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## GOAT DAY '76

"Goat Day" '76 - a happening in fun - for students, faculty, and staff will be held Saturday November 13, on the campus mall from 11 a. m. until 12:30 a. m.

According to SGA president Scott Dobslaw, again this year the highlight is expected to be the reverse beauty contest where STI male students dress as females and are judged on "beauty," "talent," and "intelligence." Judging the reverse beauty contest will be the student center director Don Nelson and basketball coach George Perides. Emceeding the reverse beauty pageant will be Dr. Amos St. Germain, history professor. "Other activities," said Dobslaw, "will be a tricycle race, an egg toss, a tug-o-war, and the best dressed goat contest and dunk-a-dean. However, according to Bill Royal, the acting dean of students will not be on the dunk-a-dean machine because Royal said, "Paul Smith flatly refused.

In making the announcement at the SGA meeting, Royal told the SGA you can say what you want about former dean of students Lewis Van Gorder, but at least he went one step further for Royal was referring to the fact that Van Gorder always sat on the dunk-a-dean machine when he was dean of student affairs. Royal said the other deans will be asked to sit on the dunk-a-dean machine.



Also, another beauty contest will be held for goats which are sponsored and dressed by the fraternities and clubs on campus. About a week prior to "Goat Day," goats can be seen grazing all over the Hornet campus.

A barbecue chicken dinner with all the trimmings will be served from 4 to 6 p. m. on "Goat Day." The chicken dinner will be cooked and served in front of the Lab Building. The day's activities will be capped with a dance in the STI gym from 8:30 p. m. to 12:30 a. m. Music will be provided by the Montgomery Brothers Band.

According to Dobslaw, it is very important that students purchase their tickets before "Goat Day." Beginning Monday, November 1, tickets may be purchased for \$1 per person at the student center office in the administration building, at the SGA Office or from any SGA member. Anyone purchasing a ticket on "Goat Day" will be charged \$2 per person. The ticket will include the barbecue chicken dinner and the admission for the dance.

The Southern Tech Lion's Club will sell hot dogs and cokes on "Goat Day" with proceeds going to the Georgia Lighthouse for the Blind. The Lion's will also have a booth with information for anyone wishing to donate their eyes.

How did the Southern Tech Hornets, which is a division of the Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets, come to have a "Goat Day?"

Legend has it that years ago, a member of a previous administration became so frustrated with a problem one day, he symbolized his frustration by tying a goat up on the campus near the administration building.

However, an administrator once wrote that "Goat Day" was held to honor the administration who are scapegoats for everything on the campus.

Some students point out that the goat is the animal that best exemplifies those qualities needed to succeed in Southern Tech's engineering technology program, mainly tenacity, perseverance, singlemindedness, and a determination to excel.

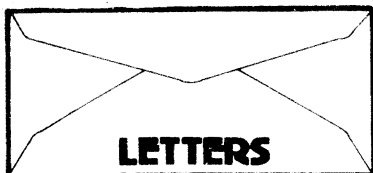
However, most STI faculty, students, and administration officials believe "Goat Day" is that one day when they can all get together and release their frustrations with a dynamic day of fun.

"Goat Day" '76 - a happening in fun - at your nearby Southern Tech campus.



#### EVENTS ON CAMPUS

- November 3  
US Marine Corps recruiting -  
Snack Bar Area
- November 4  
US Marine Corps recruiting-  
Snack Bar Area  
Project WOW - Library Seminar  
Room, 7-9:30 p. m.  
Topic: Personal Adjustment
- November 8  
Cobb County Chapter of  
Professional Engineers-  
Library Seminar Room,  
1-10 p. m.



### FRESHMEN HAVE NO OPINION!

It's 12 noon on the Southern Tech campus on Thursday, October 28 and the polls are still open. We have been open for over 12 hours with about 6 more to go and the voting is heavy. Heavily apathetic and pitiful that is.

There are 759 freshmen eligible to vote in the Freshmen Elections and so far 70 have voted. That is a whopping 9.2%, if you look at the number of freshmen voting that are not running. It is 64 out of 759 or 8.4%

From this, we can only assume that 90% of the freshmen on this campus have no opinion. Of course, its only fair to mention that by the original deadline date for petitions only one candidate had petitioned for the office. After extending the date for one more week, the number jumped to six.

I can only say, freshmen, you are following closely in the footsteps of those who proceed you. For those of you who are interested in changes on this campus -- Good Luck.

Tom Samford

### RESULTS OF THE FRESHMEN ELECTIONS:

|                           |          |
|---------------------------|----------|
| President Jim Poe         | 45 votes |
| Vice-President Diana Eros | 37 votes |
| Robbie Humphrey           | 35 votes |
| Barbara Ransom            | 28 votes |
| Walter Gammell            | 24 votes |
| Ronald Jacobs             | 5 votes  |

93 freshmen voted out of 759 which equals 12.25%

Tom Samford  
Chairman of the Election  
Board

To the Editor,

My compliments on your October 25 article, "Interview with the SGA President, Scott Dobslaw." I found the article to be both interesting and informative. The questions were all relevant and covered many topics of interest to all STI students I would, however, like to have seen credit given to the reporter(s) responsible for the article. A well done is in order.

I also wish to compliment Scott Dobslaw for the candid and straightforward manner in which he answered the questions. While I cannot agree with him on all points, I must say that it is refreshing and encouraging to see that he is approaching the job of SGA President with a mature, level-headed attitude. His apparent attitude serves to rekindle the hope that we will see less politicking and more progressive meaningful action on our campus in the near future.

Keep up the good work SGA and the STING.

Nick Maloof

Ed. Note: The author of the interview with Scott Dobslaw was George Cornell.

### COMPUTER FRUSTRATION

To the Editor,

Whyizzit that the computer room is locked at the times during the day the traffic is the least? Whyizzit that the brand new decwriter has been taken from out of our reach and usage only to be given to the personnel of the card-run room? It can't be the theft of the telephone that has caused the action of the removal of the decwriter, because the brand new crt is still there! The Police even refuse to open the doors of the keypunch-terminal room for the student's use at night or in the early morning, when the least traffic is abound. These actions do not regard the least bit of human logic known to man, not even Boolean.

Joey Watkins  
WSTB/ IEEE

### FORCES READY FOR NOVEMBER BOTTLE BATTLE

Colorado recently joined Michigan, Maine and Massachusetts as the fourth state to place a returnable can and bottle proposal on the ballot for this November. The necessary signatures were gathered by a citizens group, Sensible Coloradans Against Throwaways (SCAT), and submitted to the Secretary of State's office by the July deadline. The Colorado law, if passed, would take the Oregon law one step further. In addition to a minimum five cents deposit, the law would also require that all containers returned for refund be recycled or refilled. Experienced observers rate the Colorado law's chance of passage as at least 50-50.

Meanwhile beverage manufacturers, distributors, and can and glass workers' unions are gearing up for what they see as a fight to the finish. According to the *Detroit Free Press*, industry will spend up to \$3 million to fight Michigan's bottle initiative alone. Most labor is siding with industry, worried about some jobs that would be affected by a return to the two-way system. Those opposed to the initiatives feel the most crucial contests lie in the industrial states of Michigan and Massachusetts. As one industry spokesman put it, "If Massachusetts goes, the country falls."

This fall's campaigns promise to be the most decisive of the bottle war.



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**DOBSLAW TAKES FOOT OUT OF MOUTH**

S.G.A. president Scott Dobslaw, who last week gave an interview to The STING, extricated his foot from his mouth at the weekly Wednesday evening S.G.A. meeting.

How did Dobslaw's foot get in his mouth? According to the S.G.A. president, he felt that the full answers he gave to the questions were not printed. He also claimed that some of his answers were taken out of context.

Clarifying the answer he gave about the STI diploma change, Dobslaw said that he didn't mean to imply that public relations and alumni director Robert Azar was in anyway responsible for the change in the STI diploma.

"Dr. Carlson was responsible for the diploma change" said Dobslaw. The change Dobslaw was referring to were the words "A Division of Ga. Tech" being placed in larger print and directly under

"Southern Technical Institute."

"I wouldn't want to hang Azar with a bum rap" said Dobslaw. I used Azar's name to let students know where they could see a copy of the diploma.

Dobslaw also claimed he spent 10 minutes answering the question about food and drink machines near building 5 and 6. "From the interview," said Dobslaw "I sounded cold-hearted."

According to the S.G.A. president, machines have been tried in the area before but they could not pay for themselves. "The students didn't use them," he said. They have to pay for themselves, said Dobslaw. Although Dobslaw did read the article before it was printed, he said he voiced his objections to it.

Dobslaw said he regrets giving the interview to The STING.

We urge president Dobslaw not to give an interview to Playboy magazine!

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# SPORTS



## SME

The Society of Manufacturing Engineers will meet on Thursday, November 4. Old and new members are urged to attend for discussion on upcoming events of involvement. Students interested in membership contact Mr. Cuba in the Welding Shop or Edward Jordan at P. O. Box 8480.

## STI INTRAMURALS

Scores for week of October 18:

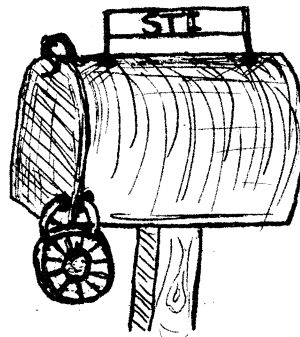
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| October 18 | Backstabbers | 28 |
|            | NADS         | 6  |
|            | Lambda Chi   | 28 |
|            | Sigma Pi-G   | 0  |
| October 19 | TKE          | 20 |
|            | Sigma Pi-P   | 6  |
|            | Frisco Kids  | 28 |
|            | BSA          | 0  |
| October 20 | Muskrats     | 27 |
|            | Backstabbers | 24 |
|            | NADS         | 20 |
|            | Unknowns     | 6  |
| October 21 | Lambda Chi   | 12 |
|            | Sigma Pi-P   | 0  |
|            | BSA          | 33 |
|            | Sigma-G      | 0  |

## TOP TEN SCORERS

Bobby Smith--Muskrats  
 Mike Anderson--Lambda Chi Alpha  
 Lamar Smith--Unknowns  
 Dean Lanford--Frisco Kids  
 Paul Childs--Sigma Nu  
 Roger Jones--Backstabbers  
 Darrell Lee--Muskrats  
 Chuck Hodges--Lambda Chi Alpha  
 Bruce Kapperman--Muskrats  
 Dan Smith--Backstabbers

## VETERAN'S CLUB

The STI Vets Club will meet on Thursday, November 4 at 12 noon in room 278. All members are urged to attend. We will be showing movies of Goat Day and also of the Bathtub Race. All students are invited to attend. The movies will be shown at 12:30 p. m.



## SPECIAL ATTENTION! PLEASE NOTE

All new students who have not picked up your post office box combination, please pick them up immediately at the campus post office.

**IMPORTANT:** All mail that was left in p. o. boxes over ten days has been sent to the Dean of Students Office. Check there if you are missing mail.

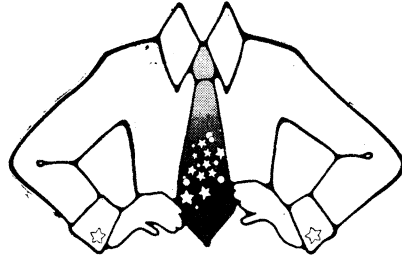
EDITORIAL

In a recent interview, Dr. Philip Secrist discussed his views on education in general and Southern Tech in particular. This man, former football player, Marine, and public school teacher, is also well known in the community for his vast knowledge of the Civil War. A Confederate by nature, Dr. Secrist spends his spare time restoring antique houses and working on his various collections of nineteenth century historiana including a near complete, authentic collection of the Official Records of the Civil War Battles.

Aside from his interest in history, Dr. Secrist is also very accomplished in the field of education. A former county supervisor of public schools, he came to Southern Tech in 1970 when it became a four year institution. In his experience as part of the teaching staff, Dr. Secrist feels that the students have improved both academically and in terms of mechanical skills. When questioned as to the most important thing a student can learn in college, he replied, "Most important is learning academic discipline, learning the systematic procedures of analyzing a problem and understanding it before attempting to solve it." The most irritating thing a student can do, in his opinion, is to remain absent from class and fail to fulfill the assignment responsibilities on time.

The final question, "In terms of goals, what would you personally like to see Southern Tech accomplish in the next ten years?" was honestly answered in these terms: "Southern Tech lacks real grass roots support. Until STI comes to be regarded as a separate school instead of a secondary branch of Georgia Tech, it will never have real community support. In order for us to gain this support, STI must go out into the community and convince the people, by means of campus promotion, that Southern Tech is a serious institution and not a junior version of Georgia Tech."

Barbara Ransom



There are some graduates of Southern Tech marring the reputation of their institution.

This alarming fact was revealed to me by a man responsible for hiring engineers for a major industry in Georgia. We spoke of a number of problem area, like misspelled words on resumes, but he pointed out one case in particular.

A four year graduate of STI had applied for a job with this firm and had passed screening by the company's personnel office. The next step was an interview scheduled for a few days later. This is where our would-be engineer really blew it. Our hero, applying for a job as a professional, appeared for his interview wearing blue jeans and an open collar shirt!

One can only speculate as to what prompted this individual's actions, but we all suffer for it. In displaying his lack of common sense and consideration, this person insulted and took a giant step towards alienating a steady employer of our graduates not to mention the fact that he passed up a 14.K salary after working hard to earn his degree.

Although we are all conscious of our individuality, we must not overlook our responsibility to out classmates. We must present ourselves as professionals when seeking employment. With the career development courses available, and the help of the Placement Office, there is no excuse for making a poor appearance.

Don't be guilty of marring the good name of Southern Tech. Prepare now, it's our future!!

GREEK LIFEINTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL (IFC)

The IFC would like to thank all the participants in Rush Week - the first organized Rush. It was most successful. We will be meeting with Dean McClure about the Rules and Regulation Committee as soon as possible.

All fraternities are asked to submit their IFC dues.

LAMBDA CHI ALPHA

The brothers of Lambda Chi Alpha invite all interested students to attend our regular meetings held every Thursday at 12 noon in room 562 of the Civil Building.

The brothers had a Halloween Party on Friday, October 29. It was a masquerade party and a very successful one. We also met at the Western Sizzling on Sunday, October 31 for our montly White Rose Dinner. Last week, Lambda Chi helped the Cobb County Emergency Aid move to their new location at Kennestone Hospital.

The Lambda Chi Alpha football team posted its third straight win by defeating the BSA 27-2. This game was the third in a row the defense has not allowed a touchdown. The next football game is November 8 against the NADS. Come out and watch us.

LAMBDA CHI - LEADERS ON CAMPUS!!!SIGMA NU

The brothers of Sigma Nu would like to see everyone attend Goat Day. There will be activities for all on campus. This event will be the first of only four SGA activities paid for by your activities fees.

Sigma Nu has doubled its manpower Fall Quarter. We are now one of the largest fraternities on campus.

Our meetings are every Thursday at 12 noon in Room 210. If you are interested, please see a brother.

SIGMA PI

Congratulations brothers of Sigma Pi on winning the Pabst "Rolling Beer Barrel" Award. This award is given to the fraternity that has the most improved grade point average for a quarter. The award to the Sigma Pi's was for the 1976 spring quarter.

Georgia was the winner in Lexington, Kentucky this past Saturday, October 23. The Bulldogs won the game 31-7. Overall, it was a lot of fun.

We extend thanks to our brothers at the University of Kentucky for their hospitality and parties! We enjoyed it.

Next week, we'll have the report on our Halloween party including the winner for the best costume award.

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE!

TKE

TKE had an exciting game of football with the Backstabbers on Wednesday, even though we lost 18-14. The game was very close up until the closing seconds.

We would like to congratulate our associate members for the fine job they did on the Treasure Hunt last Tuesday.

We also have a new member, Steve Addison. Welcome!

We celebrated Halloween with a party at the house on Saturday, October 30. It was very successful.



## STI DESERVES RECOGNITION

Southern Tech has not been given proper attention by the regents according to the chairman of the chairman of the University of Georgia House Committee which visited the engineering technology college recently.

Representative Chappelle Matthews of Athens, chairman of the committee, who is retiring from the House after 28 years, made the statement when some members of his committee visited Southern Tech as part of a tour of the state's colleges. He called STI very unique where state and industry participate and said there were few institutions like it.

Other members of the committee the third largest in the House with 33 members, who visited Southern Tech were Ken Nix, Cobb County representative from Floyd-Rome; Hugh Logan, representative from Athens and legislative assistant Bill Norman from Mableton.

Nix, who has been on the committee for four years reiterated what Matthews said. "I'm concerned that Southern Tech doesn't receive as much credit as it should by the state in general and by the regents in particular," said Nix. The only member of the Cobb legislative delegation on the University System House Committee, Nix announced there would be a meeting of the Cobb delegation on the Southern Tech campus in November.

Nix stated that the committee had talked with Dean Carlson (head of STI) about needs of Southern Tech in the area of salaries, library needs, and physical plant needs.

Matthews, commenting about the committee's study of all the institutions, stated that the first priority would be a "reasonable rate of increase in salary for faculty as the economy gets better." There will certainly be some raise, said Matthews. He also listed as priorities renovations of buildings and capital outlay which he said was conditional

entirely on the economy.

Southern Tech is one of the 33 institutions in the University System of Georgia. Although it is a division of Georgia Tech, it receives a separate allocation from the Board of Regents.



## MOCK ELECTION RESULTS

In a mock election conducted on the Southern Tech campus, Jimmy Carter was the winner over Gerald Ford for president.

Of the 346 students who participated in the poll sponsored by the English and Social Studies Department and Tau Alpha Pi - an honor society, Carter received 222 votes to 124 for Gerald Ford.

Eugene McCarthy, Frank Church, George Busbee and Dick Gregory each received one vote a piece.

The STI students also chose Republican Quincy Collins over incumbent Democrat Larry McDonald for seventh district congressman. Collins received 190 votes and McDonald got 122.

Another issue on the ballot was the constitutional amendment #2, which allows a governor to succeed himself for one four year term. Southern Tech students who participated in the poll voted 216 yes to 127 no for amendment #2.

VALIDATED INSPECTION STICKER

If you do not have a validated inspection sticker on your ID card, please see Mrs. Westlake in the Dean of Students Office.

If you are an evening student and do not have a validation sticker on your ID card, please see Mr. L. Van Gorder, evening coordinator in the administration building.

STING DEADLINE

The deadline for the STING is definitely Thursday at 12 Noon. Articles will not be accepted after this time. Please drop your articles in the STING box in front of the Snack Bar.

COBB COUNTY SYMPHONY

Cobb County Symphony will have a concert on Saturday, November 6 at 8:30 p. m. in the Cultural Arts Theater of the Cobb County Civic Center.

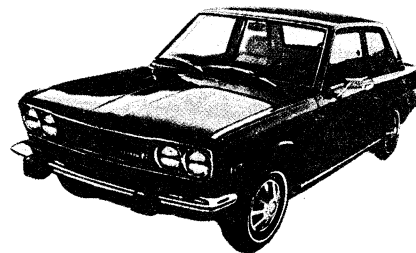
Betty Shipman Bennet is Music Director and Conductor, and Joseph Meeks is pianist and assisting artist.

There will be a gala reception following the concert, honoring past and present orchestra members and celebrating the 25th anniversary of the orchestra.

Tickets will be available at the door.

OFFICIAL SCHOOL CALENDAR

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| Nov. 2 (T)    | Election Day (Classes Dismissed).   |
| 10 (W)        | Advanced Registration for Night Students for Winter Quarter 1977.         |
| 11 (Th)       | Advanced Registration for Day and Night Students for Winter Quarter 1977. |
| 23 (T)        | General Faculty Meeting, 12 noon - Library Seminar Room.                  |
| 25-28         | Thanksgiving Recess.  |
| Dec. 6- 9     | Final Exams. End of Term.   |
| 10 (F)        | Final Grades due in Registrar's Office no later than 12 noon.             |
| Dec. 10-Jan 2 | Christmas Recess.   |

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PLACEMENT NEWS

Campus Interviews Scheduled for  
the Week of November 1, 1976:

Monday, November 1 - Blount Bros.-  
CET(S&C), MET (Bachelor)  
Thursday, November 4 - West Point  
Pepperell - MET, TET (Associate)  
Thursday, November 4 - Gilbretah,  
Foster & Brooks - CET, EET  
Thursday, November 4 - Proctor &  
Gamble (Charmin) - CET, EET  
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Co-op News

Interview schedules for Atlanta  
Gas Light Company and Georgia  
Power Company are filled. Students  
interested in co-oping with either  
of these companies can inquire in  
the Co-op Office about submitting  
a resume for evaluation. Atlanta  
Gas Light: CET, EET, MET and Georgia  
Power Company: CET, EET, MET.

General Motors, Doraville Plant, is  
seeking EET, MET and IET co-op  
students for Winter or Spring  
Quarters 1977. Requirements:  
minimum of 2.5 GPA and second  
quarter sophomore status. Interested  
candidates must contact Mr. Selter  
by Friday, November 5.

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Two jobs exist for EET students:  
one at Grady Hospital and one at  
Emory. These jobs are for laboratory  
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# "... Darden's obvious qualities as District Attorney..."

## EDITOR:

Your recent articles on the life of Virgil Delano Presnell prompted me to write this letter, a letter I should have written sooner.

I had the responsibility of serving as the foreman of the jury that found Presnell guilty. During the trial several things impressed me very much, and I would like to pass on these observations to my fellow Cobb Countians.

First, the police authorities and District Attorney George Darden demonstrated skill and competence in their investigation and prosecution. Darden, in particular, was impressive with his logical, competent, and non-emotional presentation. His reliance on hard evidence and his refusal to rely on histrionics gave a quiet dignity to an otherwise unpleasant experience. I think that few counties in Georgia are as fortun-

ate as we are in having a man of Darden's obvious qualities as district attorney.

Second, the quality of lawyers appointed by the courts to present a defense for Presnell was unusually high. Generally, one perceives of court-appointed attorneys as being lawyers fresh out of law school, but Milton Grubbs, Billy Holley and Adele Platt provided experience, knowledge and skill that would have cost thousands of dollars. Presnell has no complaints coming about the caliber of legal talents placed at his disposal.

Once again, I think the citizens of Cobb County should be aware of the high quality of public officials in the office of the district attorney.

Lewis N. Wynne  
Assistant Professor  
Southern Technical Institute  
Marietta

The above letter appeared in The Marietta Daily Journal, used with permission of Mr. Wynne.

## **DARDEN For D.A.**

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