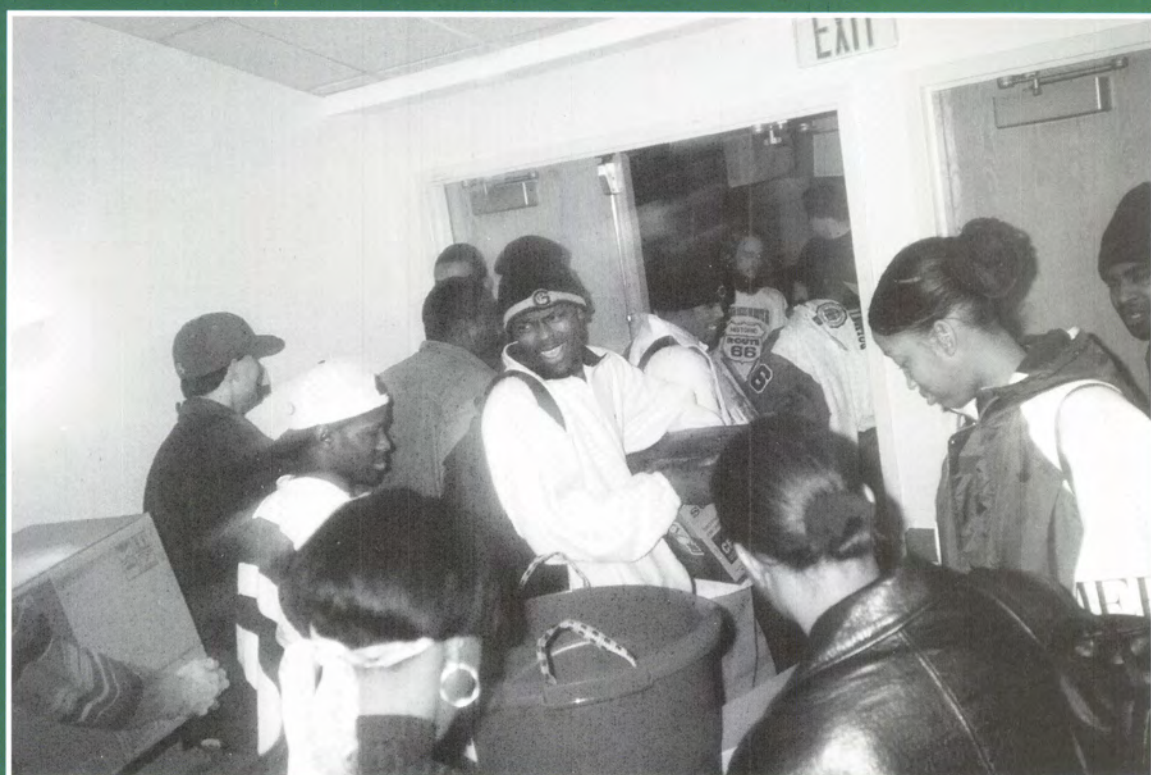




The big winner!

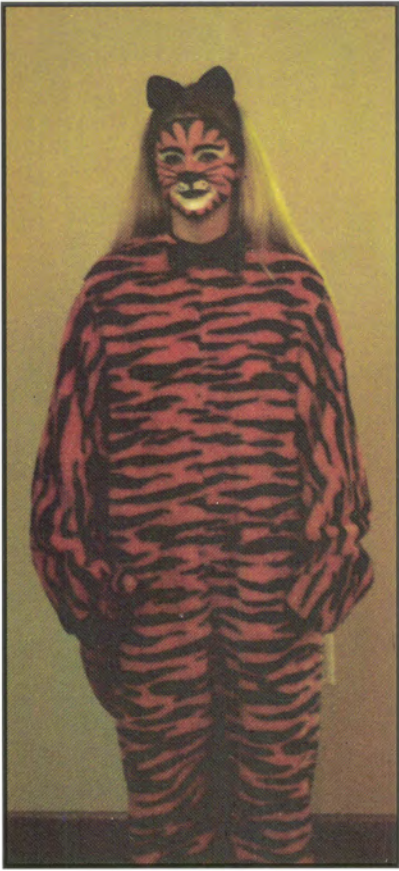


Pat "Klepto" May caught in the act.



SPSU students take all the prizes and immediately go home.

Halloween



MEOW!



The winners of the costume contest.



Which one do you fear?



Grandpa in the house!



And the judges are (L to R) Dr. Lori Cook, Dr. Barry Flannery, Gail Sheffield, Prof. Glen Brooks



Shuck Me!

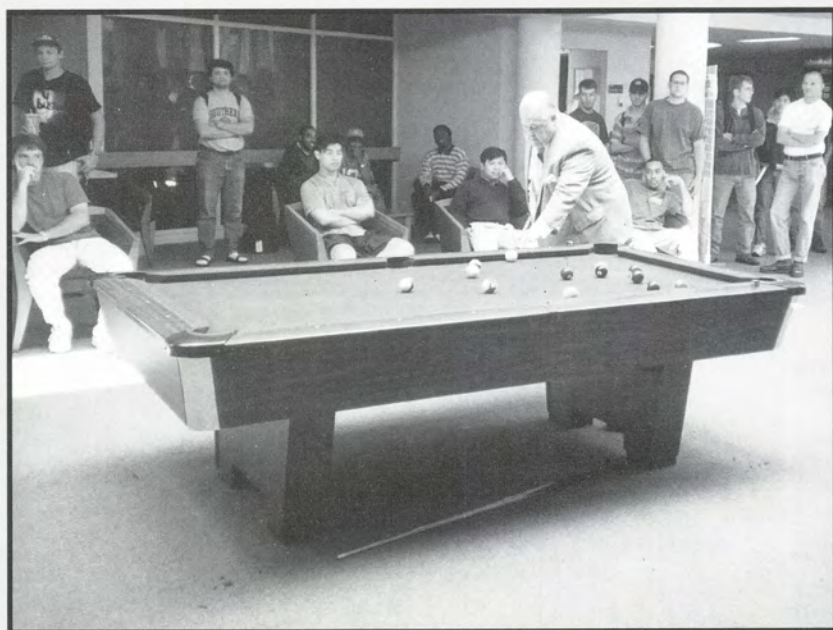
Halloween party was a Campus Activities Board sponsored event. The costume contest was a success with nine entries. Students enjoyed the free masks and hats, decorations, music... and of course the free food!



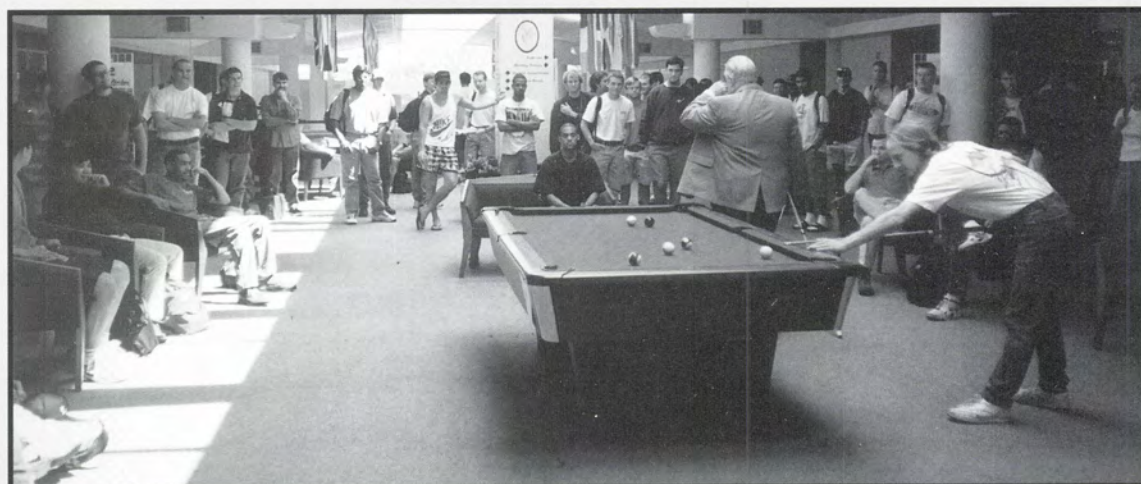
Whose time is it?



Jack White & Exit 8



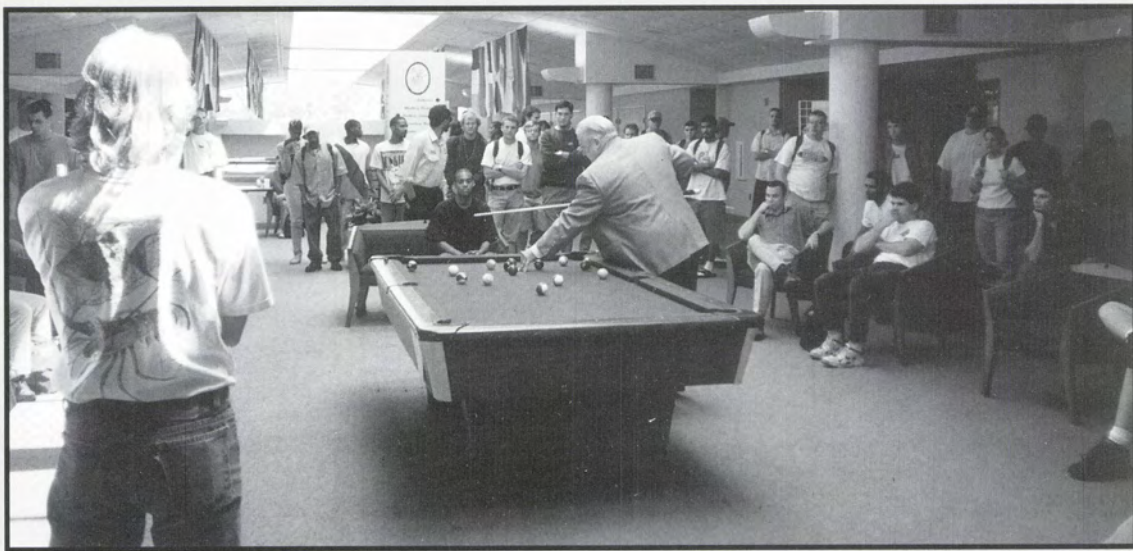
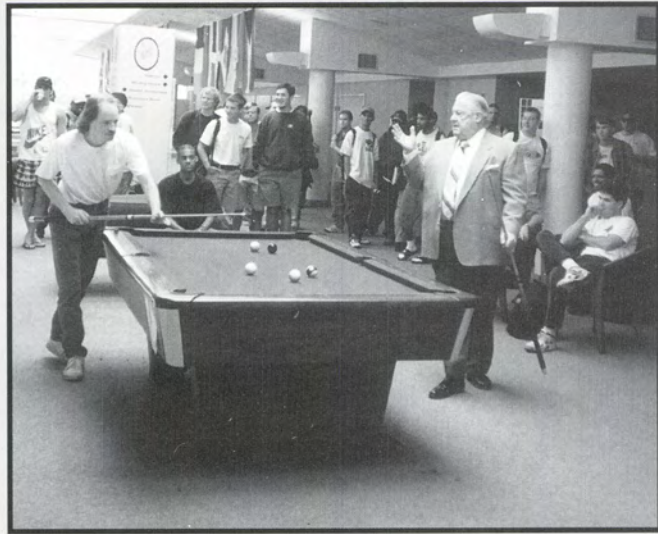
The only person at SPSU that Jack White is nice to.



"I think I will cough to mess him up."



Jack's heckling someone again.



Cultural Series Presents: Hamlet



The pre-performance magic show.



You idiot! THAT's POISON!



Told You!





“The Tragical Death of Hamlet and the Entire Family”. The Atlanta Shakespeare Company brought their spoof of Hamlet to campus. An SPSU Student that will remain nameless, was a great star. Despite planes flying overhead every three minutes, a grand time was had by all at the outdoor performance.



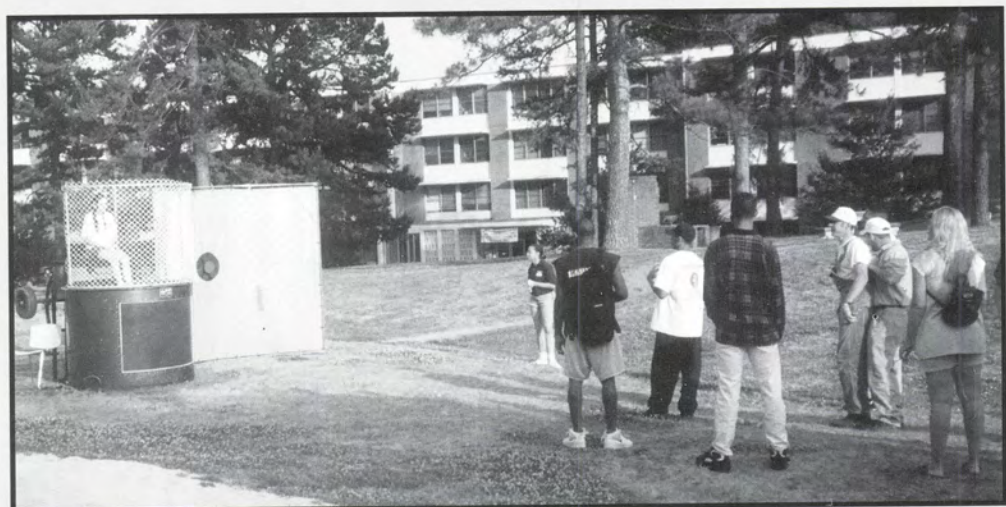
Spring Fling



Look! They saved me food.



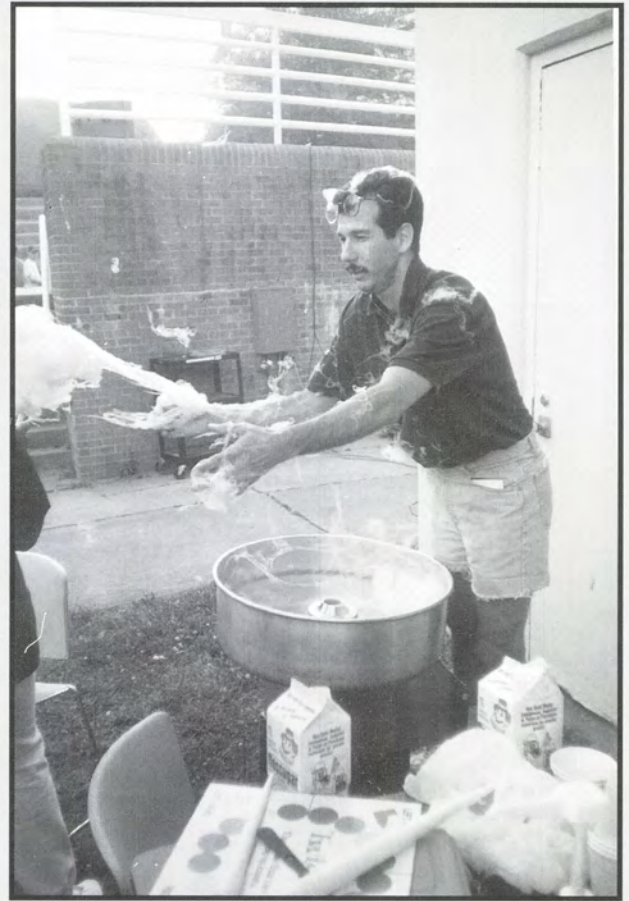
Help me... The cotton candy is attacking me!



Who can dunk her?



College students regress to infancy.



The doctor said I will recover.



Our wonderful DJ Prof. Flannery with his fan club behind him.



Students try to prove their flexibility.



Dinner time!



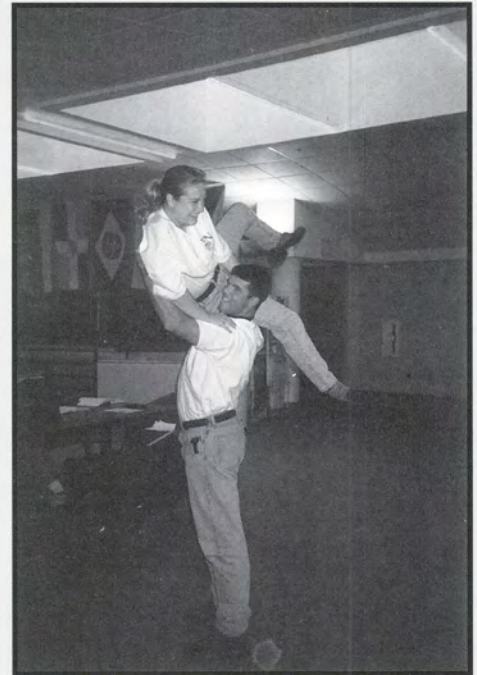
Got to make this look good - superman is behind me.



More Randoms



Cousin It.



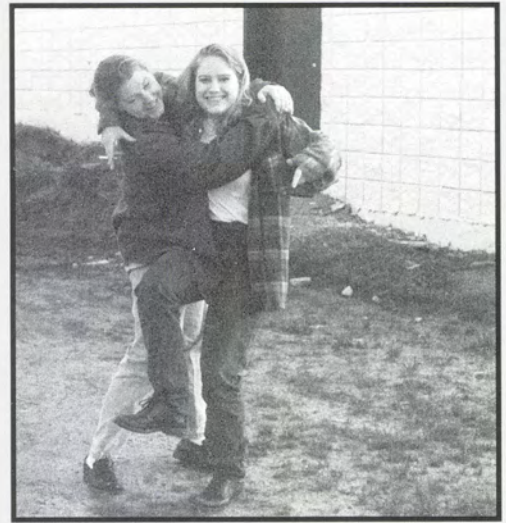
Sweet William tries to sweep women off their feet.



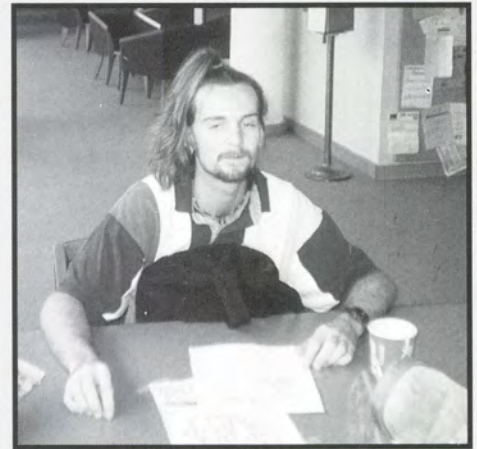
Hey hey Michael Hall!



Just try to steal something from the Info Desk!



We can't dance!



Matt gone Go-Go.





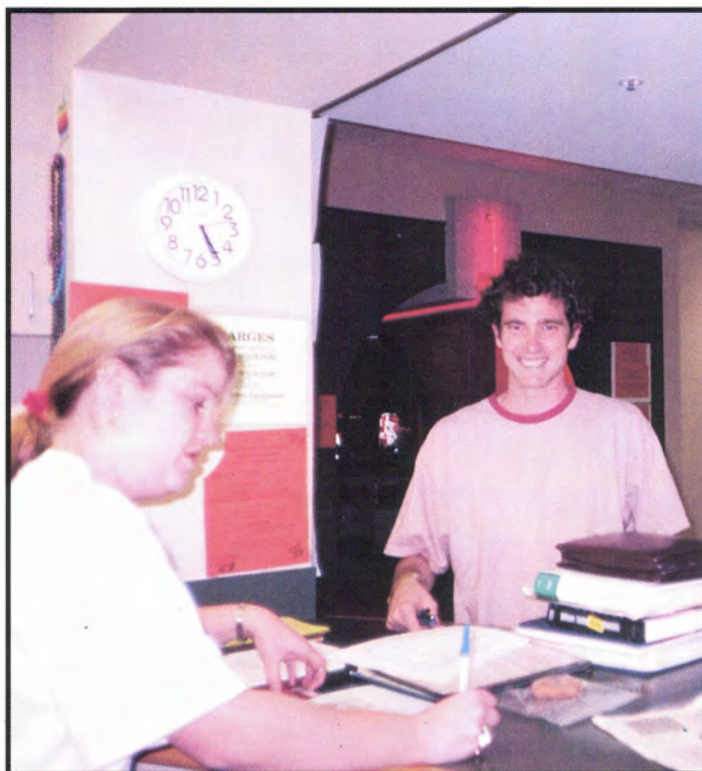
Daydreaming.....



So, what's cookin'?



We're a family station..... Yeah Right.



Cute Boy!



Leigh tells the University Share Program what campus life is like at S.P.S.U.



This is an illusion.



Whatcha ya doing to-night Bob?



See guys, there are girls on campus.



Why are they studying?



Spotted! Faculty outside during office hours.

Labs



We are the brains behind it all.



Surveyors looking for the nuclear test site.

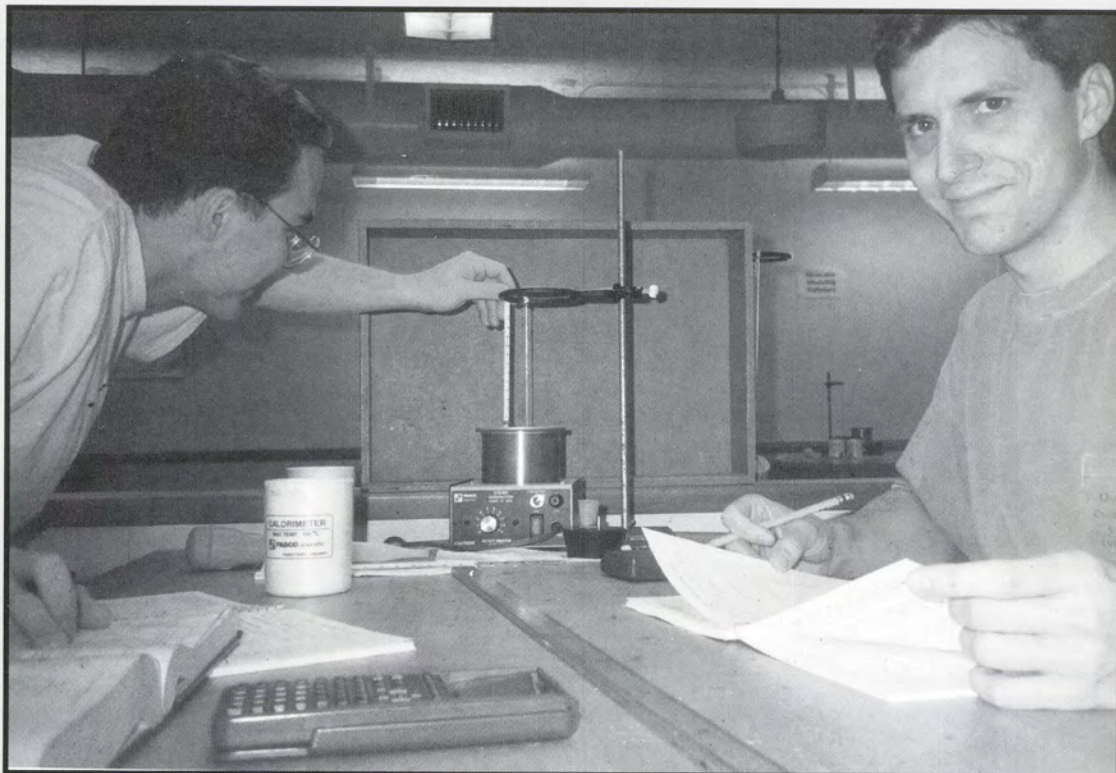


*It looks like they know what they're doing.
It's a facade.*





The computer graveyard.



After numerous tests, it can still be proven that water does boil.

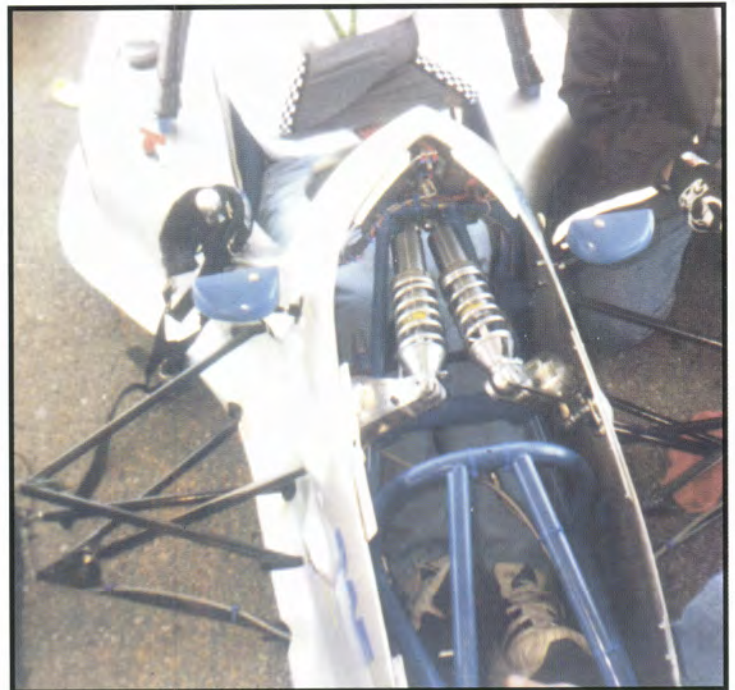
S.A.E. Race Car Competition

*Top: Prof. O. Williams, Keith Martin,
Prof. M Davis. Bottom: Mark Rogers,
Lewis Gospodareck, Mark Eley, Jason
Summerour, Mark Obenshain.*



The Formula SAE competition is for engineering students to conceive, design, fabricate and compete with small formula style racing cars. Restrictions on the vehicles chassis and engines are limited so that the knowledge, creativity and imagination of the students are challenged. The cars are built over a period of approximately one year and taken to Detroit, Michigan to compete with approximately 80 other competition teams from across North America.

This year's Southern Poly Formula SAE team, competing against 77 other college and university teams, finished 14th overall.



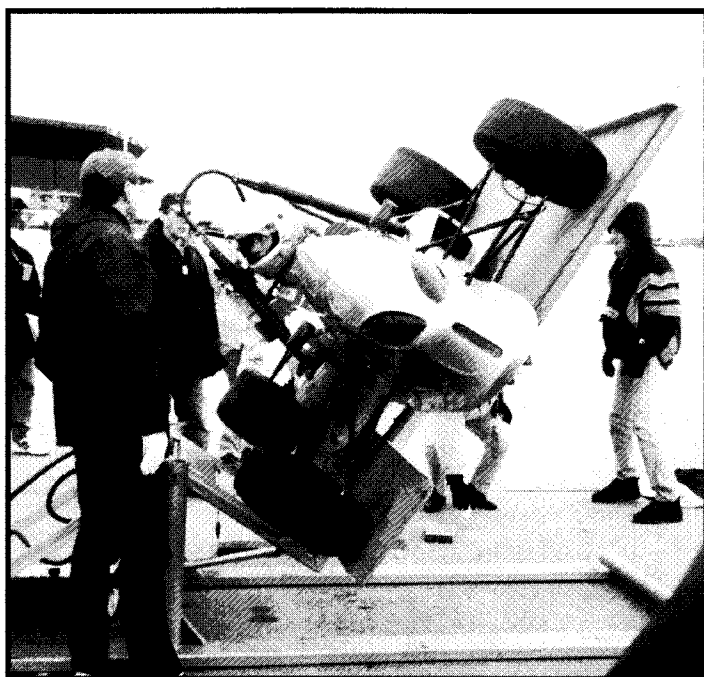
Brake bleeding in progress.

*Mark Eley, Lewis
Gospodareck, Jason
Summerour, Carroll
Smith (chief judge),
Dr. Logue,
discussing overall
design of our car.*





Mark Eley driving our car in the Endurance Event.



Driver Mike Moore at tilt table (57 degrees) test to check for fluid leaks and roll over stability.



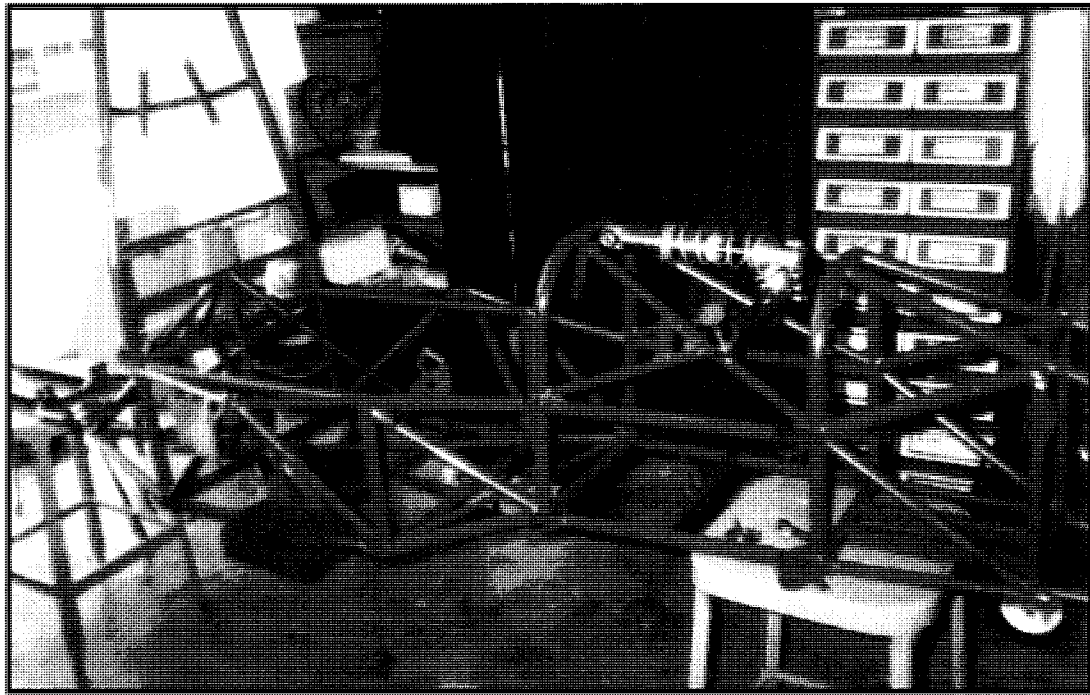
Univ. of Texas Arlington & Southern Poly at fuel station prior to Autocross event. Suited driver Robbie Baker.

The competition is divided into two broad categories: **Static Events** and **Dynamic Events**. The **Static Events** include a **Cost Analysis** of the race car for production purposes, a **Presentation Event** where the students must sell their car to a potential customer, and the **Design Judging** where the design team must justify the myriad of decisions made in the production of their race car. The **Dynamic Events** include a **Skid Pad** test where the vehicle's lateral acceleration is computed, an **Acceleration** test where the race car's acceleration is timed over a **100 yard** course, the **Autocross** where the car is timed around a series of pylons placed around one of the large parking lots of the **Pontiac Silverdome**, and finally the **Endurance/Fuel Economy** event where the vehicles must complete **24 laps** around a similar autocross course with a mandatory driver change at half distance.

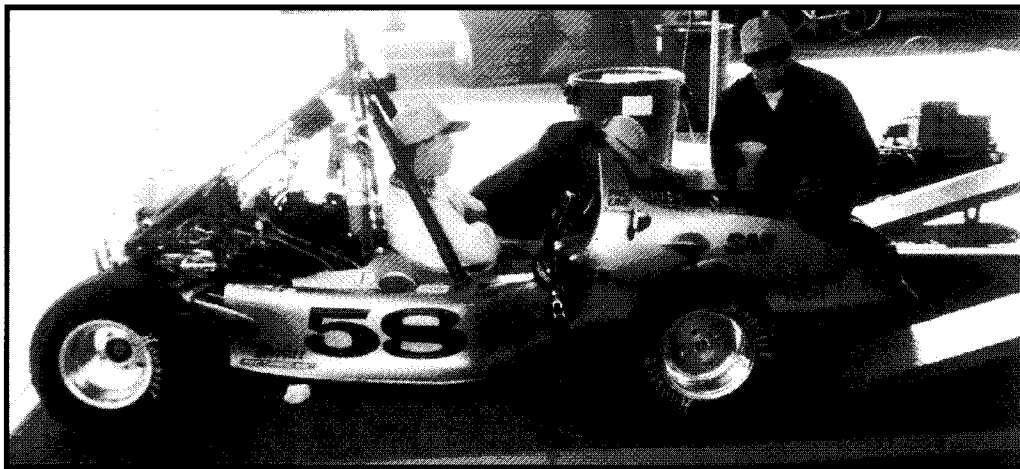
Southern Poly's SAE team finished **10th** overall in the **Dynamic Events** and **16th** in the **Design Judging** to finish **14th** overall out of the **77** teams represented. The top three finishers were: **1** Cornell University, **2** The University of Texas at Arlington, and **3** Rochester Institute of Technology.

The Southern Poly Race Car Team is comprised of Team Leader Jason Summerour, Co-captain Mark Eley, and team members Louis Gospodareck, Mark Rogers, Mark Obenshain, Mike Moore, Robbie Baker, and Keith Martin. The Faculty advisors are Professors Orren Williams, Larry Logue, and Millard Davis.

The team received two special recognitions: an award from the Transportation Research Center for Safety/Crashworthiness and an award for being one of only **22** vehicles that successfully completed all of the events.



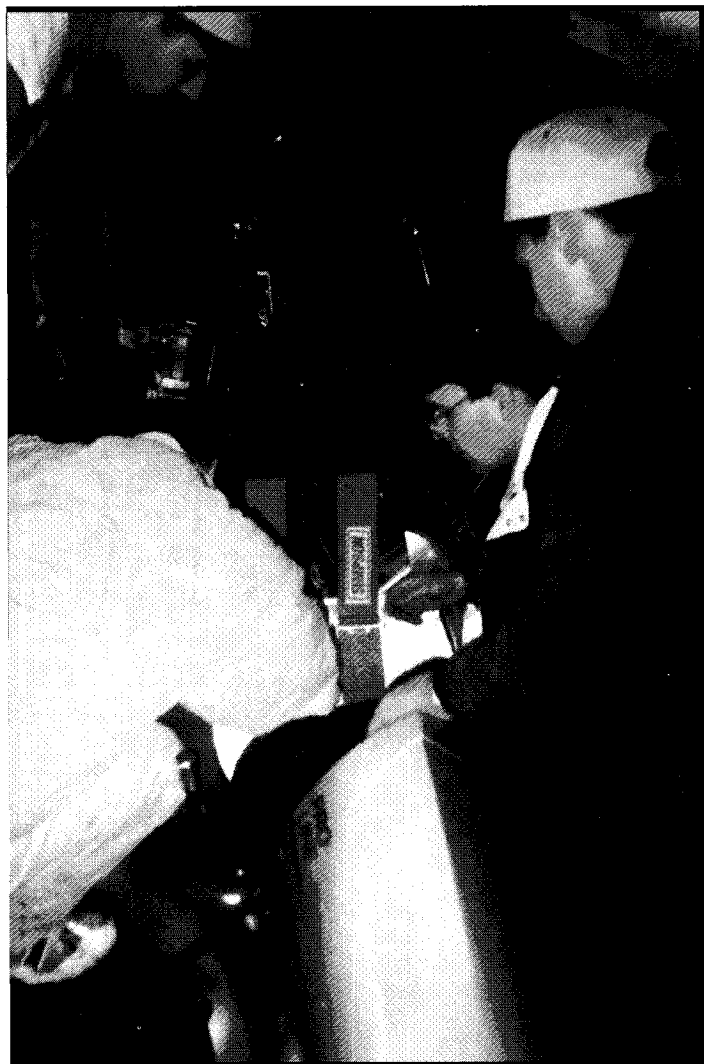
Brake frame after painting.



Jason in car. Robbie & Mark Eley bleeding the brakes prior to Autocross.



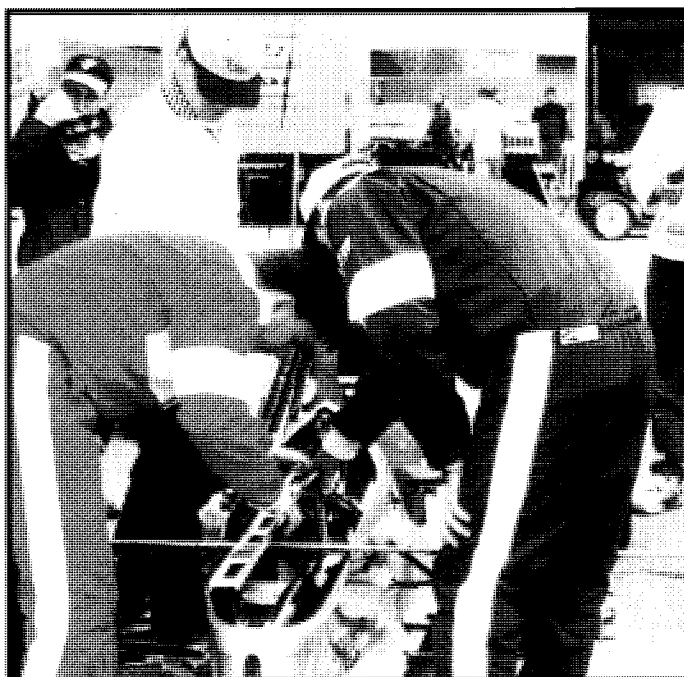
The SAE team discusses the details of the car.



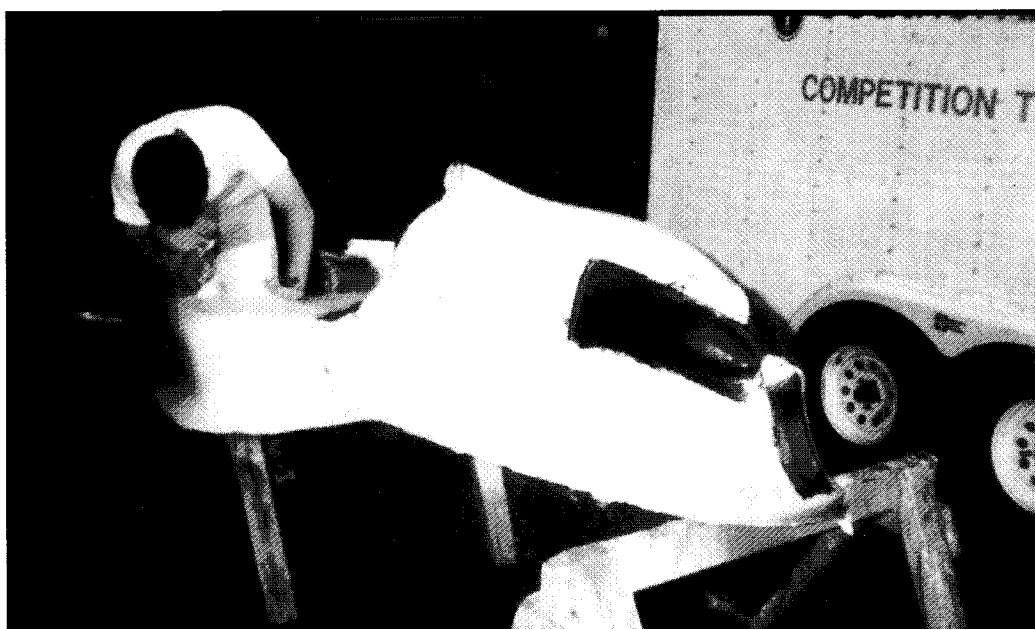
Mark Eley, Jason Yellow, Lewis G. & Tech Inspector looking at fuel tank and vents.



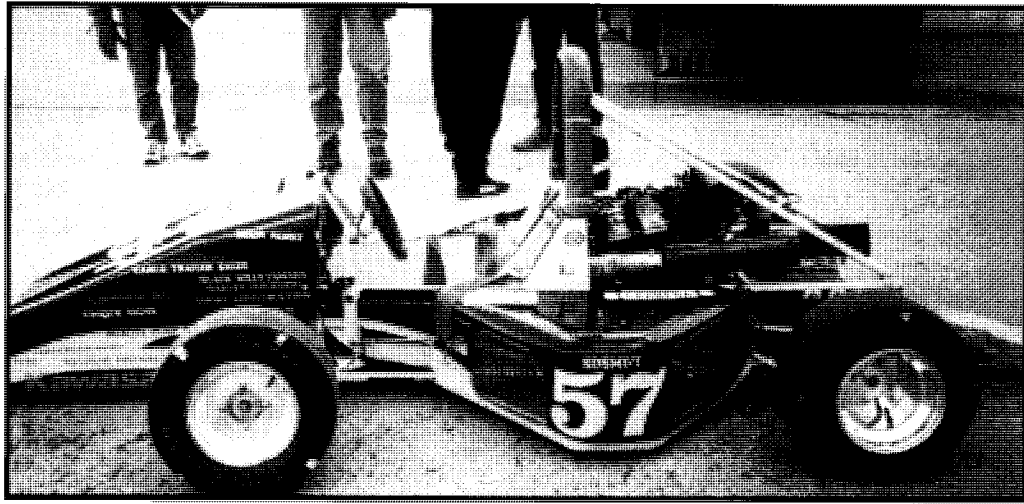
Southern Poly paddock number 71.



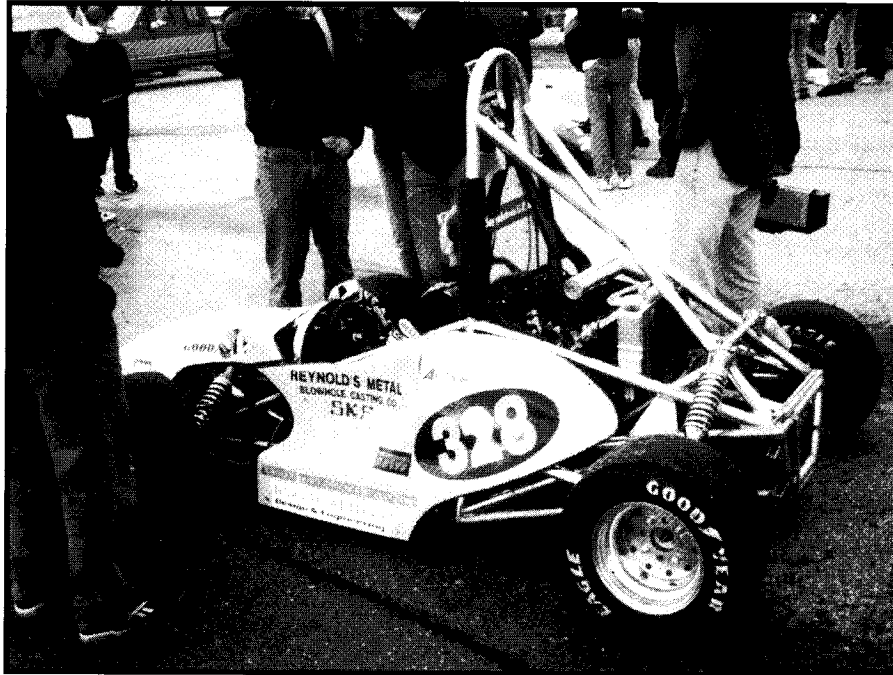
Red suit Jason, white cap Keith Martin, blue suit Mark Eley check the chassis alignment.



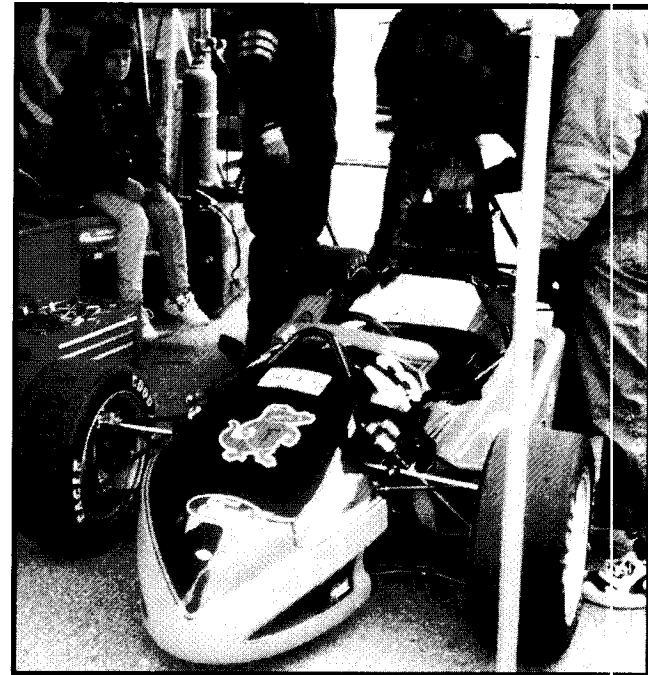
Jason working on brand new fiberglass with graphite inserts body.



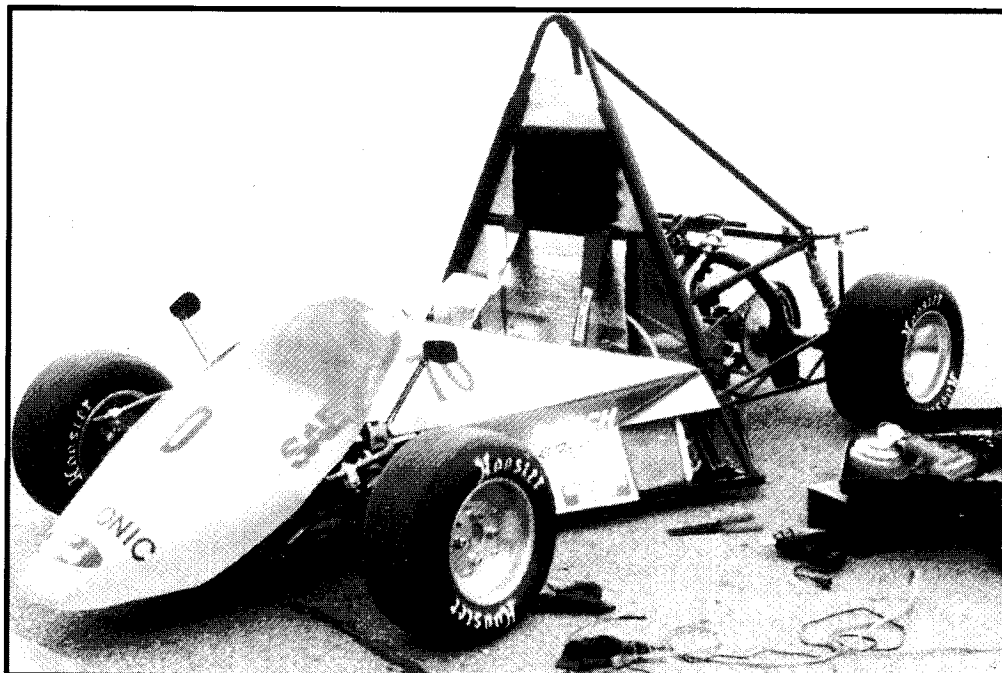
South Dakota School of Mines and Tech. car number 57. Placed #24



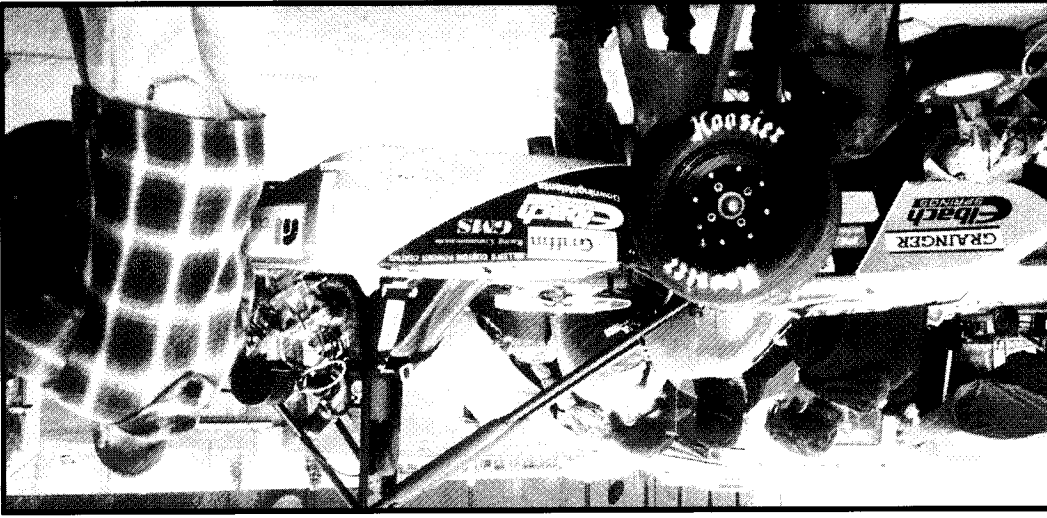
Michigan Tech Univ. car 328. Placed # 44.



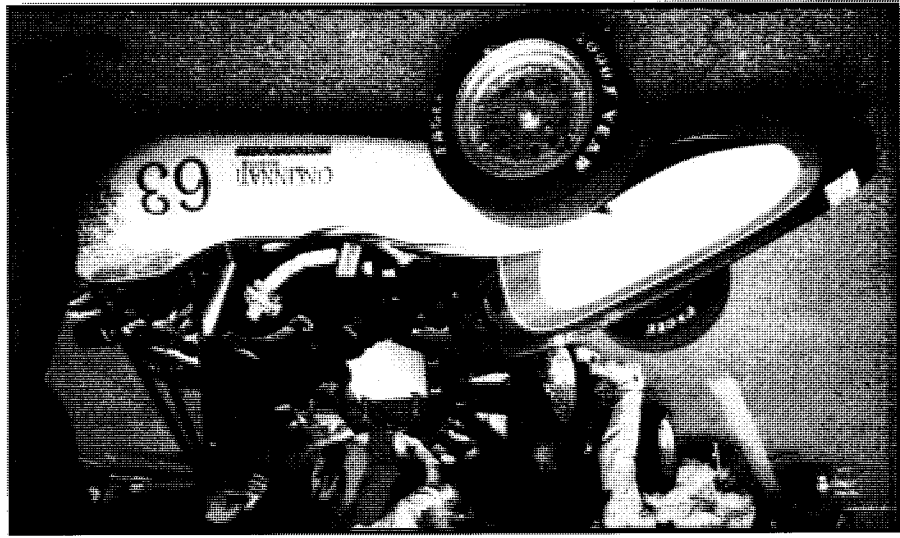
Univ. of Florida car number 43. Placed #18.



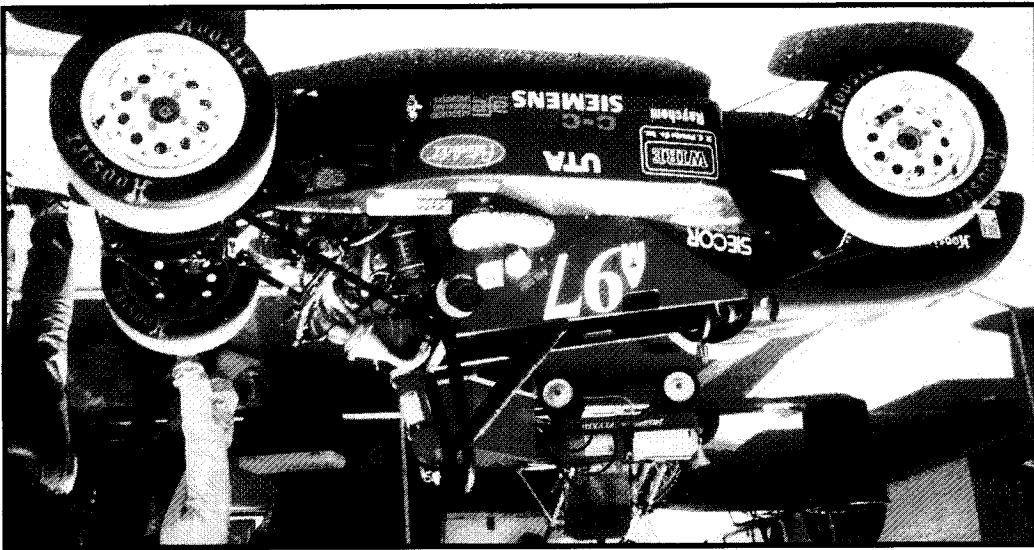
Univ. of Michigan car number 70. Placed#16.



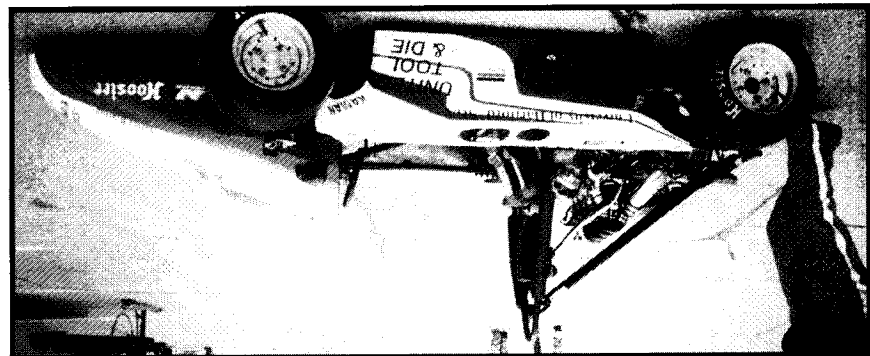
Ga. Tech car number 30. Placed #30. Not, not, not ranked higher than they did.



Univ. of Cincinnati car number 63. Placed #4

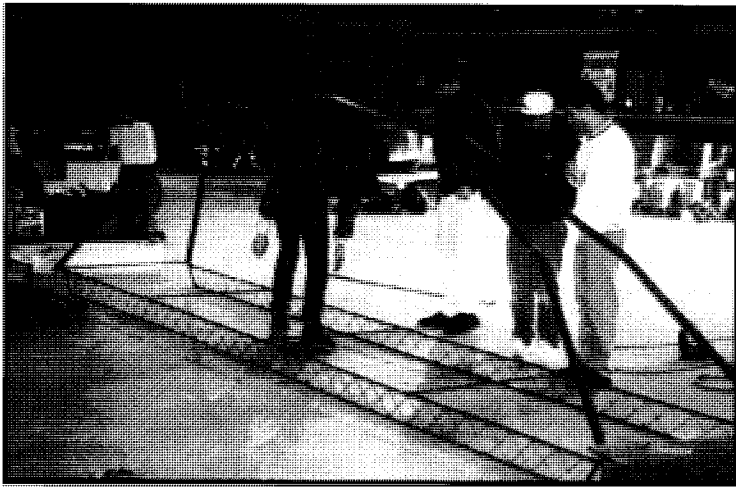


Univ. of Texas at Arlington car number 97. Placed #2.



Univ. of Hartford car number 20. Placed #34.

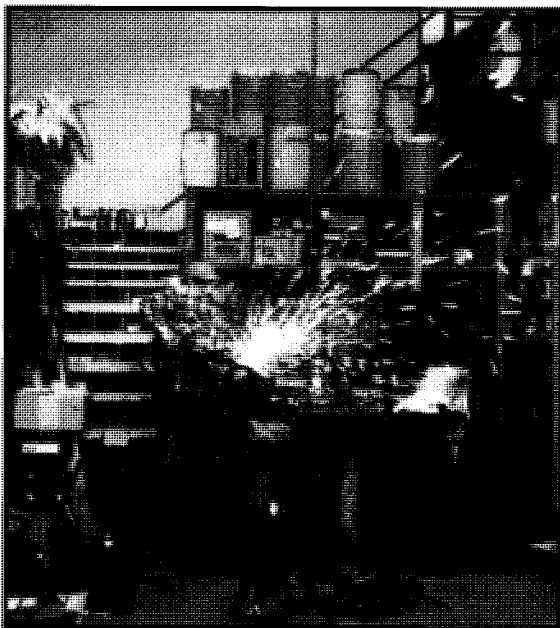
A.S.C.E. Bridge Competition



Each year the American Institute for Steel Construction holds the National Steel Bridge Building competition. Engineering and Engineering Technology universities from across the country are invited to compete to be the best. Only the first and second place winners from each region are invited to compete in the national competition. After many months of preparation, the Southern Polytechnic State University Steel Bridge Team was ready for battle. The scene of the battle was at California Polytechnic State University in Pomona, California. Among the enemy were well known and respected engineering universities. However, after the regional competitions, it was already known that the University of Florida was the team to beat.

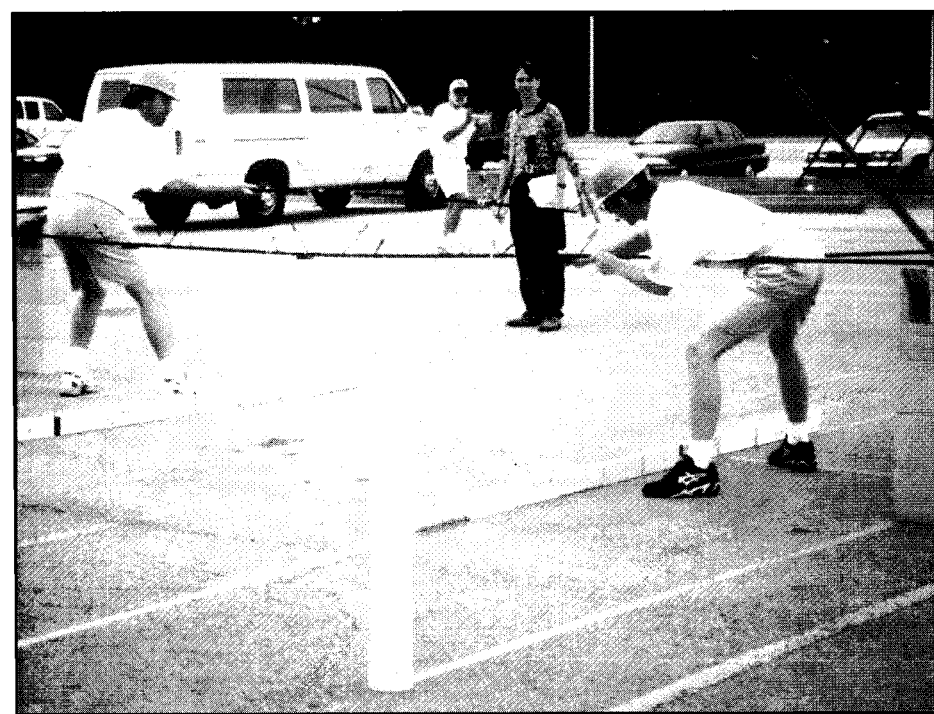
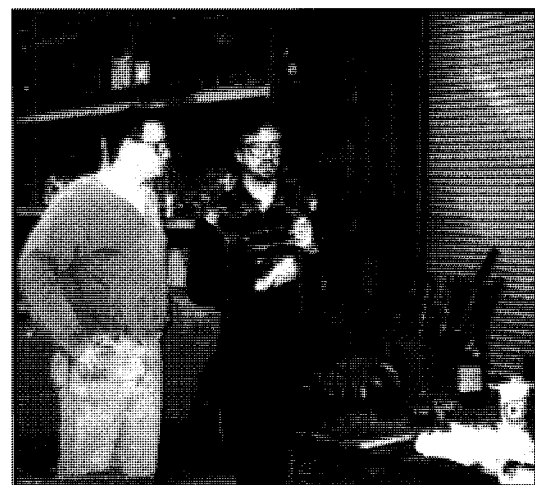
Each bridge at the competition is ranked in the following categories: Construction Speed, Stiffness, Economy, and Efficiency. The champions are determined by adding up the rankings for each contest; the lowest score winning.

Upon arrival, each team draws a starting position; which determines the order in which the teams are to construct and load their bridges. The



Men at work.





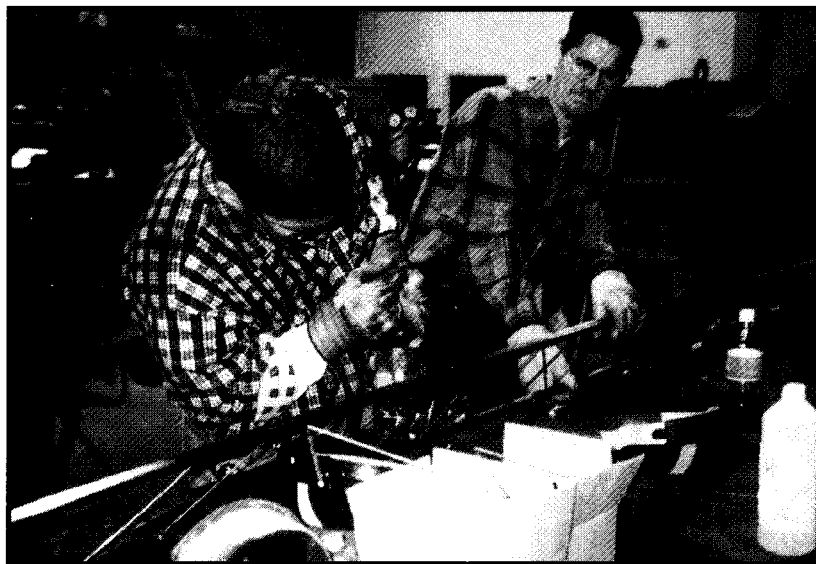
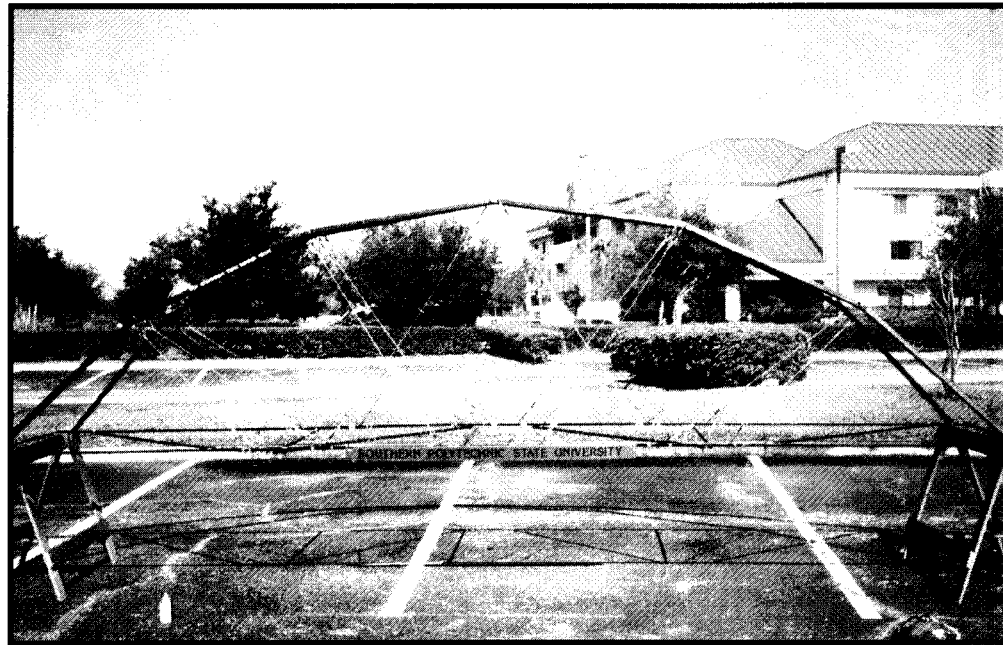
construction and loading is overseen by a panel of judges that keeps each team abiding by the rules.

Southern Poly drew fourth in the order to construct their bridge. This is sometimes bad because the first few teams allow the judges to build a rhythm and determine what is exactly legal. While constructing their bridge in what is believed to be their fastest pace ever, the judge stopped Southern Poly's construction for laying web members across the deck. This procedure was perfectly legal and was not considered a safety

hazard, therefore they should not have been stopped. This considerably affected their construction time, although they drew no penalties. As the day progressed they found themselves tied for first place. After protesting to the head judge, they were to reconstruct their bridge. At this point they had to make a decision. If they could beat 2 min. and 20 sec., they would have first place. If they got a penalty they could fall below second place.

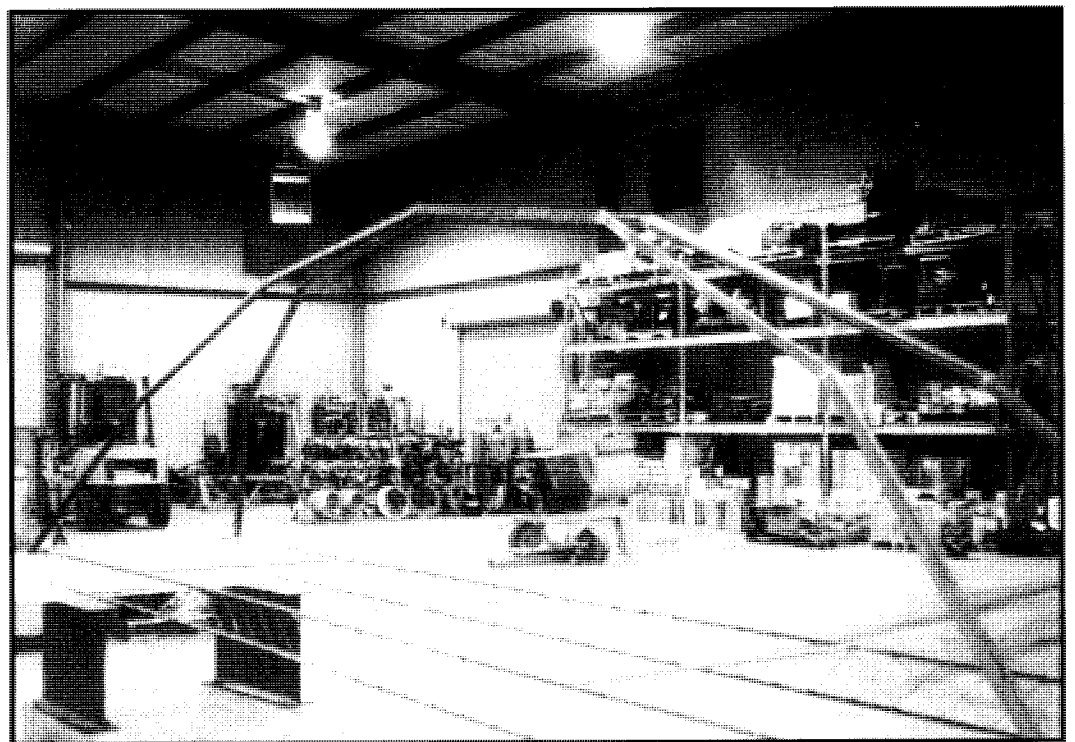
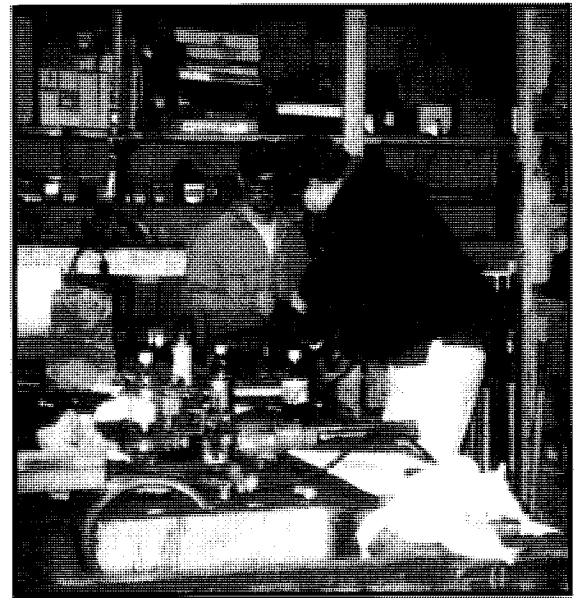
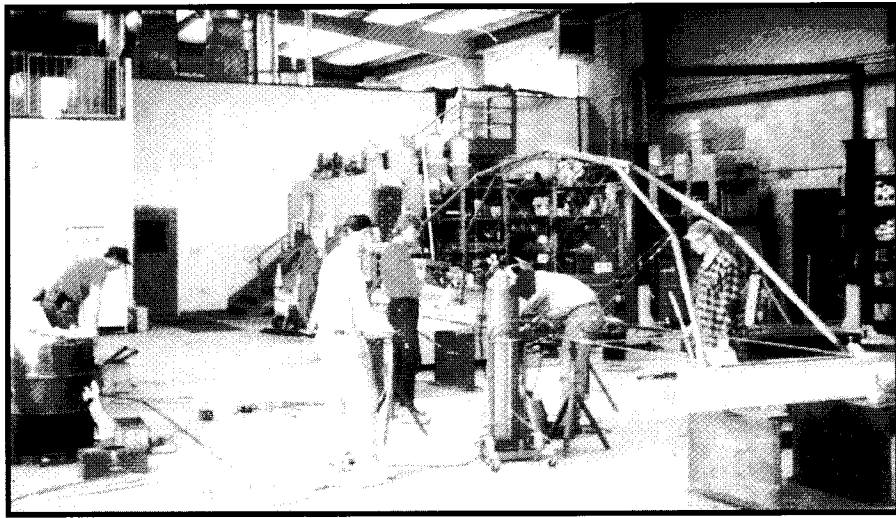
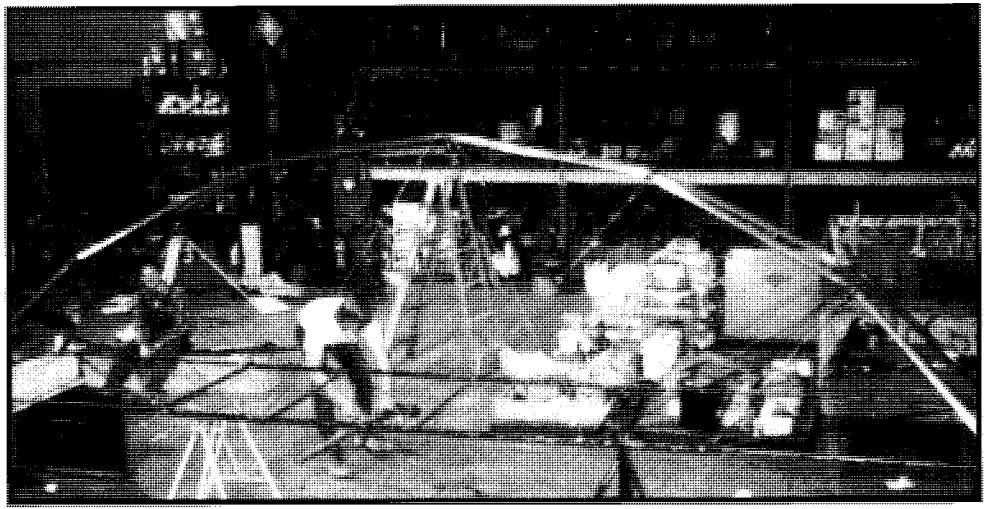
Southern Poly has been second in the nation in the past and had worked too hard to settle for second this time around. As a team they decided to go for the gold, especially since it was their arch rival the University of Florida who was tied with them for first place.

Like a father who had just watched his son hit his first home run, Professor Orlandella stood proud and in full agreement with the decision they had made.



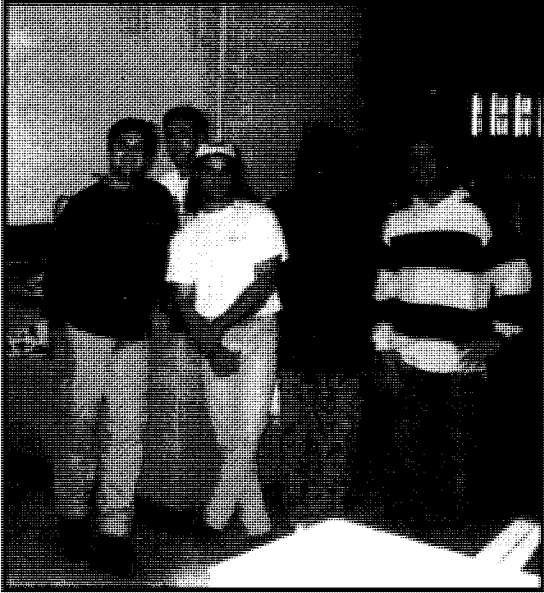
After they had rebuilt the bridge, Professor Orlandella looked like he had gotten coal for Christmas. Southern Poly got a penalty for stepping in the river, knocking their overall position back to fourth place. A gamble for first they had taken; a gamble they had lost. If you ask "Would they do it again?" the steel bridge team would have to say "Absolutely!". The decision they made was that of courage and competitiveness, that of champions. They left no doubt that they meant business and that they would settle for nothing less than the gold. Their supporters deserve nothing

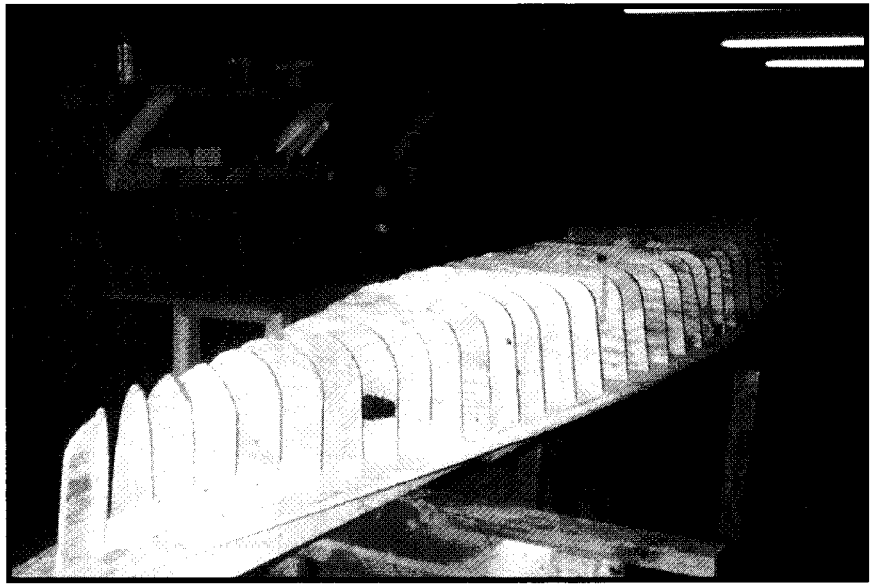
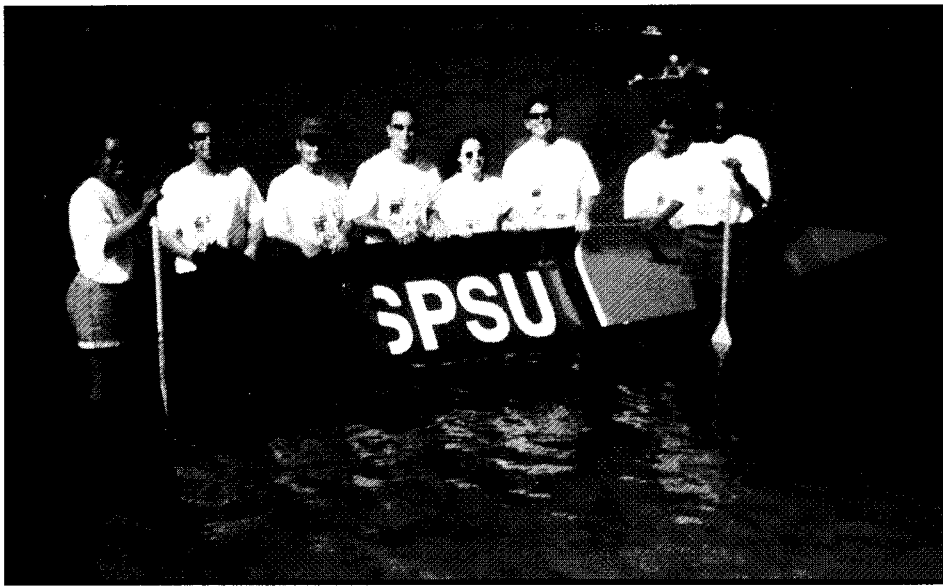
less. It was a very pressure packed and exciting situation, the team can only apologize for blowing it. However, they do not apologize for going for it. Next year, with hard work and the little bit of luck, the gold will come back to the Southern Poly Steel Bridge Team for the students, faculty, and all of their supporters, and we can all relish in victory.

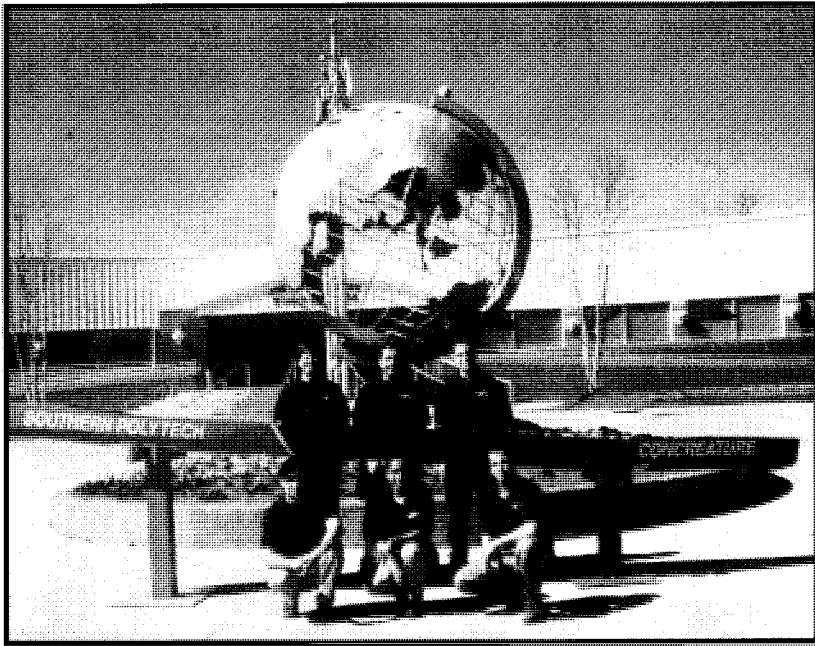


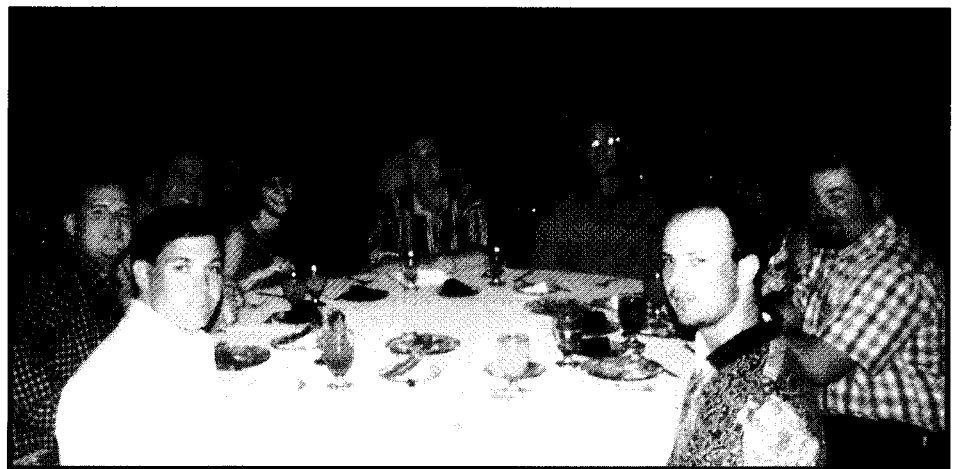
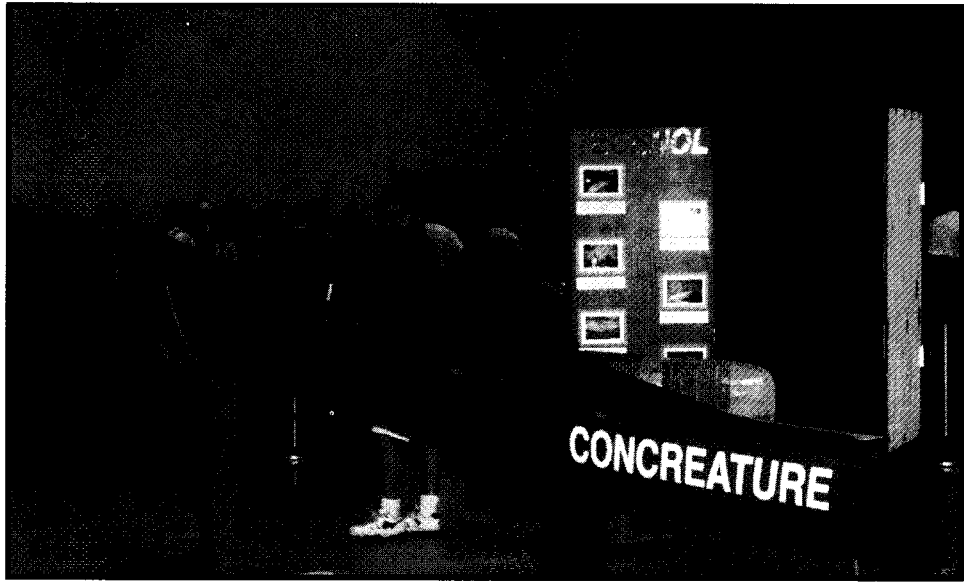
It stands.... How.

A.S.C.E. Concrete Canoe Competition









Teacher Appreciation Day

The Inter-Greek Council of Southern Polytech came together to have a lunch to show their appreciation towards our faculty. The food was good (probably because it was catered) and the weather was beautiful. It was a fun way to prove that we care and to thank the faculty for caring about us.

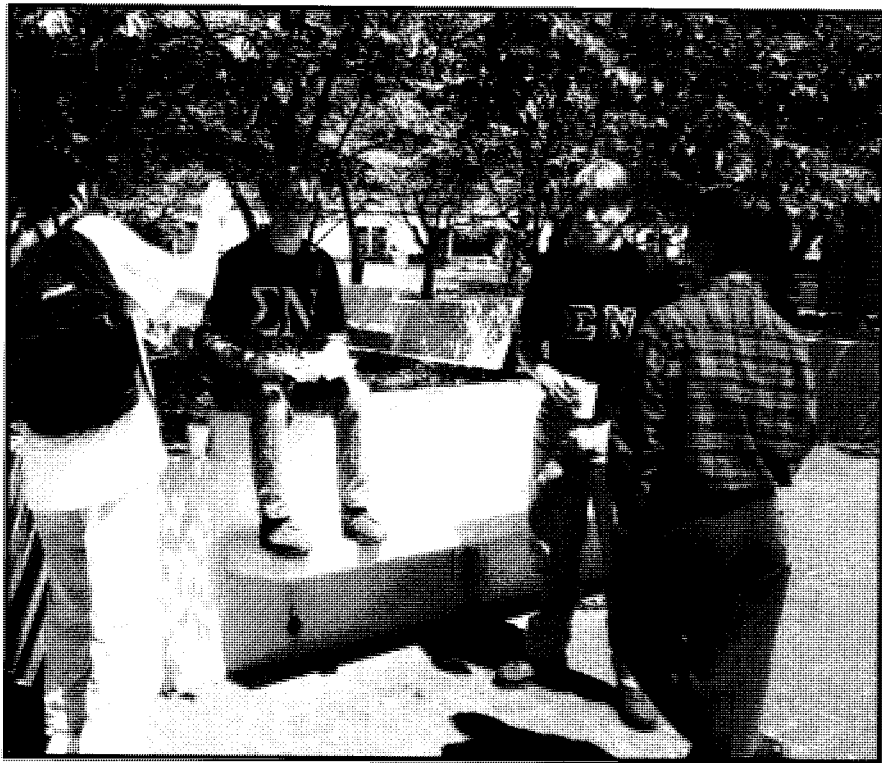


Free Food!

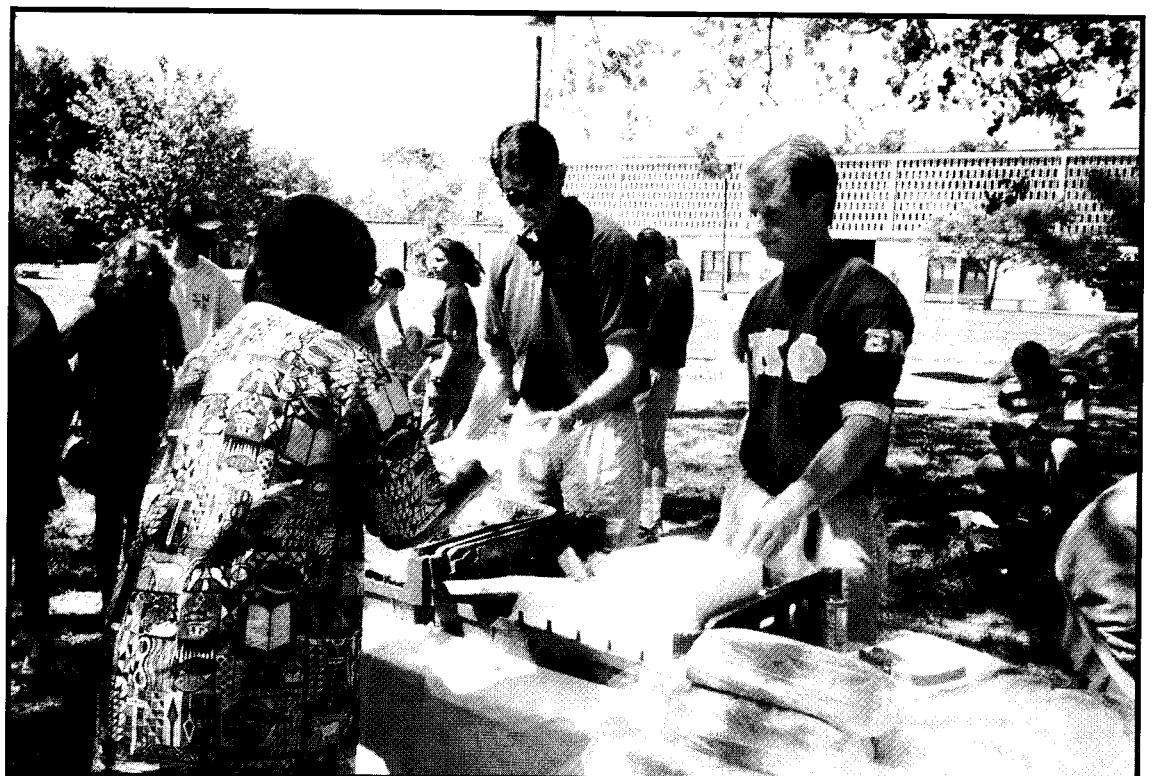


The Greeks painted the rock for the event.





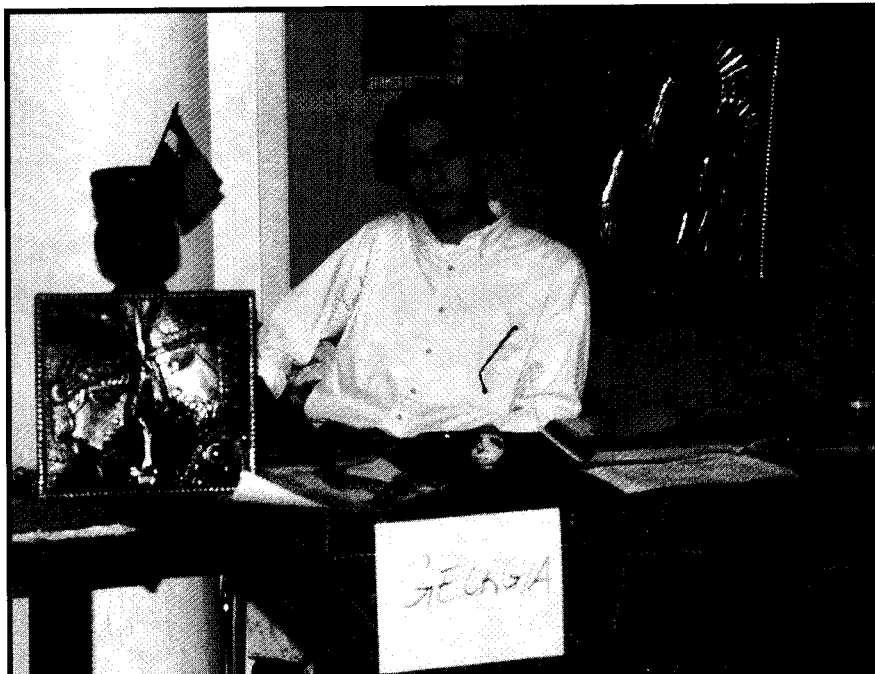
These aren't teachers!



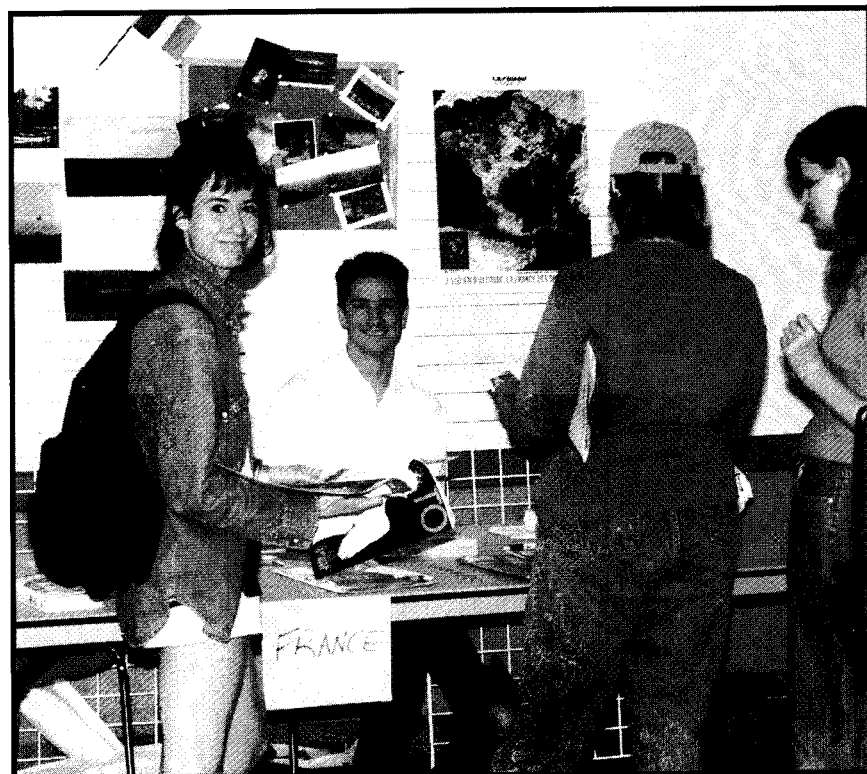
Right: The Greeks come together to serve our starring faculty.

International Fest

*Right: Andre Rozmadze, Georgia.
Not the U.S.A., but Russia!*



*Shaidu Kiren, from Cameroon, President of the
International Student Association. Note his native attire.*



*Right: Representing France,
Vincent Arthus and Geraldine
Lardet*

*International Festival Fashion Show from
around the world!*





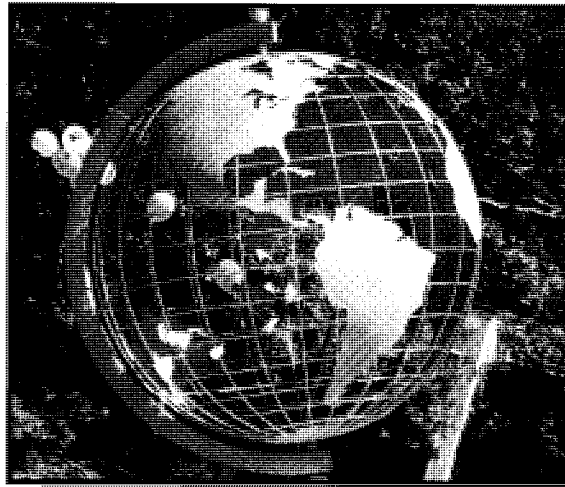
Right: Representing the African student body are two of our students from Zaire.

The 9th Annual International Festival held in conjunction with Techfest- exhibits, entertainment, and food samplings from around the world! A fun filled day promoting cultural diversity!



Right: From the Fachhochschulen in Saxon-Anhalt, our German International exchange students.

TechFest



The world comes to Southern Poly.



Everyone loves a clown.



A demonstration on how to defy gravity.

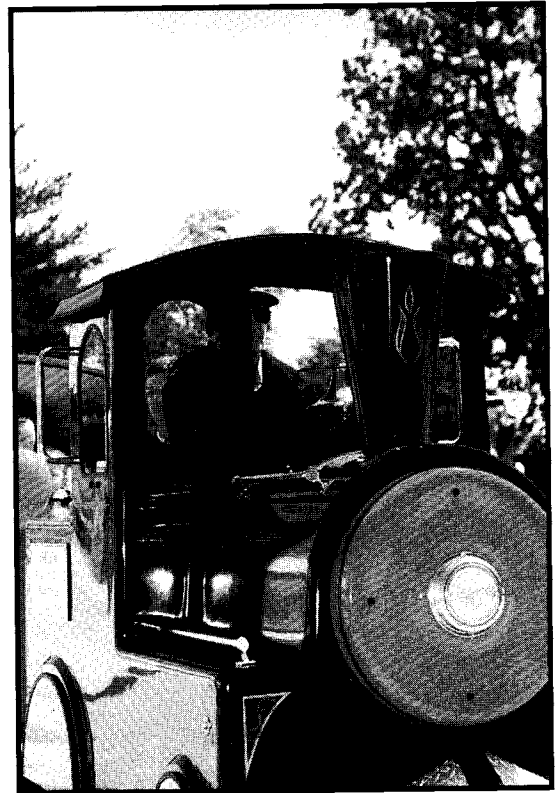
In 1986, a Southern Polytechnic tradition was born; a healthy young combination of open house, show and tell, and community service in providing technology education. In conjunction with the dedication ceremonies for the library addition and what was then the “new” Burruss Academic Building, the first ever **TECHFEST** took place on SPSU’s campus as a very unique entry among the dozens of “festivals” that dot the metropolitan Atlanta landscape each year.

Funded primarily by the Southern Polytechnic Foundation, **TECHFEST** has developed into an event that draws thousands of people of all ages from throughout the state to our campus. This festival combines fun entertainment with hands-on and interactive experiences in the sciences and technologies. In an environment of casual enjoyment, entertainment, food and fun---faculty, students and special guest exhibitors offer opportunities to literally “touch technology.”

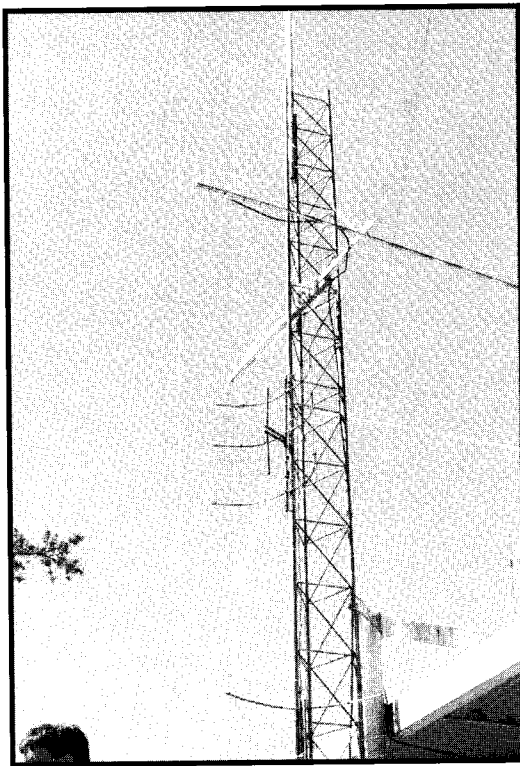




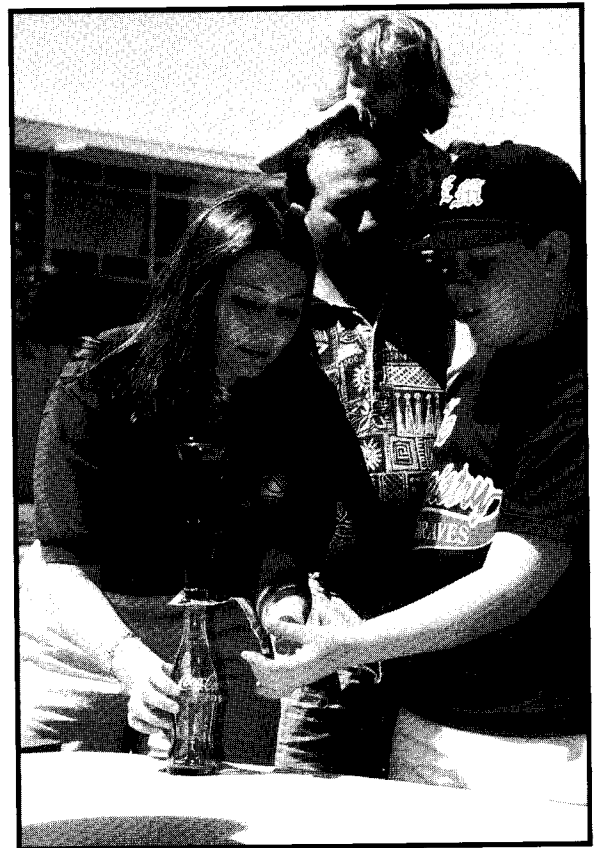
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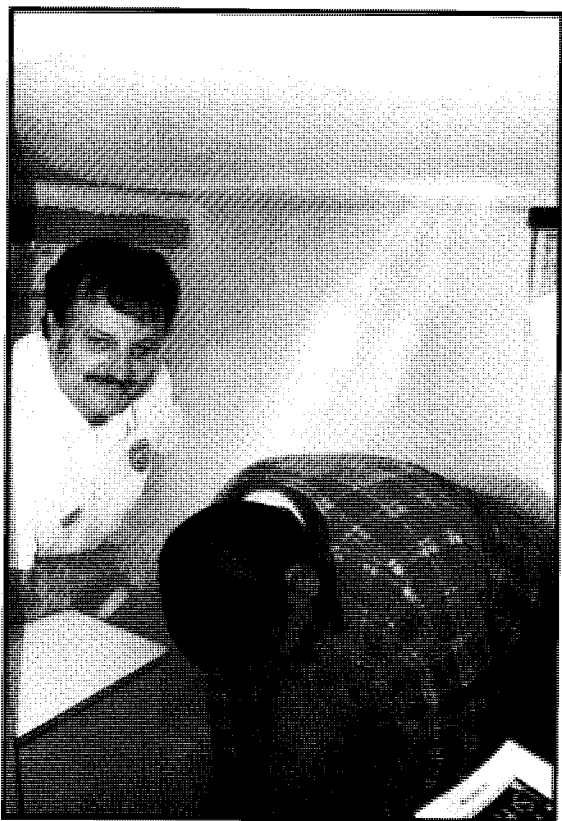
All the kids had fun on the choo choo train.



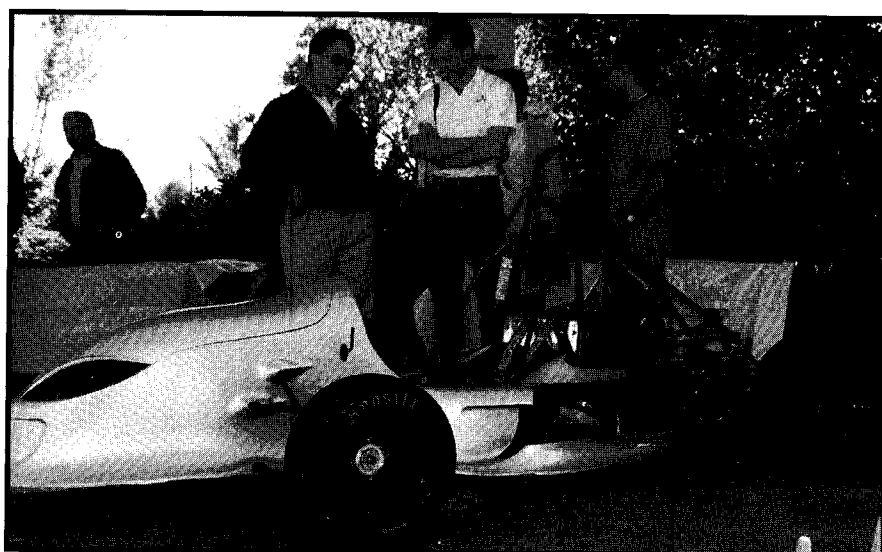
The Amateur Radio Club used their antenna to whoo us all.



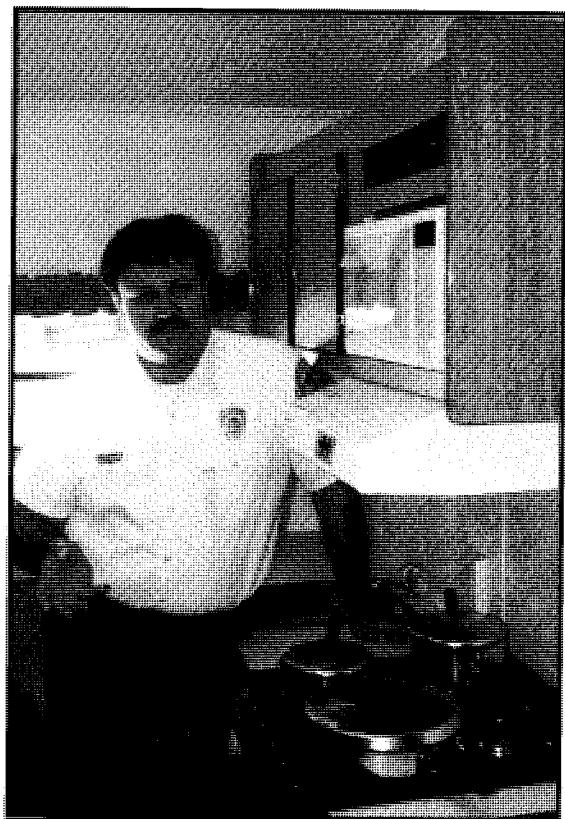
An example of the organizational support by DST and NSBE.



The Fire Department exhibits home fire safety.

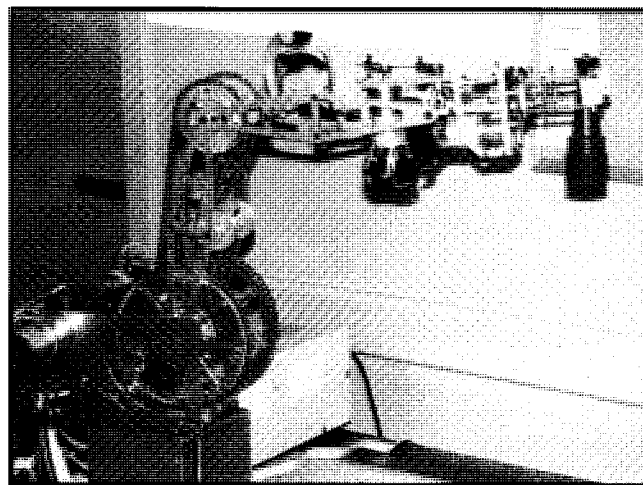
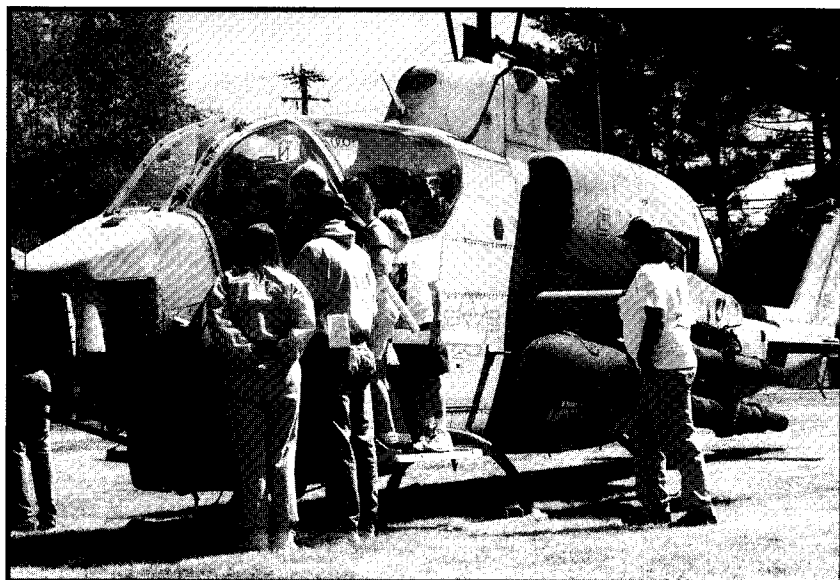


SAE shows their stuff at TECHFEST





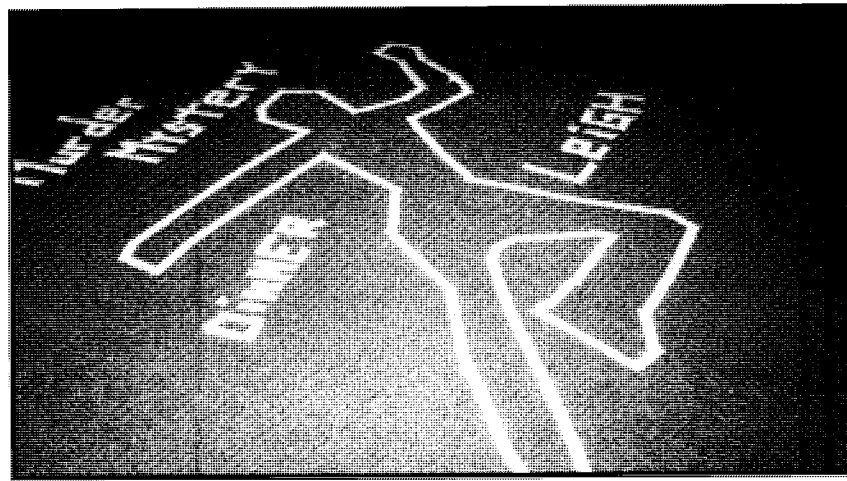
The military always contributes its helicopter.



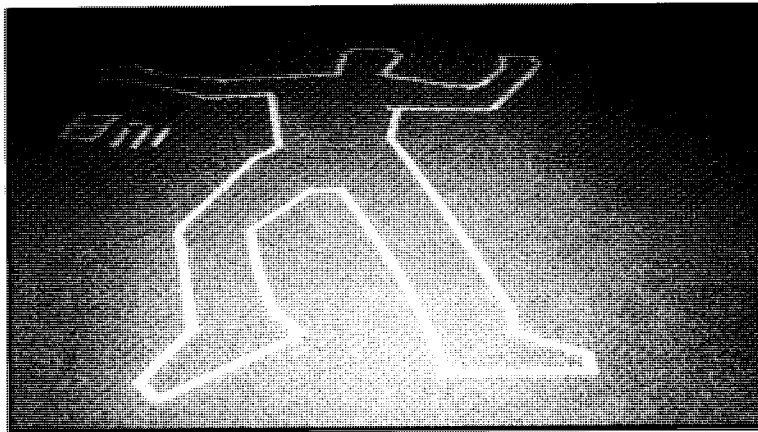
The robotic arm shows everyone it can play chess.

Murder Mystery

C. A. B. hosted a Murder Mystery Dinner Spring of 1997. The Alpha Omega Players provided a presidential campaign for Chip Blocker, Jr. in our very own student center. Dinner and cocktails were served while students and faculty watched the rally and awaited the murder, then attempted to solve the mystery. It was an entertaining night for all.



Anorexia kills!



No one liked Bill, anyway.





*Left: Jackie offers a testimonial to support Blocker, Jr.
Above: I guess he liked it!*



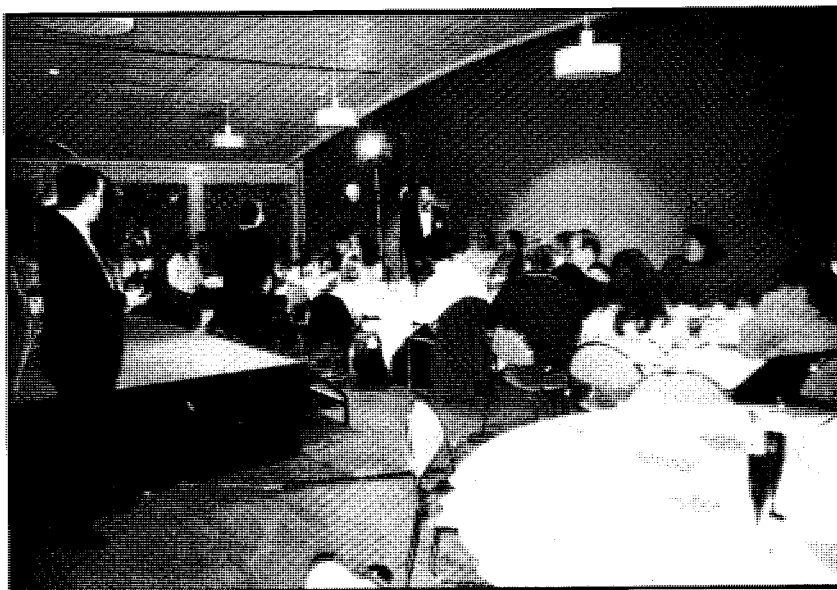
Aramark catered the event.



Victim #1



Volunteers help carry the victims away.



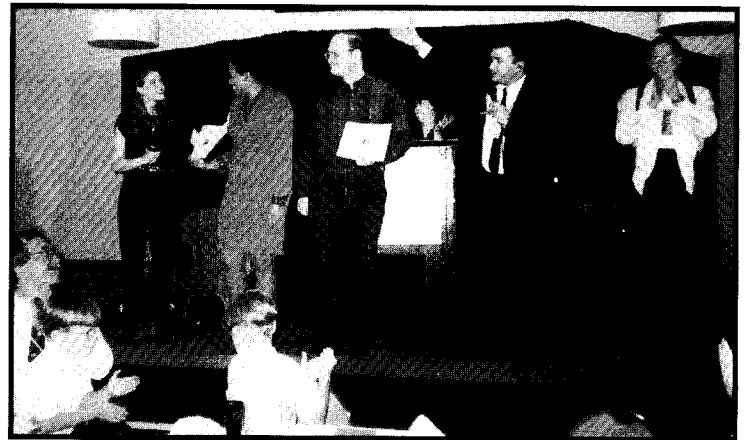
And in enters the drunk Mrs. Blocker.



She drank too much.



Right: Interrogation



These winners came closest to solving the murder mystery.



MURDER MYSTERY DINNER THEATER

Student Center Ballroom
April 19 th

Cocktails will be served @ 7:00PM



After a nine-month trial, a jury took only three hours to acquit O.J. Simpson of the murders of his ex-wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman. The decision divided the country largely along racial lines. Simpson, who still faced civil suits filed by the families of the victims, vowed to search for the real killer.

In six games, the Atlanta Braves defeated the Cleveland Indians for the 1995 World Series title. Braves pitcher Tom Glavine was named the Series MVP.

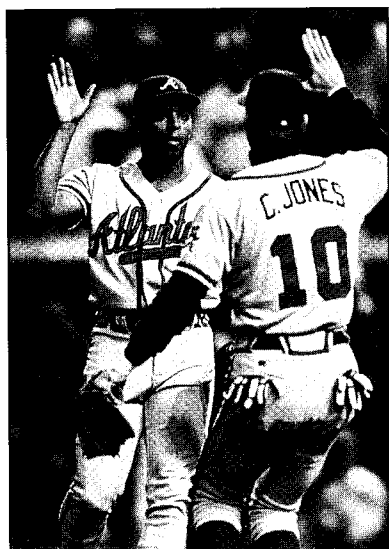


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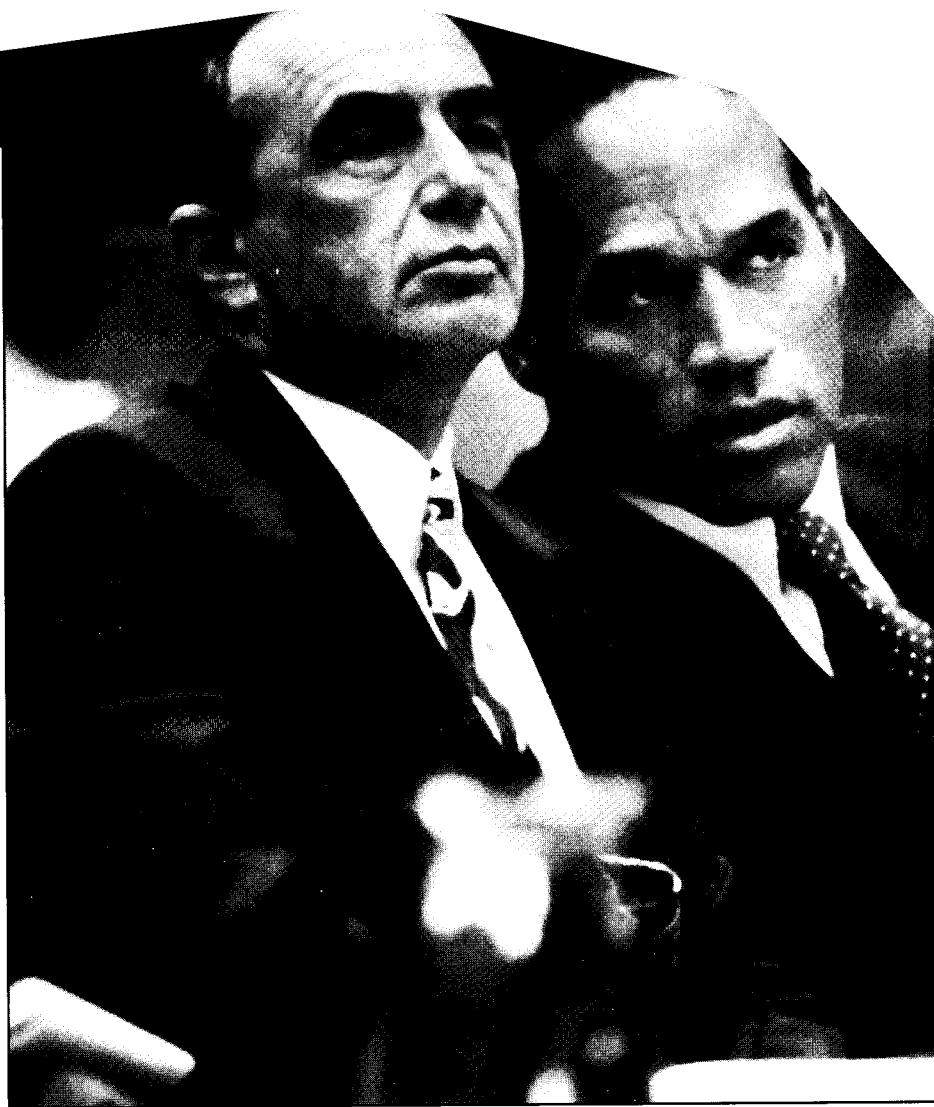


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PHOTO: GREGG DEGUIRE

Despite a lack of support from Congress, President Clinton deployed 20,000 U.S. troops to Bosnia as part of a NATO peacekeeping mission, after Balkan leaders signed a treaty to end the civil war.

Toy Story, the first full-length film to be made completely with computer animation, garnered rave reviews from critics and audiences alike as one of the top movies of 1995.



PHOTO: WALT DISNEY



PHOTO: HED LEVINE/SIPA PRESS

RETROSPECTIVE

AN OVERVIEW OF EVENTS AND PERSONALITIES OF THE YEAR



PHOTO: M.C. SMITH / THE POST & COURIER / SYGMA

Citing the stress brought on by two and a half years of legal battles, Shannon Faulkner left the Citadel after only five days. Faulkner, who had fought to be the first woman admitted to the all-male military school, spent most of her first week in the infirmary, suffering from heat exhaustion.

Retired Gen. Colin Powell toured to support his book, *My American Journey*, while the country wondered if he would make the run for the presidency in 1996. Powell announced in November that he would not run at this time, but did not rule out any future political endeavors.

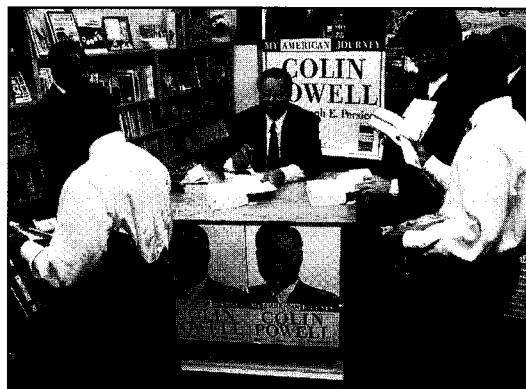


PHOTO: JOHN FIGARA / SYGMA



PHOTO: GUY LAWRENCE / AP/WIDEWORLD

Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin was assassinated in October by a Jewish extremist. In the square where the assassination took place, thousands paid homage to the slain leader.

Nearly a million African-American men gathered in Washington, D.C., for the Million Man March, a call for "atonement and reconciliation."



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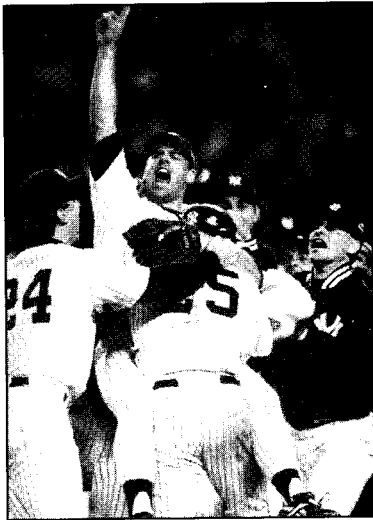
A record 13 years in the making Baltimore Orioles shortstop Cal Ripken, Jr. broke Lou Gehrig's record of 2,130 consecutive games played. Many looked at Ripken's streak as an antidote for fans who were disgruntled by the recent baseball strike.

U.S. gymnast Kerri Strug epitomized the Olympic spirit for many. After falling on her first vault in the women's team competition and injuring her ankle, and unsure whether her score was needed to capture a gold medal for the U.S. team, Strug landed her second vault. The U.S. won a total of 101 medals.

Perhaps the best-kept secret of the year was the September wedding of John F. Kennedy, Jr., and Carolyn Bessette. Only 40 guests were invited to the intimate ceremony on Cumberland Island, Ga., and everyone involved signed an agreement of confidentiality. The couple's return to New York thrust them back in the spotlight, and tabloid reports of marital strain soon followed.



Rap artist Tupac Shakur was killed in a drive-by shooting in Las Vegas in September. Shakur, whose violent "gangsta" image was reflected in both his life and music, was 25.



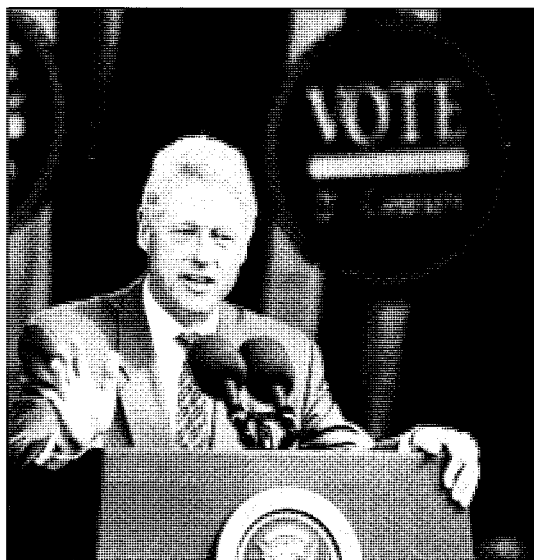
The New York Yankees returned to the ranks of baseball's elite when they defeated the Atlanta Braves in the World Series, four games to two. It was the Yankees' first World Series appearance in 18 years, and the 23rd championship won by the team.

After giving up his Senate seat to run for president in 1996, Bob Dole celebrated his nomination at the Republican National Convention. Despite his promise of a 15 percent, across-the-board tax cut, Dole was defeated by incumbent President Bill Clinton.



RETROSPECTIVE

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President Bill Clinton was re-elected in November, becoming the first Democrat in more than 50 years to win a second term. Promising to "Build a Bridge to the 21st Century," Clinton won easily, despite turmoil in his staff and charges of improper campaign donations.

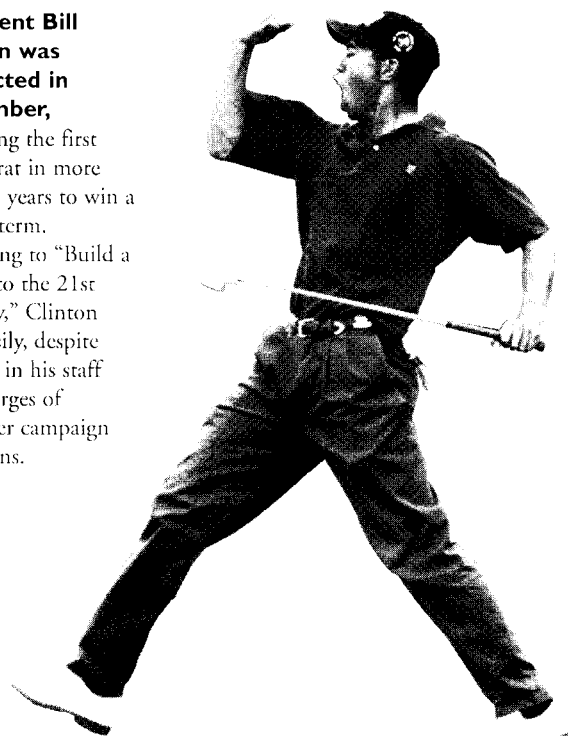


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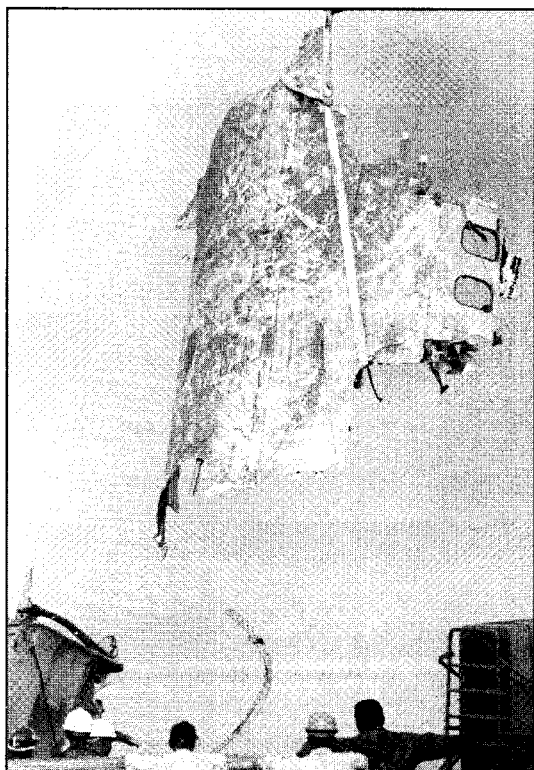


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TWA Flight 800, en route to Paris from New York, exploded over Long Island in July, killing all 230 passengers on board. While beliefs that the crash was caused by a bomb or missile were widely held, investigators became increasingly convinced that the plane went down because of mechanical failure.

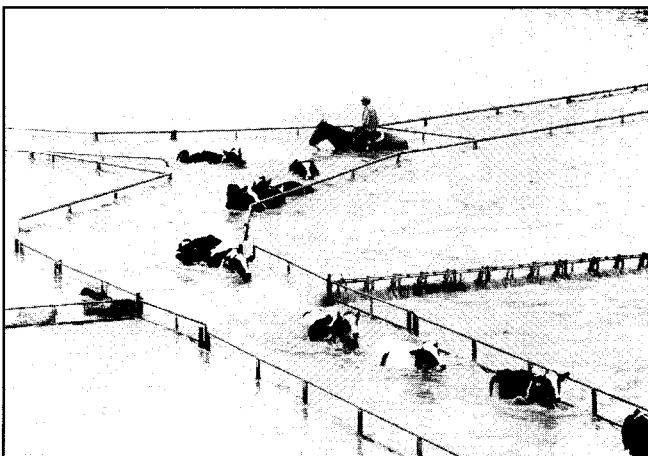
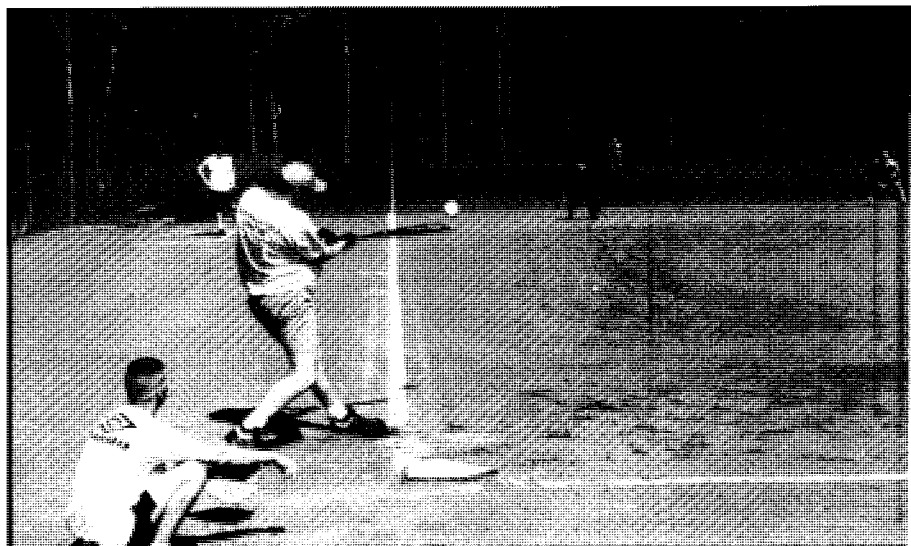
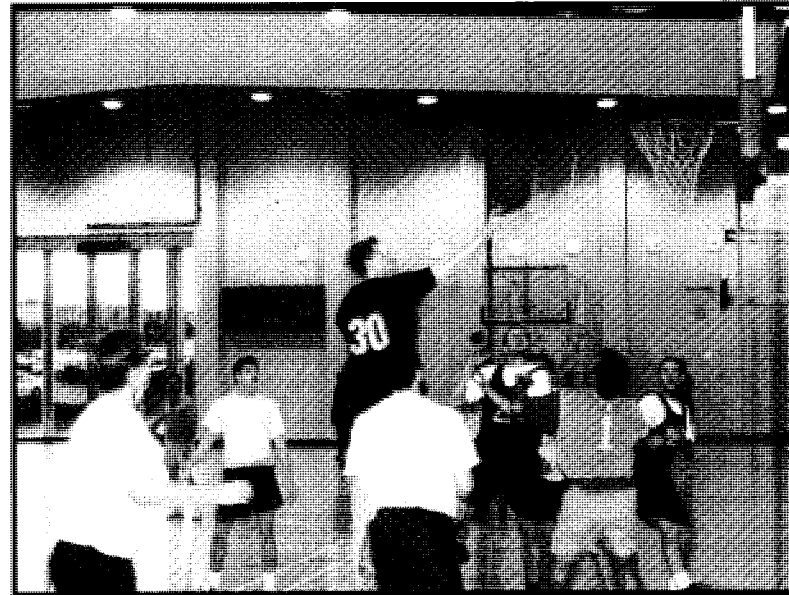


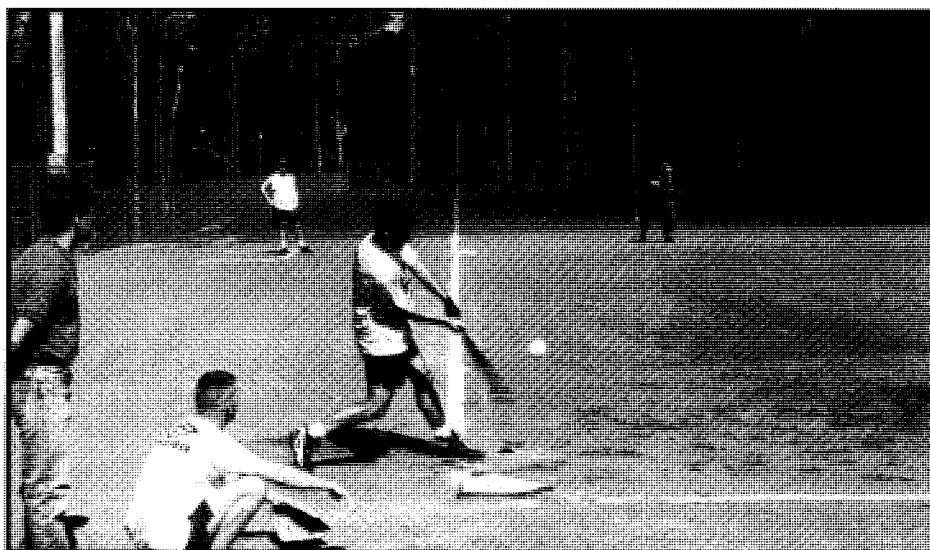
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Tiger Woods became golf's ambassador in 1996. After winning his third U.S. Amateur title, Woods turned pro and won two of his first seven tournaments. Woods started 1997 with a bang, winning the Mercedes Championships.

Thousands in the northwestern United States, including these cows, were forced from their homes in early January when floods caused by record levels of rain and snow swept through five states.

Intramurals



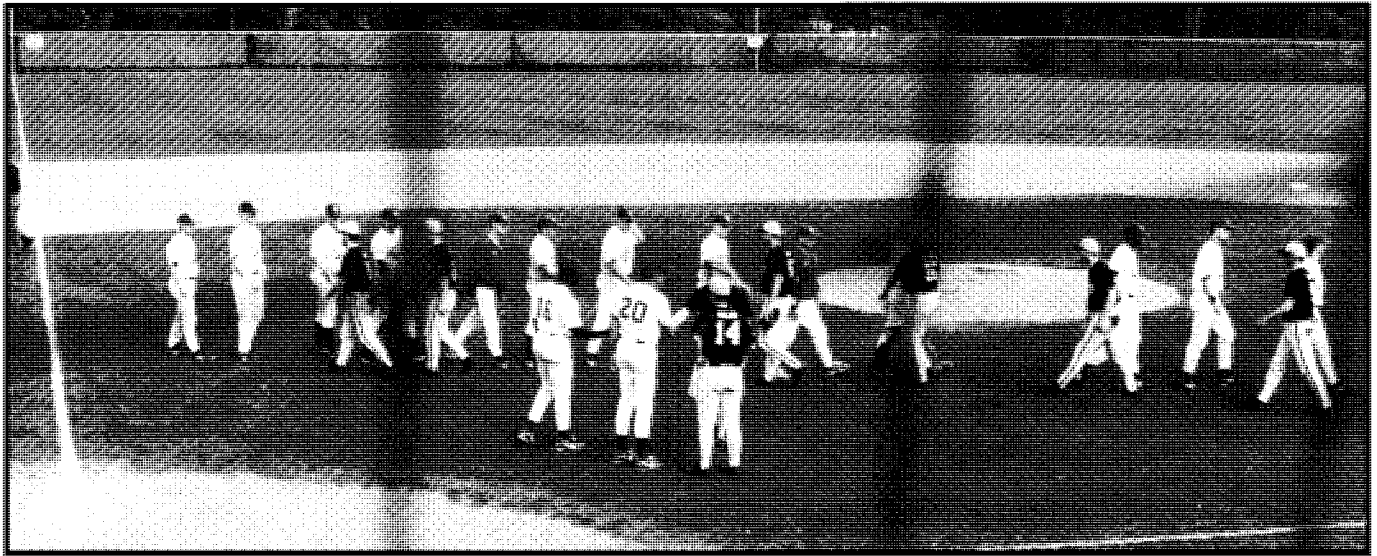


Sports

Southern Polytechnic State University had an outstanding year in sports. The Hornets proved that even with the tough demands placed on them from classes that they can compete on and off the field. Southern Poly was at the top of the conference standings all year in baseball, basketball, and tennis. It was a record setting year in tennis with two players making the national tournament. The baseball team made it to the regional playoffs in Homestead, Florida. The basketball team made it to the second round of the playoffs before losing in overtime. Overall, the Hornet Athletic teams all finished with winning records and all advanced to the playoffs.



1996-1997 Tereca Basketball Tournament Champions



1996-1997 Hornet Baseball Shakes Hands After A Victory

Enrique Carrion Serves up the 1996-1997 Tennis Season



Basketball

Southern Polytechnic State University began the 1996-1997 athletic campaign with basketball in the fall. The Running Hornets began their season with a tough out of conference schedule. This included playing the eventual NAIA National Champions, Life College. The Hornets played Life twice, losing the first game by four points at the Hornets nest. The Hornets traveled to Tennessee to play in a Christmas tournament hosted by Tennessee Temple University. The Hornets made it to the championship game before losing.

Southern Poly played host to the Hornet Classic where again they made it to the championship game before losing to Gardner Webb University. The Hornets finally broke through by winning the Trevecca Tournament in early January which wrapped up their non-conference schedule. Southern Poly entered the Georgia Athletic Conference with a 9-6 record and the confidence that they could win the conference title.



The 1996-1997 Hornets: Game Time

Players & Coaches

Fred Frazier

Cedric Jones

Joey Walker

Carlos Bermudez

Phil Duncan

Alpha Gaines

Head Coach

Assist. Coach

Larry Walton

Wilbur Jordan

Troy Hill

Eric Blair

Casey George

James Davis

George Perides

Drew Meister

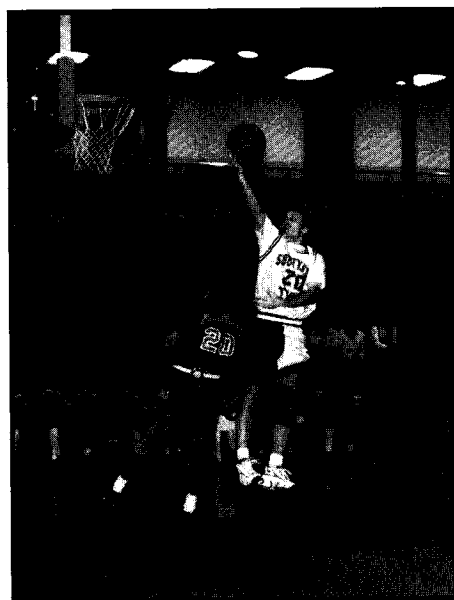
Conference Play

The Hornets finished the conference schedule with a record of 8-6. They finished second to conference champs Georgia Southwestern. The Hornets played hard and fought for every win.

Conference Games

Emmanuel	Win
Brewton Parker	Win
North Georgia	Win
Shorter College	Loss
Georgia Southwestern	Loss
Piedmont College	Win(OT)
North Georgia	Win
Lagrange College	Win
Brewton Parker	Win
Piedmont College	Loss
Shorter College	Win
Georgia Southwestern	Loss
Lagrange College	Loss
Emmanuel College	Loss

The Hornets entered the GAC District Playoffs as the second seed. Their first round opponent was Lagrange College. The Hornets won by the score of 74-65. The second round opponent was Piedmont College. The game was tied at 48-48 at the end of regulation. The Hornets went scoreless in overtime and lost 63-48. This was a disappointing way to end the season. Although the season ended on a disappointing overtime loss, the Hornets played hard and finished the season with an 18-15 overall record.



Casey George soars in for a finger roll against Piedmont College!

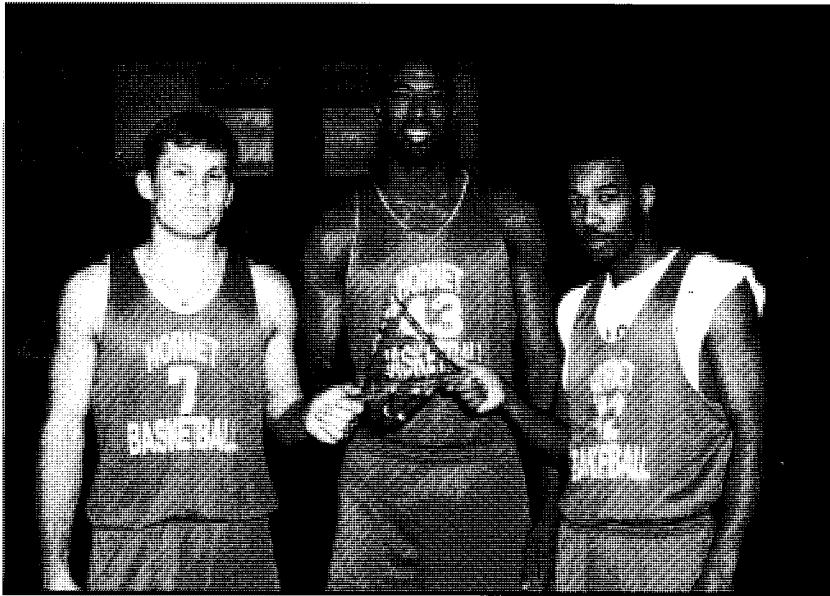


Carlos Bermudez lays one in off glass!

Hornet Leaders

Scoring
Rebounding
Assists
Steals
Blocks
Minutes Played

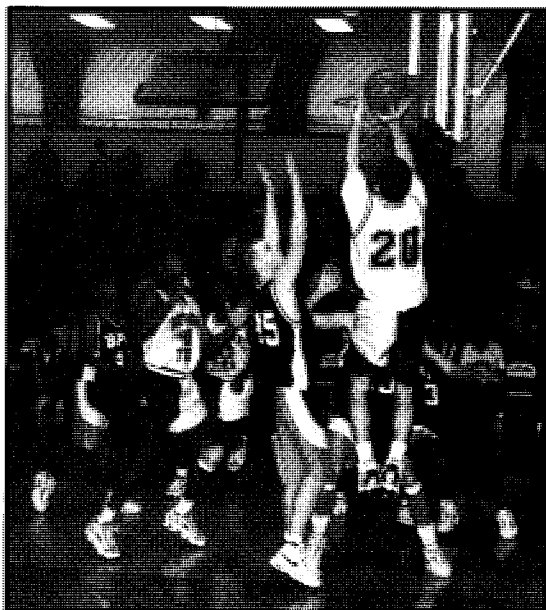
Carlos Bermudez
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Larry Walton
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Troy Hill



Terececa Tournament: All Tournament Team Casey George, Carlos Bermudez, & Troy Hill.



Troy Hill slices under the basket and the North Georgia Defender to score!



Casey shoots a fade-away baseline jumper!



Alpha Gaius attempts a free throw!

Baseball

The Southern Poly Baseball team had a great 1996-97 season. The team finished with a 31-11 regular season record and qualified for the District 25 G.A.C. playoffs as the second seed. The Hornets played consistent baseball all year.

Southern Poly finished second in the district playoffs and advanced to the regional playoffs in Homestead, Florida. The Hornets were the number four seed in Homestead and their first opponent was Saint Thomas University. The Hornets played well but lost 10-5. The second and final game for the Hornets saw them play Brewton Parker. Brewton Parker beat Southern Poly for the fifth time this year, the only team to get the best of the Hornets all year.

The Hornets had a balanced team this year. The pitching was good and the hitting jumped to a new level. Randy Black and Jon Arnold led the way on the pitching staff. Randy was 8-3 with five complete games, 86 strikeouts and an ERA of 3.04. Jon came on in the second half of the season with a 5-2 record and four complete games. The pitching staff had an overall ERA of 3.81.

The offense was led by David Carroll. David batted lead-off and hit .424 for the season. The Power of the Hornets attack came from four hitters: Matt Griffin, Trey Hall, Todd Hewett, & Tom Paciorek. Matt batted .368 with 10 homers, Trey hit .354 with 9 homers, Todd hit .341 with 8 homers, & Tom hit .384 with 7 homers.

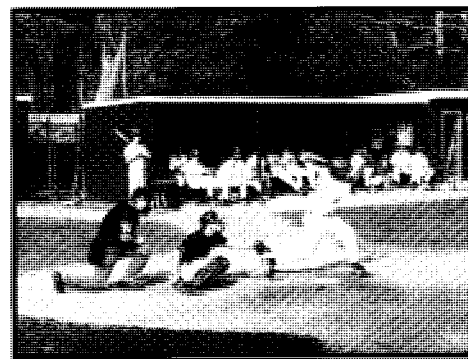
The Hornets showed they could play defence as well. The team had a fielding percentage of .948. Nine players had percentages better than .900.



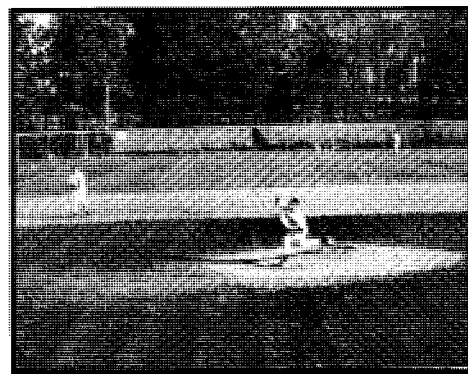
David Carroll squares to bunt!



Todd Hewett Swings Away!



Right: Byron Rhodes gets a single!



Ken Wiggins delivers to the plate!

Players & Coaches

Outfielders

David Carroll	Trey Brown	Michael Roberson
Byron Rhodes	Tom Paciorek	Todd Hewett

Infielders

Jeffery Snipes	Ben Jackson	Matt Griffin
Trey Hall	Richard Zonjic	

Catchers

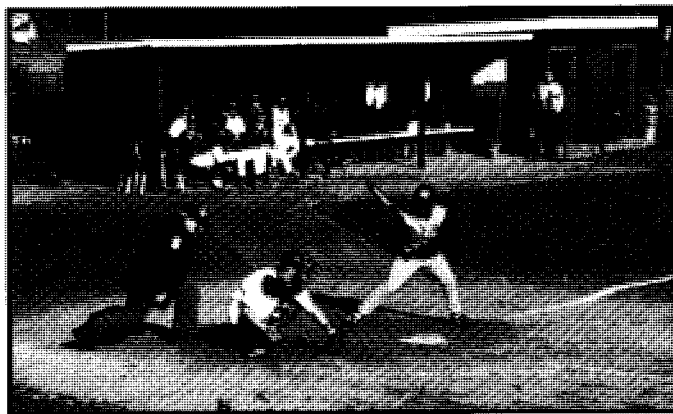
Tolley Campbell	Kenny Bailey	David Douglas
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Pitchers

Jason Cheatham	Ken Wiggins	Martin Maldonado
Randy Black	Jon Arnold	David Stone
Brent Johnson		

Coaches

Head	Charlie Lumsden
Assit.	Eric Alexander



Opposing batter caught looking at a strike.



Richard Zonjic takes a level cut.



David Douglas advances the runner with a bunt!

Baseball

Season Results

Tusculum	7-1	
Tusculum	10-2, 1-0	
Tennessee Wesleyan	4-2, 5-4	
Piedmont College	7-5, 6-7	
Faulkner University	4-3, 6-10	
Wisconsin-Lacrosse	4-0, 3-6	
Georgia State	7-5	
Georgia Southwestern	7-4, 4-3	
Lagrange College	6-3, 16-2	
Minnesota-Duluth	Hornet Sweep	
Shorter College	9-3, 1-4	
Anderson College	14-7, 5-8	
Virginia Intermont	11-10, 8-9	
Lagrange College	14-3, 4-3	
Emmanuel College	13-3, 24-2	Coach Lumsden's 600th Win!
Tennessee Wesleyan	3-0, 15-11	
Georgia Southwestern	10-1, 8-5	
Brewton Parker	3-6, 0-10	
Piedmont College	4-2, 8-2	
Shorter College	4-2, 10-6	
Brewton Parker	2-7, 1-3	

1997 G.A.C. Baseball All Conference

Matt Griffin

Tom Paciorek

David Carroll

Randy Black

Michael Roberson

Tennis

The Southern Polytechnic State University tennis team had an excellent season in 1996-97. The team finished with an 8-4 record for the season. Brennen Hicks, the number one player for Southern Poly, went the entire season undefeated in singles competition.

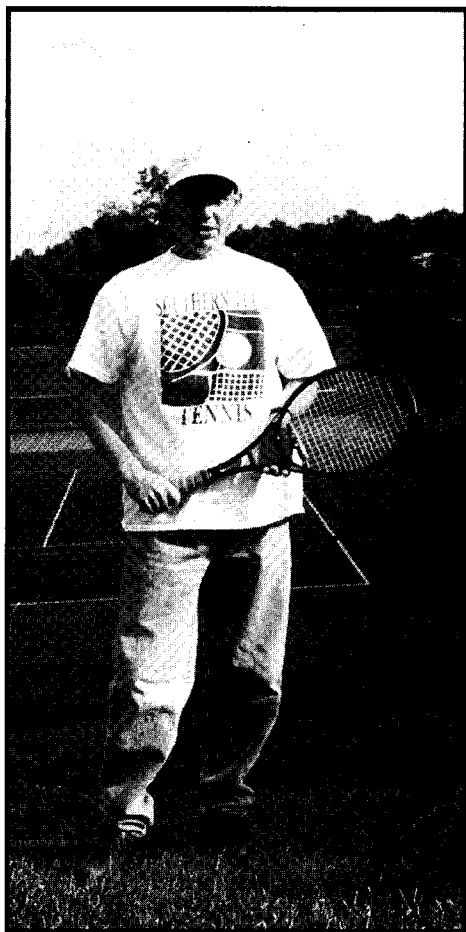
After finishing the regular season the Hornets entered the G.A.C. District 25 tournament with high hopes. Brennen lost in the finals of the number one singles tournament. Southern Poly did make history in the tournament. The number one doubles team of Brennen Hicks and Danny Chang qualified for the National NAIA tournament in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Both Brennen and Danny played well at the National Tournament. Danny lost in the first round of singles while Brennen made it to the second round. In doubles, Southern Poly made it to the third round. The 1996-97 season was a great one for Southern Poly Tennis!

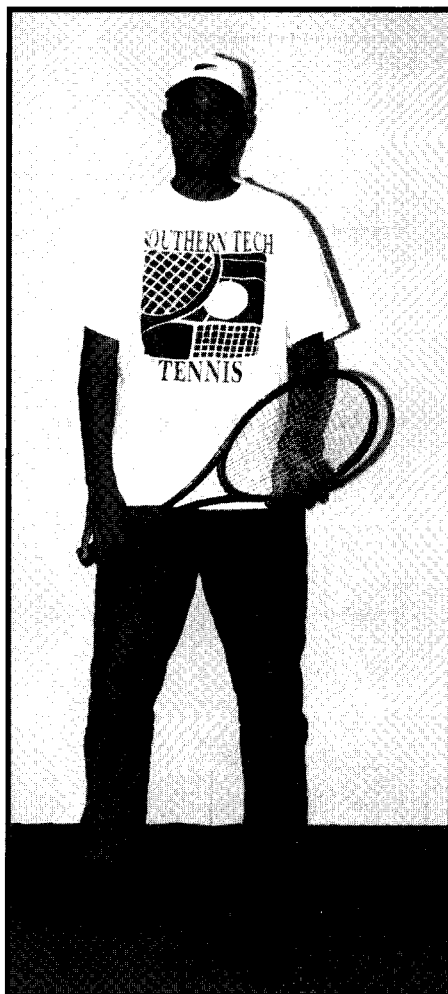
Players & Coaches

Brennen Hicks	Danny Chang	Enrique Carrion
Michael Penrow	Jacob Bush	Alex Wood
Jim Rutherford	Anzae Hardman	Gabriel Hildalgo

Coach	Lee Tucker
Assist. Coaches	Jose Vinelli & Sam Beadles



Brennen Hicks

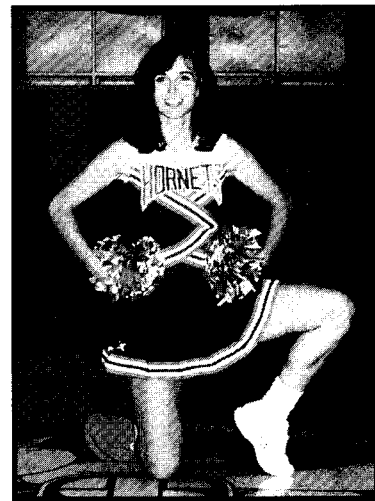


Danny Chang

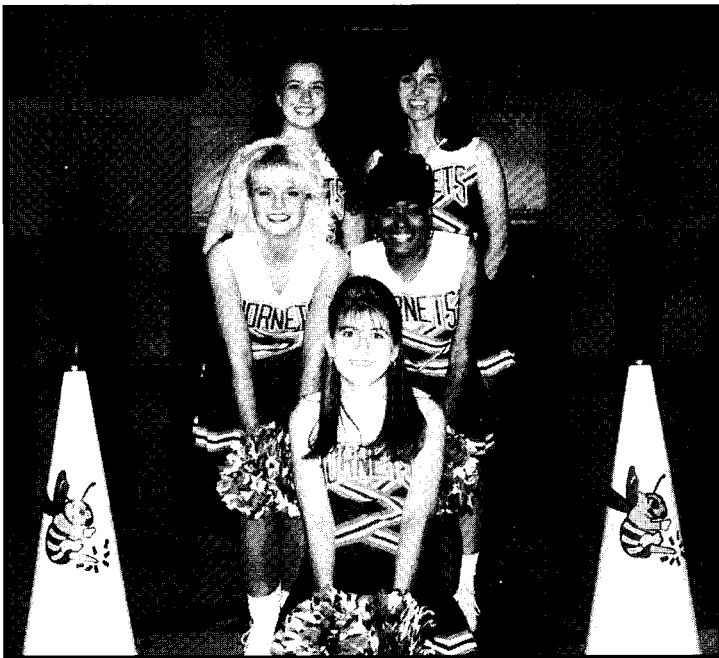


Enrique Carrion serves it up for SPSU.

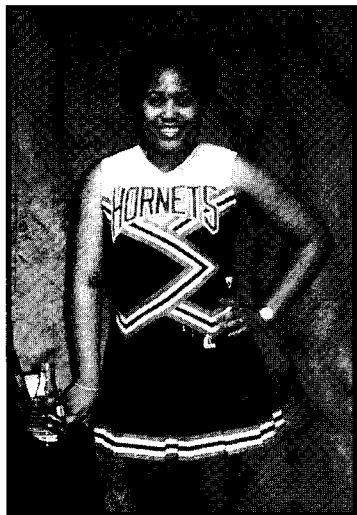
Cheerleading



Captain: Andre Whitener



*1996-97 Squad Top Row: Mary Tomasello, Andre Whitener
Mid Row: Angie Perides, Tanja Wright
Bottom: Jennifer Whitenberg*



Nydia Murray
Co-Captain

Jennifer Whitenberg



Tanja Wright
Angie Perides

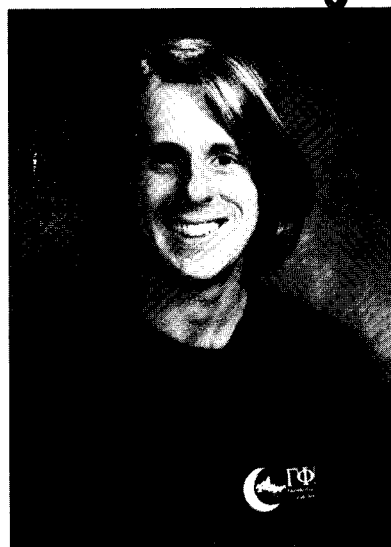


Mary Tomasello

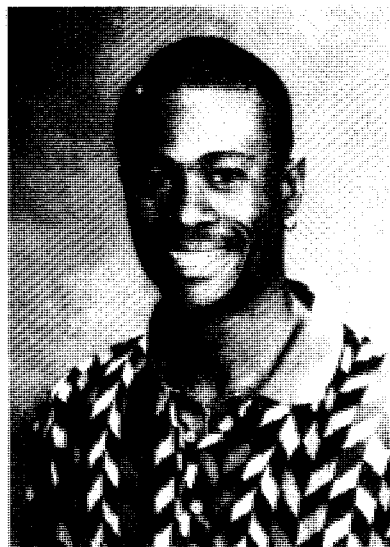


All the athletes and cheerleaders would like to thank the fans for their support this year!

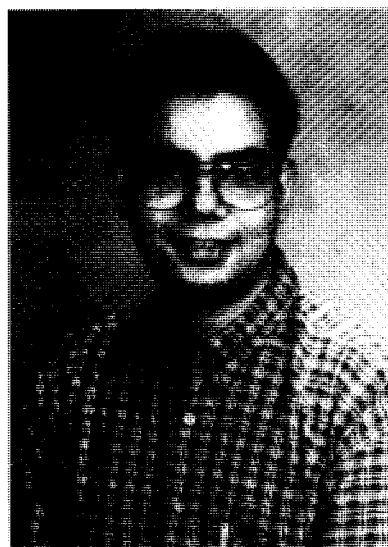
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Shannon Acreman



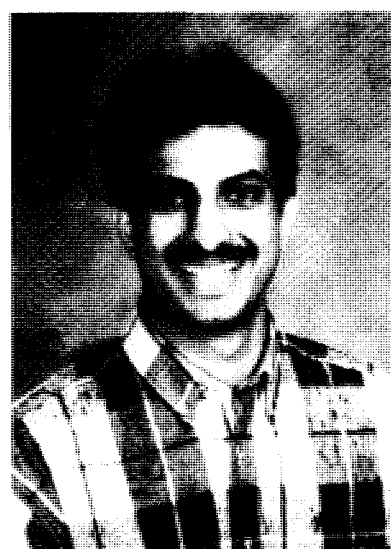
Javin Adderley



Jaim Ahmed



Lorie Aldredge



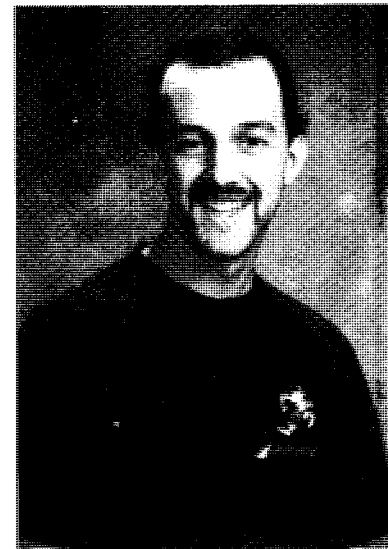
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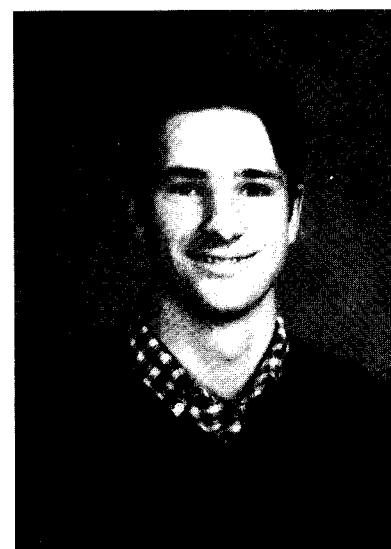
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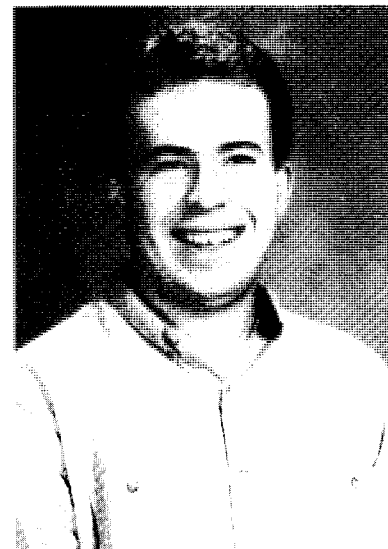
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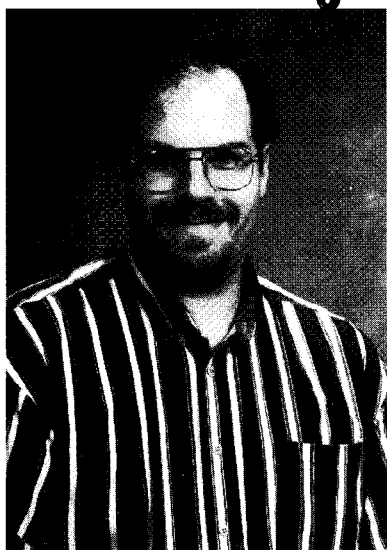


Dennis Baggett

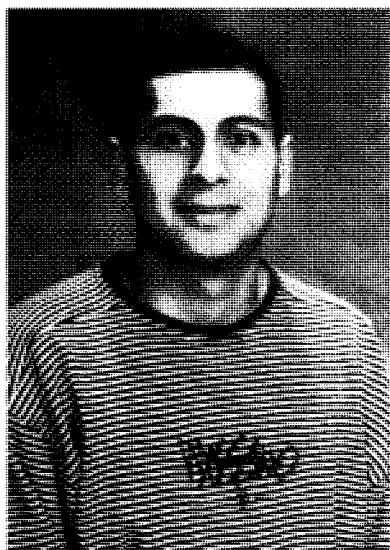


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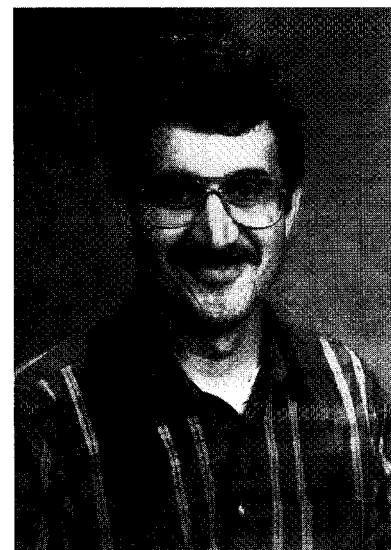
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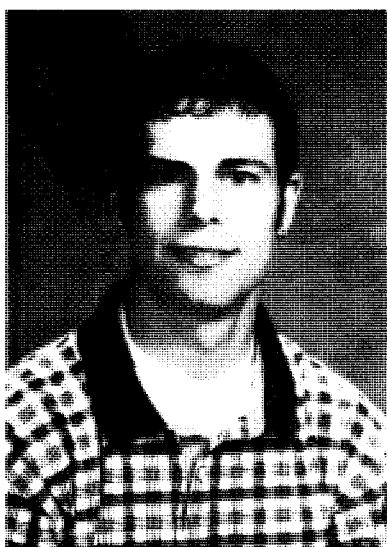
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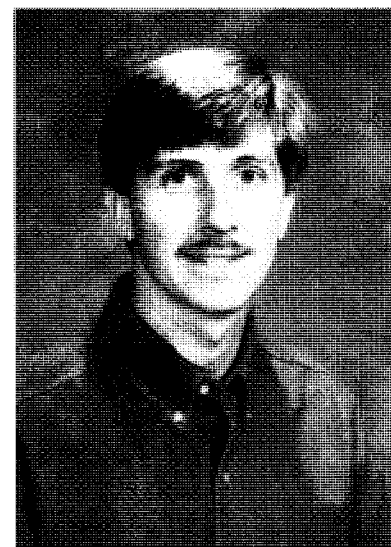
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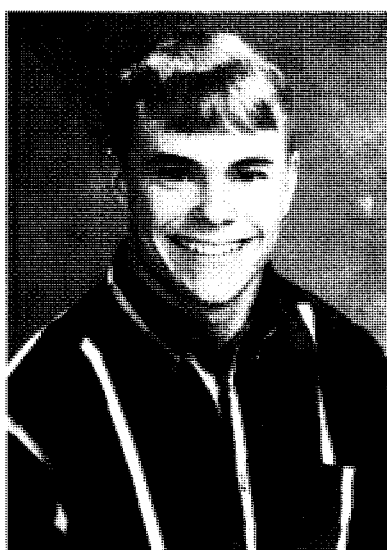
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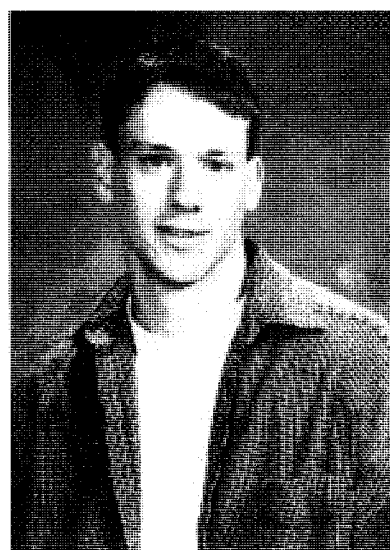
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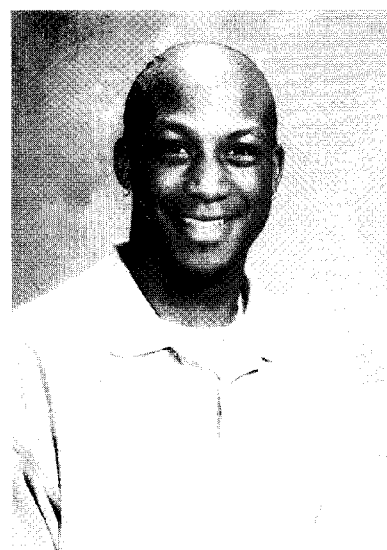
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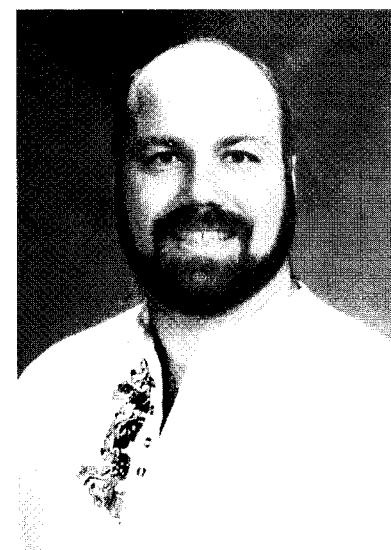
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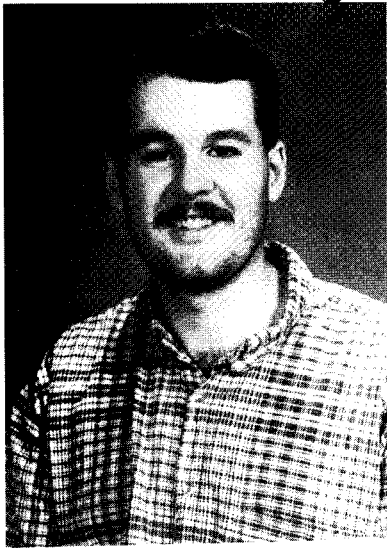


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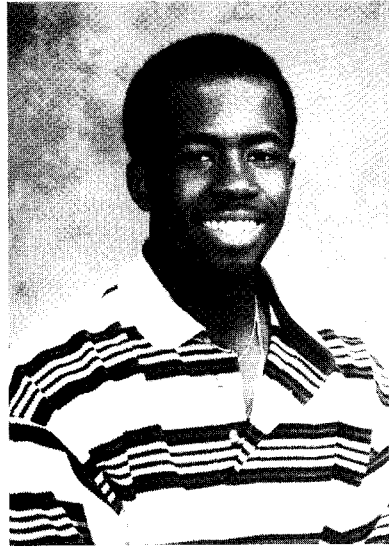


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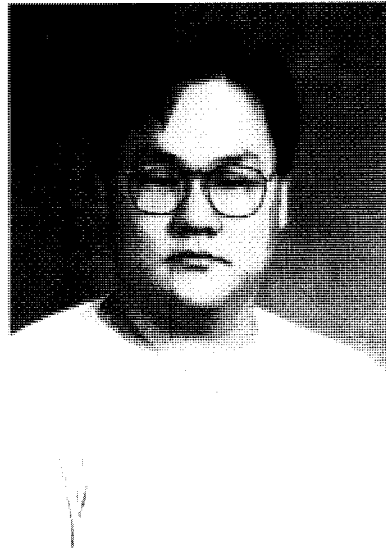
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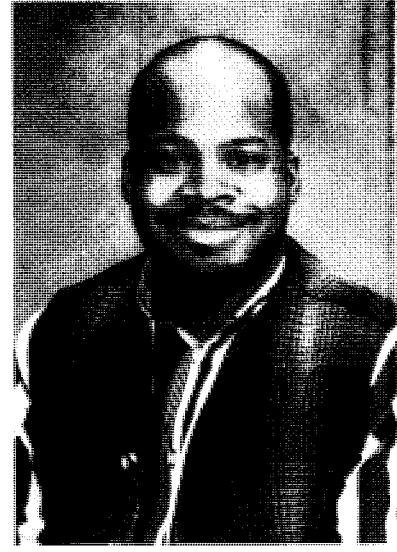
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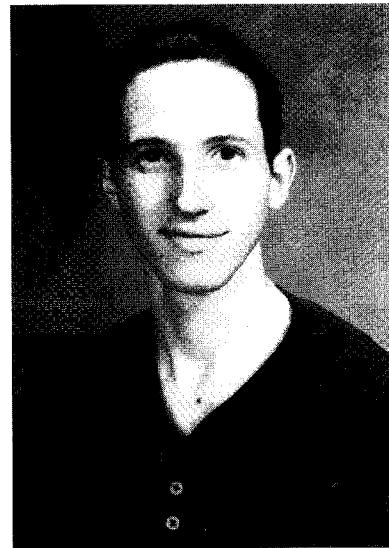
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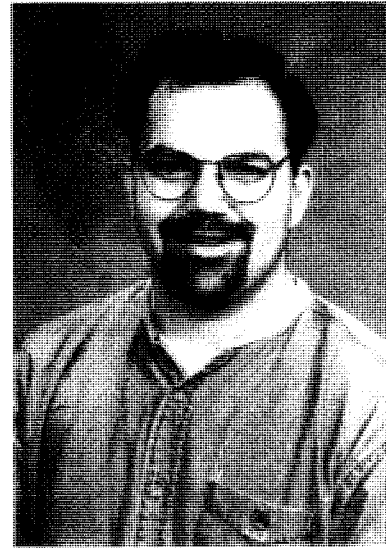
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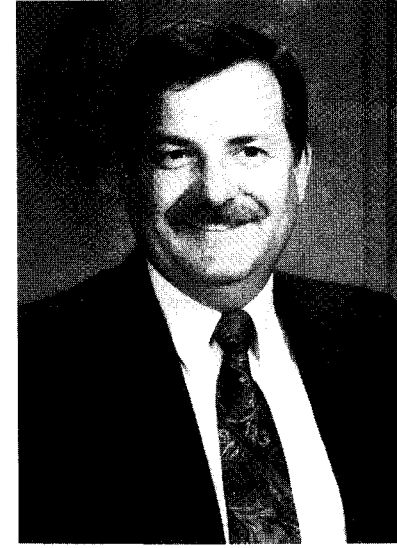
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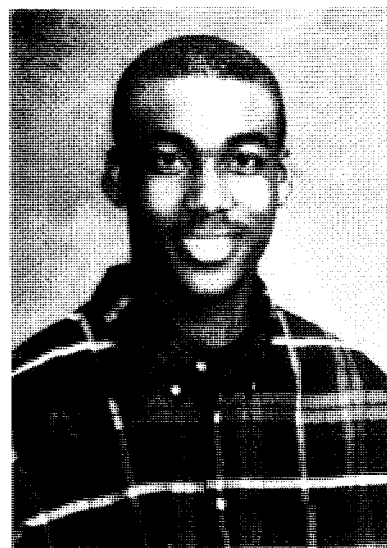
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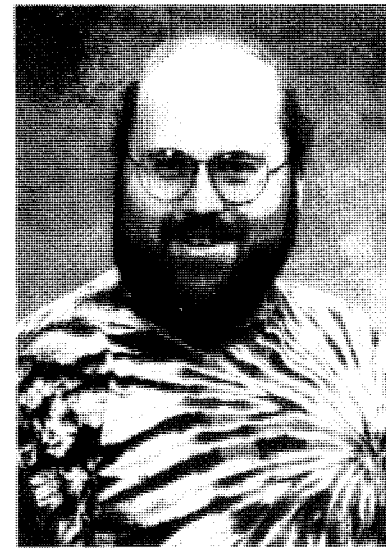
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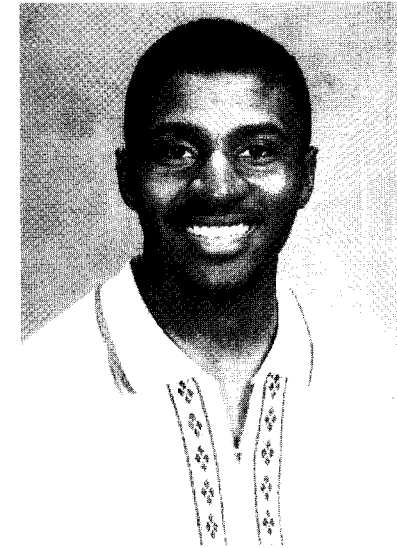
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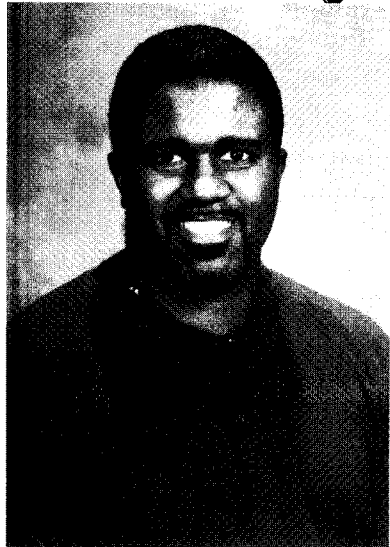


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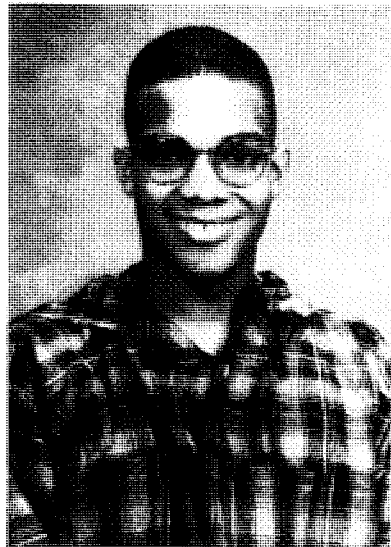


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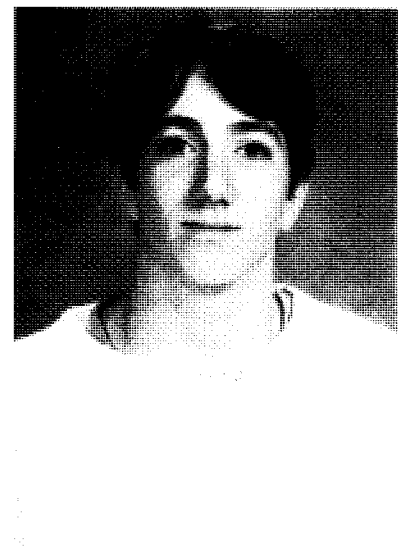
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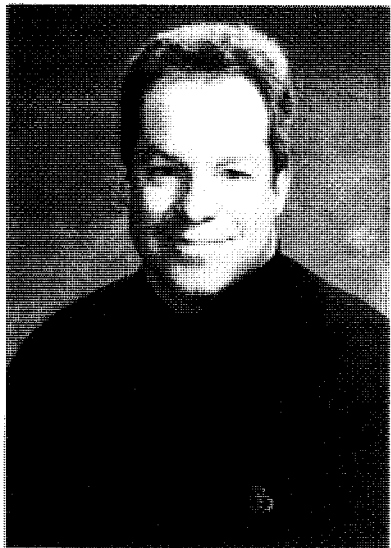
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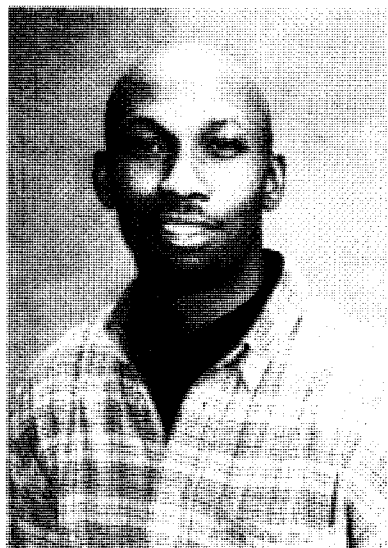
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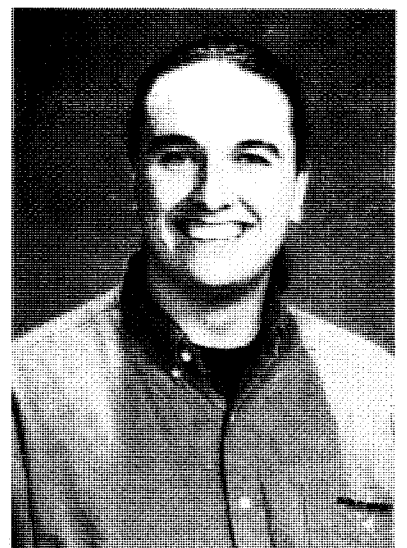
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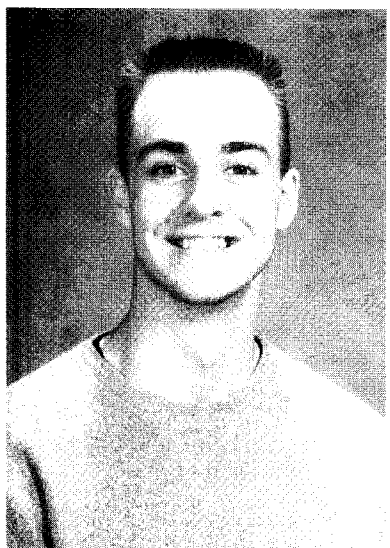
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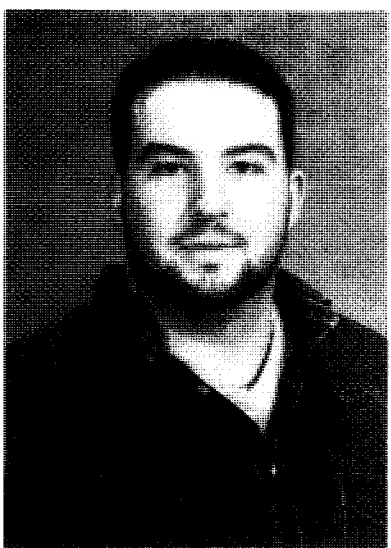
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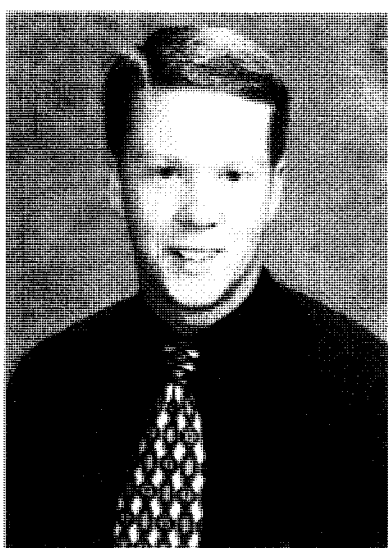
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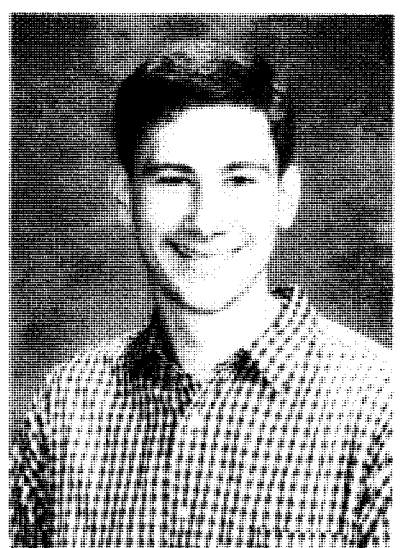
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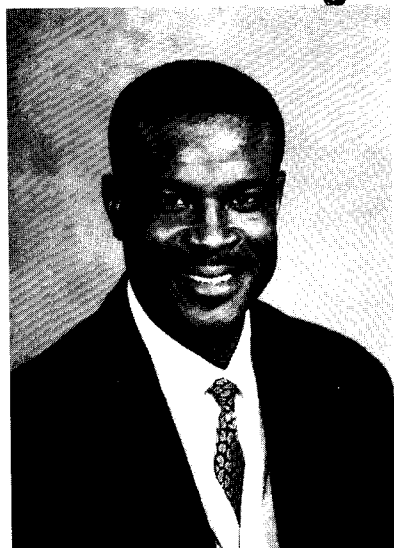


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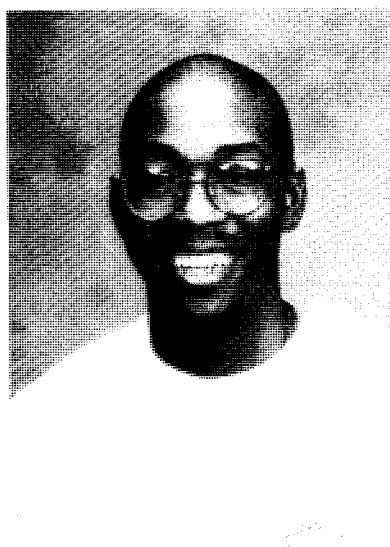
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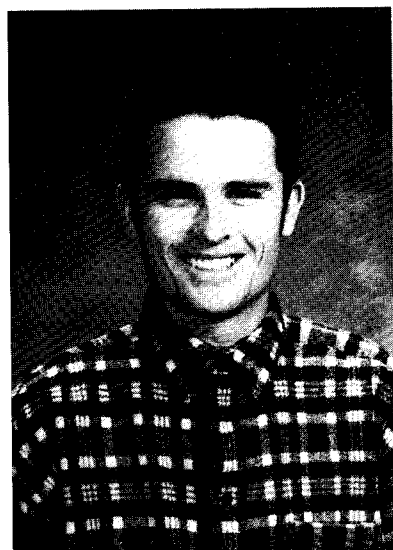
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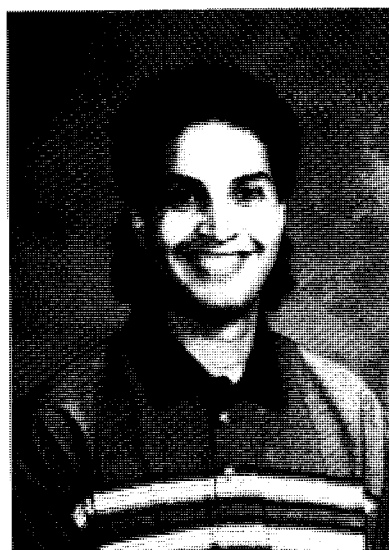
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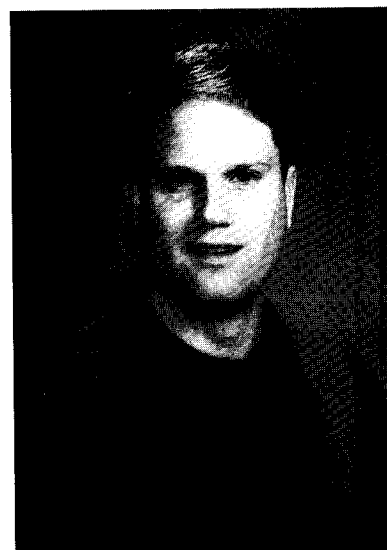
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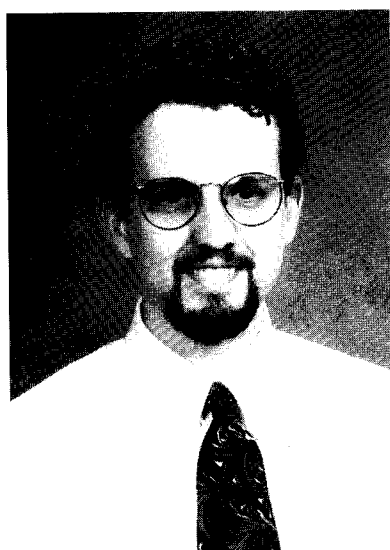
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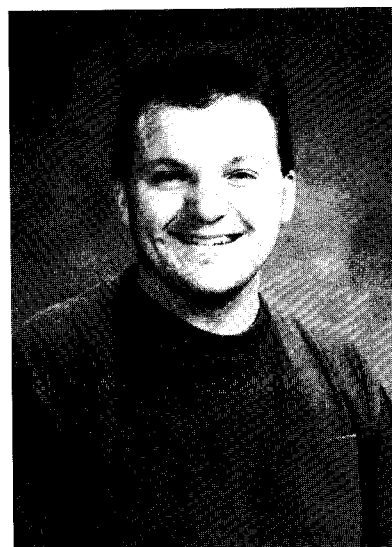
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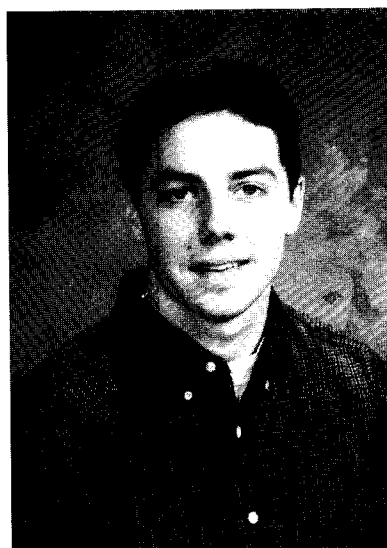
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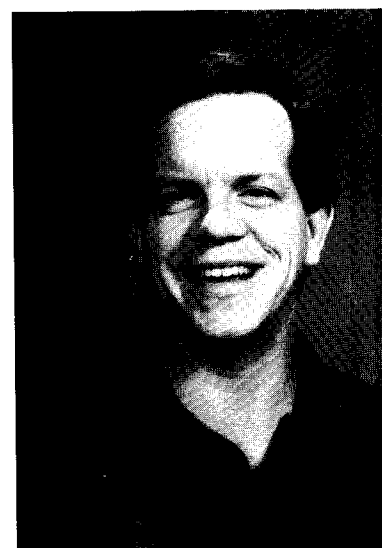
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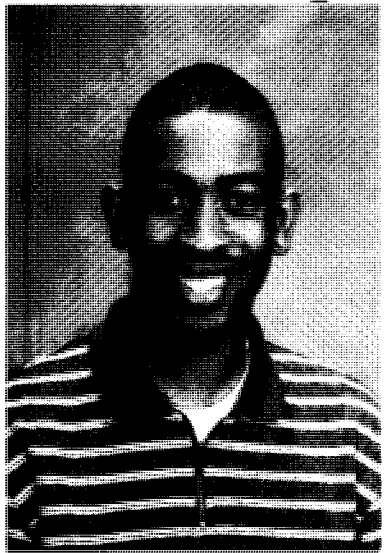


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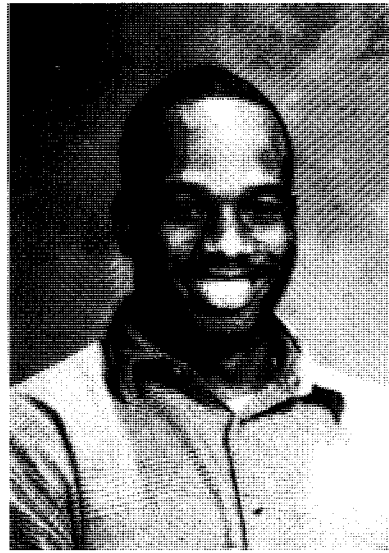
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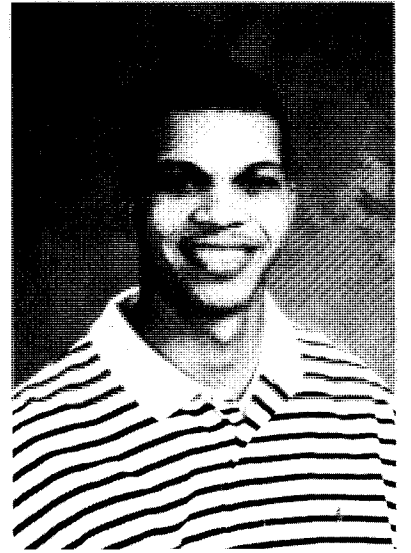
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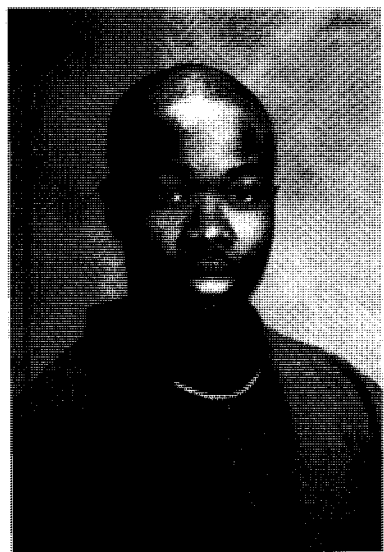
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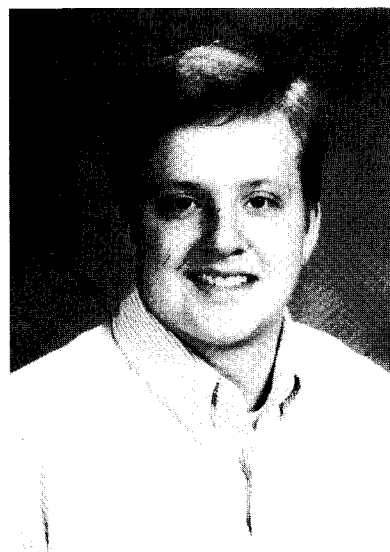
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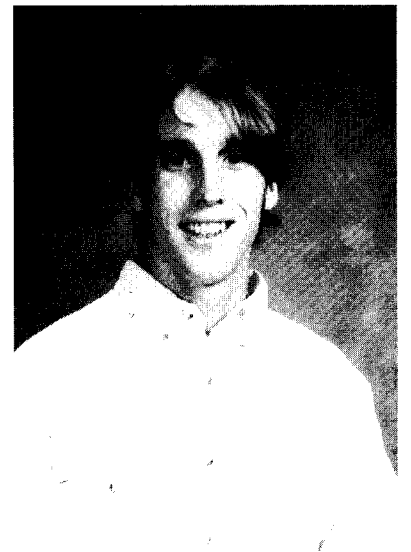
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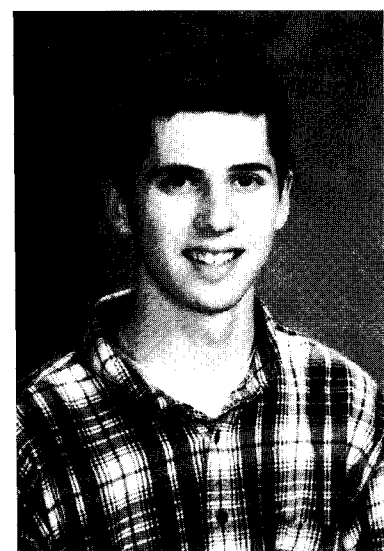
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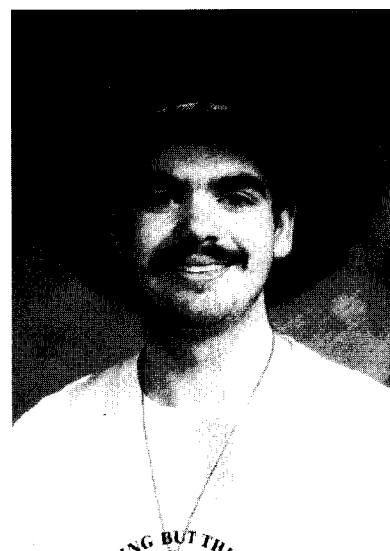
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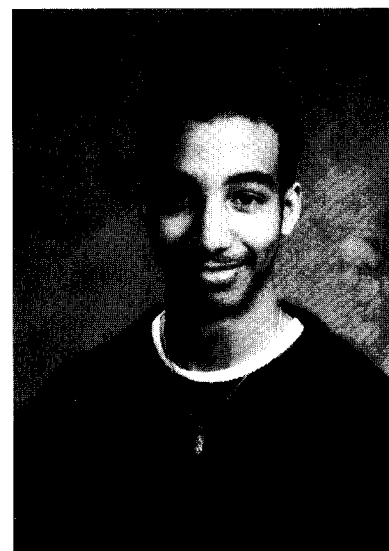
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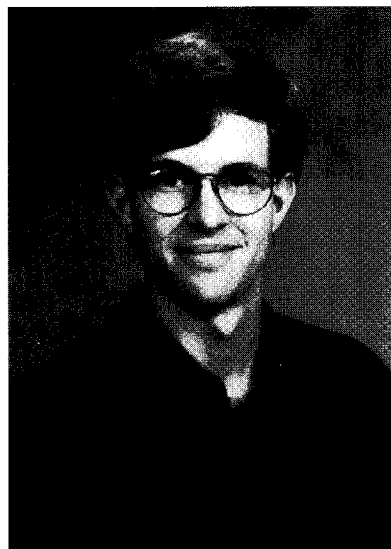


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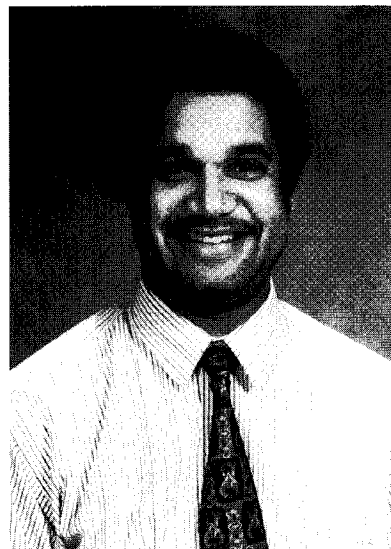
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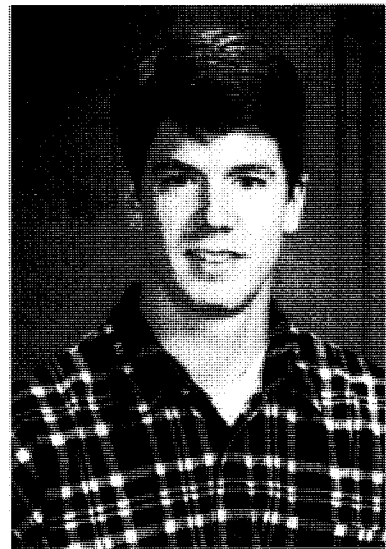
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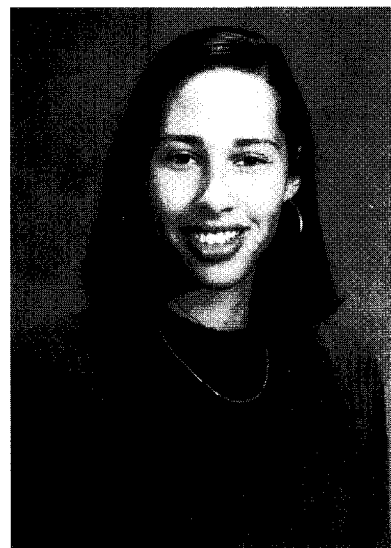
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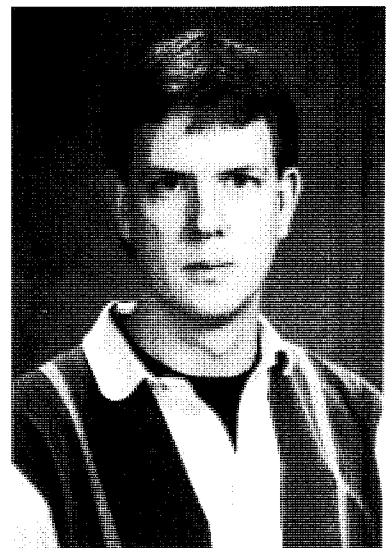
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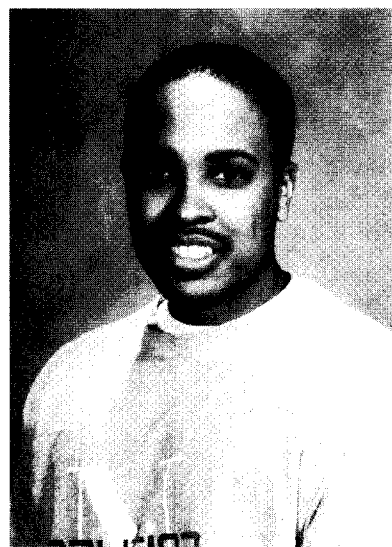
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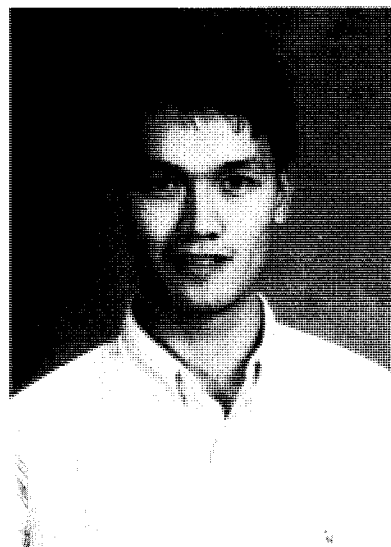
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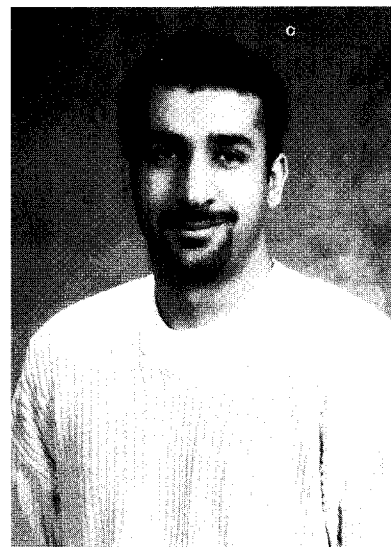
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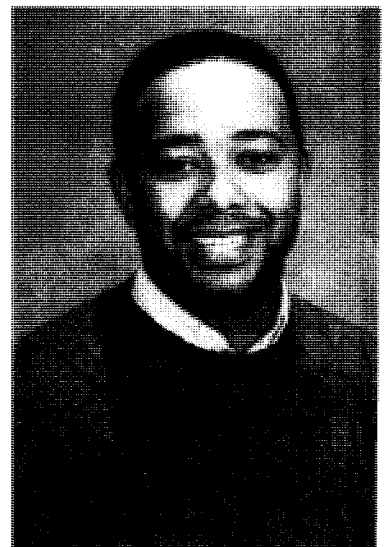
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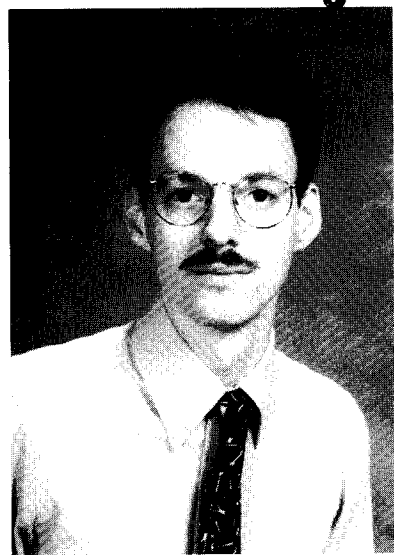


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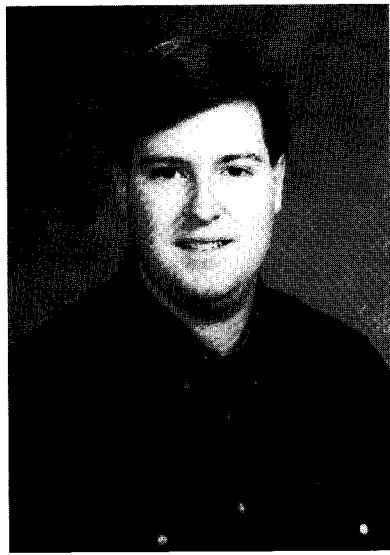


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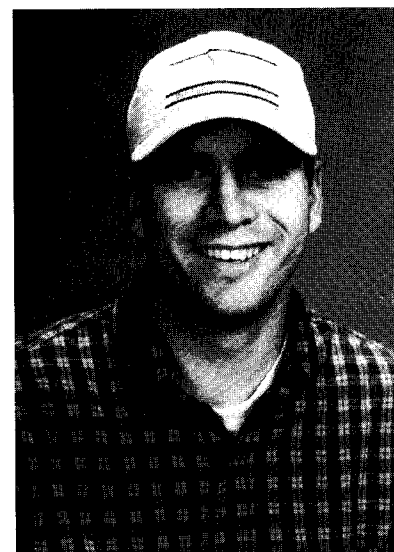
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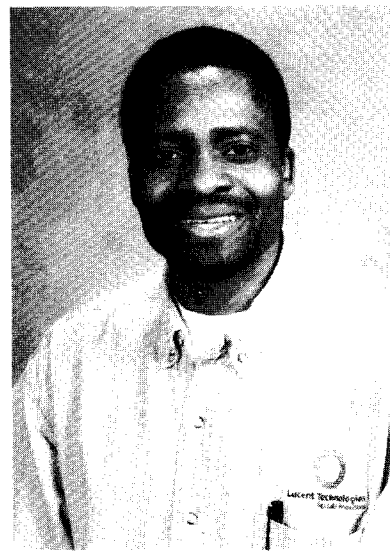
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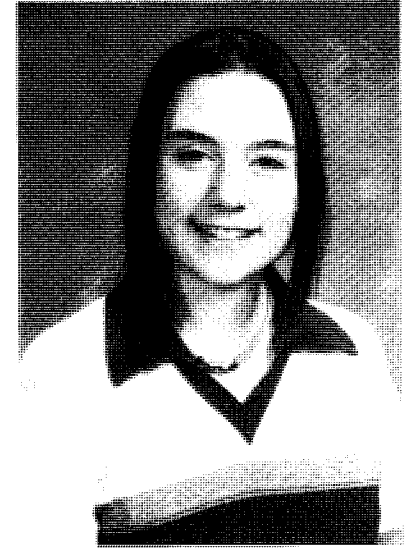
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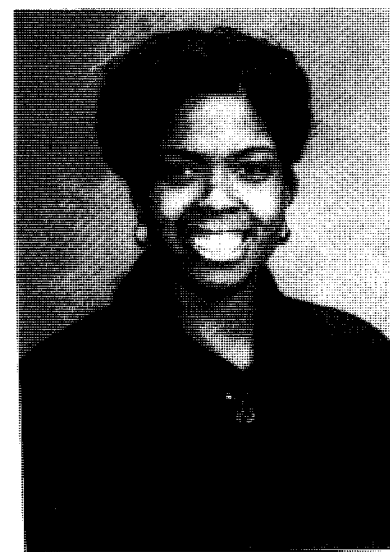
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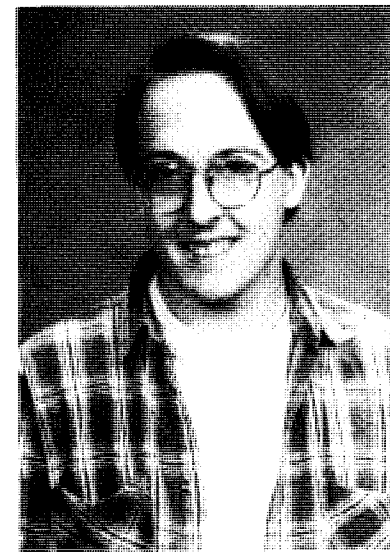
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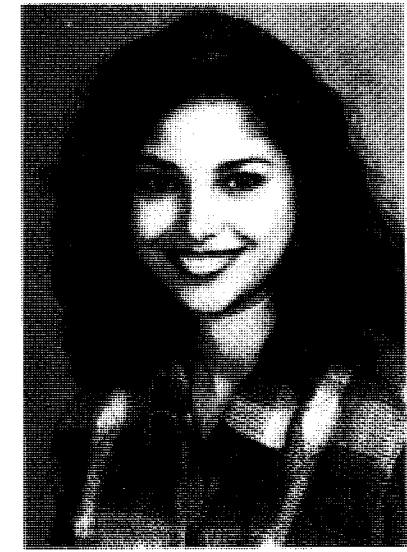
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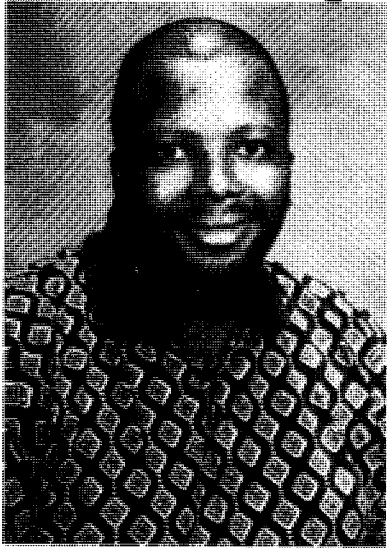


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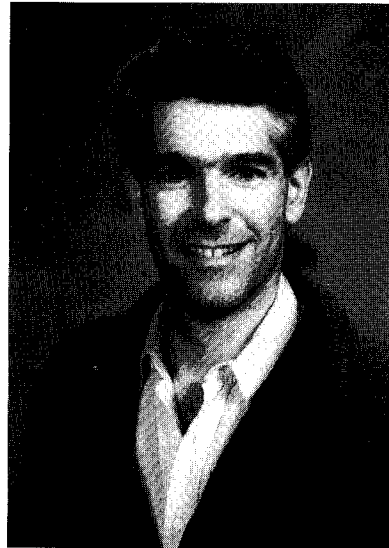


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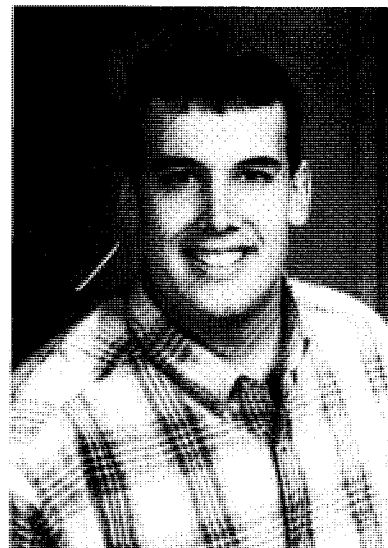
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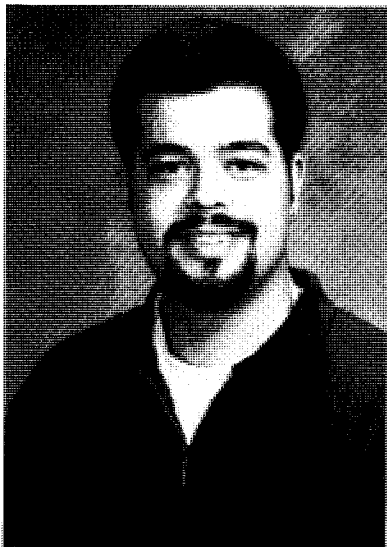
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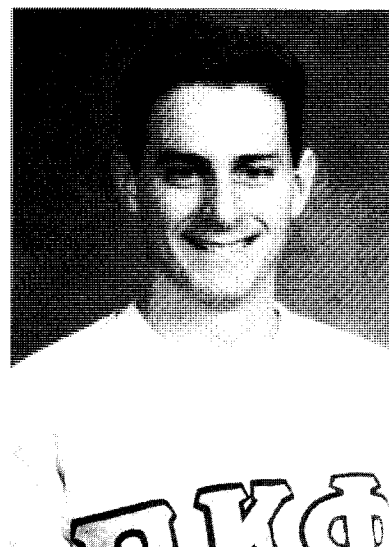
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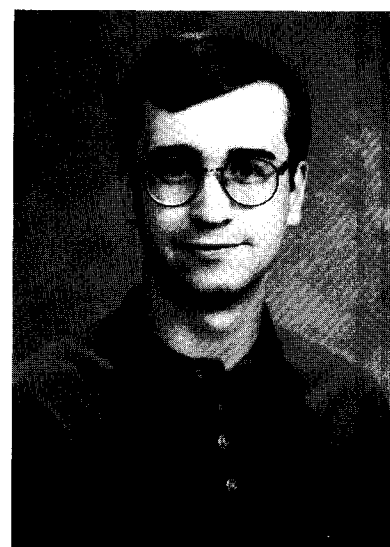
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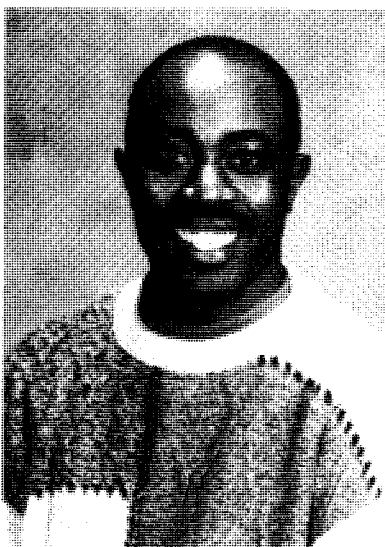
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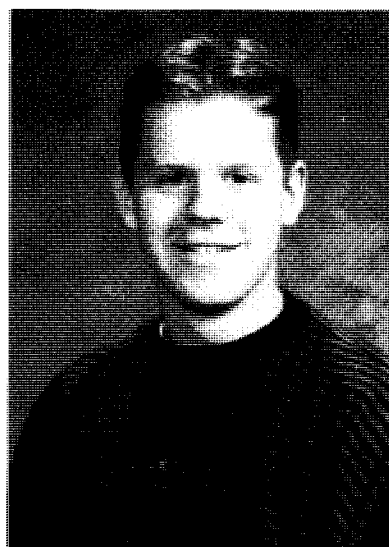
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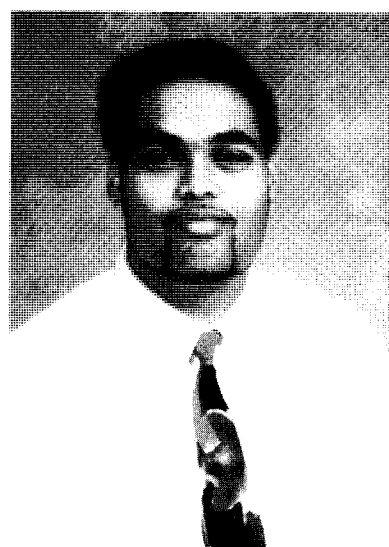
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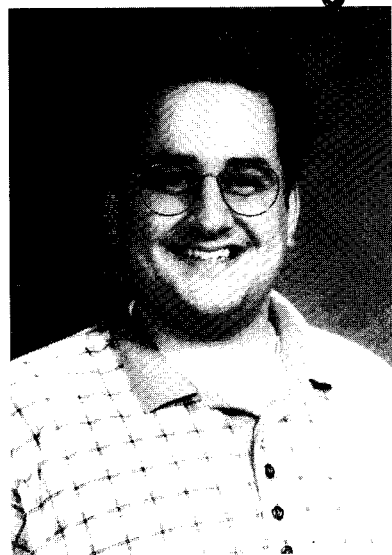


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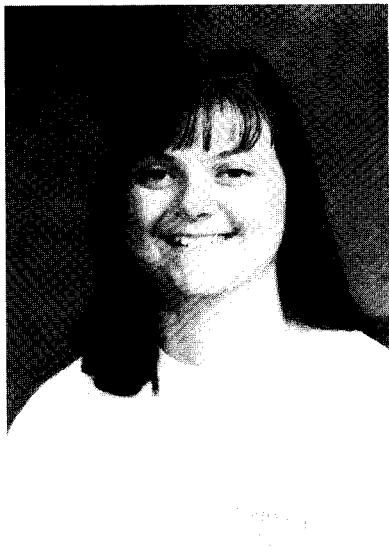


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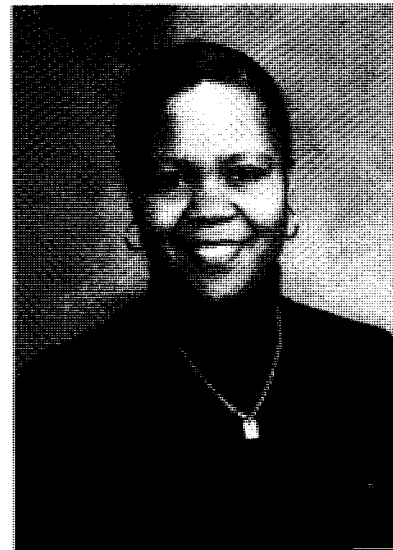
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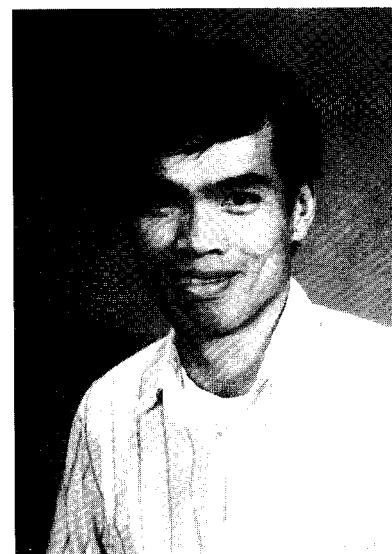
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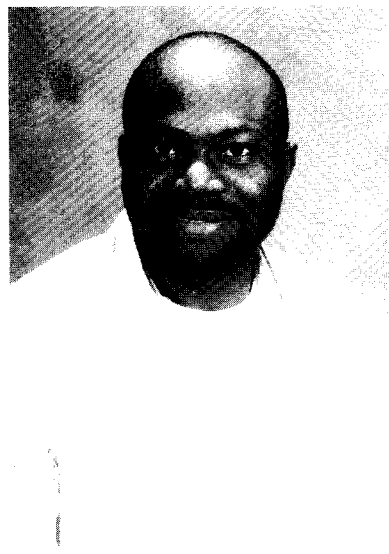
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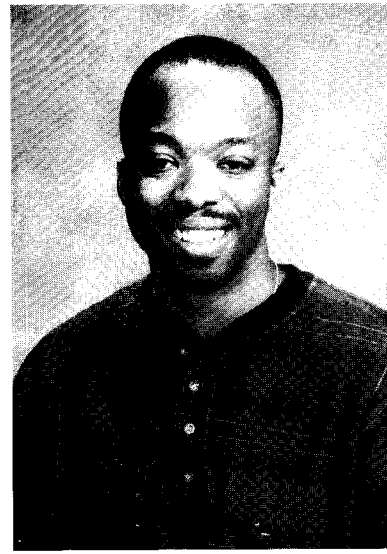
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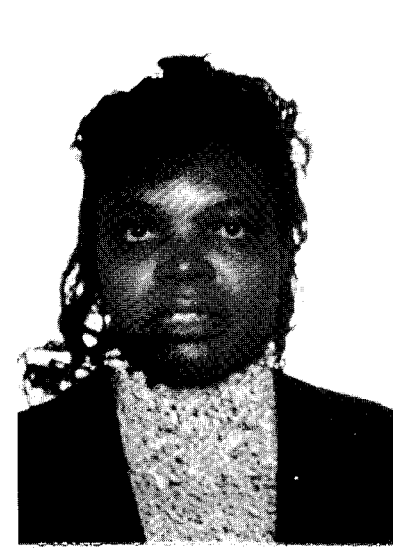
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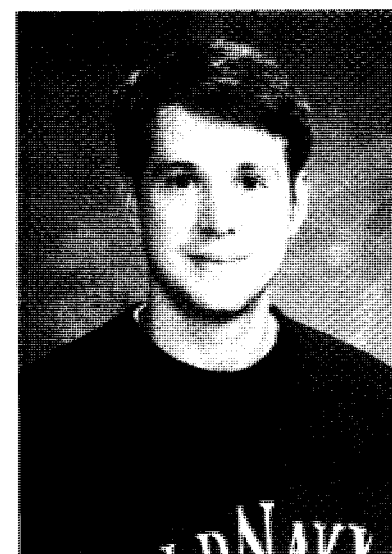
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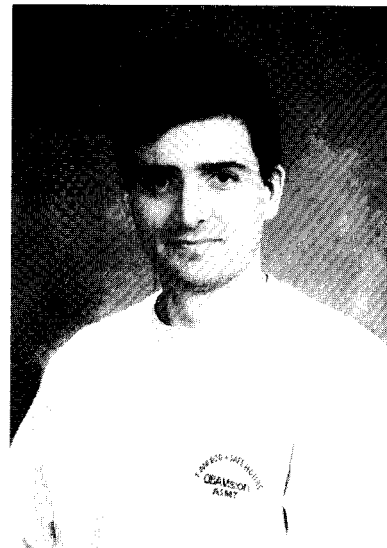
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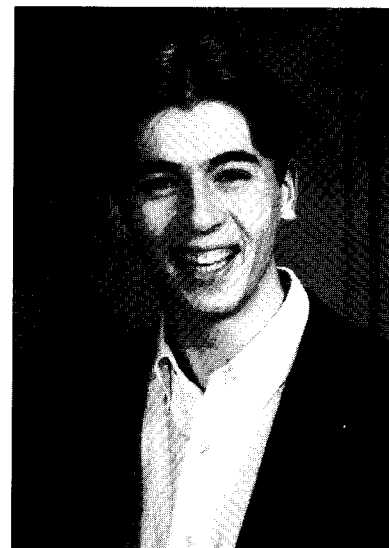
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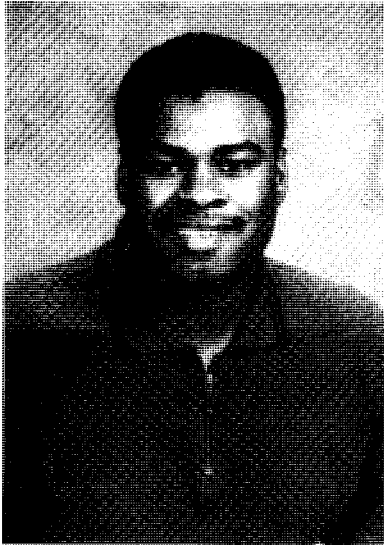
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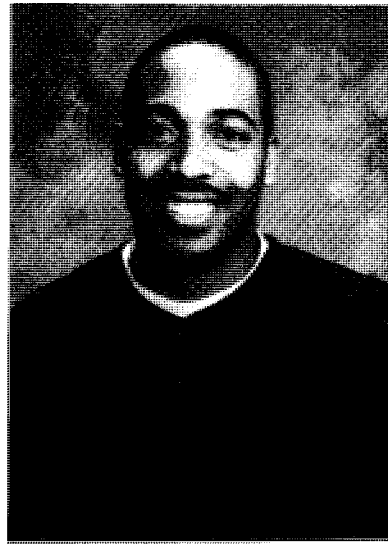
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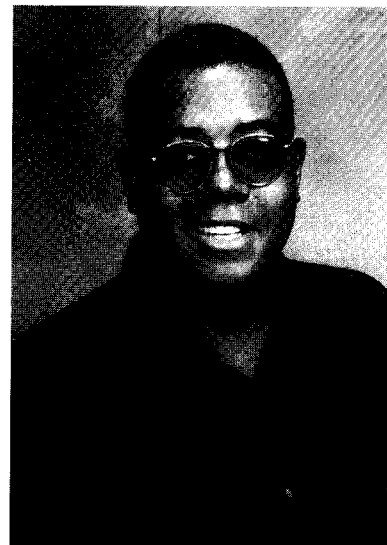
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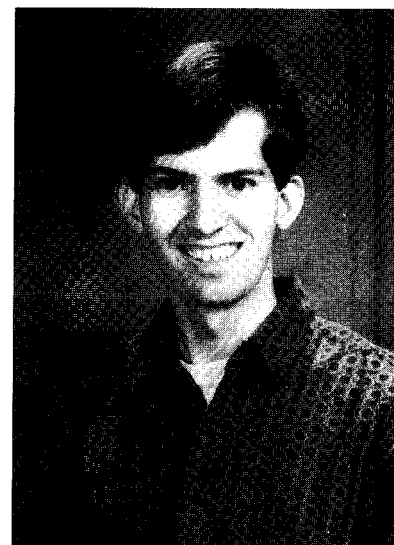
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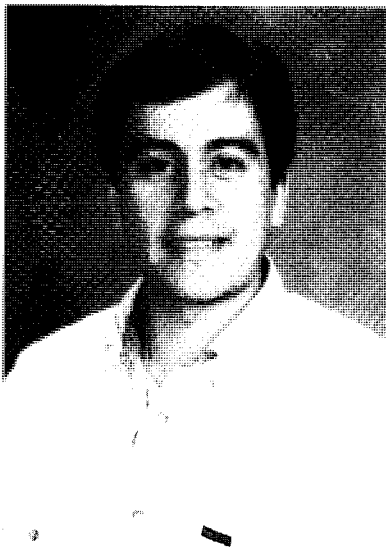
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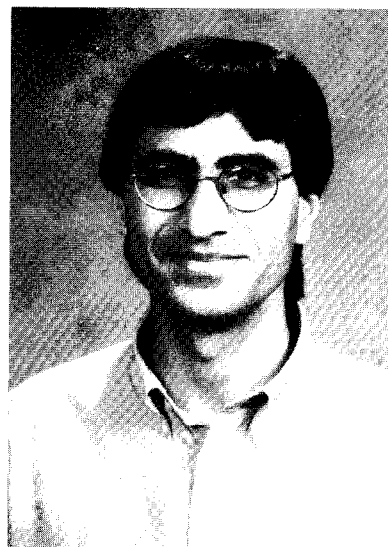
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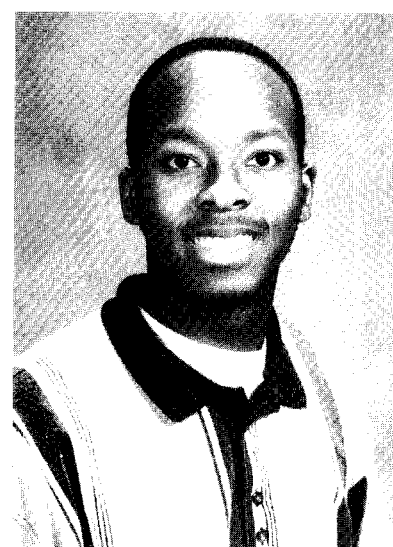
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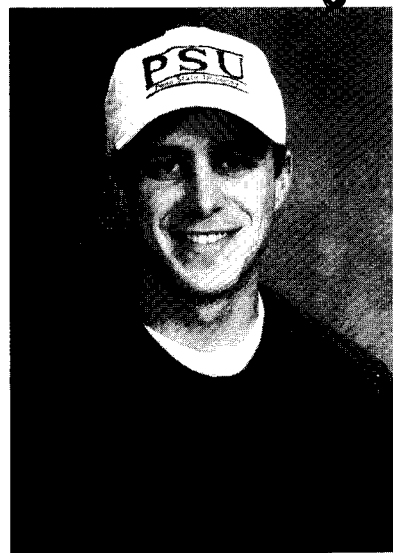


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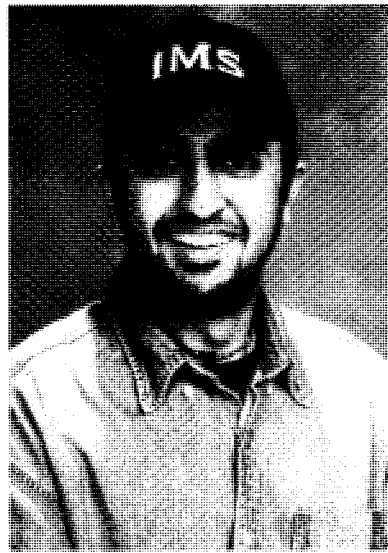
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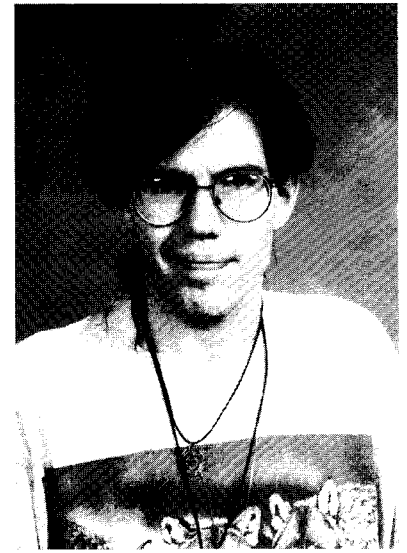
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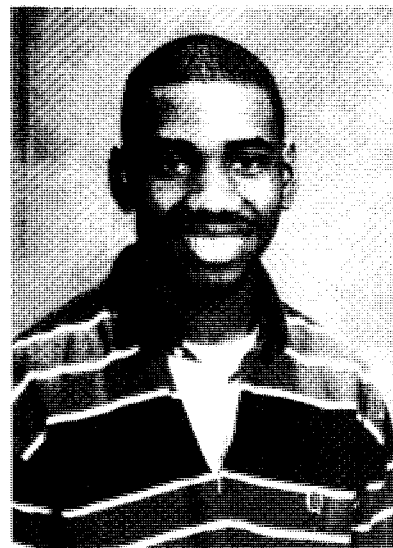
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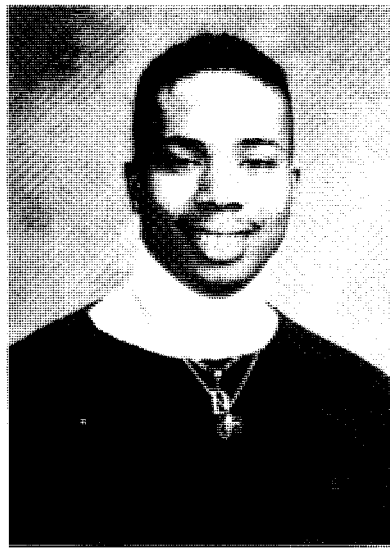
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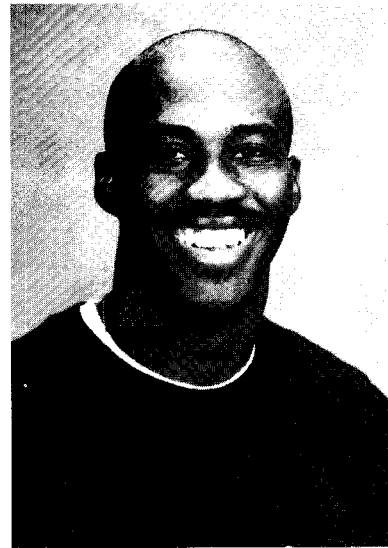
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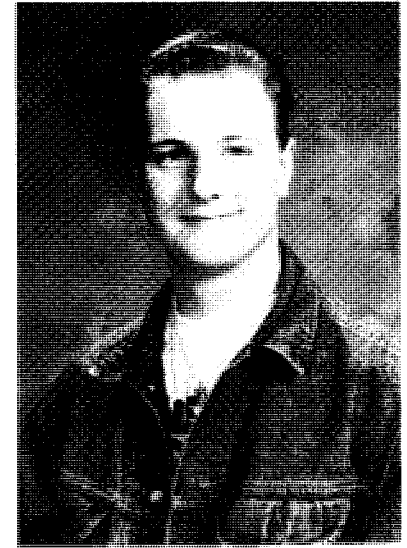
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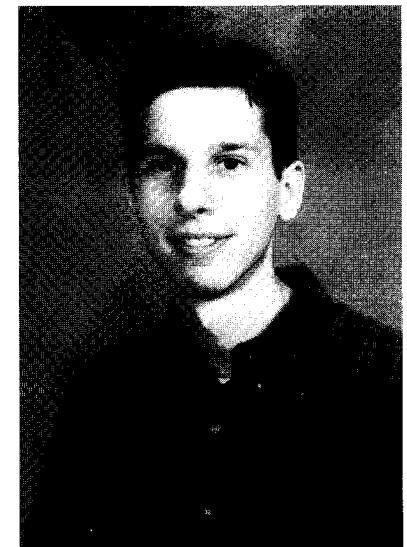
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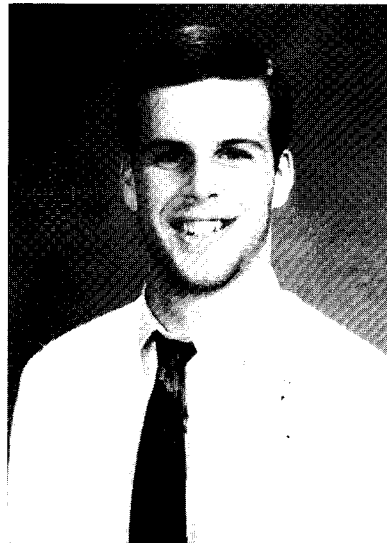


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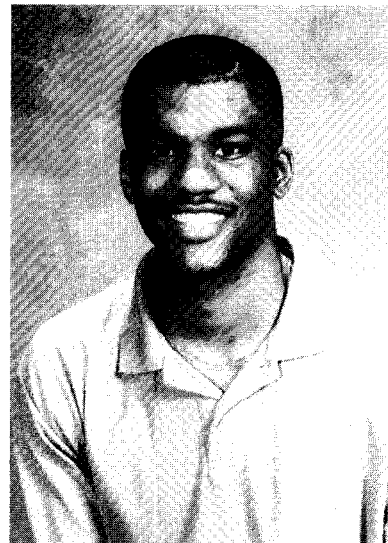
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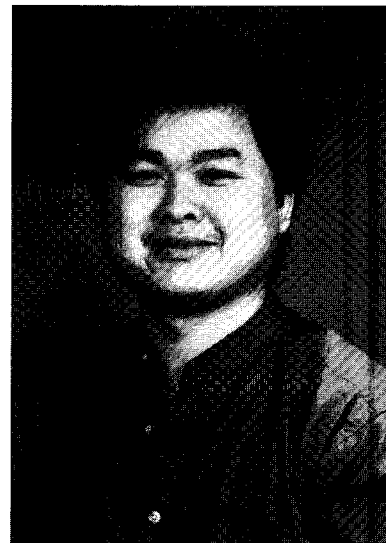
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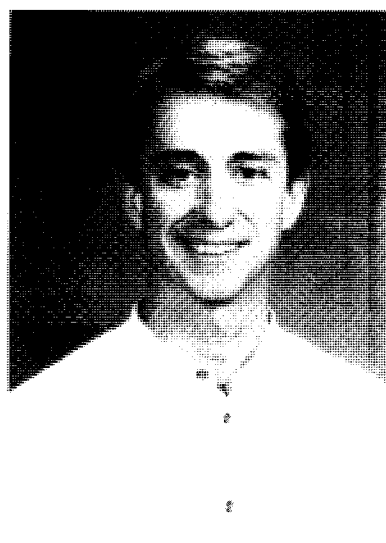
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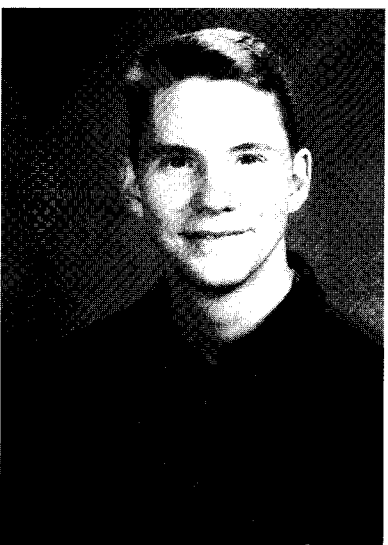
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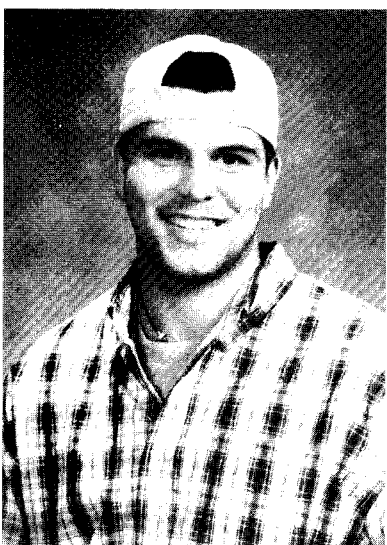
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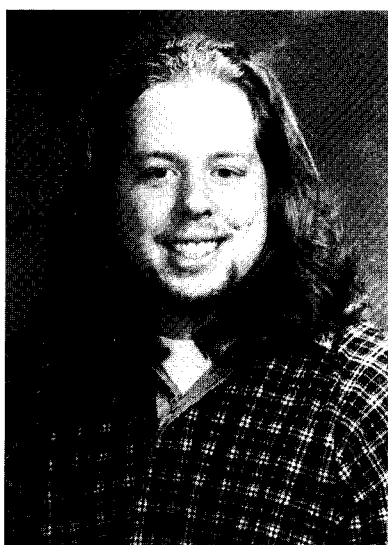
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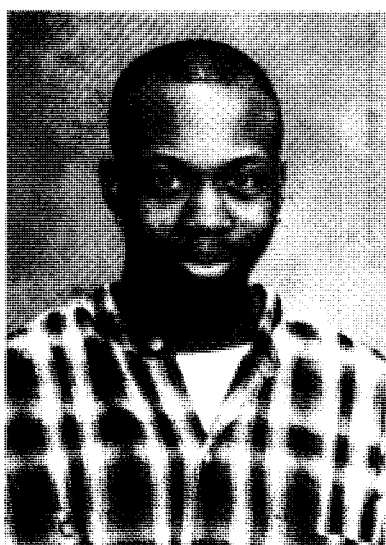
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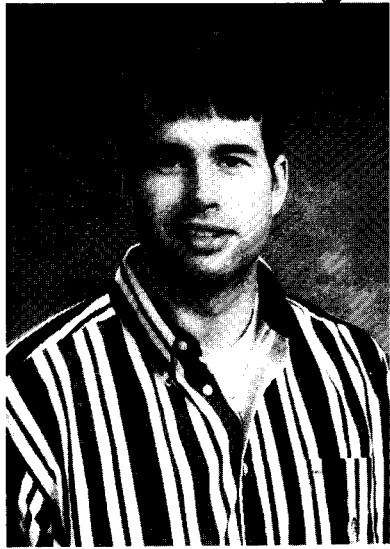


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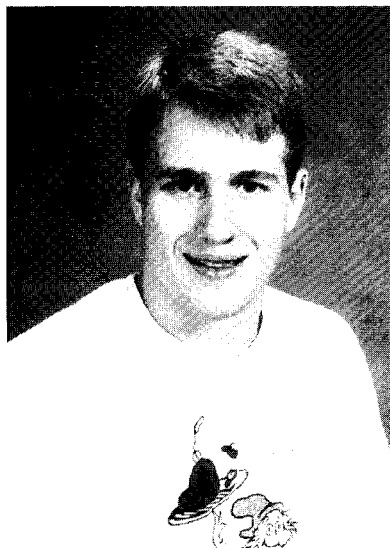
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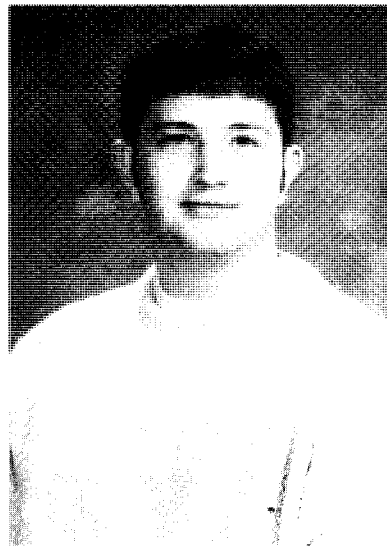
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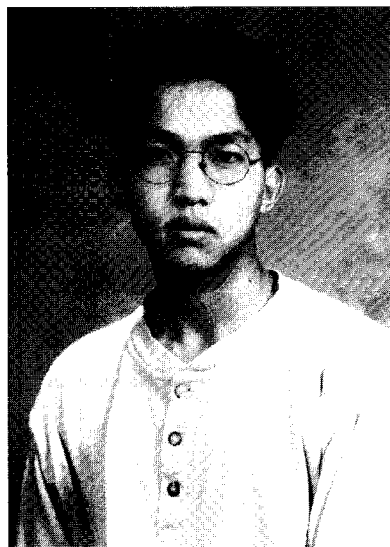
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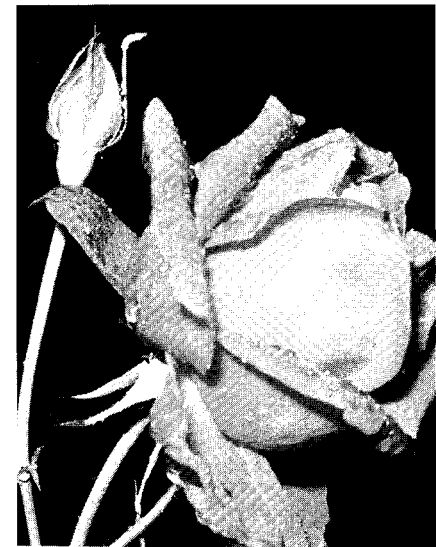
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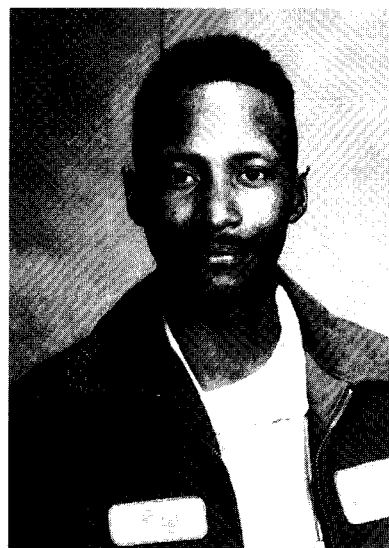
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Barry Birekhead



Carlton Cook



Ray Hancy



Amy Harwell



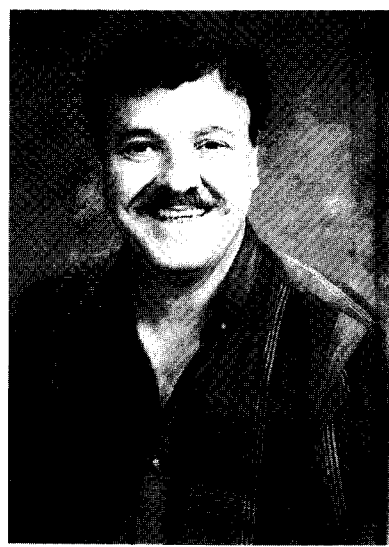
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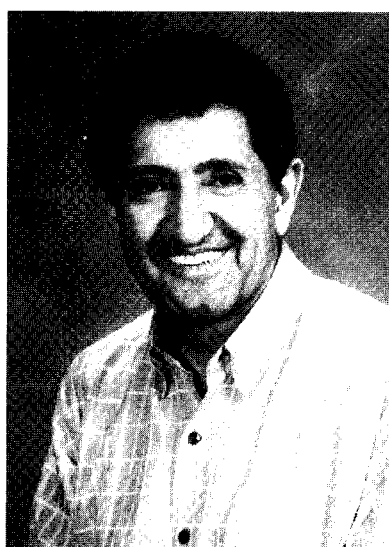
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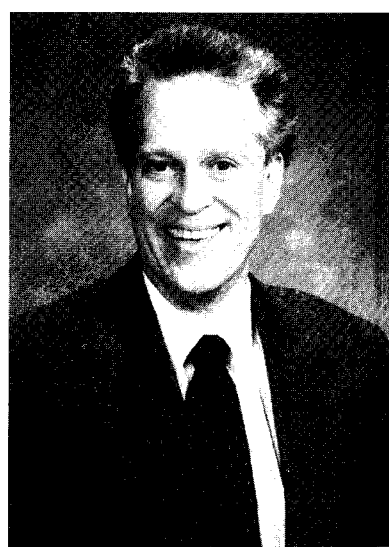
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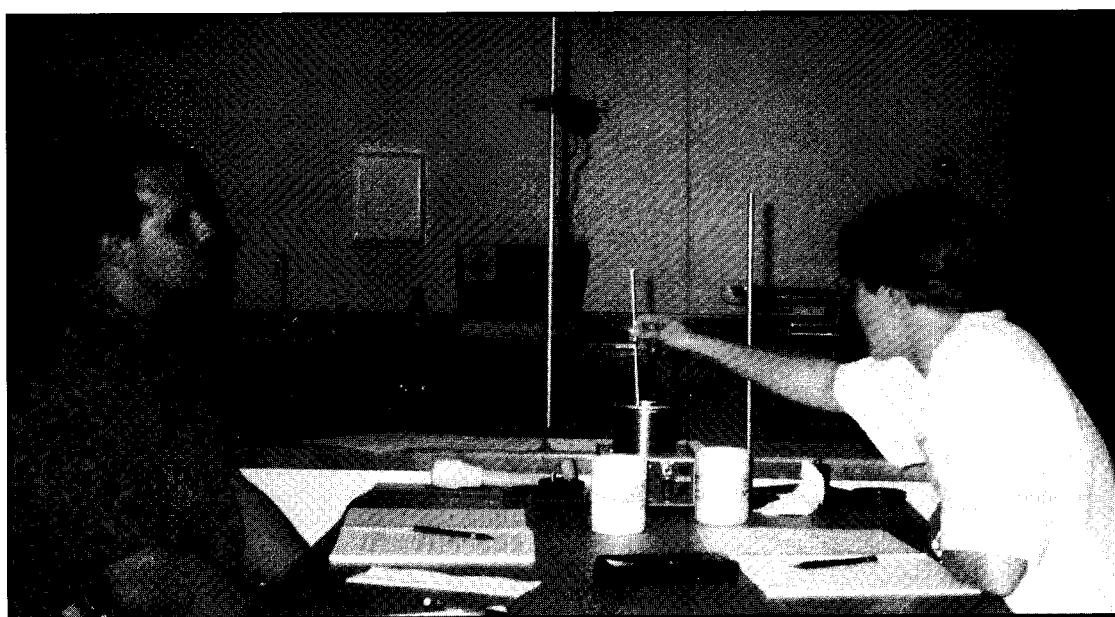
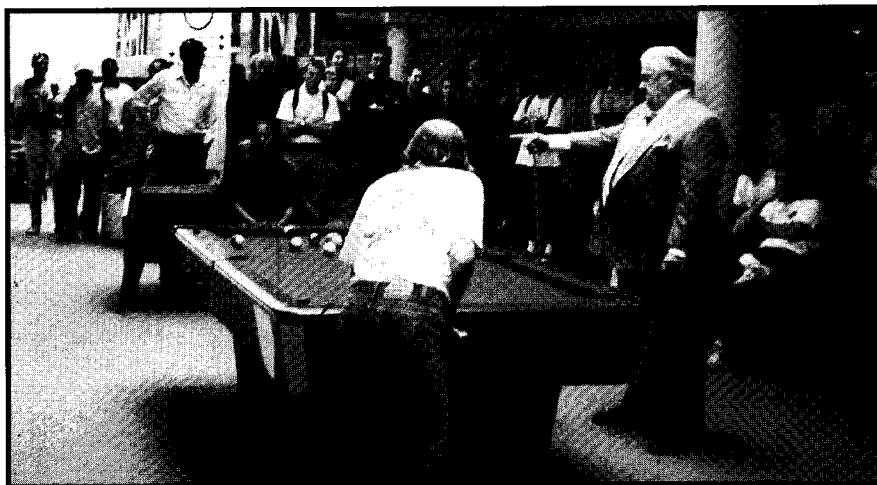
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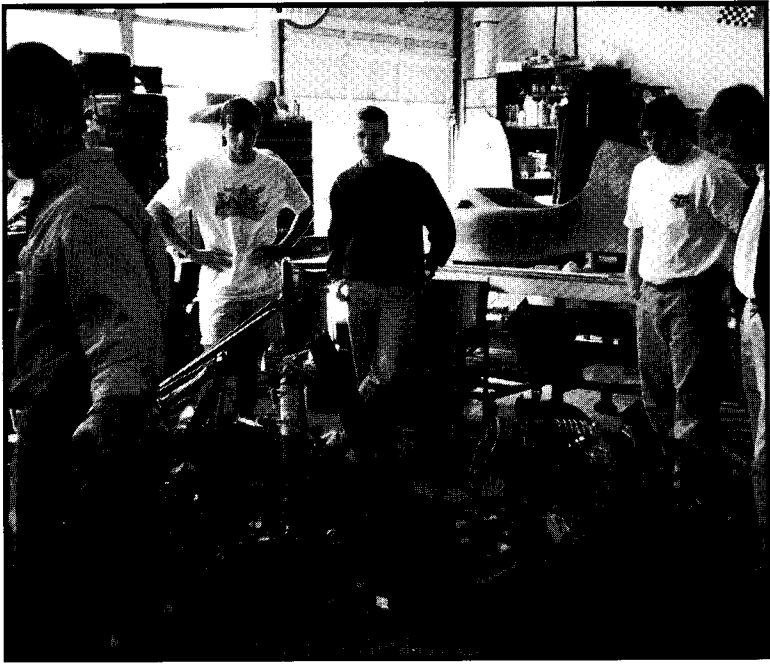


Dedication of Dr. Martin Luther King Sculpture

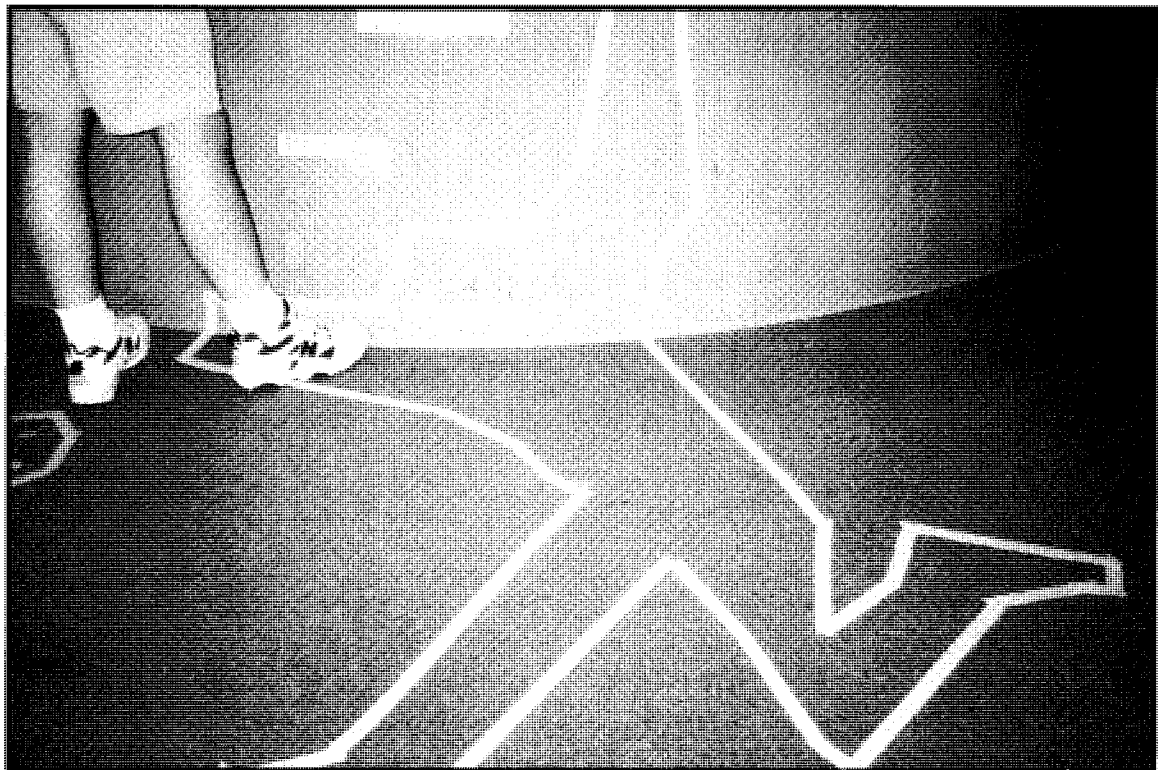
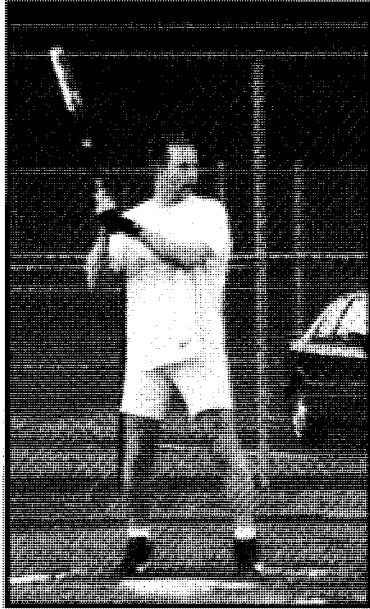
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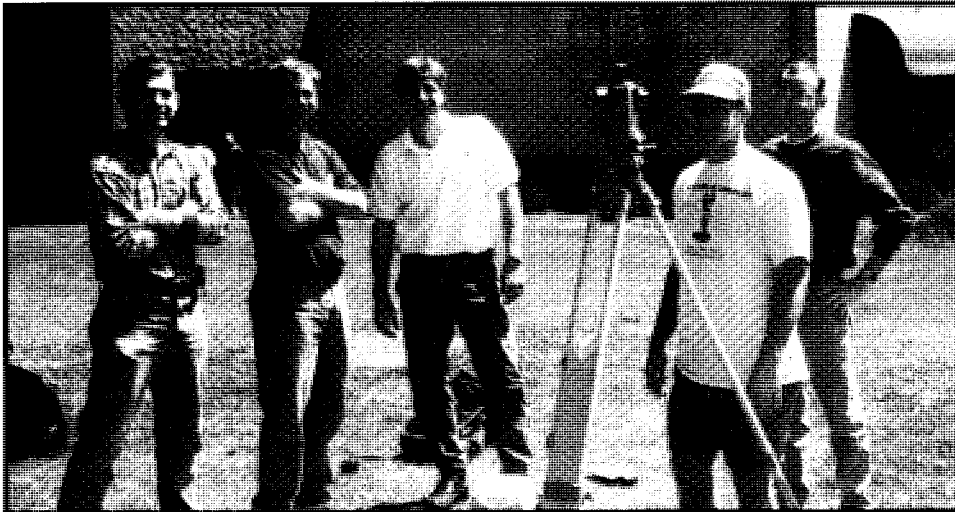
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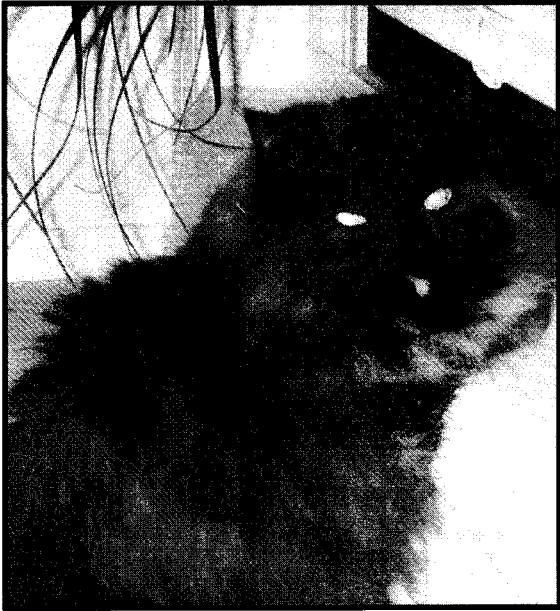


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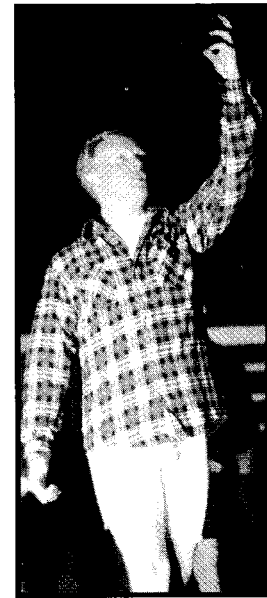




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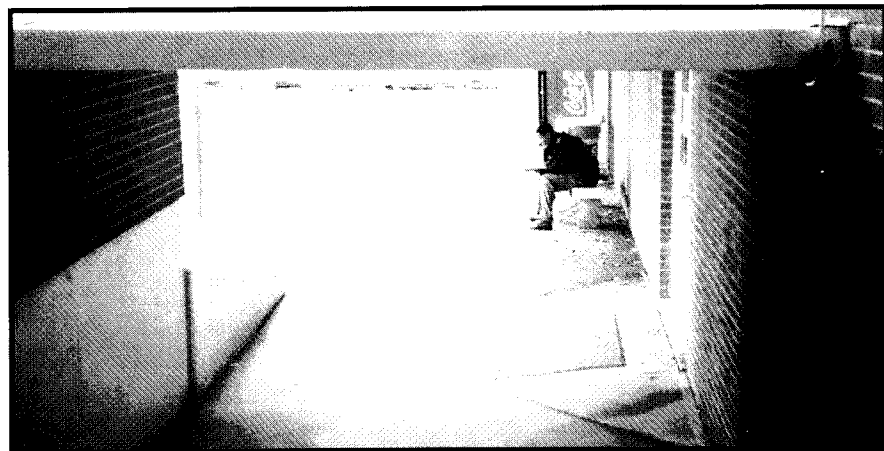
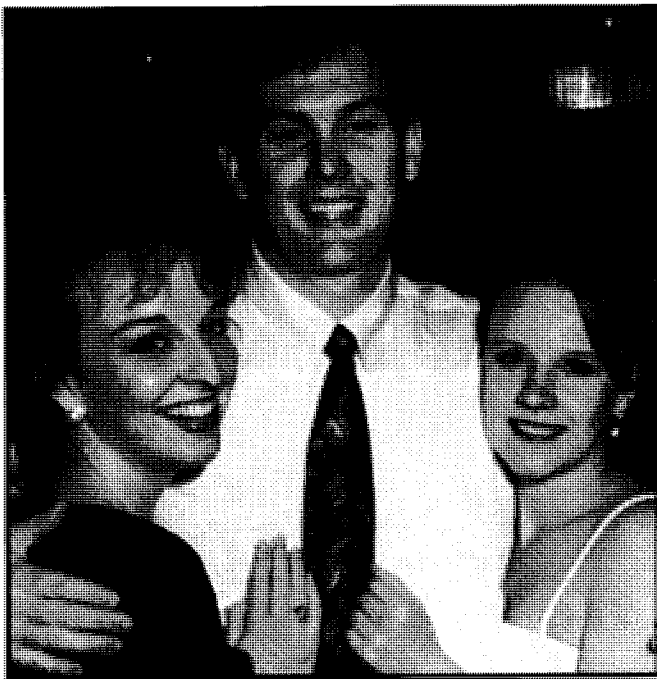


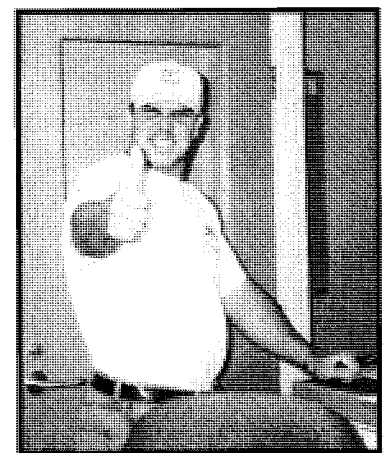
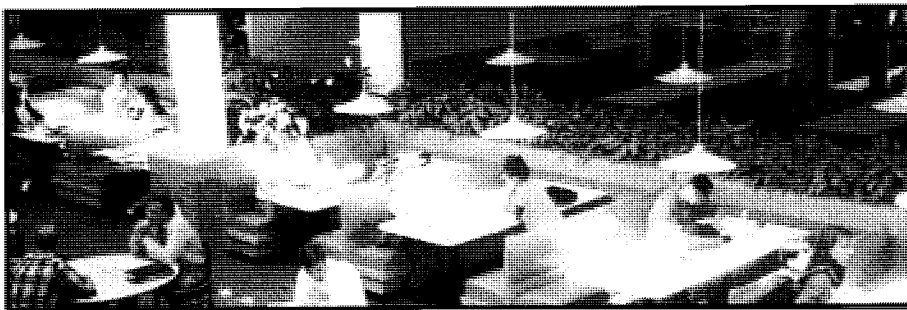
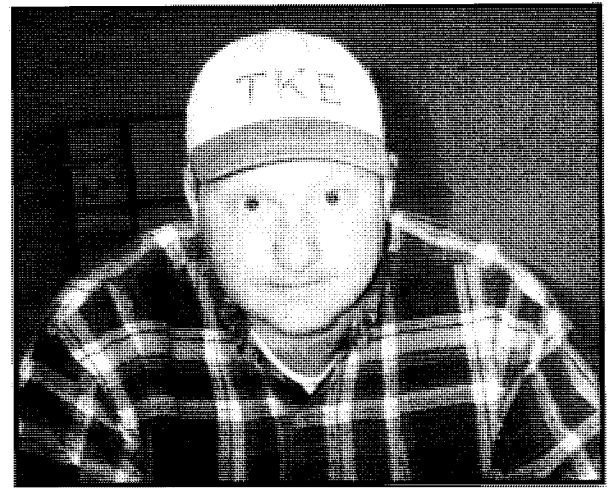
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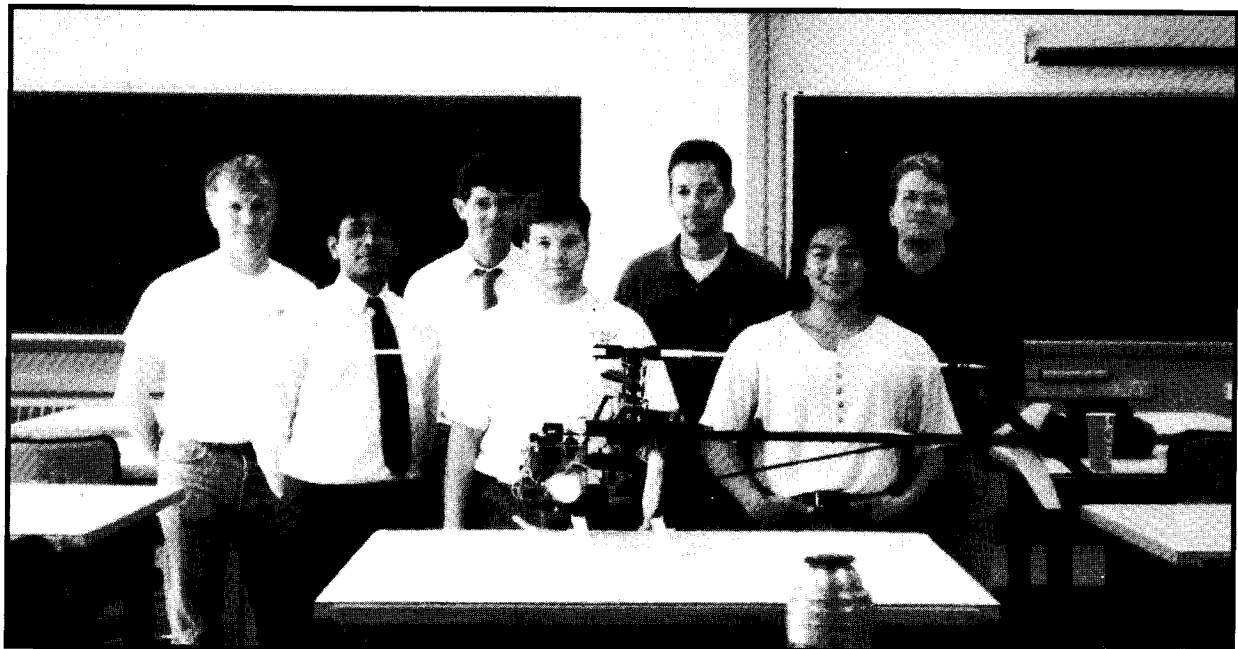
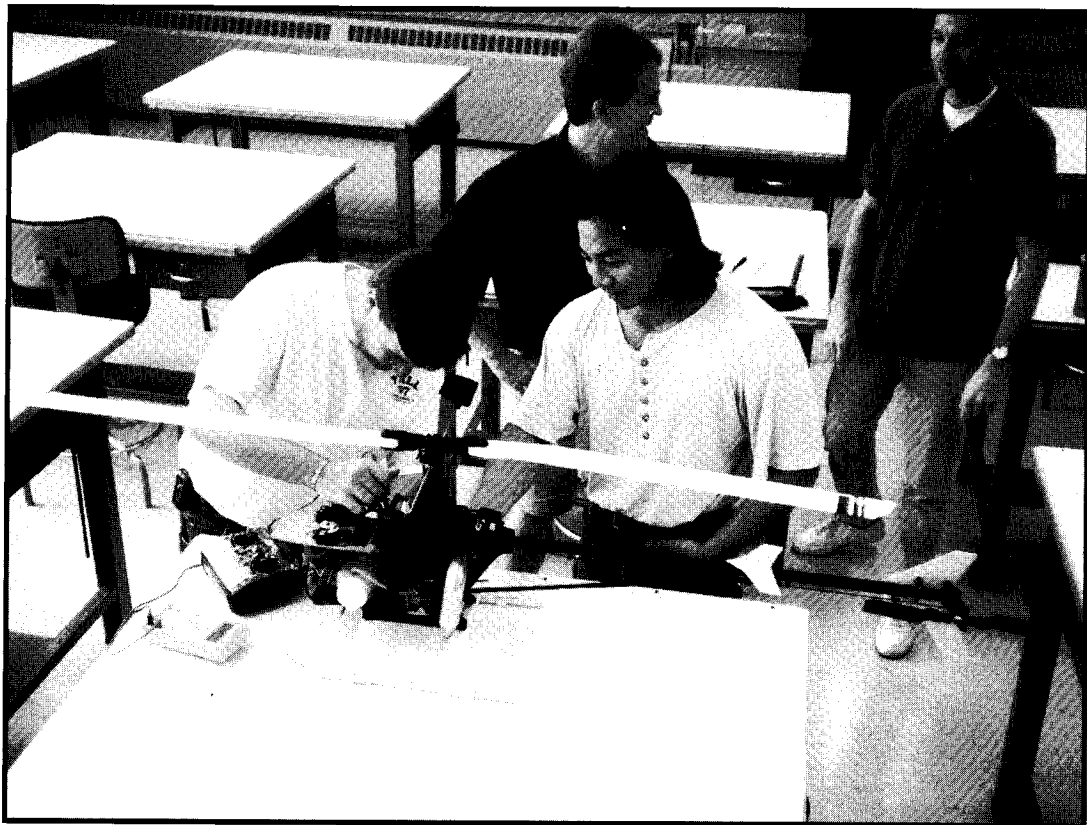
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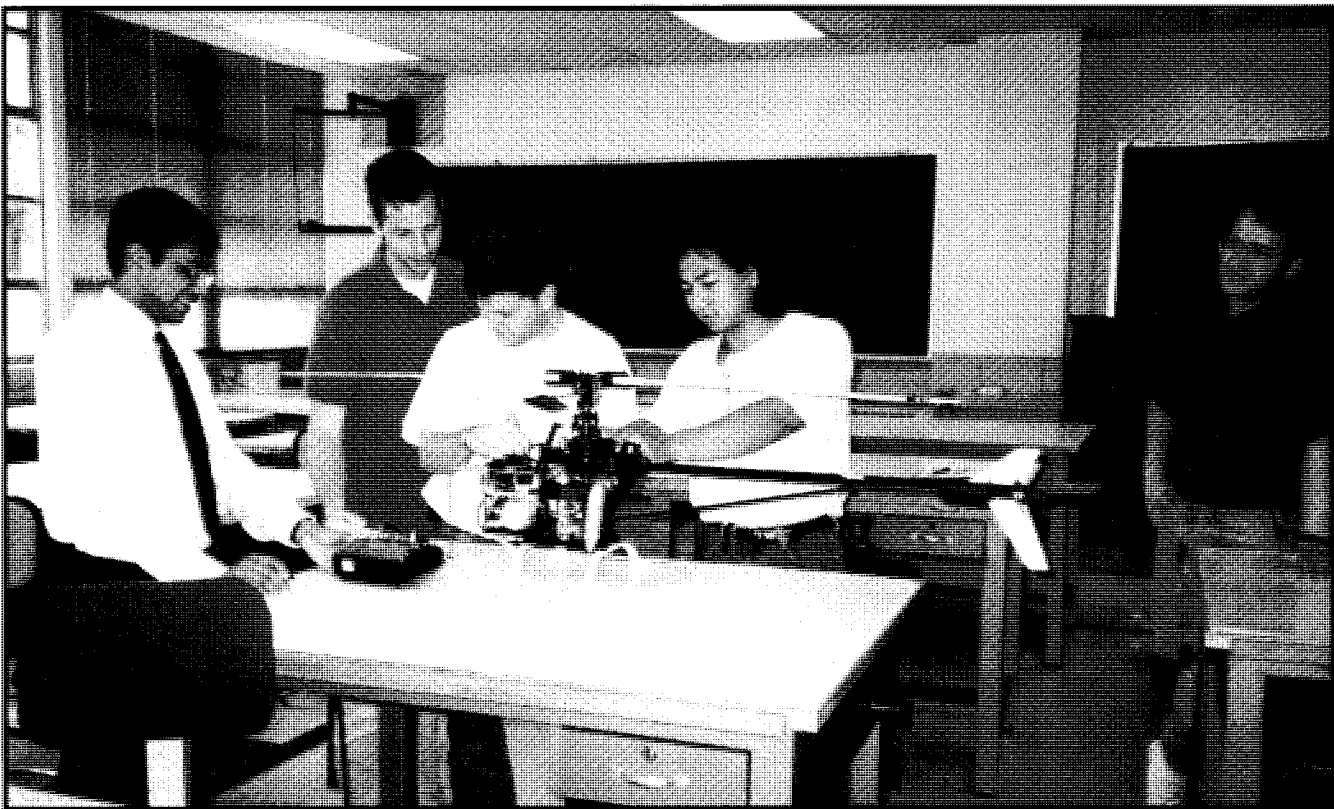




Aerial Robotics Team

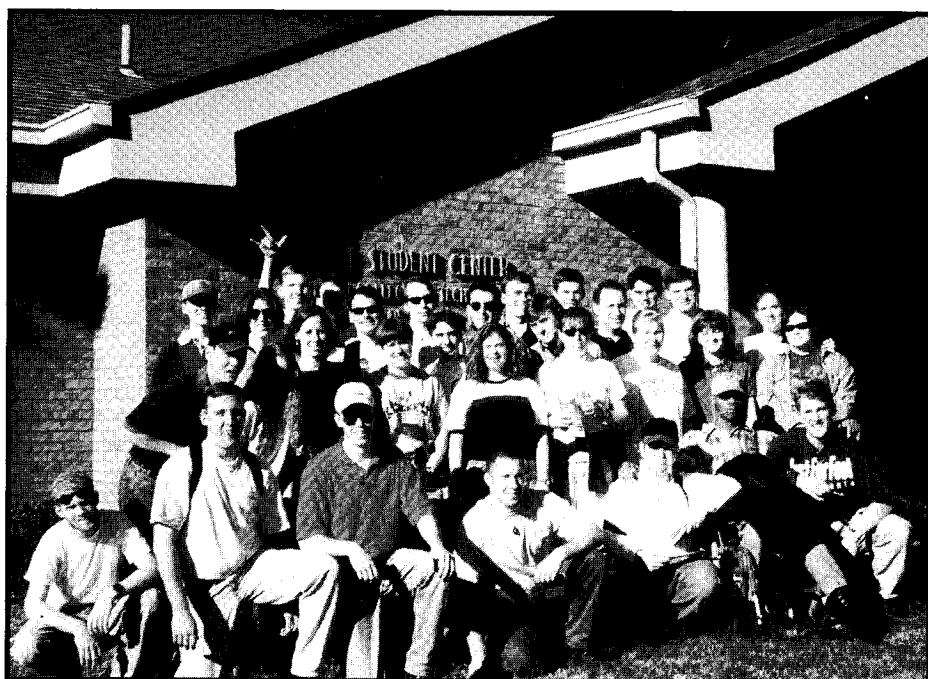
The Aerial Robotics Team will compete in the 1998 International Aerial Robotics Competition. The team consists of students from any technical department (ECET, MET, CS, Math, Physics, CET) and must have a radio controlled helicopter fly without a remote pilot that maps ground objects using artificial intelligence for visual recognition and object retrieval. The team plans to use a GPS system for automatic navigation. The advisor for the team is Dr. Mark Fisher.





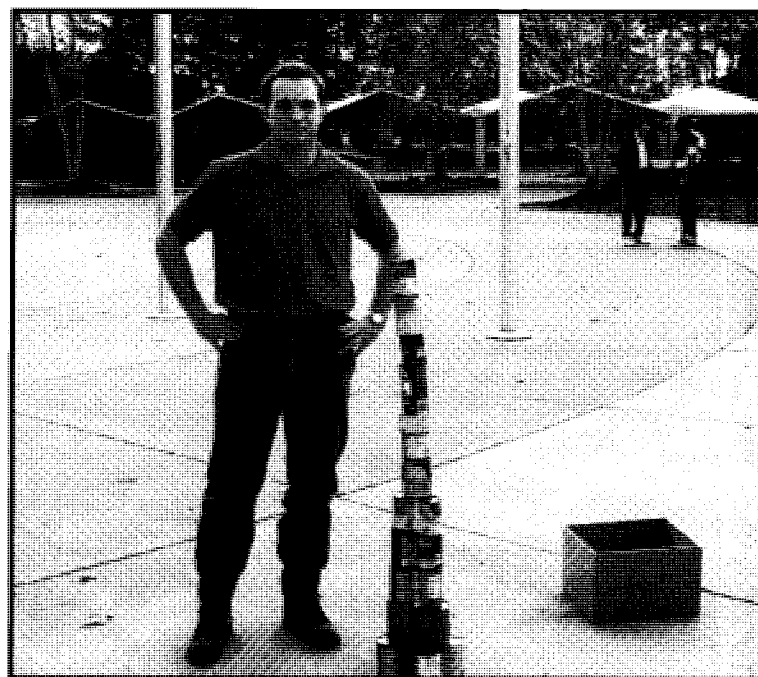
Baptist Student Union

The Baptist Student Union is a cooperative ministry that is shared jointly by students from Southern Polytechnic and Kennesaw State University. While sponsored by the Georgia Baptist Convention as well as the Noonday Baptist Association, The BSU welcomes all students regardless of religious association. The BSU offers weekly Bible study, as well as participating in various college events through the year. In addition, the BSUers can be found at the Baptist Student Center on Southern Polytechnic's campus. There, weekly events include free Tuesday lunches and Thursday night activities, allowing for a time of fun, fellowship, and worship. Throughout the year, there are various mission trips, fundraising activities, quarterly conferences and sporting events.



The Spring Break group.

A participant of the Can Stacking contest.





Spring Break Mission Trip to Chicago.



We LOVE to sing!

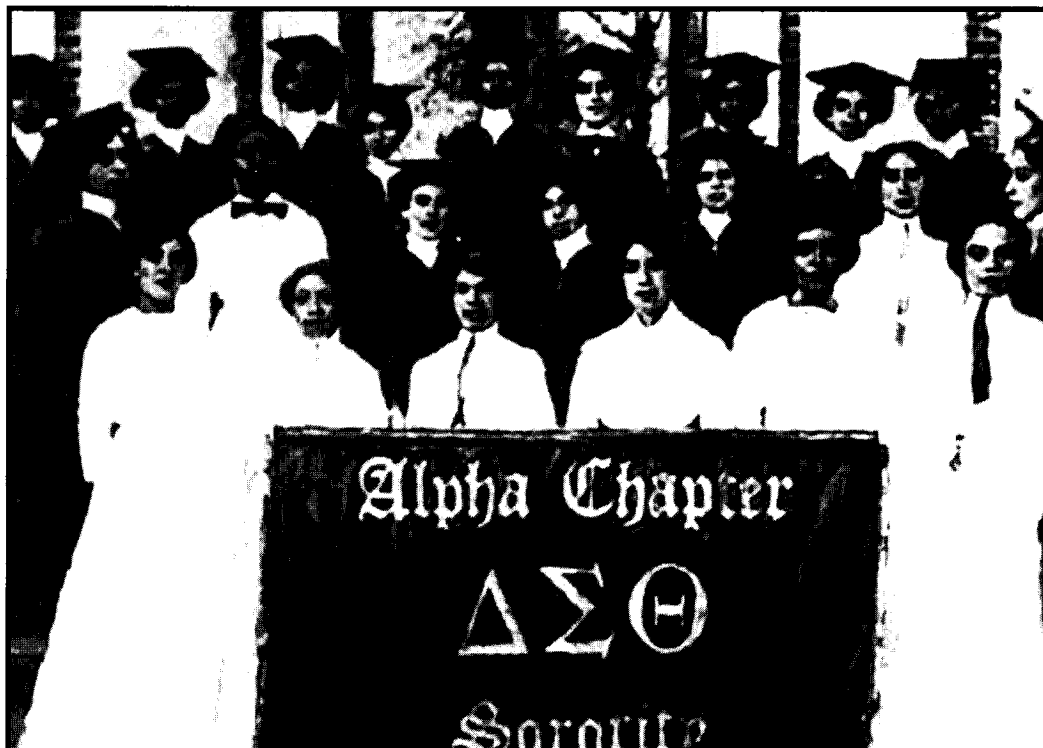


The Spring Formal.

Campus Activities Board



Delta Sigma Theta



At the inception of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. at Howard University in 1913, the founders envisioned an organization of college women pledged to serious endeavor and community service. These youthful students demonstrated a vital concern for social welfare, academic excellence, and cultural enrichment and de-emphasize the social side of sorority life.

In 1913, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority was incorporated as a national organization. The record of incorporation is filed at the Congressional Library in Washington, D.C.

Delta Sigma Theta at a glance:

Founded:	January 13, 1913 at Howard University
Official Colors:	Crimson and Cream
Official Stone:	Pearl
Official Flower:	African Violet
Membership:	Over 190,000 worldwide





Pi Nu Chapter:

Chartered: May 29, 1987

Rechartered: May 6, 1995

Membership: 5



1997-1998 Chapter Officers:

President: Evita L. Brundidge

Vice President: Pamela J. Corley

Secretary: Nikisha Franco

RETROSPECTIVE

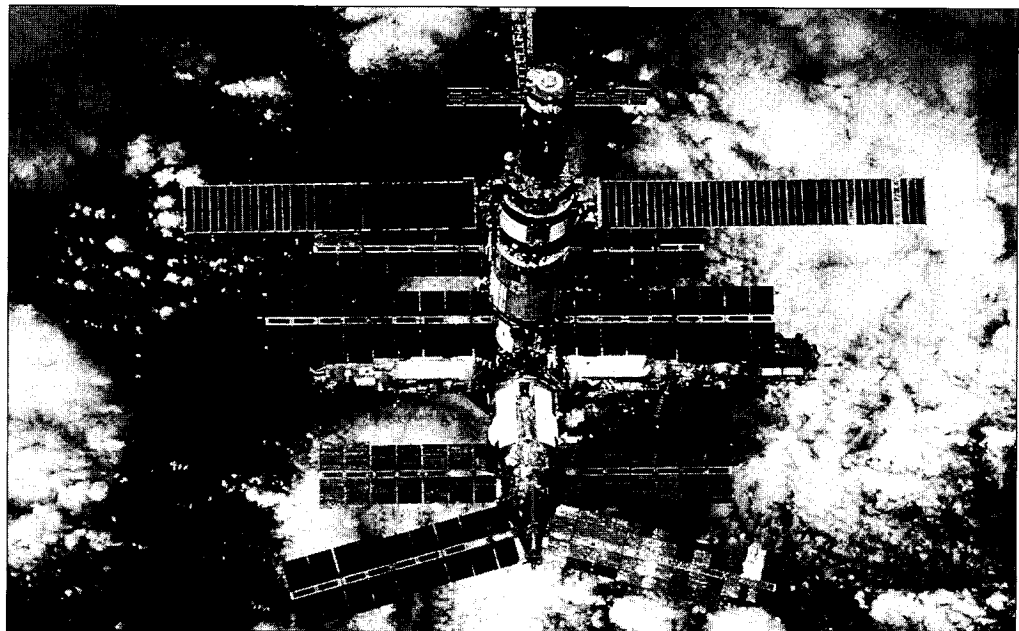
an overview of events & personalities of the year



PHOTO—CHRIS BACON AP

Thousands converged on Calcutta to mourn the passing of Nobel Prize winning humanitarian Mother Teresa, who died Sept. 5 of a heart attack. She was 87.

Mir, the 12-year-old space complex, suffered a host of mishaps during a joint Russian-American venture, including a near-fatal collision in June that punctured one of its scientific research modules. The aging complex is a test-bed for the international space station Alpha, the first components of which are due to be launched in 1998.



PHOTO—NASA GLOBE PHOTOS

Comedic star Chris Farley was found dead in his Chicago apartment Dec. 18. Farley, 33, who spent several seasons on NBC's "Saturday Night Live" and starred in several movies, including "Tommy Boy," died of an apparent heart attack.

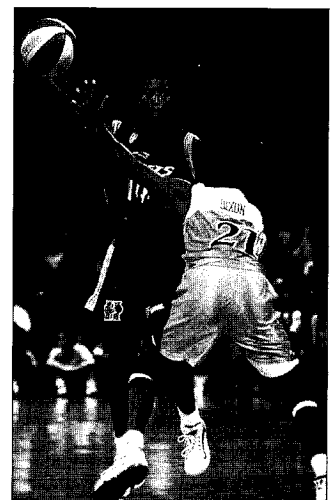


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PHOTO—ERIC DRAPER AP

The Florida Marlins captured their first-ever World Series championship by defeating the Cleveland Indians in seven games. Following the triumph, several marquee players were traded to make the organization more profitable.



PHOTO—TODD WARE-HAWALLSPORT

In its debut season, the WNBA made a name for itself in professional sports. Eight teams competed in the women's league with the Houston Comets defeating the New York Liberty, 65-51, in the first championship game.



PHOTO: BETTE DEJONG AP

PHOTO: DANE ANDREW SIPA PRESS

Millions around the world mourned the tragic death of Princess Diana, who was killed Aug. 31 in Paris during a high-speed car crash. Diana, 36, and her companion, Dodi Fayed, were reportedly being chased by photographers who were following them from the Hotel Ritz. Fayed, along with chauffeur Henri Paul, also died when the Mercedes crashed in a tunnel along the Seine River. The news sent shock waves around the world and sparked an international debate about the paparazzi's role in the tragedy. An autopsy later revealed Paul was driving legally drunk.

Although a Cambridge, Mass., jury found her guilty Oct. 30 of second-degree murder in the February death of infant Matthew Eappen, British au pair Louise Woodward, 19, was sentenced to time served and released by Judge Hiller Zobel. State prosecutors promised an appeal in 1998.



PHOTO: TED FITZGERALD AP



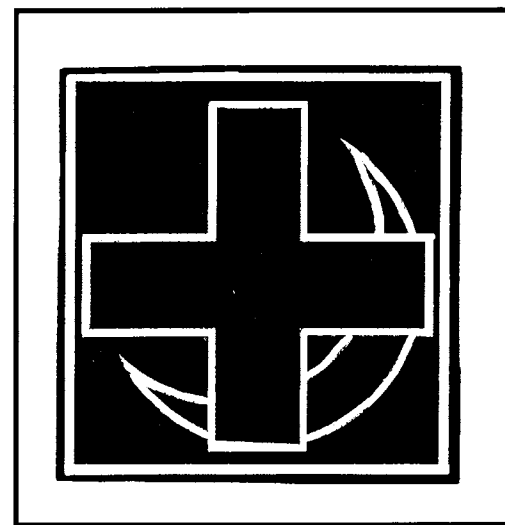
PHOTO: STEVE L. SSG/CM

Chelsea Clinton, 17, left the presidential nest in the fall for Stanford University, beginning her first year of college. She was away from her parents, but not the Secret Service, who were with her on campus.

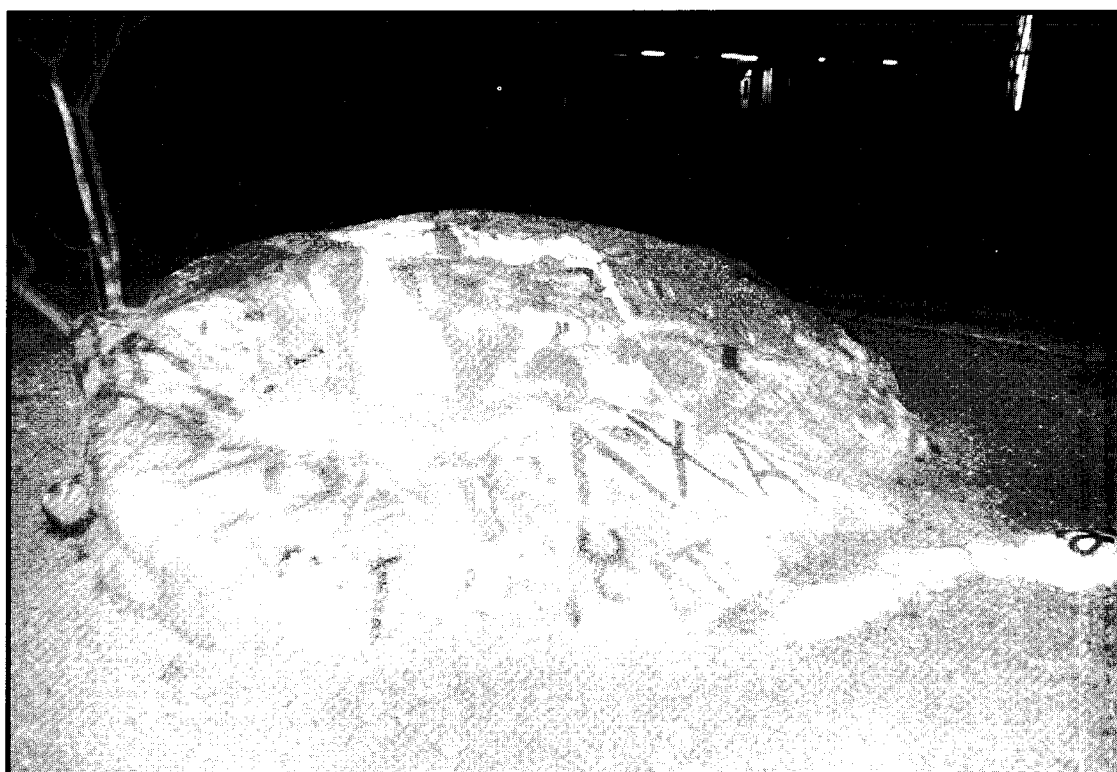
The city of Carlisle, Iowa, boasted its new population of 3,407 after resident Bobbi McCaughey, 29, gave birth to septuplets. Her delivery of seven healthy babies marked the largest multiple birth ever recorded.

Lambda Chi Alpha

The Brothers of Lambda Chi Alpha enjoyed a great Rush Fall Quarter as eight new Brothers were initiated into the fraternity. We excelled in Intramural Sports and helped the needy by participating in the North American Food Drive. We enjoyed participating in the Halloween Carnival and helping staff the Science Olympiad. The Lambda Chi Alpha is a fraternity of honest friendship. 250,000 men can't be wrong!



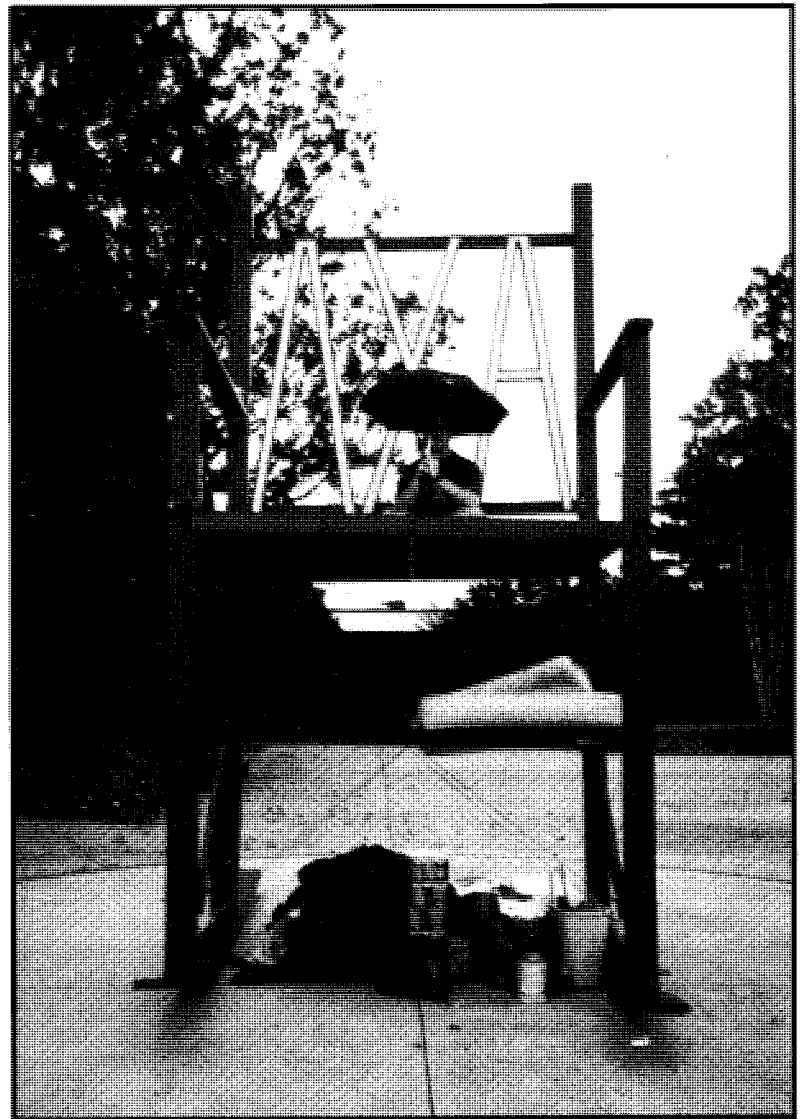
The Brothers of Lambda Chi Alpha at their annual Thanksgiving Dinner.



Tommy, Balls, and Punky.



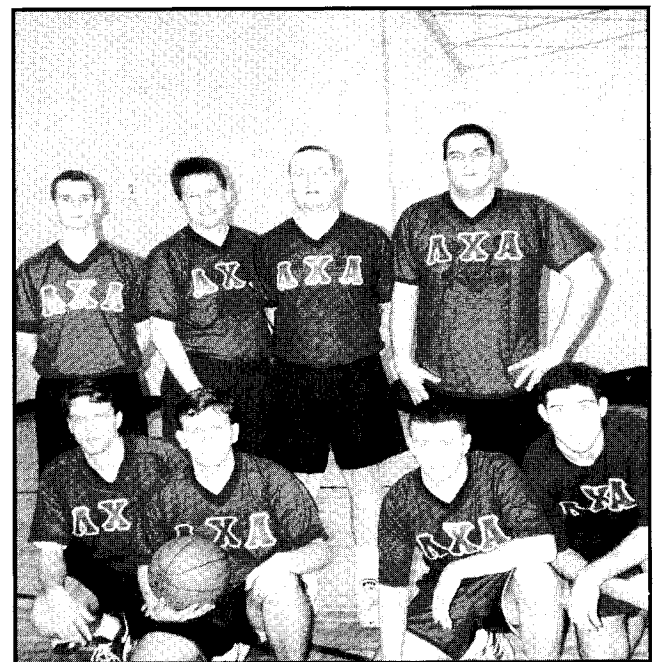
Lambda Chi takes 1st place in the Egg Toss.



Rain or shine!

Creed of Lambda Chi Alpha

We believe in Lambda Chi Alpha, its traditions, principles, and ideals. The crescent is our symbol, pure, high ever-growing, and the cross is our guide, denoting service, sacrifice, and even suffering and humiliation before the world, bravely endured if need be, in following that ideal. May we have faith in Lambda Chi Alpha, and passion for its welfare. May we have hope for the future of Lambda Chi Alpha, and strength to fight for its teachings. May we have pure hearts, that we may approach the ideal of perfect brotherly love.



The Winter Quarter basketball team.

Tau Kappa Epsilon

On January 10, 1899, an organization was formed. It was designed for men who were tired of having to "fit a mold." It was founded by five men who put personal worth and character above wealth, rank, or honor. Since that day in 1899, the tradition has continued. Tau Kappa Epsilon is a group of men who have joined to share in the bond of brotherhood. With over 300 active chapters, Tau Kappa Epsilon has established itself as the largest social fraternity in the world. The Xi Chi chapter at Southern Polytechnic State University was formed on January 24, 1973, by 57 men. The chapter now has over 430 members on its scroll since that date. Tau Kappa Epsilon continues to contribute to its community by sponsoring local blood drives, donating time to Adopt-a-Highway, Cystic Fibrosis, and Special Olympics. TKE also provides year-round activities on and off campus, such as our annual Halloween Party, Wild Turkey Party, Ski Trip, Beach Trip, and Island Party. "Above all else, this fraternity stands for men."



Red Carnation Ball



"Showing Out" at Goat Night



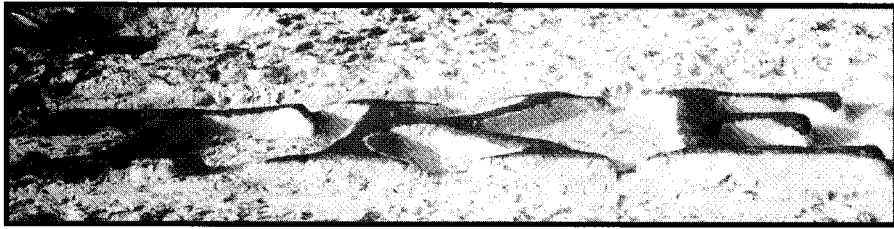
Ski Trip '97



Winter '97 Initiation



Rappa-Tappa at the beach



Beach Trip in Panama City Beach, Florida



Tekes "Love the Loop" with Adopt-a-Highway



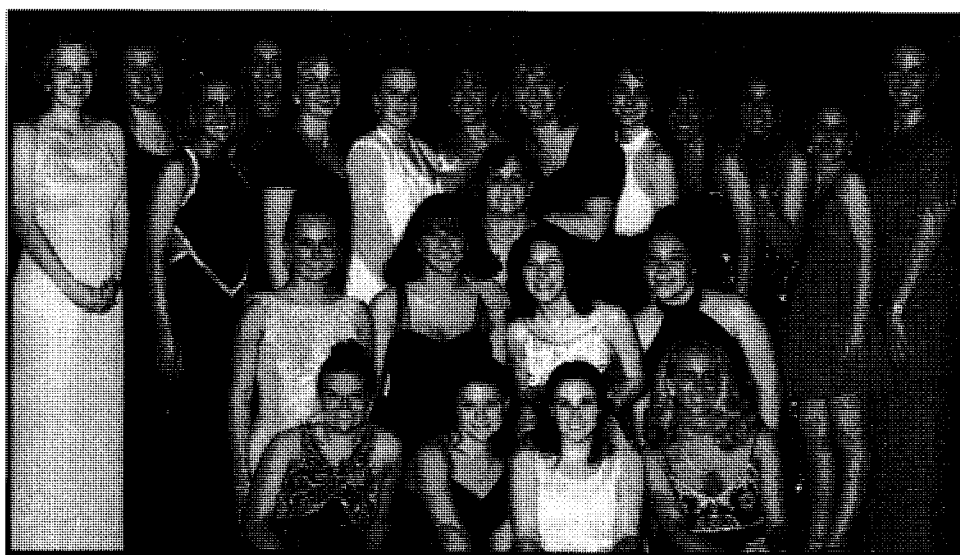
An evening with the an-Tekes



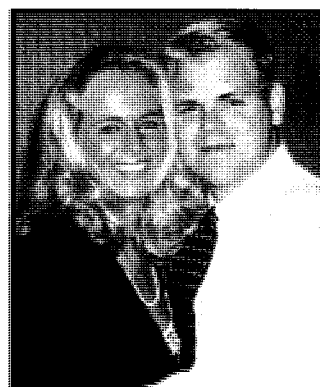
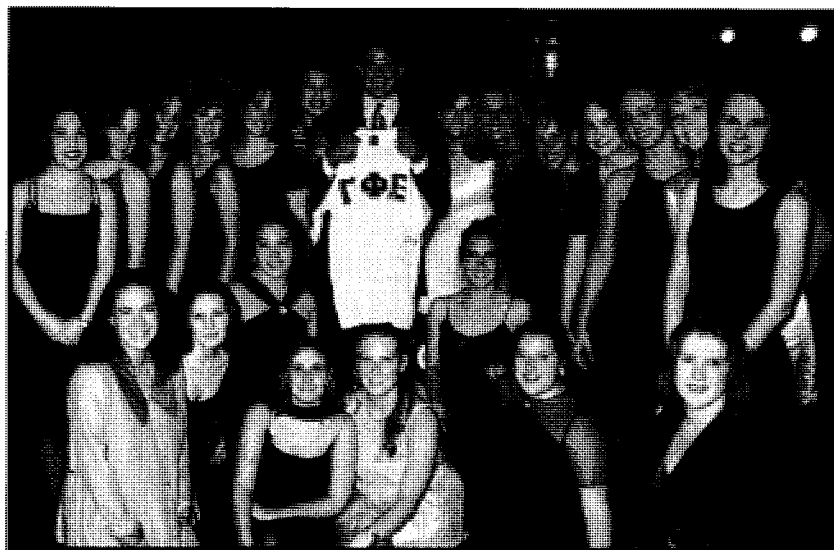
Gamma Phi Beta

Founded on November 11, 1874 at Syracuse University, Gamma Phi Beta has offered a sisterhood of love, labor, learning, and loyalty to ladies of all different backgrounds. Whether our time together consists of having a Girls' Night Out, screaming for our team at a basketball game, or just doing some late night studying for Physics, we always have fun because we are with friends. The friendships that a sister makes will last forever.





Gamma Phi Beta has had a great 17th year at SPSU! We initiated 6 new girls in the winter. We're sad to see some girls graduate and move on-Michelle Cochran, Missy Martin, Jacqueline Snow, Hilary Cohn, and Karla Sampson. Favorite Guy Party was a great success- congrats to Sigma Pi's Brian Bell who was awarded the prestigious title of "our favorite guy". Pink Carnation was fun, also. Good job on all of the hard work! Thanks to all of the girls for their hard work and dedication to keep Gamma Phi Beta strong as always! Keep on rushing!



Pi Kappa Phi

Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity was founded at the College of Charleston, Charleston, SC, on December 10, 1904. In over ninety some odd years, Pi Kappa Phi has produced some of the finest leaders of this country. Brothers of Pi Kappa Phi include Mayors, Governors, Senators, CEOs, Battleship Commanders, MLB manager and the list goes on.

The Epsilon Kappa Chapter of Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity here at SPSU is no exception to the rule. In the past year, the chapter has produced many outstanding leaders. In the 96-97 school year, EK has produced a President and three Senators of the Student Government Association, a Chairman and a Councilman of the Judiciary Council, President of the Inter-Greek Council, a Campus Activities Board member, and three race car team members. Even as these brothers offer the campus their invaluable leadership today, future leaders are continually being produced by the chapter since we are the largest and fastest growing fraternity on campus.

Academic excellence is the number one priority of this fraternity. Brothers of the EK Chapter strive their hardest to achieve scholastic goals. In the past year, we have earned the highest GPA among all fraternities on campus. Study sessions are regularly held throughout the quarters to help the brothers maintain the academic excellence that they have come to enjoy. Plans are currently in progress to hire a SPSU faculty to be the chapter's very own academic coach.

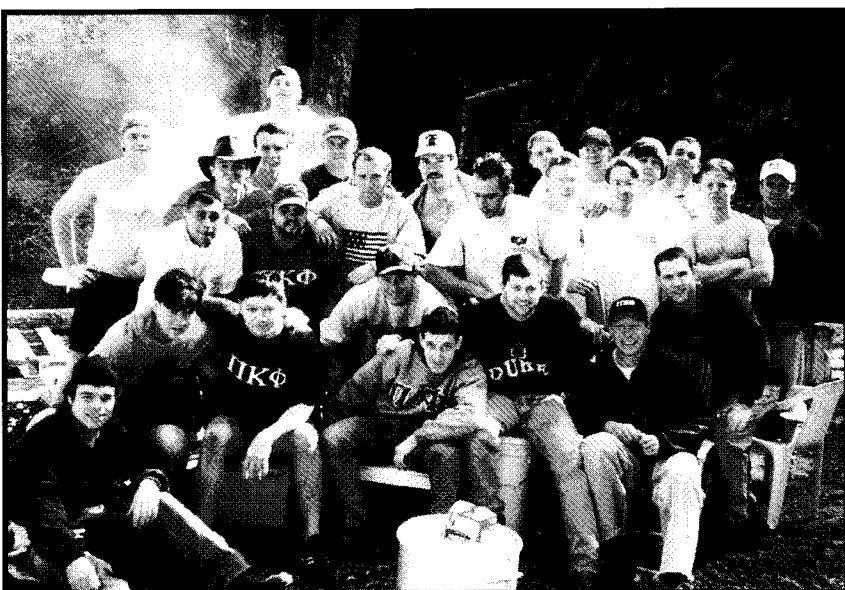
One of the most distinctive feature of a Pi Kappa Phi is his eagerness to help others who are in need. This may be best exemplified by our national philanthropy, P.U.S.H. (People Understanding the Severely Handicapped). P.U.S.H. was set up as a separate charitable entity of the Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity. Each year, millions of dollars are raised by chapters across the country to help disabled citizens. Pi Kapps also voluntarily give up many spring breaks and weekends to attend P.U.S.H. Camps and Give a Push Weekends to help build/rebuild playgrounds and summer camps that serve the disabled. This past summer, three brothers from this chapter went to Journey of Hope, a P.U.S.H. sponsored handicap awareness cross country bicycle tour that stretches from San Francisco to Washington D.C. Educational entertainment seminars such as Empathy Training Sessions were also provided to the campus to raise handicap awareness.

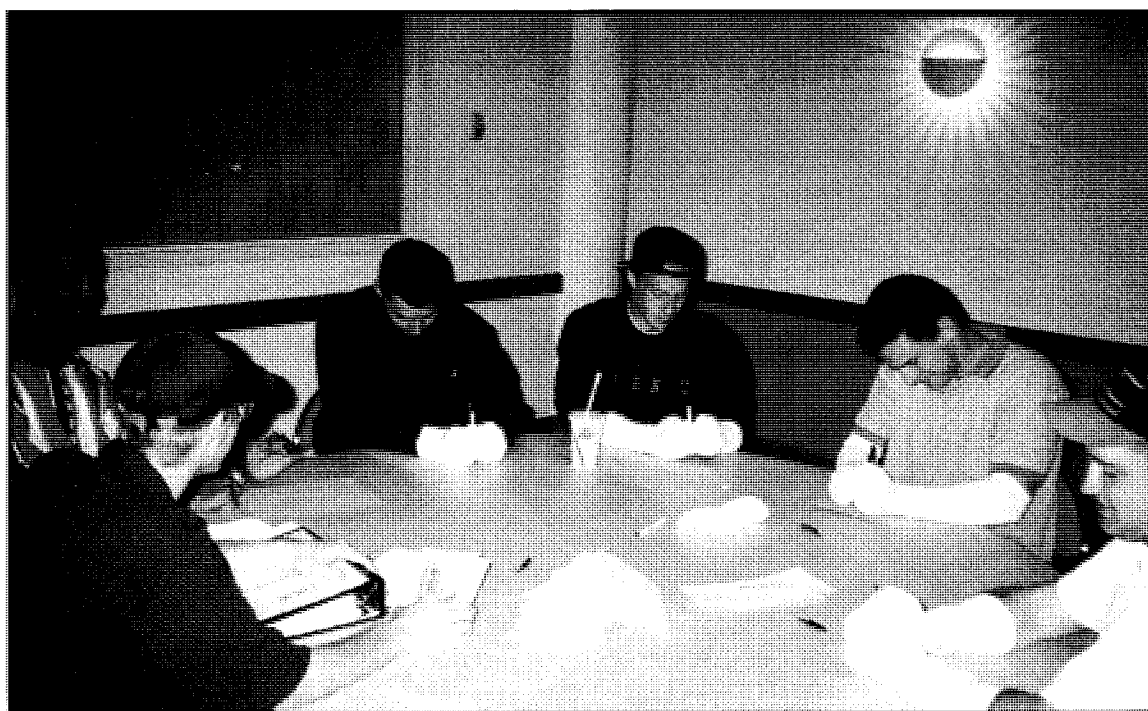
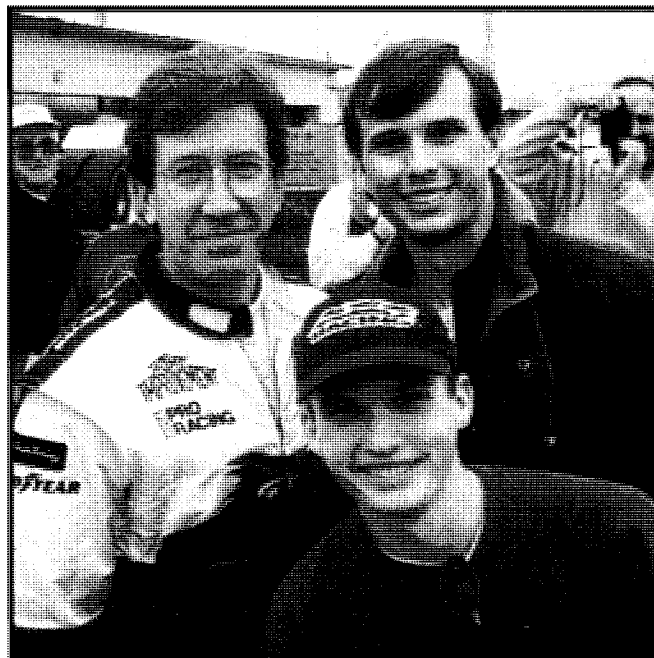
The competitive nature of a Pi Kapp may very well be his greatest strength. The brothers of the EK Chapter relied on this strength to accomplish an impressive record for the 96-97 year. We were the winner of Goat Night for the fifth consecutive year and placed third in Greek Week.

The EK Chapter offers the very best in social outlet for SPSU. Being the only chapter on campus that supports its own house, we have hosted many memorable social events at the fraternity house. Some of the more recognized events are the Dukes of Hazards Party, annual Halloween Bash, End of

the Quarter Blowouts, Wild Wild West socials with the ladies of the Gamma Phi Beta, and of course the most elaborate annual recognition dinner/ball, Roseball.

Words simply can not describe the wonders that this fraternity will bring to a young mans' life. How can anyone describe in words the friendship, the challenge, the joy, the love, and many other wondrous experiences that will take a lifetime to cherish. In the end, "Nothing Shall Ever Tear Us Asunder" may be the closest description of what being a Pi Kappa Phi is all about.





Sigma Nu

Much has changed since Sigma Nu established its 200th chapter at this college in 1976. The college formerly known as the Southern Technical Institute became the Southern College of Technology and more recently, Southern Polytechnic State University. The campus has been made, remade and the construction still goes on. Southern Tech, as it will probably be forever known, has been an ever-changing environment since 1976; but one thing has remained the same.

For over 20 years now, Sigma Nu has had a mission at Southern Tech. Our goal is to turn boys into men. Sigma Nu does this, not through any type of ritual hazing or immature initiation, but by educating potential brothers (candidates) about our cardinal principles- Love, Truth, and Honor. Candidates of Sigma Nu are prepared for brotherhood by a quarter long pledge class which teaches them about the history of our fraternity and about the lifelong bonds of brotherhood. Choosing to walk down the pathway of honor is not a decision to be taken lightly; Sigma Nu holds meanings that are only revealed to the initiated.

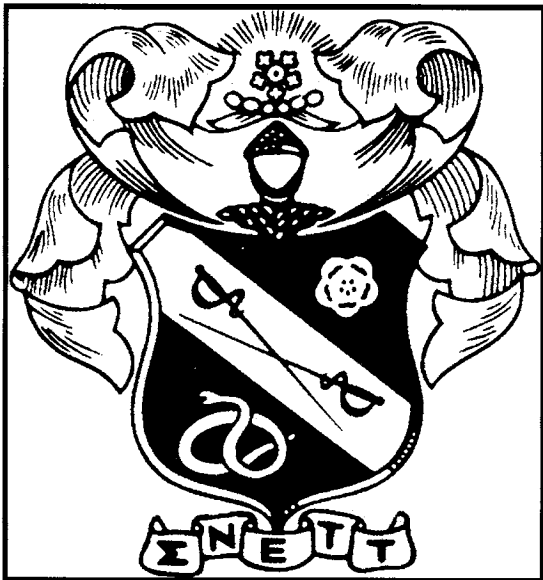
Since 1869 over 300,000 men have chosen to take the journey down the pathway of honor. In its 20 years at Southern Tech, Sigma Nu has initiated over 350 brothers here. Those men have played an active part in their community, as well as their school.

Sigma Nu has won greek week, an annual competition among greek organizations, 17 out of the last 20 years. We are active in intramural sports, goat night (an annual event sponsored by the Interfraternal council), and TechFest (an annual technology expose). Sigma Nu is also active in the community. We assist the City of Marietta once every quarter, including a Halloween carnival in the fall, an Easter egg hunt in the spring, and preparation for Memorial Day at Marietta Cemetery.

Throughout the year we take time out to relax and have fun. Each year sees several planned events including: anniversary party, ski-trip, Whitestar (our annual formal), and raft trip.

The Sigma Nu man is honorable in victory and learns from his defeats. At all times, his interests are directed to what is significant and worthwhile. Sigma Nu's must have a compassion for others and possess a sense of ethics, honesty, and goodwill. But above all, the Sigma Nu man is the one who, in everything he does, exercises a high sense of discipline, and who bears the grand old name, Gentleman.





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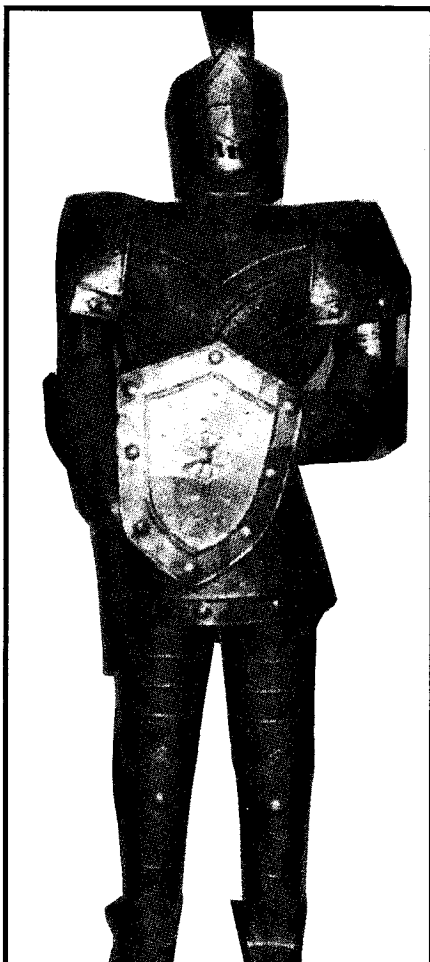
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WGHR originally began in 1969 as **WSTB**, an on-campus-only **AM** station on 1280, transmitted on a wire loop antenna running from building to building. A few years later, the "Stubby" (as it was nicknamed) applied for and eventually was granted a low-power **FM** license, one of the last to be issued. Southern Tech Broadcasting gave up the 'STB call sign to an already-licensed station in Ohio, and became **WGHR - Green Hornets Radio!** The newly-independent college had its own radio station, broadcasting a top-40 format (hey, it wasn't our idea!) as well as news. Since then, the station has moved to "alternative rock", and then to a more diverse format representative of the student body. Today's programming includes everything from urban, techno, and punk, to trihop and acidjazz, and the station works to provide the area with the best in noncommercial radio - avoiding the overly-commercial in favor of the more progressive (yet not obscure) styles.

The '96-'97 year was a rough, but relatively, successful one for **WGHR - Southern Polytechnic's** own radio station, pushing out 16,500 milliwatts on 102.5 **FM**. It began during the Olympics, with the station broadcasting news and features from over a dozen countries worldwide during the two-week event, making it the first station in the history of the Games to provide such a service for the host city. (The new Amateur Radio Club played an instrumental role in this, helping the station to resurrect its old satellite receive dish.) Later, **WGHR** began fall quarter with a new programming format, taking the chaotic scheduling of previous years and organizing it into more regular alternating-weekday formats, and even adding a country music show by student demand. The first week of class ended with a bang! - a fireworks show, with a diverse musical score put together by our staff and broadcasting live on **WGHR**.

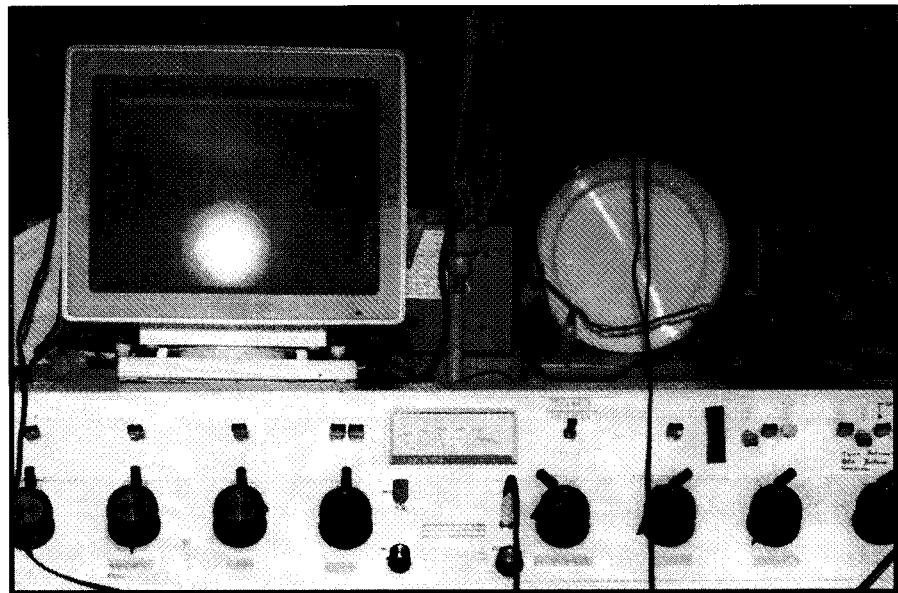
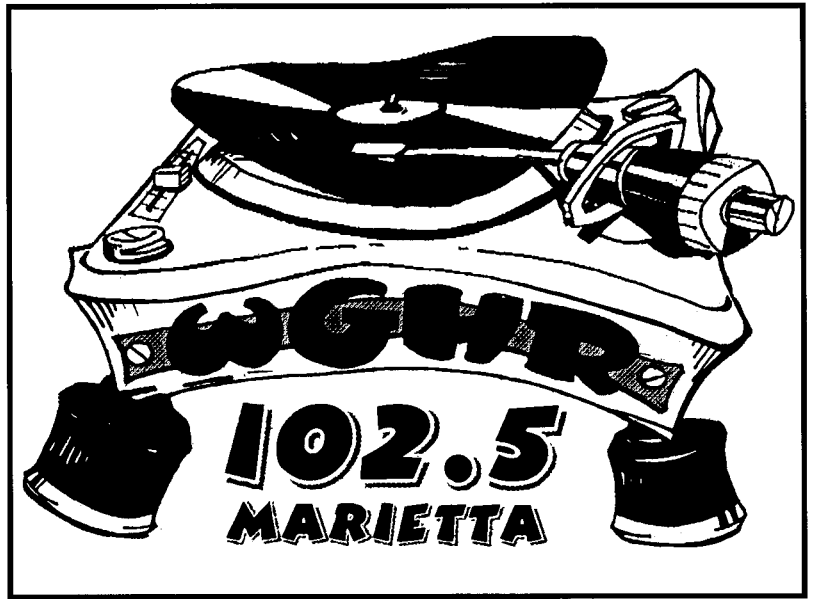
The **FM** Stations's 15th anniversary was on October 7th - and appropriately, **WGHR** threw a birthday party for students, complete with cake and ice cream, and the craziest happy birthday song we could find (We declined to replay the first song broadcast on 102.5 in 1981: Barry Manilow's "Looks Like We Made It". Nobody seemed to mind.) Later, after the annual Halloween night show (with appropriate decor in the studio, of course), the station helped organize its first annual holiday food drive; and, after joining forces with the Delta Sigma Theta sorority's perennial food drive and the Campus Activities Board, managed to raise over 60 units of food for those in need.

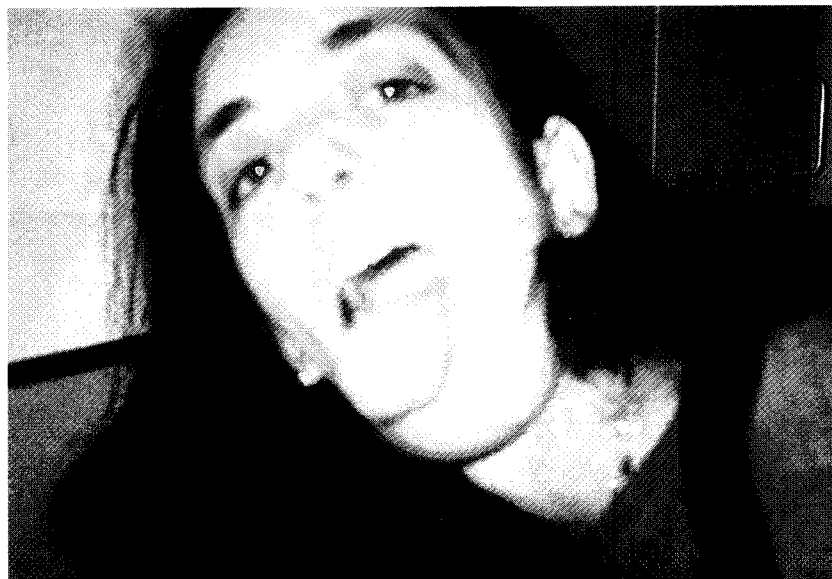
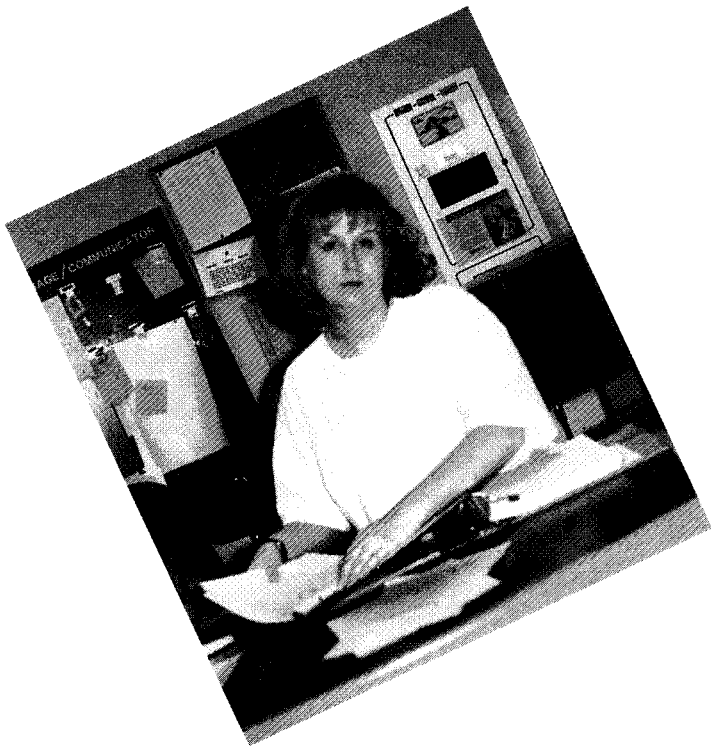
WGHR also returned to the local sports scene during the year, first by broadcasting Wheeler High School's fall football games. In a unique arrangement, the station worked with Wheeler students taking a mass media studies course at their school, even teaching some of them how to run our on-air console. Come winter quarter, Green Hornet Radio broadcast all of SPSU's home basketball games on Saturday nights, and the Hornets made it all the way to the playoffs as well.

Our last big event was in May, with a very successful Techfest bringing hundreds of visitors to the campus and dozens through the radio station. Our staff manned both the studio and an outdoor remote, answering many questions about **WGHR** and radio in general, and giving many of our guests their first look inside a real broadcast facility (however short of equipment it may be).

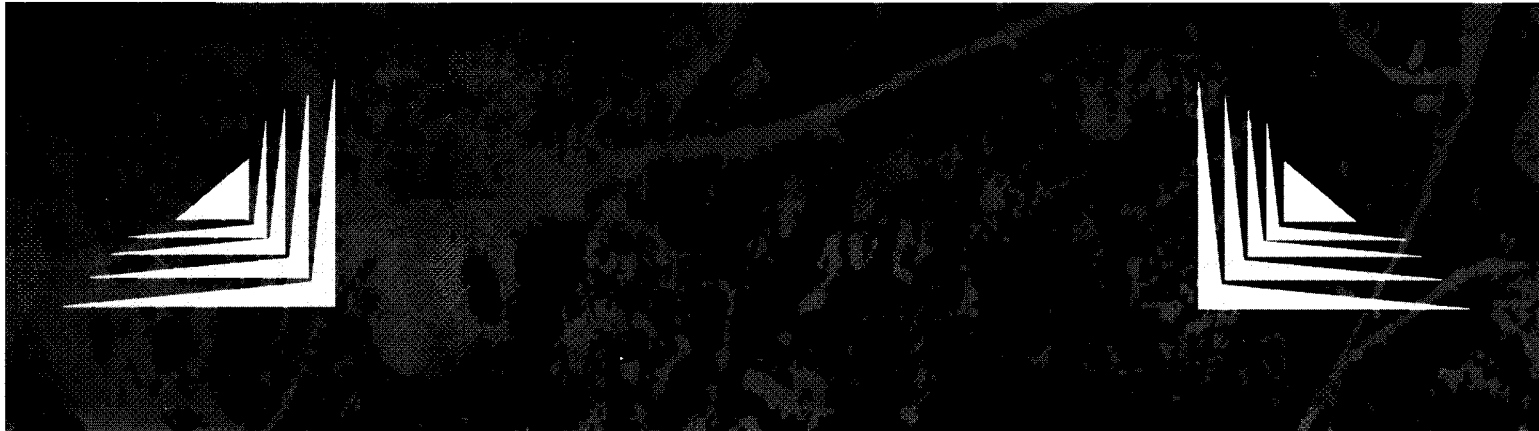
The year ended with a new vision for the station - which after many idle years, finally began to realize its full potential. Even as many students leave for the summer, many of us are hard at work, using our "time off" to keep the momentum going and improve the station even further. The years ahead hold great promise for **WGHR** and SPSU, and we will not let this incredible opportunity pass us by. The task at hand is enormous, yet not so large that it cannot be achieved by the dedicated people of our organization. The time is now, and the Wave of the Future is on the air!

Word to all the people that helped out **WGHR** this past year, including the station staff, guest DJ's, our sponsors, and our listeners! Without the support of all these folks, our station would not be possible.

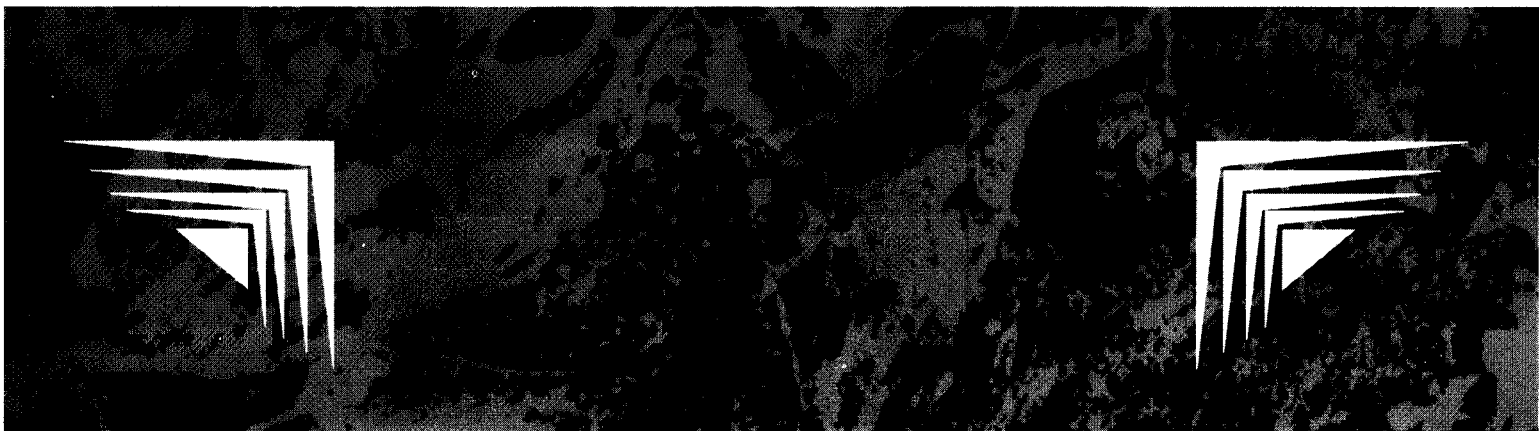








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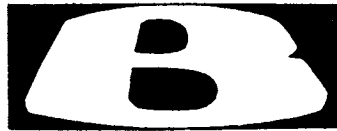


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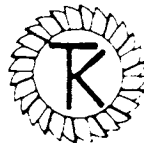
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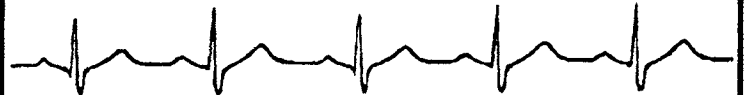
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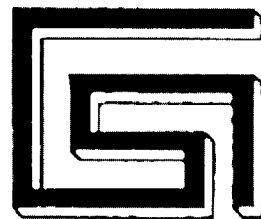
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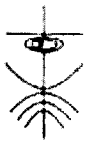
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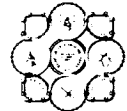
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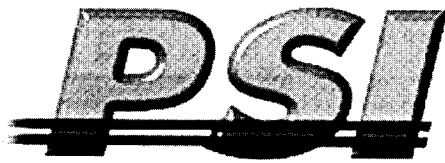


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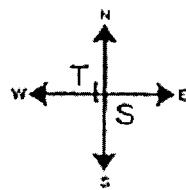
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