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Campus Planning Committee Sets Goals

By RAY SMITH

On Friday, April 26, 1996, the Campus-Wide Planning Committee met. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss and plan the 97 fiscal year. Barbara Anderson, Director of Academic Services, is the committee chair. The other members of the committee include all the Vice Presidents, the Deans and President Cheshier. Ms. Anderson began the meeting by distributing a

strict agenda with specific guidelines for discussions. The first order on the agenda was a description of ground rules and a request for members of the committee to adhere to the guidelines. Ms. Anderson then asked for approval of the agenda and turned the meeting over to President Cheshier.

Dr. Cheshier began his part of the meeting by discussing next years' across the board 6% pay raise for all state employees. He then con-

tinued on to next years budget and discussed how the planning process will affect the budget. Unlike most years when the college has adequate enrollment, this coming year has been forecast on last years' enrollment figures which were down from previous years. This drop in enrollment has resulted in a shortfall in the budget of \$257,000 dollars. The college is forced to reallocate funds throughout all the departments.

Dr. Cheshier described the budget by breaking it into two categories. The first category consists of the things the college is mandated to expend funds on such as the following:

1. Pay raises \$1.1 million dollars
2. Escrow \$250,000 to help offset the equipment allocation against future enrollment.
3. \$275,000 for BANNER (a computer system to link all state colleges)
4. \$100,000 for utilities
5. \$50,000 for an internal auditor
6. \$45,000 for a new position relating to the Wellness Center.

All of the above are mandated by the state and must be included in the college budget.

The second category was as follows: Southern College of Technology will increase its enrollment and graduation rates through a campus-wide commitment to recruitment, education, and placement of academically prepared students.

graduate students and 10% more graduate students over the next three years

Goal #2: Increase the college's first year retention rates for first-time full-time students by 15% over the next three years without the lowering of academic standards

Goal #3: Increase the colleges eight year graduation rate by 10% over the next four years without lowering the academic standards

Goal #4: Achieve a 90% job placement rate within one year of graduation for all students seeking jobs through the Career Center.

The college has begun working with a marketing firm to enact these goals. The cost of a project like this is as follows:

1. \$250,000 dollars for a marketing director and an advertising budget.
2. \$250,000 dollars for The Freshman Experience, admissions, and administrative support.

Goal #1: Enroll 20% more under-

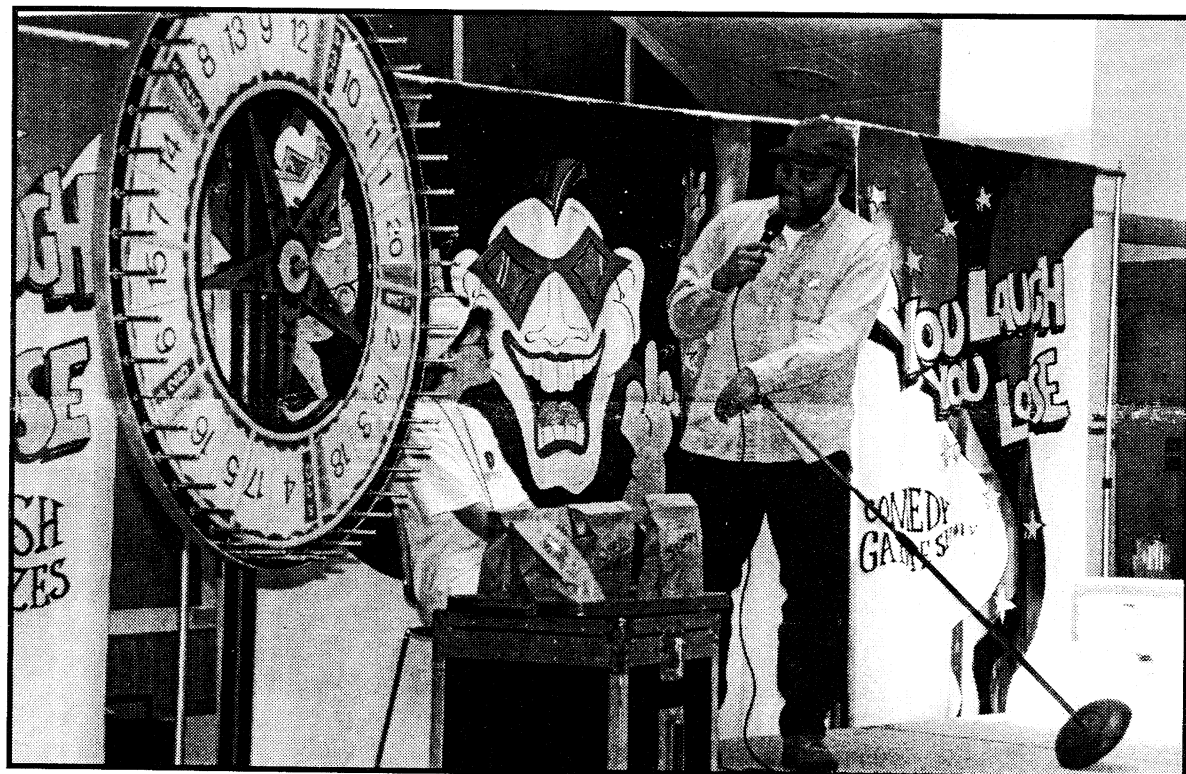
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photo by Reginald O'Neal

To laugh or not to laugh. CAB's laugh-n draws a crowd.

Ground Breaking for New Building in September

By CHARLES BANTON

The campus just keeps on growing with the addition of a 105,000 Sq. ft. academic building. Jim Brown the Assistant to the V.P. for Business and Finance who has been working at Southern Tech since June of 1979, provided the following information during an interview.

The three story building will house the School of Management, the Deans of various schools, IET Department, the Humanities Department and the Distance learning center.

Funding for this 13 million dollar building came entirely from the State of Georgia. This must be our tax dollars being put to work. A

grand elevator lobby with tables and chairs will make up the main entrance which will be accessible from both sides. A great deal of landscaping will surround the building adding a different look than most engineering school buildings.

Where will the newest building be? Conveniently located between the dorms and the H building on top of an existing walkway that leads to the textile building. The new building will reach from near the end of the H building right up to the textile building. See the diagram if further direction is needed.

This will be the first building on campus that will have all of its data connections included in the construction. These connections will hook directly into the existing fiber

optics cable that was recently installed on the campus.

Ground will be broke mid to late September of this year. Completion of this massive construction will take approximately 18 months and is expected to be finished by February 1998. The construction company that was hired is the internationally known John Portman Co.

Other projects that the administration is considering includes asking for funds to refurbish the architecture building. And if anyone has been wondering about the elevator in building D, the project was due to be finished however the contractor ran into some problems. No comment, that is for the editorial page.

By COLLEEN DESMOND

This year's activities budget will look different from recent years as the SGA works with the administration to secure more money for student organizations. "The administration seems to working with us and interviews with student organization leaders have been a positive experience", said Ray Smith, Budget and Finance Chair.

The SGA received budget requests from 25 organizations and activities on campus totaling \$447,058. This year's activities budget totals \$280,000 down from \$300,000 last year. After reviewing the applications, the budget and finance committee met with the organizational leaders individually to ask questions about their request. Three organizations did not attend

their meeting. "The money organizations get will be reflected because we had questions the [unattending] organizations didn't answer. Any discrepancies in the budget will not be funded", said Smith.

The administration hashed out a general school budget outline on Wednesday, April 24, which included SGA budget decisions. Several of the issues that SGA brought up with the administration were discussed at this meeting. Two salaries that have been paid out the of activities budget will be removed. Vicki Langston's salary will be paid 20% with the student activities fund and 80% out of administrative funds.

Karl Staber's salary will be moved out of the activities fund en-

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SGA President Drafts Budget Rational Report

SGA President, Bill Finnicks, drafted a letter which he distributed to several administrators including President Cheshier and Vice President Smith. This is not the official SGA budget and does not necessarily reflect all of the budget and finance views. Below are excerpts from his report.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT 1997 Submitted Student Activities Budget

Prior to the 1992 creation of the permanent Budget and Finance committee the SGA President and Vice President were a part of the annual Student Activities Budget (SAB) deliberations. While I may no longer be a part of the official process I feel it is within my capacity as SGA President to present data and insight to the process. The following is a line by line activity/organization justification for the proposal.

Student Center: *Through a solid year of work President Cheshier has agreed to fund the eighty percent of the Reservation's Coordinator's salary that is dedicated to institutional support. This provides thirty thousand dollars of previously lost revenue to the students. I am not alone in thinking the lion's share of this needs to be directed to student organizations. The twenty thousand shortfall in the FY-97 budget is due to declining enrollment and in some small way suggests that the SGA be given only what it deserves. Hopefully in the future the entire amount collected for Student Activity Fees will be used to determine the succeeding year's SAB.*

Recreational Sports: *This is the most disturbing budget request I have seen in my four year involvement with the SAB. Notwithstanding President Cheshier's statements last Spring that "the operation of the new rec center would be an institutional requirement," the fiscal irresponsibility displayed in the presentation of this budget is undefinable in politically correct rhetoric. Other than a request for over fifty-five percent of the total SAB there are intolerable inclusions and deplorable omissions.*

Campus Activity Board (CAB): *The recent historical inability of CAB to generate enough participation in their three main annual events is not entirely the fault of the board but we must weigh the cost effectiveness of these events. The cost to participant ratio by their own admission approaches the entire thirty dollars the participants contribute to the entire budget. If an activity can not stand alone without food then the quality of the programming must be questioned.*

Student Handbook: *I would like to question the absolute need for this publication. Is the data that it contains of real significance to the students and institution as a whole? Can it not be included in the catalog? The data I have collected reveals that the catalog is published in only the even number fiscal years. According to the institution's Comptroller the actual expenditure of recent years has been: 1991-\$0; 1992-\$4,275.60; 1993-\$0; 1994-\$4,406.00; 1995-\$0; 1996-\$3,852.00; yet the requests and allocations have remained at \$4,000 per year. The carry over has thus received \$11,466.40 in the past six years. I have personally been told in the past that no budget will be approved without the \$4,000 budget line in place. The Budget and Finance Committee Chair informed me that the same implication had been passed along this year.*

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All of the goals and the mandates in the two categories are essential to the life of the college. The budget is 20 million dollars at present, however, to enact all the mandates and goals the budget needs to be increased by \$2,250,000 dollars. The college will receive an additional \$800,000 dollars from state money and tuition increase.

That still leaves \$1,450,000 dollars that have to be reallocated from campus funds. Dr. Cheshier believes that the reallocation will only be temporary. He feels that with new marketing the college enrollment will increase, thus revenue will increase.

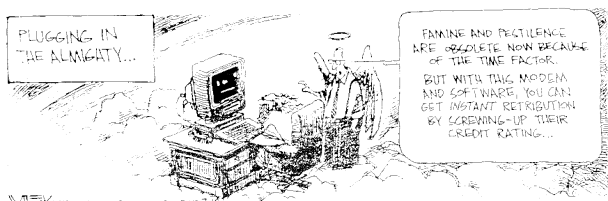
The main problem with the budget are the mandates from the state. The silver lining to all this in Dr. Cheshiers' opinion is the pay raise.

Dr. Cheshier finished his report on a high note. Last quarter many students were upset about the schedule changes due to the Olympics. The college will be closed for two weeks to allow students and faculty to view the games or avoid the traffic. The great part about the

colleges' closing is that revenue will be generated by renting the campus parking lots to ACOG. The revenue will be used to the students' advantage in several ways. The Wellness Center, from the clinic to the weight room, will be completed outfitted. The Globe so long anticipated will be placed in the bleak concrete desert between the Administration Building and the Student Center. Students who reside on campus will not be affected. The main parking lot will not be included in the rental contract with ACOG.

Dr. Cheshire then turned the meeting over to Ms. Anderson who discussed the new Mission Statement which will be sent to the Board of Regents for their approval. She also discussed the Campus Strategic Infrastructure Plans which are divided among committees for further advisement.

This was probably one of the most informative and well run meetings on campus. Ms. Anderson is a competent leader who kept the meeting on schedule. forced to reallocate funds through out the departments.



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Net's Shareware

By KEVIN BRYAN

Free stuff. Everyone loves it, and can't get enough of it. In the area of computers, the next best thing to free is available in freeware, demos and shareware.

The shareware concept is a simple one. The user gets to try out software, and if they like it, they can register it to gain additional features and legitimacy.

This should never be confused with freeware and demos, which do not involve any commitment to pay.

Freeware is simply that: software available to anyone who wants it. Demos are limited examples of commercial software, and need to be purchased somewhere else in order to gain a fully working copy.

The problem is finding the

software you need. There are millions of programs out there, but the nature of the distribution precludes any sort of real advertising.

Thanks to the World Wide Web, sorting through (and finding) the free software that fits your needs has become a true option.

For variety of subjects and sheer volume of files, JUMBO will fill your need. From Business to Programming to Words & Graphics, this site has a large number of files in a well-organized format.

When you're dealing with files, ftp (File Transfer Protocol) sites cannot be ignored.

However, finding a site with files that apply to you is more difficult. Two good places to start are wustl.wuarchive.edu and ftp.uwp.edu.

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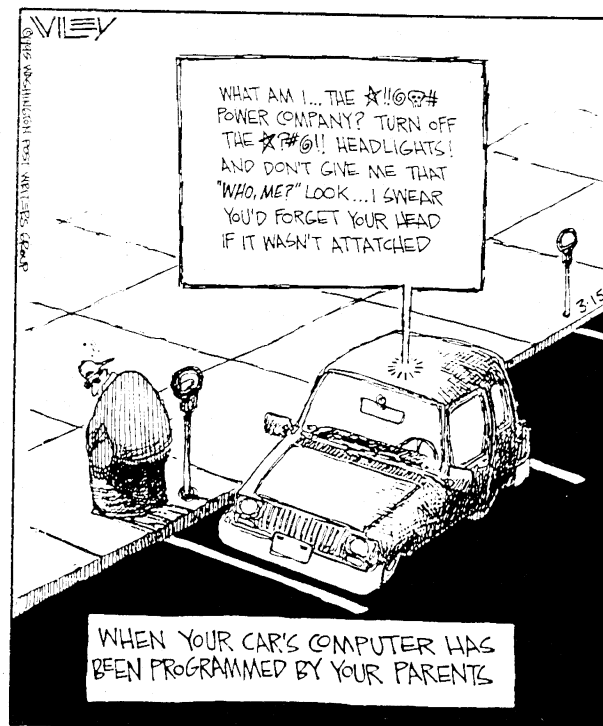
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SGA Elections Soon

By CHARLES BANTON

Tuesday, April 16, 1995 marked another life changing meeting of the SGA. Some might not think the same, but if those people ever sat in on an SGA meeting they might think differently. Suggestions were presented, motions were made, and money was distributed.

Things started off with a report from President Bill Finnicks. In his report he informed the SGA about a SAC conference from May 3rd through the 5th. A request was made for \$305.00 to pay for the participation of two members of the SGA. Finnicks also prepared a budget summary, which is not customary for a president. That is to say, it hasn't been done before. The budget summary contained suggestions for the Student Activities Budget in the 1996/97 fiscal year. Finnicks also proposed that the SGA council application period open April 30 through May 10 and election polls open Tuesday May 14th through

Friday, May 17th.

The secretary, Almaz "Al" Kerr, stated that the general operations funds have a balance of 4,104.76 and that the student development funds have a balance of \$1,050.00.

Internal Affairs committee reported that Roxanna Jefferson had resigned due to scheduling conflicts. Office audits will be held this quarter. It was stated that the minutes for the previous SGA meeting were late and as a result there would be an investigation of the secretary, Almaz "Al" Kerr.

The Budget and Finance Committee reported that the budget process was on schedule and "everything is set." Plans to purchase a new computer for the SGA office were discussed. The question was asked "Are we going to stay at 10 Mhz forever?"

A motion to reimburse NSBE, National Society for Black Engineers, for expenses related to their National Conference in Nashville

Tennessee brought up an unusual discussion. The problem was that the Conference had already taken place. A nearby member of NSBE was brought in to comment on the Conference and give some needed information.

Finnicks stated that there was a precedence concerning the issue. The precedent occurred a few years ago when the "Pep Band" requested funds to pay off debt that was incurred during a trip. It was stated at that time that the funds would not be paid by the SGA if the event has already taken place. After a great deal of discussion Ray Smith, the Chairman of the Budget and Finance committee, made a motion to suspend the "rule of precedence" and then made another motion to vote to give NSBE the \$600.00 reimbursement. The motion was barely passed by a vote of 5-4-1.

Three SGA members will not run for re-election this year. They are Bill Finnicks, President, Cynthia Clements, and Stephanie Lewis.

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tirely. Money dedicated to intramural sports is expected to remain essentially the same, however, because money saved from Staber's salary will be used to employ student assistants needed for the new recreational center next year.

The student handbook printing costs, which have previously been a mandatory \$4,000 budget item, will not be required this year because the handbook is only printed biannually. Vice President of Student Affairs, Charles Smith, said that the years in which the \$4,000 was not spent on printing the handbook "the fund balance was used for

student groups."

In a memo sent to the administration and the SGA, Bill Finnicks, president of SGA, presented his own personal budget ideas and justification.

He addressed many of the issues that the SGA has negotiated through the year. A few of Finnicks' arguments were rejected by the Vice President Smith and are not anticipated to be included in the final activities budget.

Finnicks argued that the activities budget assumes more than its share of credit card charges. The school is charged for the convenience of students pay their activities fee with a credit card. The activities budget pays for \$57 worth of credit card charges and not only the \$30 which makes up the activities budget. Vice President Smith replied that "those charges are distributed equally and it is standard operating procedure."



A second recommendation

Finnicks wrote in his budget memo concerned travel by the activities office staff. Finnicks writes "if the students are expected to fund a portion of their own travel, even in official capacity, then I can not see supporting official professional development travel."

Vice President Smith agreed that as a goal, professional travel

should be removed from the activities budget "but this year there are too many things going on and we are not going to do that."

Vice President Smith commented that President Cheshier has "negotiated in good faith" with the SGA and they "have made good progress in many areas" concerning the activities budget.

SGA Elections Application Period

Opens 8:00 am Tuesday, April 30
Closes 3:00 pm Friday, May 10
Petitions Available at the

Student Center Information Desk

Elections

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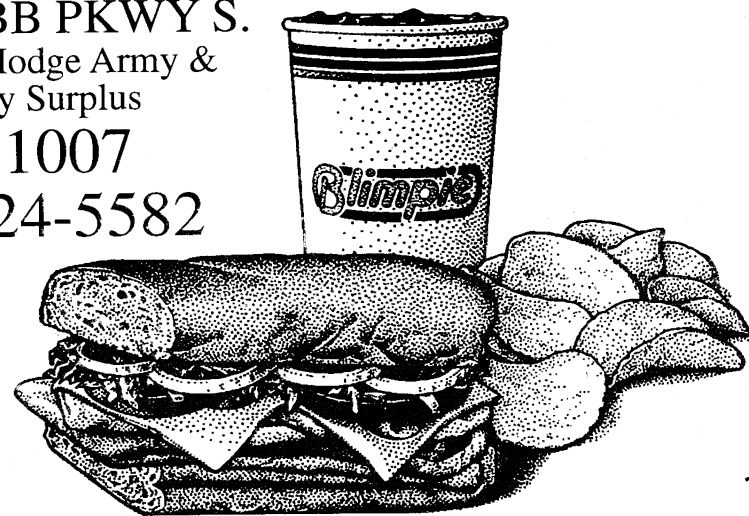
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Blood, Sport and Tears

By KEVIN BRYAN



It's Jean-Claude Van Damme, in a tournament of martial arts champions, trying to prove he is the best of the best.

No, this isn't the Quest, a practically identical film. This is Bloodsport II, a distant cousin twice removed in terms of both advertising and quality.

There are several problems in this movie too obvious to ignore.

The most blatant one is that Jean-Claude introduces himself to the SAME BRAWLER from Bloodsport, but they don't recognize each other. Why not? Because Jean-Claude is a different character, silly. Can't you tell from his superior acting?

The characters are so broadly

stereotyped that their names are interchangeable. In fact, they didn't even bother giving most of the fighters a name.

There's the Woman, the Black Guy, the Kickboxer, the Wild Man and the lowly extras. Then there are the two main characters; the Bad Guy (whom they had the nerve to call Demon) and Jean-Claude Van Damme.

The plot? There's something about a katana, being a thief, redemption and keeping a promise, but it's too embarrassing to talk about. In any case, it has no bearing on who wins. And if you don't know who wins, you aren't smart enough to read this.

What isn't embarrassing is the fighting. This is an action fan's dream. They crammed this one full of interesting matchups that keep

your interest, and cut directly from fight to fight to make sure the movie kept moving along at a fast pace.

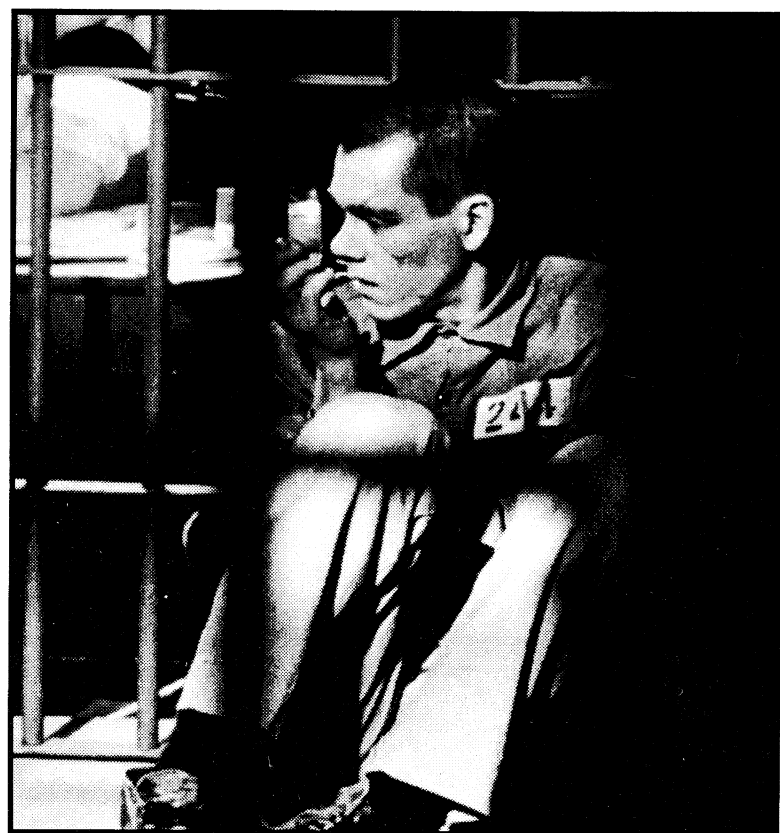
On the down side, they not only gave Jean-Claude a Mr. Miyagi-type mentor, they even had the gall to bring Pat Morita into the movie as the man who wants the katana.

When I think about it, Jean-Claude is Daniel-San in this movie. Now reaching middle age, he's just become mentally mature enough for the role.

One thing is clear — the makers of this movie aimed low, and they hit the mark beautifully.

To anyone who has caught themselves watching Gymkata (or even know what Gymkata is), its replacement has come.

This one gets my unprecedented "Most Likely to be a TBS Special" Award.



"A new Jean-Claude Van Damme movie?! Send me back to the dungeon!!!"

Cats and Dogs

By CHARLES BANTON



The truth about this movie is that it is definitely worth seeing... at the dollar theater. This romantic comedy adds a new twist to the typical Cyrano de Bergerac love story. Brian falls in love with Abby, a radio talk show host, or so he thinks. He loves her mind, her wit and her friend's body. Brian doesn't know that the woman he has met in person is not the same woman he listens to on the radio. This mix-up obviously leads to many comic situations.

The female characters, Abby

and Noelle, are well developed, unlike Brian who is nice but very shallow and too naive. Abbey and Noelle's genuine friendship is not only refreshing but it is probably the only redeeming quality this movie has. It is nice to see friends that truly care about each other.

This movie is inspiring to anyone who thinks that they have a "great personality" but that they are not attractive enough to ever find someone who will love them anyway and accept the whole package.

Don't rush out and pay full price for this one. Wait for the dollar movie (if you fit the above description.)



BRIAN CHAPLIN as Brian, UMA THURMAN as Noelle, and JANEANE GAROFALO as Abby become involved in a romantic web of mistaken identities in THE TRUTH ABOUT CATS AND DOGS.

What's Going On?

By KEVIN BRYAN



When Arrested Development boke up after a long hiatus from their second album, people wondered what the individual members of the group would produce. Speech, the former leader of the group, has now appeared to partially answer that question with a single.

The single includes two tracks: *Like Marvin Gaye Said* (What's Going On) and *Impregnated Tidbits of Dope Hits*.

Like Marvin Gaye Said shows a mix of his sing-song style with an easy, relaxing beat and smart use of background vocals.

This single is a can't miss hit,

as it would be hard to mess up a wonderful song like *What's Going On*. Speech adds his own ideas to this with lines like "O open my shades to my window/I see crime/Crime of the mind".

However, *Impregnated Tidbits of Dope Hits* is not nearly as likable.

As expected, his rhymes were solid, if unexceptional, and readily understandable. Unfortunately, he had neither music nor engaging beats to back up his first wholly original song.

Let's hope this lack of good music is just an anomaly of the single release.

If not, he will not follow the success of Arrested Development alumni Dionne Farris.

By SHIRLEY GIBBS-JACKSON



"The Amen Corner", a rousing gospel comedy/drama depicting

the lives of the members of a storefront church in 1950s Harlem, was written by novelist, essayist, and playwright James Baldwin. The Alliance Theater's production of this play has been running since April 10 and will continue through May.

Director Kenny Leon, who also directed "Angels in America", and "Blues for an Alabama Sky" continues to do an excellent job in directing Baldwin's "Amen Corner." With simple sets, a strong cast, and some well-known gospel songs, Leon manages to successfully place the audience into the bickering and backbiting lives of the church members. Baldwin does an excellent job in bringing to the American stage the everyday lives of ordinary African-Americans working in service

jobs to make their lives better.

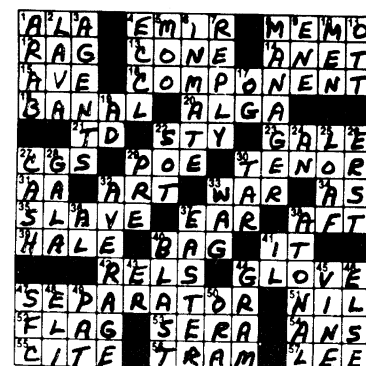
Of important note is the strong performance by Carol Mitchell-Leon who plays the lead role of Sister Margaret, the church's pastor and spiritual leader. Her opening sermon makes the audience feel as if they are back seat witnesses to a Sunday morning worship service filled with her fire and brimstone message of salvation and redemption, as well as the down-home gospel music which lends the scene complete authenticity. Taurean Blacque, of "Hill Street Blues" fame gives a strong performance as Sister Margaret's down and out bluesman husband who has returned home to die.

Sean Patrick Thomas, playing the role of Sister Margaret's young son David, also provided a noteworthy performance. Look for Thomas in this summer's movie "Courage Under Fire" with Denzel Washington and Meg Ryan.

The play's spiritual tone was

set by the vocal accompaniment of songstress Bernardine Mitchell, Margo Moorner, Keith Wilson, Charles LeTrelle Holt and Elizabeth Omilami (daughter of Hosea Williams), .

I highly recommend "The Amen Corner", not only for the sheer force of the spirituals, but also for the strong acting of Ms. Mitchell-Leon and supporting cast. "The Amen Corner" left me with a spiritual high from its soul stirring music and lesson of love and redemption.



ALICE, YOU'VE BEEN WORKING EIGHTEEN HOURS A DAY. I REALIZED I MUST ADD A PERSON TO THE EFFORT.

SO I HIRED A NIGHT SHIFT MANAGER. AFTER I GO HOME AT FIVE O'CLOCK HE'LL TAKE OVER AND ASK WHY YOU'RE BEHIND SCHEDULE.

I LIKE MY STATUS REPORTS RENDERED IN 3-D, BUT DON'T SPEND A LOT OF TIME ON IT.

THIS DOG IS SPECIALLY TRAINED TO DETECT WASTED RESOURCES.

HE'LL HELP ME FIND OUT WHY YOUR PROJECT IS BEHIND SCHEDULE EVEN AFTER ADDING ME AS MANAGER.

WE'LL BEGIN AS SOON AS HE'S DONE PLAYING AROUND.

OH MY! THIS IS SHOCKING!

WHAT?

40% OF ALL SICK DAYS TAKEN BY YOUR STAFF ARE FRIDAYS AND MONDAYS!

WHAT KIND OF IDIOT DO THEY THINK I AM?

NOT AN IDIOT SAVANT. THEY CAN DO MATH.

IT HAS COME TO MY ATTENTION THAT 40% OF YOUR SICK DAYS ARE ON FRIDAYS AND MONDAYS. THIS IS UNACCEPTABLE.

HA HA HA!!! THAT'S A GOOD ONE!!!

PLEASE TELL ME HE WAS KIDDING.

WELCOME TO HELL, KID.

I CAN MAKE YOUR EMPLOYEES MORE CREATIVE AND SPIRITUALLY FULFILLED.

I USE MY SPECIAL BLEND OF POETRY AND DANCE TO TOUCH THEIR SOULS.

OKAY. YOU'RE HIRED.

THERE ONCE WAS A DOG WITH A HAT... WHO GOT PAID TO DANCE LIKE THAT...

HEY! MY SOUL JUST HEALED!

HAVE MY POEMS AND DANCES HEALED YOUR SOUL YET, ALICE? THE COMPANY CARES ABOUT YOUR TOTAL WELL BEING.

WE WANT MORE MONEY, NOT MORE DANCING DOGS!!! M-O-N-E-Y!!!

SO YOU'RE SAYING THOSE PRIMAL SCREAMS ARE HEALTHY? CAN YOU TEACH ME TO DO IT?

HERE'S MY INVOICE-GO WILD.

CATBERT, HR. DIRECTOR

WALLY, IT MIGHT NOT SEEM FAIR THAT NEW EMPLOYEES ARE PAID MORE THAN YOU...

BUT YOU COULD ALWAYS QUIT AND THEN REAPPLY FOR YOUR OLD JOB AT A HIGHER SALARY.

I JUST MIGHT DO THAT!!

WOULD YOU MIND RUBBING THIS CATNIP ALL OVER YOUR BODY FIRST?

SO I'M THINKING I'LL RESIGN, THEN I'LL REAPPLY FOR MY CURRENT JOB AT A HIGHER SALARY.

THAT'S A GOOD PLAN EXCEPT FOR THE FACT THAT YOU'RE THOROUGHLY UNQUALIFIED FOR YOUR CURRENT JOB.

I NEED TO SHARE MY UNREALISTIC PLANS WITH A FRIEND WHO ISN'T AN ENGINEER.

I'M MORE OF A CO-WORKER THAN A FRIEND, PER SE.

AND THAT'S THE MARKETING PLAN. ANY COMMENTS?

IT APPEARS TO BE A BUNCH OF OBVIOUS GENERALITIES AND WISHFUL THINKING WITH NO APPARENT BUSINESS VALUE.

MARKETING DIDN'T TURN OUT TO BE THE GLAMOUR CAREER I EXPECTED.

I CIRCLED ALL THE WORDS YOU WON'T FIND IN ANY DICTIONARY.

DILBERT® by Scott Adams

8+3=12 MATH

Due to an error, the last column was a repeat of an earlier column. Here is the correct current column.

The previous puzzle concerned a freight train traveling x times as fast as a passenger train. The freight train takes x times as long to pass the passenger train when going in the same direction as it does when they are going in opposite directions. The puzzle was to find the exact value of x. The answer is 1 + squareroot (2).

Correct answers were received from Mike Harris and Helen Spivak.

For a new puzzle suppose that a fourth degree polynomial, p(x),

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WELCOME TO "PARENT TALK" WITH DR. SARAH. HELLO, BOBBY, YOU'RE ON THE AIR.

DR. SARAH, I'M 15 AND JUST FOUND OUT THAT MY MOM IS SOLICITING PARENTING ADVICE... FROM A RADIO TALK SHOW HOST.

SHOULD I SUE FOR A NEW PARENT IN A COURT OF LAW?

CAREFUL. TRICK QUESTION. OR SHOULD I SUE MY MOM?

DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE PROMISE KEEPERS' MARCH ON WASHINGTON?

NO.

THEY PLAN TO ASSEMBLE ONE MILLION CHRISTIAN MEN AT THE CAPITOL IN 1997.

WHY?

TO "GIVE THE COUNTRY TO JESUS CHRIST."

AND THE OTHER 199 MILLION OF US HAVE NO SAY IN THIS?

TURN OUT WE'RE JUST GUESTS HERE.

WHATCHA READING ABOUT?

SPORTS RADIO GOSSIP.

SEEMS KBAL NOW FEATURES ONLY DUMB, FAT GUYS AS TALK SHOW HOSTS.

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Growing in Cobb
The Continuing Saga of Southern Tech

By PROFESSOR RICHARD BENNETT

One of the significant activities during Southern Tech's first decade in Cobb County was its continued building activity. Dorms were desperately needed, and the situation was growing more critical as each year passed. In late 1962, the Marietta Housing Authority notified the school that by June 1965, it was intended that all remaining housing units at the Fairground Road site be removed, and the land leased for other purposes. After intense lobbying of the Georgia Legislature in its 1963 session, a means to finance the needed dormitories was worked out. However, the process of construction was so lengthy that the facilities were only ready for occupancy just before the June 1965 deadline was reached.

New dormitories were but the beginning of the school's additional facility needs. An accreditation visit by the Engineers Council for Professional Development (ECPD, the body which accredited each of Southern Tech's curricula) noted the need for a new library facility.

In as much as the school intended to apply to the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges (SACS, the regional accrediting agency) for accreditation, it was assumed that they would be even more emphatic about the need for an adequate library. In addition, a student auditorium/recreational facility was desperately needed. The only place in which to address the entire student body was at "The Rock" on campus. Sports events were being held at a nearby public park - until that facility burned. Then, home games had to be played at a local high school gymnasium if they required indoor facilities. And use of either of these was becoming more problematic each year.

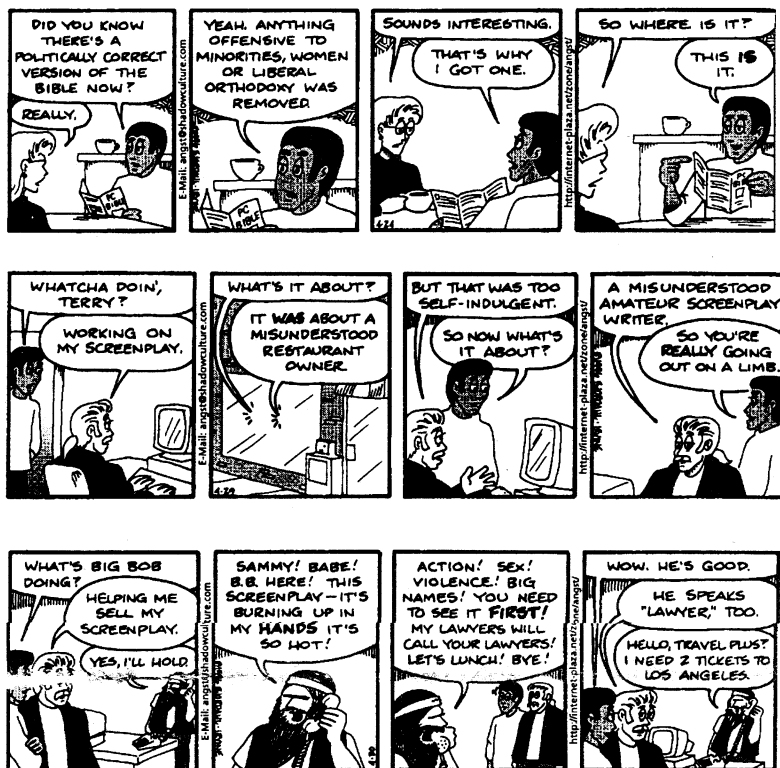
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has the complex roots $1+i$, $1-i$, $2+i$, and $2-i$. Find the roots of the polynomial, $h(x)$, that has the same coefficients as $p(x)$ but in reverse order. For example, if $p(x) = 5(x^4) - 2(x^3) + 4(x^2) + 7$ (this is not the actual $p(x)$ that has the above stated roots), then $h(x)$ would be $h(x) = 7(x^4) + 4(x^2) - 2(x) + 5$.

Answers should be sent, via conventional methods or e-mail (jfowler@st6000.sct.edu), to Joel Fowler in the Mathematics Department. Correct answers and the names of the first to find them will be printed in the next issue of *The Sting*.

Dr. Joel C. Fowler is an Associate Professor of Mathematics.

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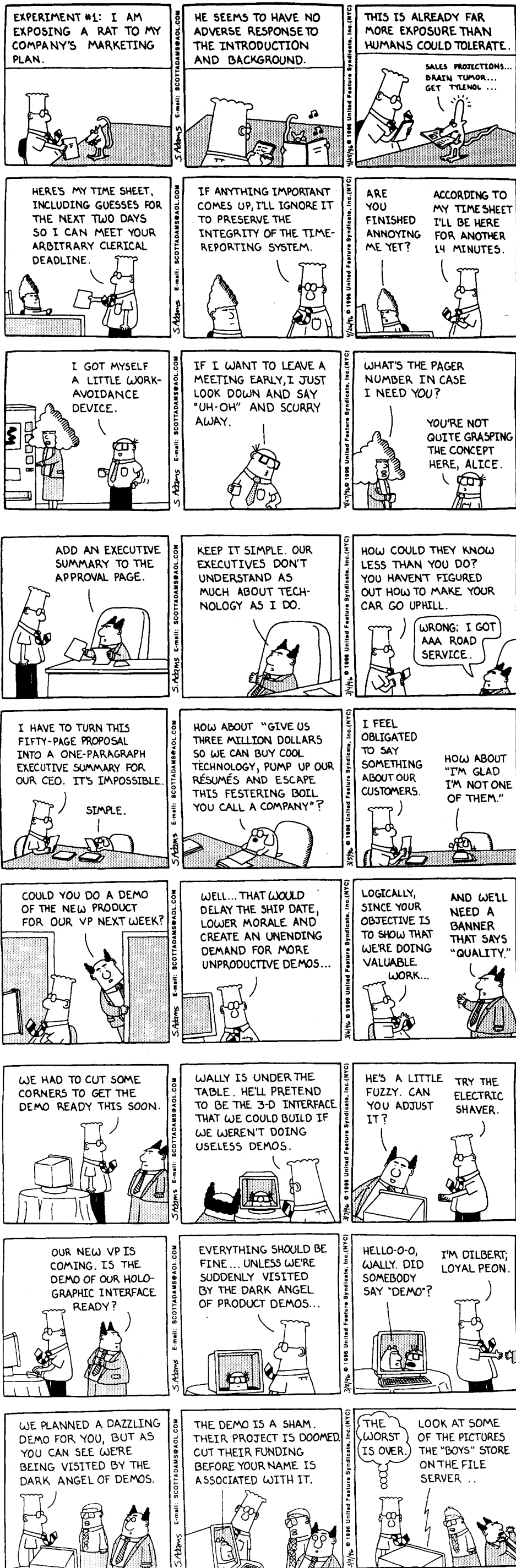
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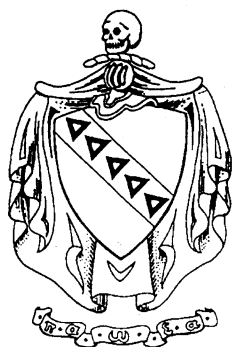
Fortunately for Southern Tech, in late 1963, federal legislation was approved to help fund construction of just such facilities on the campuses of the nation's schools. Approval by the Board of Regents for these projects was swift in coming, and a year after completion of the dormitories, construction began on a library building, and then a recreation center/gymnasium (which could also "double" as an auditorium). To increase library holdings, collections for books of all sorts were held. Those unusable for the school's library were sold, and the funds used to purchase additional volumes for the new library. An early graduate of Southern Tech, L. Glenn Dewberry '49, was instrumental in creating the Southern Tech Development Fund to help in the process of raising funds for books. Within a short time, this organization enlarged its goals to become an adjunct funding source for the school, including offering scholarships for needy students.

During the same first decade, the physical campus was also enlarged by acquiring adjoining parcels of land. Academically, the school continued at its traditionally high level, receiving accreditation by SACS as well as the ECPD. The faculty gradually grew both in numbers, and in their own academic preparation, a master's degree becoming the basic requirement to teach. The student body also continued to grow through 1965. Projections were for upwards of 2000 students to enroll by 1970. However, the 1960s were a volatile time period in the history of the United States, and virtually no college campus went unaffected. By 1965, the storm clouds were beginning to gather on the horizon as a series of issues gathered which would again threaten the school's very existence.

More next time...

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Last year at this time, we said Panama City would never be the same: well it isn't so we are going to Fort Walton this year. May 3-5 is are the dates, you really do not want to miss this one. Don't forget, May 11 is clean the TEKE house day. We need to get it ready for the alumni softball game the following weekend. Our quarterly blood drive

is being held May 13 and 14 in the student center ballroom. I would like to say Happy Birthday to scroll 408, 411, 415, and a late happy birthday to old timer Russ Bagwell.

Once again I would like to say congratulations to our new candidates: Joe Hughes, Matt Elliott, Brent Burkett, and Joel Bearden. Congratulations on making the choice to belong, now accept the challenge to become.

On to athletics, congratulations to the Apollo Men of TKE. We are living up to our name, in softball. We have two victories in as many games. We beat Sigma Nu 13-2 and Lambda Chi Alpha 16-6.

Keep those grades up and those bats swingin'.

Loved or hated, but never ignored!!!

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Sigma Nu

Sigma Nu is proud to make Brad Bernard the most recent Knight of The Legion of Honor. Congratulations Brad. As with everything, you get out of it what you put into it. Get it all, Brother. Sigma Nu is also proud to report the initiation of six NU candidates for Spring quarter.

These men are Mike Ferguson, Steven Hogan, Jon Huber, Jason Lentz, Todd O'Brien, and Mike Roberts. Diligent study and ardent practice will keep you guys on the straight and narrow path toward Knighthood.

All students, intramural softball starts on April 18. Don't waste your money on Braves tickets. Come out and cheer on your favorite team (which I'm sure is the Sigma Nu Knights).

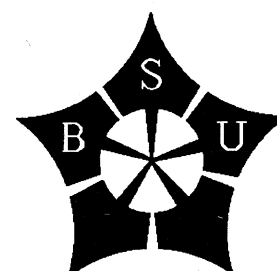
Also, keep in mind that Greek week takes place during this quarter. There is no telling what kind of crazy events you'll see. Be sure to

check the Sigma Nu article next issue for updates regarding sports and Greek events you won't want to miss

As a reminder to all brothers, the mandatory study program is in effect for those of us who aren't quite up to par. We all know what we have to do. Let those of us that are up to spec where grades are concerned serve as an example to all what each can achieve.

For those of you who haven't noticed. Spring is officially here. The days last longer and the weather is much more agreeable. Be sure to take time out to smell the proverbial roses. It only takes a few moments of daily reflection to avoid school burnout.

Best to all from Sigma Nu
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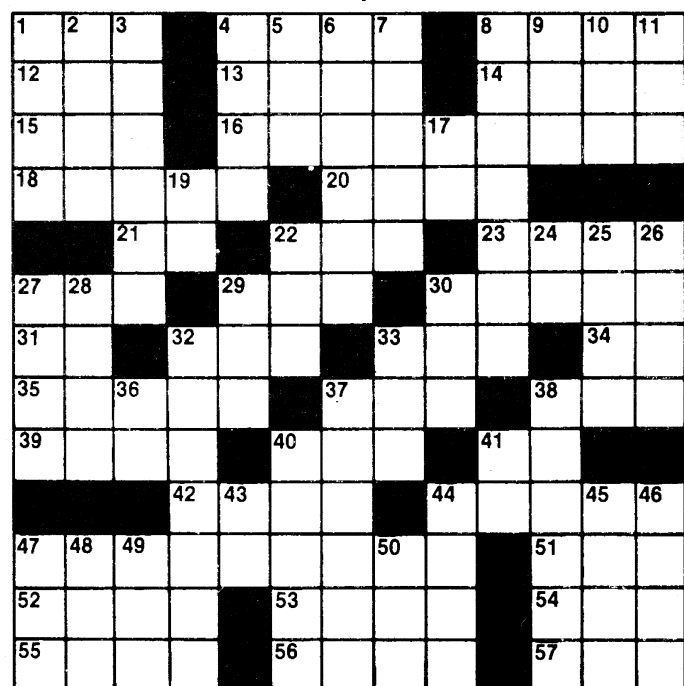


Baptist Student Union

Congratulations to Scott Lee for being elected State BSU President. We wish him well in his office this year. We have enjoyed playing softball this year on the intermural teams and look forward to playing more of the teams.

Look for special events this quarter at the BSU like a singing group from UGA. We hope to see everyone at our free lunch every Tuesday and on Thursday for TNT. God Bless you.

Crossword Companion



ACROSS

1. Winglike structure
4. Arabian prince
8. Note
12. Tattered cloth
13. Ice cream holder
14. Used in fishing (2 wds.)
15. Hail!
16. Part
18. Predictable
20. Aquatic plant (sing.)
21. Football score (abbr.)
22. Pigpen
23. High wind
27. Centimeter-gram-second (abbr.)
29. Amer. short-story writer
30. High male singing voice
31. College degree (abbr.)
32. Painting
33. Conflict
34. Equally
35. Servitude
37. Hearing organ
38. Toward (Naut.)
39. Hearty
40. Paper sack
41. Impersonal pronoun
42. Relative (abbr., pl.)
44. Mitten
47. Divider
51. None
52. Stars and stripes

53. Serum (Pl.)
54. Answer (abbr.)
55. State
56. Cable car (Brit.)
57. Confederate general

DOWN

1. Native of Arabia
2. Volcano ash
3. People with authority to act
4. Ecclesiastic (abbr.)
5. Cow noise
6. Prisoner
7. Answer
8. Person in charge
9. Direction (abbr.)
10. Males
11. Mel — (ballplayer)
17. Officer of the Guard (abbr.)
19. Notice (slang)
22. Drunkard
24. Article
25. Bread
26. Formerly (Archaic)
27. Money
28. Festive occasion
29. Prior time (prefix)
30. Black street substance
32. Typical; usual
33. Swish back and forth
36. Southern state (abbr.)
37. End of Lent
38. Without tone
40. Explosion
41. Mid-west state (abbr.)
43. Erbrium symbol
44. One-thousandth of a kilogram
45. Climbing plant
46. Or
47. Sergeant 1st Class (abbr.)
48. — Whitney
49. Tap gently
50. Os (plural)

AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

This quarter we have had new members every week! The repeater has been running very well, and there are only a few more improvements to make. Officer elections are going to be held next meeting, and the list-serv has been created so we can maintain contact.

A local area "net" is being organized, to prepare us for the Olympics.

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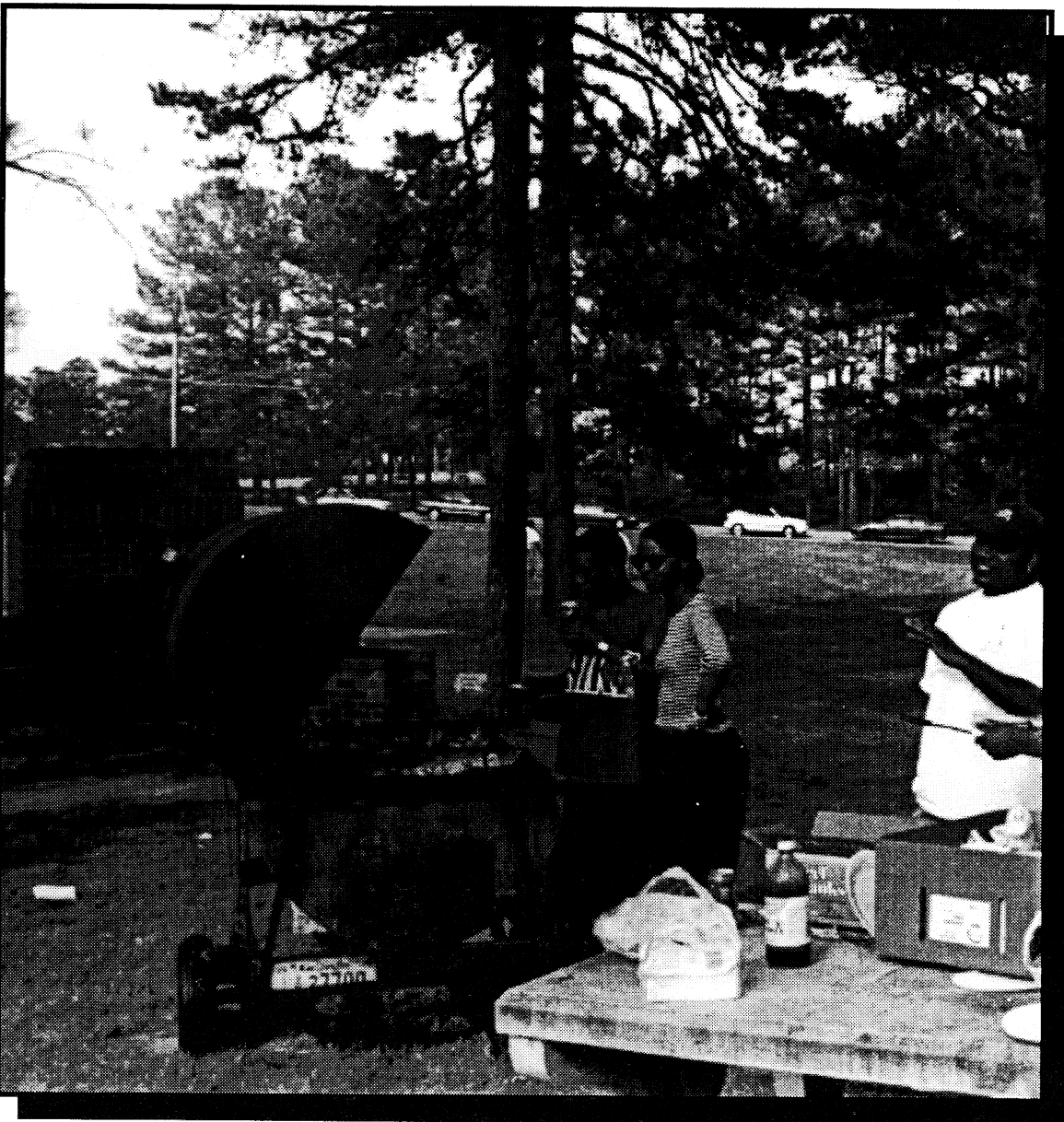
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Potential partiers beef up at a pre-Freaknik cookout.

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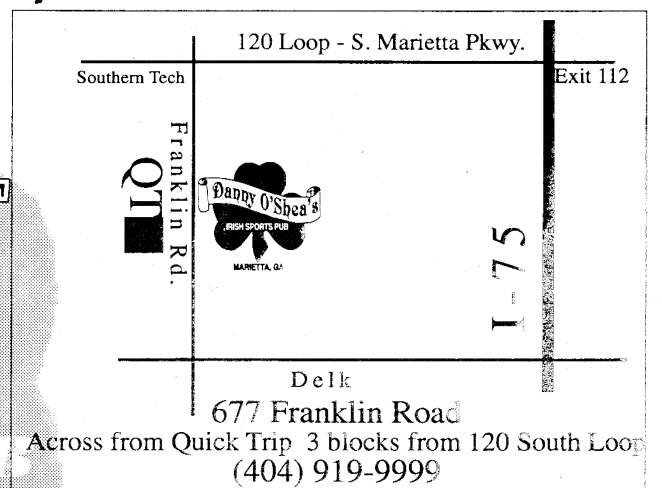
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EDITORIALS

More Money for Labs

By KEVIN MARKS

As our surroundings turn green and mid-terms are on the horizon, I am forced to ponder the condition of our labs. I pay a hefty sum to attend this fine college and must admit some disappointment with the state of lab equipment. Rather than spending administration money on marketing consultants and other face-life experts, why don't we funnel those dollars into our labs?

We tout the value of our technology degrees and how well they stand up to the pure theorists. Great. I have no doubt that our hands-on approach is superior to the mind-hemorrhaging theoretical studies found at other colleges. In fact, our graduates routinely eclipse those brainiacs in real life situations. However, there looms a monster upon the horizon: obsolescence.

Our administration must correctly evaluate the instruments of our success to ensure wisdom in determining what sets SCT apart from other colleges. Without this wisdom, we shall flail in the dark, foolishly spend our valuable dollars, and ultimately lose our edge.

With few exceptions, SCT's teaching staff is an outstanding, diverse collection of great minds with enough collective experience to ensure almost any student's success. However, an excellent staff is emasculated if their tools are insufficient, and our toolboxes need help.

My experience with labs thus far clearly demonstrates the need for immediate expenditures on new equipment. Our labs are the heart and soul of SCT and too many are underfunded and overworked. Why should it be so difficult to obtain new tools for a PC Fabrication Lab? Why should equipment in a Communications

Lab not work? Why should electronic circuit trainers in our DC Lab represent ancient technology? Why don't we have a laser printer in the ECET PC lab? Why should our professors and our students be hindered in their ability to teach and learn, simply because they have to deal with antiquated or missing equipment?

The answer is simple: There is NO excuse for inferior labs at SCT. How many millions of dollars are spent on consultants in order to attract new students? How much money is wasted on projects that do not directly affect the quality of our school? I do not know the figures, but I do know that it is too much.

If recruiting and graduating quality students is our primary goal, then give us the finest tools available and watch the reputation of SCT grow. This is sometimes referred to as the "Long Term Approach" to success. Its benefits: provides a deep-rooted infrastructure of quality personnel and graduates; guarantees high reputability for years to come; focuses inward on the students' needs, rather than outward on appearances. Its drawbacks: it requires patience, as any long-term goal would; it requires a paradigm shift in current thinking which is not an easy task in a world riddled with shallow outward appearances and spin-doctors.

We, the student body, should mount an offensive to wrestle those funds away from the outsiders. Think of it as foreign aid that could be better spent at home. Let your professors and administrators know how you feel about this situation. The success of our studies is *directly* proportional to the quality of our labs.

A Picture of Howdy Doody

I was accosted. No. Verbally assaulted by an English professor last quarter, immediately following one of my one act play performances. I had made an off-hand comment in the company of my fellow thespians relative to a previous, searing editorial in which I mentioned a former English professor of mine (re: Teach me something...) She proceeded to jump down my throat, telling me how I didn't know what I was talking about, even as we were speaking! She was livid. Accused me of *insulting* PhD's. She asked if it had ever occurred to me that seven or eight PhD's could be right and I could be wrong? (It had...as did the opposite) She even inferred that because some other schmuck at the Sting had to write an apology for what she considered an arrogant, accusatory, ridiculous editorial, that I might consider doing the same! **HA!** Right! It's just my *opinion*. There's no right or wrong, only agreement or disagreement. It's entertainment for crying out loud. Food for thought.

And talk about arrogance...she said all this to me admitting she hadn't even read my work! She was working off pure emotion and anger and defending her illustrious peers; PhDs (of which she is not one). Perhaps she would like to be. I hope she doesn't represent the mold from which all doctors are made.

A PhD doesn't hold much weight with me. It's not one's PhD that intrigues me or garners my respect, it is one's integrity and personality. I take every person as they come. I'm no respecter of persons for their title's sake or past accomplishments. I want to know what you're all about *now*. I'm not a doctor, but I play one on television. And I have a PhD myself (a picture of Howdy Doody).

I have found, with great disappointment, that this learning institution as well as (I have theorized) all of our education system has become one big bureaucratic relic; failed to do it's job. There is no motivation to guarantee success. Nothing to stimulate creative approaches to ensure that students learn. If you fail to meet the needs of the consumer in the private sector, you're out of business. If a PhD deems one so brilliant, why are you unable to compete in the real world by the real rules, like the rest of us. Like students will when they graduate. In the real world, money rules, not PhDs.

If you don't get results, I don't care how much you say you know, if you can't deliver, you're all done. No tenure; no guaranteed government job. Every day is a challenge to keep your job. No politicians taking taxpayer money by force of law to guarantee you get paid no matter what kind of job you do. No matter whether students are learning or not.

I find it curious that it's never a professor's fault if a student fails, but this institution, as well as all of them, are quick to tout or boast of the successes of their grads. You can't have it both ways. If you take credit for a student's success at learning, then you must take the blame for a student's failure to learn. For students falling through the cracks of your curricula. And if it is *the student* who fails and *the student* who succeeds, then, what are PhDs doing here for \$50,000.00 *plus* per year?

Bob Weir of Grateful Dead fame said in a song, "You can't learn what you don't want to know." Has anyone ever asked a thirty-something, non-traditional student such as myself what he wants or needs to learn? There are many more like me in the pipeline pouring back into our university systems. And we don't need to be told to obey the rules, pay our dues or sacrifice. Most of us know how to play that game. We could opt for the two year vocational schools but they don't seem to carry the same weight as the so called institutions of higher learning. That's all a matter of perception.

Most of us non-traditional students realize that a piece of paper doesn't really mean *squat* in the real world other than the system by which people are hired has been skewed by the idea that if you hold that degree it's assumed that you know what you're doing and that "opens doors" for you. But are we learning? Or are we just going through the motions? Let's stop the hard sell right now. I call upon our top quality PhDs on campus to recreate the curriculum here to ensure that there are no failures. If students have enough drive to enroll then the goal for educators should be to make sure they *all* succeed, whatever it takes. We can do it. I suggest students write essays at the beginning and end of each class and let the instructors know what they think they will learn and then

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what they have learned. Those scan-tron sheets we fill out now are vague and irrelevant and do not help our professors assess student progress or the success of their programs.

While Southern Tech seeks to improve their image and increase plummeting enrollment (not to mention retention) by hiring an outside marketing firm, it only confirms to me that the administration is out of touch with it's constituency. The answers lie inward. And we all (egos aside) need to honestly look in that direction for solutions. It would be too bad if we didn't have the guts to do that. There is so much potential here for something great to happen. This school needs an enima!

I merely suggest some creative thinking. But so far it looks as if the stodgy, decrepit, narrow-minded, egocentric naysayers (not exclusively PhDs) will have their way again. If we must do something negative let's rid ourselves of these human obstacles to change and move into the next century ahead of the rest of the world. That's where we want to be. Right?

Speaking of *negative* people...I'd just like to say, in my not knowing what I'm talking about kinda way, to that English professor who hurled verbal insults at me last quarter and who desires to acquire her picture of Howdy Doody; This writing is only my *opinion*. And you know what opinions are like...and everybody's got one. The problem is not so much that some people feel I have one, but that I am one. So kiss me. **T.P.**

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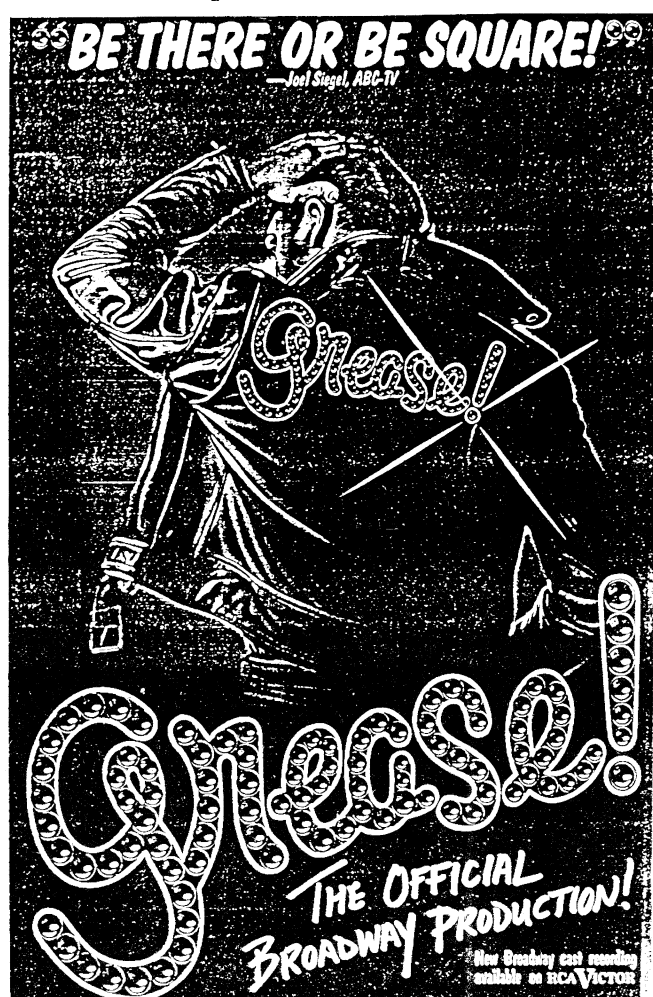
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Students start their weekend early Thursday Night. CAB's Coffee House is quickly becoming one of their most popular events. Students enjoyed complimentary pastries and gourmet coffee along with the acoustical sounds.

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Young Tennis Team Makes An Impression

By NICK GAVALES

Did anyone know that engineers can play tennis? Well, here at Southern Tech we have 8 of our fellow students that do a rather good job of playing the game for our Southern Tech tennis team.

Our Hornets are in the middle of its 13 match regular season and at the moment are 3-4. To determine the winner in a team tennis match, six single matches are played and three double matches are played. All matches are played for the best 3-out-of-5 sets. The team with the most wins, wins the match.

To see how things work, this past Friday I went to see our Hornets play Ogelthorpe University at the new tennis courts on campus. All matches were played simultaneously on adjacent courts, so there was never a dull moment. My head was turning like a swivel on a chair, trying to get a glimpse of each play made in the matches. Although our Hornets played tough, they lost a close one 4-5.

While watching the matches I had a chance to speak with Head Coach Lee Tucker, who has been coaching the Hornets tennis team for 25 years.

Coach Tucker, a soft-spoken man, credited his team's success to his top three players:



photo by Nick Gavales

Srinivasen Senthil and Mike Penrow stop to ask directions to the match.

Brennen Hicks, Srinivasen Senthil, and Mike Penrow. Although Mike Penrow is the only returning player from last years squad, this team is full of young talent.

"This is a rebuilding year," said Coach Tucker, who also went on to say that his team works hard at the basics, which is what wins games.

The Hornets have four more games remaining until the playoffs, so be looking for playoff info in the next *Sting* issue.

Hornet Tennis Team

NAME	SINGLES	DOUBLES
B.Hicks	6-1	7-0
S .Senthil	5-2	7-0
M. Penrow	4-3	4-3
J .Anderson	2-4	0-6
J .Bush	3-4	1-6
G.Hidalgo	1-4	3-2
A. Wood	1-1	1 - 1
Kim Lam	0-0	0-0

Some Hornet Highlights:

SINGLES

M.Penrow (ST) defeated J.Jones (OU) 6-2, 2-6, 7-5.

G.Hidalgo (ST) defeated R.Evuth (OU) 6-4, 6-3.

DOUBLES

B. Hicks & S. Senthil (ST) defeated E. Visery & A. Pounov (OU).

M. Penrow & G. Hildago (ST) defeated J. Jones & C. Smith (OU) 2-6, 6-3, 6-4.

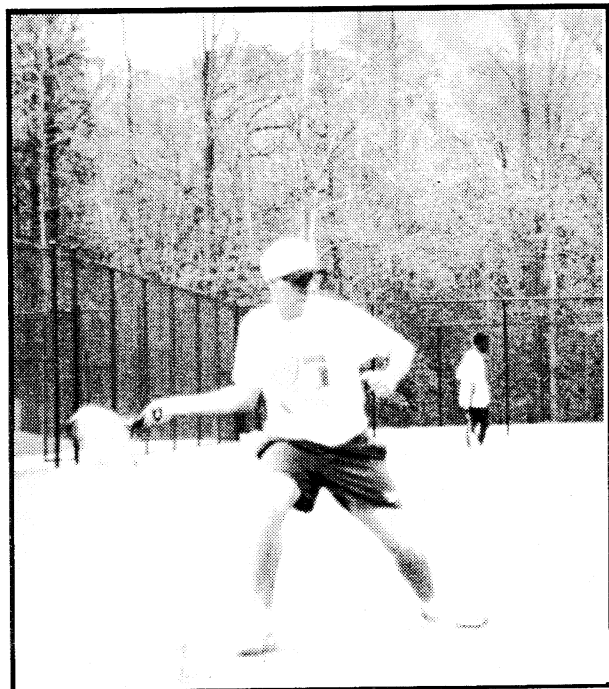


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Jacob Bush lunges to hit an invisible ball.

Hornets Winning Streak Hits Some Bumps

By NICK GAVALES

It has to happen once in a while. The Southern Tech Baseball Team set out this past weekend with a schedule of four games in two days. Saturday they were scheduled to play at Piedmont College in a doubleheader and on Sunday, they were to play Shorter College at home in another doubleheader.

Facing district rival Piedmont College, Tech was in high hopes of sweeping the visiting team in one day. This hopefulness was just not to be. Our Hornets pulled away with one win on the day. Michael Roberson(LF) and Jason Scott(IB) were two bright spots for Tech in the winning effort. They combined for five of Tech's seven runs on the day.

After splitting the doubleheader on Saturday, our Hornets had yet another tough task ahead of them. Shorter College came to the Hornets nest, and the Hornets were looking forward to taking care of Shorter and starting school Monday with a smile on their face.

It wasn't meant to be. Tech lost the first game by a close margin of 2-1. In the second game, Shorter just took control early. In

the second inning Shorter College "rocked" starting pitcher Roc Hughes for four runs. Shorter College batted around the lineup off of Hughes in the second inning.

With no outs and two men on base, Coach Lumsden relieved Hughes and brought in Randy Black, who has been consistent in his pitching this year. Randy Black retired the rest of the inning while at the same time bringing a little life to the Hornets.

In the bottom of the second Aaron Griffin led off with a single followed by a single from Tom Paciorek. With a man on first and third, Todd Hewitt ripped a liner to the shortstop who made a "good dig" and turned a double play, while the Hornets scored one run.

This chain of events seemed to summarize Sunday afternoon for the Hornets. In the following innings, every time the Hornets would get a man or two on, Shorter would make a big play and snuff out any attempts of a rally.

Shorter's defense combined with the lack of hitting by the Hornets equaled a 4-1 loss for the Hornets.

There was, however, one bright spot for the Hornets on Sun-

day. Pitcher Randy Black only allowed two hits in the last five innings. Randy Black has one of the lowest (if not the lowest) ERA's in the district. Hats off to Mr. Black

for pitching a great game in an unfortunate losing effort.

The Hornets have only 5 more games to play before playoff time. With a 25-6 record the Hornets will

be in good shape to finish the regular season strongly before heading to the playoffs. Keep an eye on the next edition of *The Sting* for a playoff special.



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Roc Hughes sets up on the other side of the pitch.