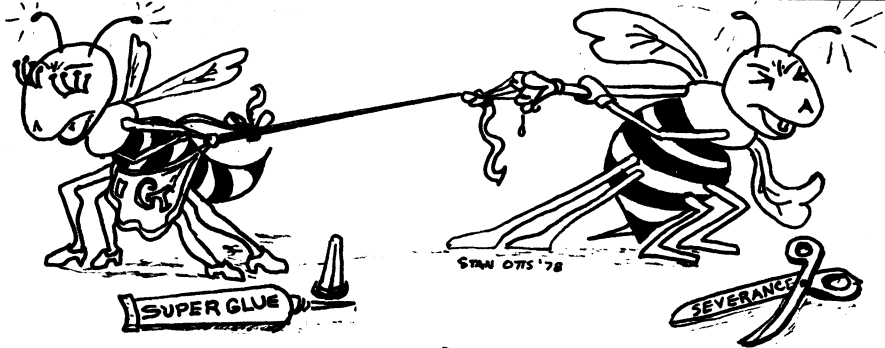




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The STING

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MA AND HER (bleep) APRON STRING

Following is the transcript of an interview between Dr. George E. Kennedy, assistant professor of English and faculty advisor to The STing, and Tom Samford, Student Body President. Their conversation concerns severance from Georgia Tech.

DR. KENNEDY: Tom, as a new faculty member, I would like to know more about this idea of separating Southern Tech from Georgia Tech. Several of my students have been wondering how severance would affect their position in the University System and the quality of their education?

MR. SAMFORD: I do not feel that the quality of education will be lowered. Our status in the University System could only be enhanced. We are the only low man on the totem pole...the "asteric" of the University System...and the only way is up.

DR. K.: Then what does separation from Ga. Tech entail?

MR. S.: It means that Southern Tech will be a separate unit of the University System of Georgia and will be responsible for its own administration completely.

DR. K.: That means we don't have that responsibility now?

MR. S.: No, not at all. We must have Georgia Tech's approval on such wide ranging areas as curriculum, financial affairs, personnel changes, auxilliary services, such as food and dormitories, and building improvements. In other words, anything that must go to the Board of Regents must first go through Georgia Tech.

(Editor's note: Not until last year or so was Southern Tech's physical plant allowed to stock the school's colors! Everything had to be painted in some form of Georgia Tech yellow.)

DR. K.: Well, if that's true, and if Southern Tech has functioned successfully under Ga. Tech for almost thirty years, why change it now?

MR. S.: Because Southern Tech's success has existed more or less in spite of administrative operations. The fact is that Southern Tech fills a need for qualified engineering technologists. Something the Georgia Business and Industry Association wanted over 30 years

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ago to bridge the gap between theoretical engineers and tradesmen.

DR. K.: Again what is the difference with the present situation? Isn't the need you talk of sufficient to ensure the continued existence of Southern Tech?

MR. S.: Yes, the need in fact is more than enough. But that's where the problem arises. Georgia Tech is not willing to promote the expansion of Southern Tech as it is required to meet the growing demand for engineering technologists in a growing and changing technology.

DR. K.: Can you give me a specific example of how they are not willing to promote us?

MR. S. : Georgia Tech did not question Savannah State's entrance into the engineering technology field. Nor did it question Georgia Southern's Masters Degree of Technology when it was proposed and put through---a degree which by all rights should have been Southern Tech's to offer.

DR. K.: Wouldn't it be beneficial to Georgia Tech's overall image to promote expansion of Southern Tech's programs, and if so, why are they dragging their heels?

MR. S.: Because Southern Tech graduates are more competitive with Georgia Tech graduates now more than ever before, as a result of continued administrative emphasis on research oriented curriculum at Georgia Tech. This means basically that only the best graduates of Georgia Tech get jobs easily. The rest must compete in the livelier market that Southern Tech graduates enter automatically.

DR. K.: So what you are saying is that Georgia Tech's child has grown up and is itching to fend for itself and that Georgia Tech as the parent is jealous and protective of its position. Is that right?

MR. S.: Exactly.

DR. K.: Can you name some specific concrete advantages for the student to realize if separation were to take place?

MR. S.: This is really quite complicated and I would like to expand on it next time. The most obvious advantage would be unhampered planning for academic and physical improvements, and the most immediate advantage would be easier and quicker solutions to student's problems.

DR. K.: Thank you, Tom. I look forward to our next talk.

MR. S.: Thanks. So do I.

(In a coming issue read why severance is so important to you, the student.)

DANA *Speaks*

STUDENT CENTER DIRECTOR RESIGNS

Dana Lange

Acting on an anonymous tip to the STIng, I called Dave Duty, student center director, as to the truth of his resigning his post. He stated that he was too busy to elaborate but would like to do so at a later date.

His resignation comes as quite a surprise to me. His predecessor, Don Nelson was here for only a few months (just long enough to get the Student Center opened up) and now Dave Duty is leaving after a similar period of time.

Why must this position be refilled every few months? Hopefully, the STIng can find out.

(Not to bring up an old battle; but I hope we're not going to suddenly discover you-know-who in this position...S. Otts)

FINANCIAL AID COMPLAINTS?!

A formal complaint against Ms. E. Glover, Director of the Southern Tech Financial Aid has been filed with the Department of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW) which supplies federal financial aid funds to Southern Tech.

A representative of HEW has stated that HEW is willing to hear from STI students who have grievances against Ms. Glover.

Now is the time to take prompt action. If you have any grievances against Ms. Glover and are willing to speak to a HEW Representative, please contact: David Betz Box 9596
Mark Williams Box 8775
William Mintz Box 8210



Dear Editor:

Well, here we go again. This school manages to remain in a constant state of yo-yo'ism. What we have here is not an institution of higher education, but a screw-up farm. To list all the goof-ups here would take the complete paper (including margins), therefore we will examine only the latest bungle.

As we all know, classes last Thursday week were cancelled at 12:00 because of a predicted freeze. This move was slightly questionable since there was absolutely no rain, sleet, or snow evident until about 4:30. The real boo-boo came Friday with the actual freeze. Why in the Hell did Southern Tech hold classes on Friday? Also, why was it announced on television that STI would not hold classes?

I don't expect the administration to answer my first question for fear of revealing their lack of intelligence. The second question will probably be answered similar to this: "The official notice will be aired on the radio stations listed in the STIng". Well that's just great. But what about us students who missed class Friday, before the notice was printed? I guess it's just our tough luck. Personally, I missed quite a bit of information which is going to cost me a couple of good grades. I have worked too hard to loose anything due to the stupidity of the administration.

Being only a lowly student, my hands are tied. I cannot force any changes or improvements, but what I can do just might catch on with the other students who feel the same way. If the Southern Tech administration can not do any better in the future I will simply discourage any potential college student I know from coming to Southern Tech. The best advertising is by word of mouth... ..and so is the worst...

Ed Casey

Dear Editor:

Since the anti-smoking petition for the library was so successful, what do you think about starting an anti-Georgia Tech petition? Let's all keep our ears open and see that the students have a voice in the matter.

Anne Loehr

Go Annie!!Editor

Dear Editor:

I agree with the article of 16 January 78 about the basketball team. From what I have heard, there has been a great change from last year. Everyone should come out to support a winning team. So far this year student apathy has been practically nil. The last game with Georgia Southwestern was the best game yet. If you missed it, I pity you. The stands were packed and it was close. Let's give our winning team a packed house for the rest of the season.

Warren St.Clair

Dear Editor:

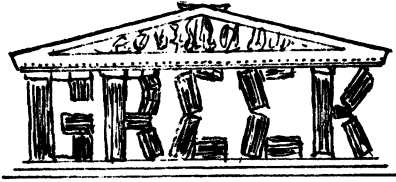
Last quarter a note was written to you about the NameGame ...i.e.: what will be written on our diplomas - B.S.E.T. or B.-E.T. Your response was that Bachelor - Engineering Technology would be.

I and many others would like to know why we cannot receive the B.S. Degree from this institution. One of the faculty mentioned that to receive a Bachelor of Science Degree the core curriculum must meet certain standards, etc. in terms of English, Science, Math, and Humanities. Could you advise the Student Body of the short-comings of the core curriculum, if there are any, that prevent the Bachelor of Sciences Degrees from being given to STI graduates.

Many employees know little about the Engineering Technology Program and when we tell them or put on our resume Bachelor's Degree, some question the worth and merit of the scholastic program.

Alan R. Bechley

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Girls! Girls! Girls!

Do you ever tire of being the only girl in your classes? Do you ever feel lonely or isolated no matter how many guys are around? Do you ever need a friend to talk to or a chance to serve your community? If your answer is "Yes" to any of these questions, we would like to share our sorority with you.

Our group is small and composed of unique, open and enthusiastic STI women with a big purpose in mind. Won't you come share your ideas and friendship? We will!!

Open meetings are every Thursday at 12 in Conference Room A of the Student Center.

SIGMA NU

The brothers of Sigma Nu would like to congratulate all those who received bids last week.

Sigma Nu lost their first basketball game 54 to 39 to the BSA. Bubba Frankling was the team's high scorer with 16 points. The brothers did show great improvement over last year's team, and show signs of being a tough contender this season. So, watch out everyone.

Sigma Nu would like to congratulate the STI Basketball team on their winning season and wish them luck in the upcoming games. We would also like to thank all the brothers for their vocal talents and support at the games. We urge all fraternities, the sorority, and other students to come to the next home game against LaGrange on Wednesday, January 25 and help fill the gym in support of the STI team.

Notice! Within the next few weeks, Sigma Nu will be holding a raffle for 100 gallons of gasoline.

TKE

The brothers of TKE would like to congratulate all of the new brothers who were initiated at the end of last quarter. They were one of our best associate member classes.

This quarter, we are looking forward to picking up where we left off. Some of our big functions are our Annual Red Carnation Ball set for February 25, the TKE Basketball Tournament at the University of Georgia, the Bathtub Race, and the STI Homecoming. We also support Southern Tech's Basketball team which everyone at Southern Tech should be proud of.

We are very involved in Rush at the present time. Anyone interested in becoming part of TKE is welcome to come by our house at 1420 Canton Road or come by our meetings at 12 on Thursdays in room 358 and meet the brothers.

The TKE Basketball team is off to a strong start with a big win over the Unknowns, 55-39 and we have several big games coming up this week. Coach Robert Nall is doing a fine job with the team.

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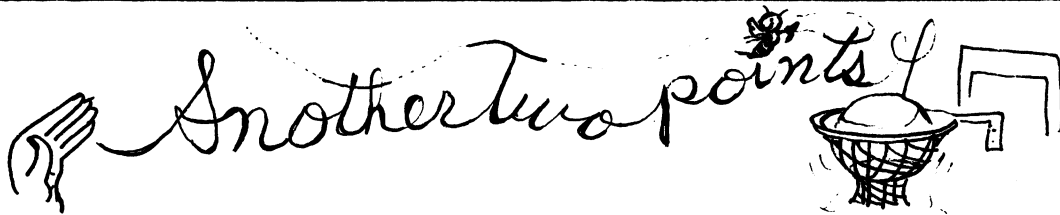
Southern Tech's American Institute of Architects (AIA) will hold its first meeting of the quarter on Wednesday, January 25 at 12 noon in room 568.

All AET students are urged to come and bring your suggestions for projects you would like to see your AIA accomplish this year.

SWE

Are you concerned about your future financial situation in view of today's inflation?

Find the answer to your worries. Come and listen to Mary Thurlow of Merrill Lynch. She will speak about investments in "Sharebuilder's Plan for Beginners" to "Retirement Plans." Mary will be speaking Tuesday, January 31 meeting in Conference Room A at 12 noon.



With nine seconds left on the game clock Southern Tech's Hornets were able to inbound the ball and work it into the center, David Cantrell. David sank one of the biggest buckets of his STI career to give STI a 51 to 50 win over a tough, ball controlling Georgia Southwestern College team. Our team had been down by six points at the half and by five points with only a minute and a half left. But STI clawed their way back with tough defense to nip GSWC at the buzzer. The game was played before the largest home crowd of the season and the team was buoyed by the lusty chant of D-E-F-E-N-S-E!! during the closing minutes. The crowd exploded at the end of the game as if a national championship had been clinched.

What's happening at good ole STI? Many fans before this season had become far more used to the agony of defeat than to the thrill of victory. The 1975-76 squad won 4 games. The 1976-77 squad won a total of 5. What has happened is good coaching, good recruiting, and a lot of hard work.

Coach/Athletic Director George Perides already should be somebody's choice for Coach of the Year. When George first came to STI he had virtually no time to recruit. That the 76-77 squad won 5 games and was competitive in so many close losses was a tribute to his ability as schools like West Georgia and Valdosta State in the South Atlantic Conference, whose budgets for athletics were often two and three times larger than STI's, continued to play their favorite game, "Beat up on Southern Tech". No more!

Southern Tech is now in the Georgia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference of the NAIA, competing against schools of our own size and similar budgets. To a solid nucleus of veterans: Sinclair Keith, David Cantrell, Brian Adams, Dudley Smith, and Mike Renfro, Coach Perides added Rodney Montgomery, Greg Stephens, Robert Hurst, Karl Krueger, Doug Raynor, and Mike Martin from the Junior College ranks. And at the same time Coach Perides trimmed the amount of student activities funds

going for athletic scholarships.

To say that the STI squad now has quickness is like saying that Farrah Fawcett-Majors is a girl. Coach Perides now had depth and speed at the guards, more height up front and at least six players who could play more than one position. Coach Perides then proceeded to install his multiple defense, multiple offense, and full squad game. He has brought our team along in the manner that a fight manager brings along a young fighter. In the first six games of the season STI scored more than a hundred points per game.

Local sports guru and motorcycle jumper Steve Sommers posed the question, "But who did you play?" The answer was quick in coming.

On December 29 and 30 STI split a pair of games with Midwestern NAIA power Anderson College. On January 2 STI rolled into Birmingham, Alabama and dumped the major school of Samford University. As of January 11 STI was the national small college leader in scoring, rebounding, and margin of victory. As of January 16 our conference record is 4-0.

Granted a record of 14 wins in 17 games is not a full season, but it just may be that STI has the best college team in the state! At the same time Coach Perides is dedicated to the academic progress of the team, and he hopes that basketball can be the "money-making" sport for the other sports here. You can't hide academically here and you don't go to Southern Tech to play pro ball.

Reports are that the Atlanta media are calling for more facts about STI. There's a lot of basketball left to be played- and a lot of games to be enjoyed. As one local columnist put it, "if you don't like the way STI plays - you just don't like basketball period..." They can beat you with pattern ball, or the fast break.

Last year at commencement Scott Dobslaw originated a motto for Southern Tech: STI - the Tech that works! Coach Perides and his merry crew have added to that: STI - the Tech that works, and WINS! GO HORNETS!!

VETS BOOK CLUB

The STI Veterans Club operates a Book Exchange every quarter for all students. In order to take advantage of this service, students should take current used books to the Book Club and fill out a form to sell their books. The Club recommends approximately 2/3 of the new book price but the student sets the price. The book will then be placed on the shelf to be sold. When the book is sold, the student is notified through the campus mail and may pick up their money (less a 50¢ charge for handling.)

Anyone may buy or sell books through the Exchange. The Book Club operates during the first week of every quarter and finals week. Times of operation will be posted. This is a valuable service to the student since the STI Bookstore buys used books 1/2 the current selling price and sells them for 3/4. Book Club prices are better both ways because 50¢ is the only charge.

Please take advantage of these savings and help the Vets Book Club work for everyone.

DUST TO US

The Society of Women Engineers is involved in a money making project. We are collecting vacuum cleaner bags of household dust. SWE gets 50¢ per pound for the dust. The dust is analyzed in allergy control projects. With your cooperation in supplying the dust a control of dust related allergies may someday be ours. Everyone has dust, so please help us out.

There will be someone in the room across from Sigma Pi fraternity on the top floor of the Student Center from 12 - 1 p.m. on Wednesday through Friday to receive the dust. For more information, call Julie Giesecking at 428-4796 after 5 p.m.

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STINGERS

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PLACEMENT

Interviews for the week of January 23 are as follows:

- Monday, Jan. 23 - Rosser & White-EET, MET
- Tuesday, Jan. 24 - Bibb Co.-IET, MET
 - Pullman Kellogg-CET, MET
 - West Point Pepperell-MET
- Wednesday, Jan. 25 - Mead Corp.-EET, IET, MET
- Thursday, Jan. 26 - Oxford Industries-IET, AMET
 - Great Lakes Carbon Corp.-EET, MET
 - Stardust-IET, AMET
- Friday, Jan. 27 - Harbert Constr. Co.-CET, MET
 - Bremen Bowdon-AMET

Union Carbide has cancelled their interview schedule on January 25.

All graduates interviewing through the Placement Office must register and furnish a copy of your resume.

Georgia Tech maintains an OPEN RESUME FILE for STI BACHELOR graduates--turn in your resume to Mrs. Howard to send to Tech. CO-OP

The following companies have openings for Co-op students. See the Co-op secretary, Mrs. Buchanan in room 125 if interested.

- Kendall Company-Athens, Ga., IET
- Florida Power & Light Co. - Miami, FL.-EET
- James M. Lazenby & Assoc. - Atlanta - EET,MET
- Coats & Clark - Clarkdale, GA - IET, TET
- Union Special - Chicago, Ill. - TET,AMET
- Wellington Puritan Mills - Madison,GA -IET,TET

Rosser, White and Company will be interviewing for Co-Op Students on-campus January 30, 1978. If interested come by and sign up. They are a consulting firm from Atlanta interested in MET and EET students.

NOTARY PUBLIC ON-CAMPUS

If you need a notary public, there are several available on campus that can assist you free of charge. These people are:

- Emogene Elliott-Sec. to Academic Dean.
- Vernia Fuglaar - Business Office
- Charles Lumsden - Dean of Students Office
- Coach George Perides - Gym
- Paul Smith - Dir. of Development
- Janet Tarwater - Student Center
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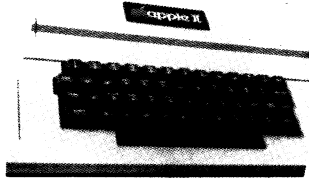
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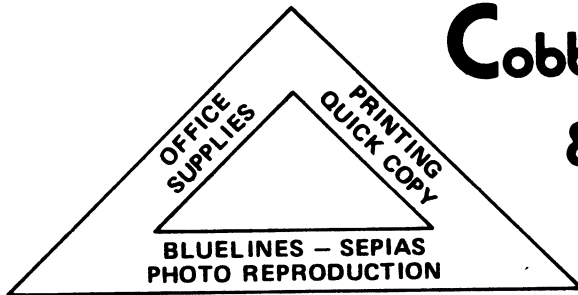
All STI financial aid students, please come by the Financial Aid Office in the GoatShed and pick up the different forms to be filled out for the academic year 1978-79. The sooner the forms are filled out, the awards are processed. Act now!

YOGA CLASS OFFERED

The Office of Continuing Education is offering a course in Kundalini Yoga and Meditation on the STI campus. It starts February 7 through April 11, Tuesday nights only, from 7 - 8:30 p.m. The course will be taught by Mr. Jap Singh, who is a qualified, certified Kundalini Yoga instructor. The course fee is \$17.50. Please register early. If interested, call 894-2400.

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