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THE RACE IS ON...

The 10th annual world-famous Southern Tech Bathtub Race, the world's only motorized bathtub race on land, will be held Saturday, May 8, at 2 p.m., on the campus of Southern Technical Institute in Marietta.

For the first time in its history, the race will be 60 laps, 10 laps more than previous years, over the tortuous 1.1 mile asphalt track with its s-turns, hairpins and straightaways that goes around the campus.

Over 15 racing bathtubs powered by 175cc motorcycle engines and an electric-powered tub are expected to race for the first place trophy.

Favored to get the checkered flag is #17, the red, white and blue colored tub of Mike Van Steenburg, winner of last spring's race and the winter '76 preview race held in February for only the press and sponsors. Van Steenburg's machine is powered by a 175cc Bultaco engine and has a chrome moly frame. A unique feature of this tub is the replaceable fuel tank which enables Van Steenburg's tub to be refueled in seconds simply by mounting a complete new fuel tank.

Other racing tubs expected to seriously challenge Van Steenburg for the number one spot are #11, "The Asphalt Angel," driven by Glenn Welch; #12, "Overnight Wonder," piloted by Louis Bondurant and #23, an independent, with Wally Clark at the controls. Welch and Bondurant finished 2nd and 3rd in the winter '76 preview race. Welch's orange and black machine, powered by a 180cc Adams-Kawasaki engine, also won

2nd place in the spring '75 race. The blue and silver tub of Bondurant is powered by a 175cc KTM engine and mounted on a chrome moly frame with Margay wheels. Clark, in #23, a perennial favorite with the crowd and the driver who introduced the Indy-type racing bathtub with its chrome moly frame, finished 3rd in last spring's race. He is easily recognizable in his red, white and blue star-studded racing suit and tub.

Trophies are given for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners, the Best Engineered Bathtub and the Best Pit Crew.

At 1:50 p.m. raceday, a sports car carrying the Bathtub Race Queen will lead the racing bathtubs in a parade lap around the track. Then, at 2:00 p.m., in LeMans fashion, a gun will be fired, the helmeted drivers will run across the track, jump in their racing machines, buckle their safety belts and start the spring '76 edition of one of the most exciting racing events in the world.

Bathtub racing started on the Southern Tech campus about 10 years ago when fraternities, using bathtubs mounted on wheels as a means of storing and transporting beer, spontaneously began a race on the campus. Other clubs and organizations picked up the idea. The original tubs were pieced-together with little more than ropes to guide them and powered by the energy of unfortunate pledges. Soon motors were added and the race has evolved into a major racing attraction that draws national attention. Admission is free and the general public is invited to attend.

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING

There will be a meeting of the Curriculum Committee on Wednesday, May 12, 1976. This Committee must review any change in your course requirements for graduates as shown in the catalog you are following.

Students may obtain petition forms in the Registrar's Office. Complete the form and supply supporting information and documentation to help the Committee understand your request. Your department head should sign the form before it is submitted. If the petition involves a course outside your department, have the head of that department sign your petition also. Return the petition to the Registrar's Office.

NOTES

The '77 Yearbook needs a photographer. You should be a freshman, sophomore or early junior. If you are interested come by the office and fill out an application.

If you are graduating Spring or Summer Quarter, and would like to have your yearbook mailed to your home, please come by and fill out a yearbook request form.

Joe Deadwyler
Editor, '76 Log

The Library will be closed Saturday, May 8, Bathtub Race Day. It will be open as usual Sunday, May 9.

THE VETS ARE
LOOKING FOR A
FEW GOOD MEN...

To tutor math, physics, eet courses, and others. Pay available! Come by the VA office in the goatshed, if interested.

B.C. SHOW

Once again the Boss and Chief Show will originate from between the dorms on Tuesday evening, May 11, at 7:30 p.m.

The show featuring hosts George Jefferies and Stan Otts will be an election special. All candidates for office for the Student Government Association will be interviewed. Students will be allowed to phone questions in or shout them from their dorm windows.

ALL GREEKS

Wednesday: 12:00 --meet at rock.

Softball--5:30

Vollyball tour--7:30

Ping Pong Tour--7:30

4--singles

2--doubles

Thursday: 12:00 --Softball 5:30

1. Relay race - 4 entrants

2. Quantity-- most in 2 minutes.

Refreshments--12% by volume.

Comedy show--10 minute skit

ALL GREEKS WELCOME TO THE PARTY, THURSDAY
MAY 6 AT T.K.E. HOUSE.

STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING

The Standing Committee will meet on Wednesday, May 12, 1976 to consider the following type petitions to the faculty:

1. Requests to carry greater than 21 hours during the summer quarter.
2. Readmission to school.
3. Any appeal by a student concerning his academic standing.

Petitions to the Standing Committee are made on the petition form available in the Registrar's Office.

Petitions are due in the Registrar's Office on Monday, May 10, in order to be assured of consideration at this meeting.



Editor:

My congratulations go to Doug Laird! He has won the "Distortion of facts award" for 1976.

I've just read the April 23 issue of the STING and its interview with Doug Laird. It was Laird @ his best; creating and distorting facts. However, I have faith in the STI student and feel he will not be taken in by such actions.

I take particular issue with his remarks concerning the \$1.00 increase in student activities fee. It is simply NOT TRUE that the Finance committee generated this increase.

The 5 members of the finance committee met and discussed the proposed 1976-77 budget with Dr. Carlson. It was agreed that an increase was not in order. Two days after this meeting, Dr. Carlson read me the contents of a letter to Dr. Pettit of Ga. Tech. In this letter Dr. Carlson asked for a \$1.00 increase in the Student Activities Fee.

Space and time does not allow me to go into his other creative distortions, but Laird has repeatedly proven that he does not like to be confused with facts. At least he's consistent @ something.

Scott Dobslaw

TRUBLE IN THE DORMS?

Last week, public relations director Robert Azar and Bathtub Racing Association president Tom Preacher appeared on WSTB's Boss and Chief Show between the dorms. The STING was there to cover the event.

However, Azar was asked more questions about the dorms than he was about the Bathtub Race. Students in Dorm II wanted to know why their dorm was not kept as clean as Dorm I. and if it was possible, to put a parking lot, if only gravel, behind Dorm II so the students would not have to walk so far from their cars.

Other students wanted to know why they are not allowed to burn incense candles in their rooms, nor have window fans, especially in rooms where the air conditioning is weak or non-existent. One dorm supervisor said that the only reason he had been given for not allowing dorm students to burn incense was that then they could not smell any marijuana being smoked.

Also, some students wanted 24 hours open dorms and 7 days a week food service on the campus.

Recently, non-Southern Tech students were sent a letter telling them that "commencing with summer quarter 1976 no students other than registered Southern Technical Institute students will be allowed to live in the dormitories." However, as abruptly as the order went out, it was rescinded. The reasons behind both moves are still unclear to us. Most of the non-STI students in the dorms are Kennesaw students. And we do know that the occupancy rate is down about 100 or more students. Also, the dorms are losing money.

No doubt, there is discontent in the dorms and in the coming issues. The STING will try to uncover those problems causing the discontent, talking with some dorm students, some faculty and staff members. It is also hoped that even solutions to the problems can be offered. At least, the problems can be aired and communication between the dorm students and administration increased.

If you feel you have something to contribute to this series, and are not interviewed, please write a letter to the editor of The STING at Box 8500. Remember, all letters must be signed but your name will be withheld in the newspaper if you want.

BACCALAUREATE EXAMINATION
REQUIREMENTS

Effective Spring 1976, each degree-granting department will prepare, administer and grade a major area examination for their students receiving the bachelors degree.

This examination is a requirement for graduation and you must take the exam to get your BET degree. The examination will be graded, and the results will be scaled from 1 to 100. The requirement this quarter is that you take the examination.

The four-hour departmental examinations will be held on Tuesday, June 8, 1976. Students may take the exam at either testing period:

Test period 1

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Test period 2

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
8:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.

The examinations will be given in the following rooms:

Architectural - Room 554
Civil - Room 517
Electrical - Room 462
Industrial - Room 264
Mechanical - Room 602
Textile-Apparel- Room 622

Each department will post a list of Spring Quarter 1976 candidates for graduation who will be required to take the examination. These students are exempt from all final examinations during the quarter that they take the major area exam. An "Exemption Card" will be sent to these students through the post office boxes. The students must notify each of their instructors of their exemption and obtain the instructors' signatures on the card. The card must be returned to the student's departmental office when complete.

Each degree-granting department will post a list of books, tables, charts, equipment, etc. that students will be required and/or allowed to bring with them to the major area examination.

YOU SHALL READ THIS

May	4	(T)	General Faculty Meeting 12 noon - Library Seminar Room
May	7	(F)	Last day to file graduation petitions with the Registrar's Office for Summer Quarter 1976
May	19	(W)	Advance Registration for Night Students for Summer Quarter
May	20	(Th)	Advance Registration for Day and Night Students for Summer Quarter 1976
May	25	(T)	General Faculty Meeting 12 noon - Library Seminar Room
June	1	(M)	Last day for applications from new and transfer students entering Summer Quarter 1976
June	4	(F)	Copy of Final Roll with graduating seniors grades only must be in Registrar's Office by 10 a.m.
June	8-11	(T-F)	Final Exams
June	11	(F)	End of Quarter. Final grades for all students other than graduating seniors must be in Registrar's Office by 5 p.m.
June	12	(S)	Graduation