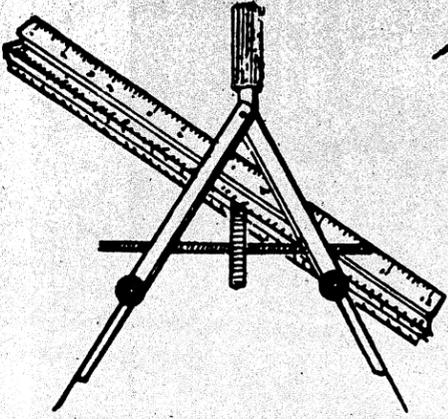


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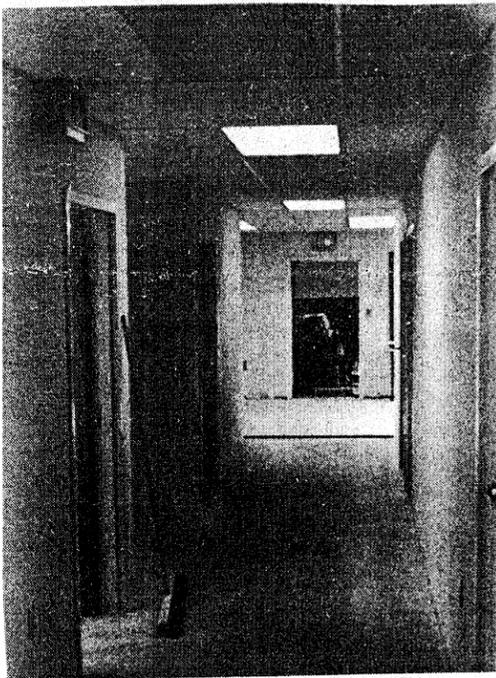
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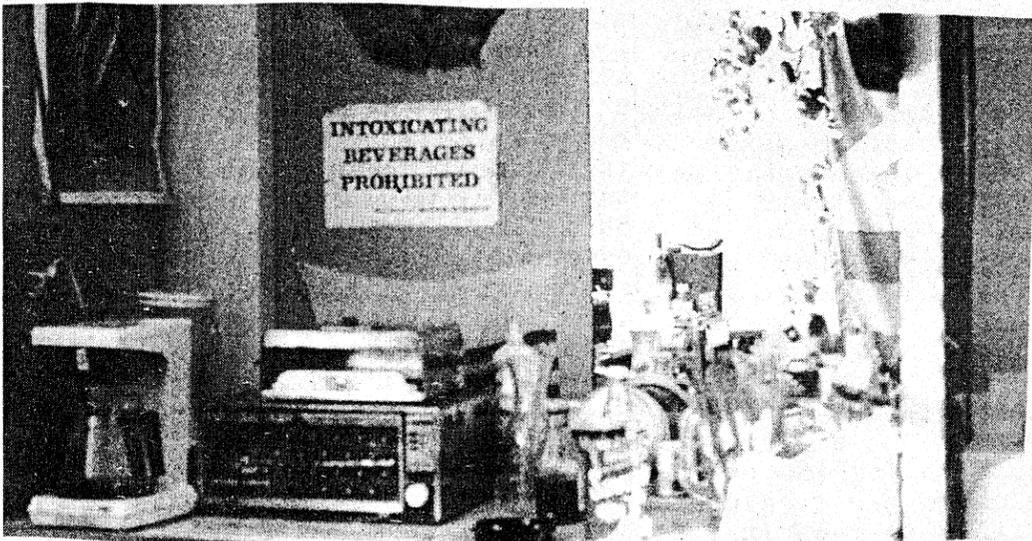
The Sting

HAPPY HOLIDAYS SOUTHERN TECH!



With the final days of classes rapidly approaching and the festive holiday season setting in, with glad hearts and stuffed minds, we prepare to bid farewell to another fun-filled school year. May your holiday be safe, sound, prosperous and filled with good cheer. Hope to see you all bright and early next year!

The Sting Staff



Editor's Note: Due to some improperly prepared chemicals here in the darkroom at Southern Tech all the negatives for the pictures taken on last Thursday were ruined. It was only thanks to the diligence and concern for my sanity of Shirley Carter, James Spearman and Dean Williams that we have pictures for this issue at all. Perhaps we will have better luck next time.

Monica

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Southern Tech -- "May I Have A Word With You, Please"

The other morning, a couple of weeks ago, I sat through a propaganda spiel of our beloved hovel of learning. I was forced thereafter to attack rigorously my own mental conception of the institution from which I have decided to obtain what I expect to be a splendid engineering technology education. My reign as editor, switchboard operator/receptionist, student at large and unique person provide the basis for thorough analysis. I will use such tools as personal observation, fellow student comments, and last but not least "hands-on" experience to adequately discuss the problems I perceive as "Southern Technical Institute."

At first glance, the problems can be broken down into two categories - "those that know" and "those that know not," synonymous to, but not to be confused with, "those that have" and "those that have not." First let us briefly discuss Southern Tech as a commuter school. Those of us unfortunate enough to live off campus (the institute provides two dormitories with half a floor for women in one of them) commute back and forth to school every day. Once classes are over for the day, we say bye-bye to Southern Tech until perhaps the next day. Many of us sustain full and part-time jobs off campus to meet college expenses. Rarely do we have time to concern ourselves with the extracurricular carryings-on at Southern Tech. It is of little or no concern to these people that they pay a \$28.00 student athletic and activity fee every quarter—other than, of course, to complain that there is nothing here to do. Most certainly not because they never stay around long enough to find out what is or isn't going on. But then activities are usually scheduled at merciless times of the day. It has always amazed me how counseling programs and movies and what-not are scheduled on Tuesday or Thursday evenings around 7:30 or so. Night school students have classes (or they wouldn't bother to drive up here) and it is common knowledge that professors endorse Friday test dates. Is a head count ever taken at these events? I would actually like to know how many of the roughly 3,000 student population benefit from and participate in such programs.

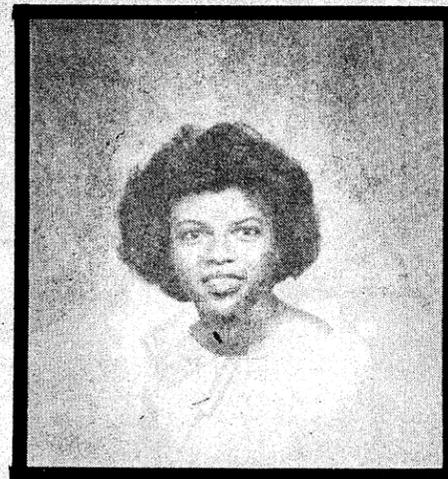
But let's not stop there. Let's talk about all the student-oriented organizations. Let's talk about the newspaper,

the one-man yearbook staff, intramural sports, the student government, the fraternities and sororities, the annual bathtub races, the basketball team, and without a doubt, the radio station. The newspaper staff I would compare to the Atlanta police department: undermanned, overworked and underprivileged. Even within its limited budget there are limitless heights to which the Sting can soar. However, a four-man writing team can't do it. I love to hear my professors say that "being editor of the Sting is an excellent opportunity to learn to disseminate responsibility." I smile and think of the relentless group of people I work with that I try very hard not to push over their limit every other week. The Sting proudly boasts of a staff of 10 people, ten out of 3,000...that's about .3% of the student body. Not to mention the contributions from clubs and organizations for which we are truly grateful.

The one-man yearbook staff is headed by Mr. Bill Beebee. Without his volunteer efforts we might not have had a yearbook this year. But who cares about that; somebody would have put one together—so you think. Besides, nobody ever sees the Log and photographers take pictures of the same old people—the same old people who participate in student activities.

Intramural sports and fraternities and our one sorority, I'll link together for simplicity's sake. I really don't know much about either one. My first real experiences with them occurred this quarter having watched intramural football and participated in fraternity sponsored activities. Sports and Greek life are a feasible way to foster a sense of unity, a sense of competition and a break from the strain of work or school. Neither activity is for everybody. But the benefits for even a spectator are priceless.

The annual bathtub races are a delight to many, young, old, Southern Tech, non-Southern Tech and it would truly be a shame to think of discontinuing the event. Why? Because you can't have a race without tubs to race in it. But then again you can't have tubs without clubs and organizations to build them, sponsor them and drive them and you can't have clubs and organizations without student input and participation. Why can't you build a racing tub? Because,



of course, there's always someone else to do it—so you think. Without further ado, I want to discuss what's been an ongoing cause in the hearts and minds of many of us as a result of a fellow student, Mr. David Noble. To you Mr. Noble, I say three cheers and many thanks! As a result of the dissention caused by your letters those hardworking individuals in the foreground made themselves and their opinions known. You stimulated utter outrage! Had your real identity been known, (you wrote under an alias supposedly), there are persons who would have hung you from the highest rafters. I was even maliciously accused of writing the letters myself, which, being such as I am, amused me. I can certainly empathize with the wounds suffered by the Student Government, the radio station and the Management of the Music Listening Room. However, to our dismay, Mr. Noble's opinions are not solely his own. The work put in and the time sacrificed by the student leaders here on campus are not truly appreciated except by those who know what it feels like to be in their shoes. It is most unfortunate that many of us reluctantly achieved our standings simply because nobody else wanted the job. The apathy that flows on Southern Tech campus towards the efforts of student-oriented activities is only comparable to Marietta clay after a three day rain. Needless to say, those that are willing to work and have worked have performed exceptionally well. By the way, for those of you who feel deprived without a football team, my first experience at a Southern Tech basketball game was undoubtedly equal to my Sunday afternoon heart attacks watching the Falcons—with one exception, the Running Hornets win in the end. Enough said.

Saved for the end of my thought

process are Administrative problems. Frankly speaking, there's just not enough administrators to go around. I have been told that once you've been around Southern Tech for a while you learn to know just what people to go to to get what you want. You know how to find department heads, the registrar, the financial aide director, evening school coordinator, the police department, the dean of students, the housing director, the student center coordinator, the cashier's office, the notary publics on campus and your academic advisor. These people, mind you, do not solely belong to you. They probably won't have time to answer every question and satisfy every need. Most times they won't even try to, unless you practice what the English department preaches—tact, diplomacy, patience and the "you" attitude. To stand in long lines to pre-register, then to abruptly find yourself frozen is rough. To arrive at the cashier's office to pick up your check or buy a parking decal only to find it closed, is disheartening. Having your financial aide cut off in the middle of the school year is overwhelming. Having to take English 099 because you didn't pass the Regent's Test is devastating. Having the notary publics out to lunch at 2:00 is criminal. However, these are the sorts of problems administrators face day in and day out so they are rather immune to sympathetic responses. Assist them, however, as best you can, and they'll at best do the same for you. Becoming irate and boisterous does nothing but make you feel better. Until they get more help, we will all have to grin and bear it.

In conclusion, I find it very easy to complain. My analysis reveals that Southern Technical Institute is doing the best it can with what it has to work with. The complaining goes on behind closed doors; the real victors are those who speak out and work toward the betterment of the institution for all of us. When talking with a group of friends about a proposed hike in tuition and student activity fees, to my surprise the response was this: "I won't mind so much if I can see where my money's going... like more parking space, a cafeteria, a bigger library, more meeting rooms in the Student Center and more dormitories." It was gratifying to know that people still care. Won't you join us?

Monica T. Durden



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The Student Government Speaks

On November 19, I conducted a bit of first-hand testing of the vending machines on campus. Old Fashion Foods is responsible for stocking the machines and seeing that they are in working order.

Of the machines downstairs in the Student Center, two out of six had inoperable change returns (coffee and cold drink). All six machines functioned satisfactorily in terms of giving you what you selected. The hot coffee machine's extra sugar option didn't seem to work. The sandwich machine together with the microwave oven provide sandwiches of questionable quality at outrageous prices. I invested in a "club delux" (half) sandwich. It consisted of two pieces of toast, some scrids of lettuce, three quarter-inch pieces of bacon, a slice of processed turkey meat, mayonnaise, a salad tomato, and a cup of some unidentifiable vegetable substance; all this for ninety cents. I put the sandwich in the disgustingly dirty microwave for heating. What resulted was a very soggy, chewy mess. The snack machine contained some snacks that can best be described as "interesting;" especially the "vanilla fudge twins."

Norton Dorm's vending machines were far from acceptable. The

cold milk machine stole five cents and then wouldn't take any more money. The snacks and candy machines functioned. Of course, the change return didn't work on the cold drink machine.

Howell Dorm's vending machines were absolutely horrible. The coin return on the cold drink machine did not work, as expected. The snack machine had an out of date "raspberry luncheon roll." The candy machine was completely empty and had quite an accumulation of glass in the bottom. It seems all the machines in both dorms have seen continuous abuse; possibly because the persons who deposit money in the machines are being abused when and if the machines disfunction.

Overall, the vending machines on campus rate a solid "poor." The student center office averages between \$1.50 and \$2.00 per day in coin refunds. Mr. R. J. Robertson is responsible administratively for the food service at Southern Tech. I hope this article will enlighten him to the present condition of vending machine service at Southern Tech. I'm certain the students at STI (especially the night students) would welcome a change in the vending machine contract.

Sandy Ransom
SGA President

Letters To The Editor

To the Editor:

As Program Director of WGHR FM/AM, I found Dave Noble's slanderous accusations published in the November 6th edition of the Sting quite insulting. First off, Pablo Cruise, Little River Band, Hall & Oates, Stevie Nicks, Billy Joel, Bob Seger, Olivia Newton John, Marty Balin, Kim Carnes, Dan Fogelburg, Al Jarreau, Rickie Lee Jones, Chris Cross are just some of the artists in our current rotation which I do not classify as continuous "acid rock." Hey Dave, you wake up. You say you hear a familiar song only once in a while. As Program Director I can prove we have over 80% of the current top 50 albums which pertain to our format as specified by Billboard Magazine. This is the same top 50 survey hundreds of radio stations use nationwide. As for your childish, sarcastic remark about our power, 16.5 WATTS is our maximum effective power as specified by the Federal Communications Commission. Any increase of power is against our license and against Federal law. Obviously, a man like you who has no tact or taste for music would also own a cheap shotty car radio. WGHR FM in a car radio can be picked up past "the edge of the parking lot" six to eight miles. We have faithful listeners who call from their homes all over Marietta as well as Paulding County and downtown Atlanta. Six members of our staff have professional radio experience working in commercial stations in North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia. The others are first-time volunteers who sacrifice their time to bring you a service this college should be very proud of. Accusing jocks who try their hardest and who volunteer their efforts as sounding high only proves how little respect you have for people who give a damn.

Stephen Piowar
WGHR Program Director

To the Editor:

I just finished reading the last (November 20) issue of the Sting and wanted to tell you what a fine job you did. The issue included well-written, substantive articles and displayed much more careful proofreading. This issue was most enjoyable, and I look forward to future issues.

Becky Kelly

To The Editor:

First let me say that you and your staff are doing an excellent job with the Sting. You have been very consistent with news and information for and about student activities and events. Keep up the good work.

Secondly, let me ask, who is David Noble? In many ways he has made many valid points. For instance, as a busy student, I would never know what the SGA is doing or what CAB is doing. Because of his accusations, questions and statements of facts, it made those people in those offices responsive to students who were not apathy, but did not know who to ask what questions. Now for my question; is David Noble seeking a political office? Is this the groundwork for making such a move. Being a real political observer as I am, it certainly sounds that way. If not, his opinions are certainly appreciated.

Next point is that it would be more convenient if there were newstands placed at strategic places on campus instead of putting the paper in hallways, on steps and on tables. This way, they won't be scattered and everyone would know where to look for them. The Physical Plant could build them easily.

Keep up the good work.

Sincerely,

T. Wayne

To The Editor:

I read with interest and a great deal of sympathy Mr. Palmer's article concerning the crowded condition of the Library. In essence, all I can say is that the situation will be worse, probably much

worse, before there is any improvement

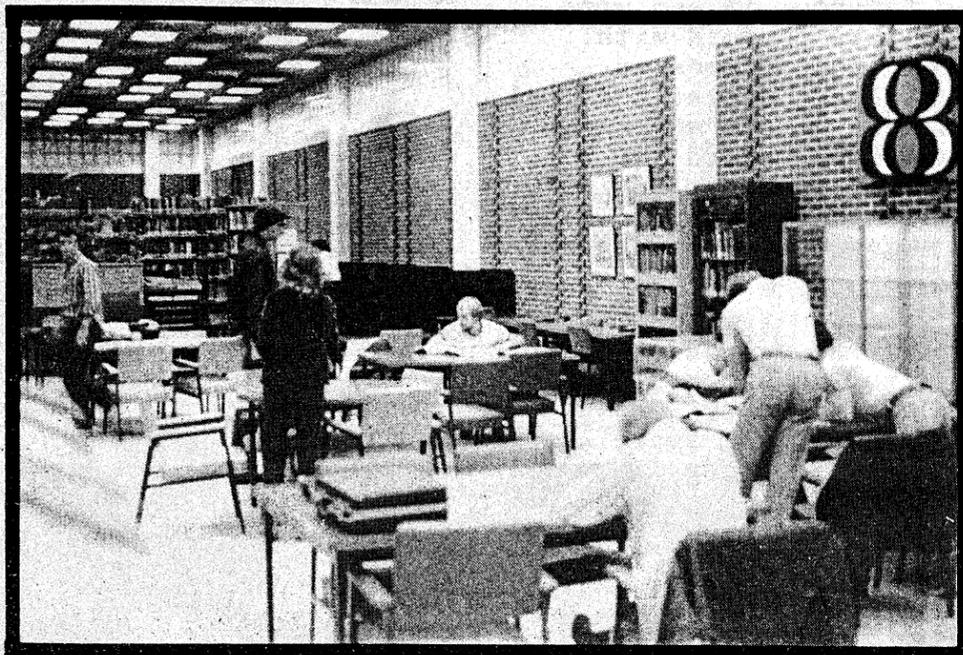
In the Spring of 1968, the Library collection of 11,000 volumes was moved from the present bookstore area to our current Library, then brand new. The building was designed to seat approximately 250 people and to house 50,000 volumes. This was an appropriate building for a two-year college with 1,100 students. The same building now seats only 211 people and barely contains more than 100,000 items. Annual circulation is over 41,000 items.

A major expansion of the Library is the college's second or third priority building request. However, even if this project were initiated immediately, an expanded Library would still be at least three years in the future. At an annual expansion of the collection of approximately 5,000 volumes, a minimum of another 15,000 volumes would be added to those already in the building.

To deal with this less than desirable situation, we can only attempt to make the best use of the space we have and hopefully not further reduce seating areas. We also realize that the noise level is higher than it should be. This is partly because Southern Tech's primarily technical curriculum encourages students to work together. This added to the very close seating creates an undesirable noise level which can only be controlled with the cooperation of those using the Library.

Please be assured that the Library staff will do all that it can to make the present building "work" with as little inconvenience to the student as possible.

John W. Pattillo
Director



ASK THE PRESIDENT

By Dr. S. R. Cheshier

To the President:

How can the condition of the dormitories be explained? Imagine being awakened by a roach crawling on your face in the middle of the night. This sickening condition and others that are worse exist in both dormitories.

As a past resident of both dormitories, my fellow residents and I have had to put up with these conditions without relief. We have asked for help in the past but received no solutions. Once a friend and I brought a live rat to the housing director's office as evidence of the decaying conditions. Others have called the Cobb County Health Department in search of help. The proper solutions will require time and money.

Last month a new wide screen television was installed in the student center. Thousands of dollars have been spent on a barely heard radio station. This past summer a new Ford Escort stationwagon was purchased for the police department. I am sure there are various justifications for each above purchase. None of the reasons, however, make much sense to a paying college student living in slum conditions.

The next dollar spent should be for resident, paying students, who constitute a fair percentage of the student body. If Howell dormitory were closed during summer for extensive cleaning and fumigation, like the other dorm has been for years, it would help reduce the number of pests. We suggest also that the proposals for a new dorm and cafeteria be acted on first and quickly. In our eyes, major expenditures vocalize the school's priorities

Arthur J. Robertson

To Mr. Arthur J. Robertson

As you already know, Mr. Steve Holtz has joined Southern Tech as the Director of Housing. Mr. Holtz comes to us having had extensive experience in the collegiate housing field. I think it is evident that corrective action is already underway to eliminate many of the problems you sight in your letter.

Sanitation is a major area of concern, and Mr. Holtz has taken several steps to improve the situation. Emphasis is being placed on student responsibility for maintaining

sanitary conditions in their rooms and appropriate disciplinary action and/or changes will be made for those who contribute to improper sanitary conditions. In addition, services by the Exterminating Contractor have been expanded, the supervisory staff is maintaining closer supervision, painting of exterior and interior hallways and stairwells is underway and screens for all windows have been installed. Mr. Holtz has also created a Housing Advisory Board whose purpose is to provide input to policies and procedures, make appropriate recommendations for improvements including furnishings and space usage, and provide communications between students and the Housing Office.

We are seeking funding to provide better and more attractive housing on campus and this is a priority for the budget. Meanwhile we will increase our efforts to make dormitory living an attractive alternative to off campus housing.

Letter to the President:

What do we receive for our health fee? Is Dr. Beasley the only doctor we can see that would be covered by our medical allowance. If so, why?

Sue Ellen Hiers

To Ms. Sue Ellen Hiers

The Health fee paid by students at Southern Tech provides two basic things: first, it allows us to provide a school nurse, who is on duty in Norton Hall (Dorm I) to handle minor medical problems. Secondly, it allows the college to have a working arrangement with a local physician (Dr. Beasley) who can handle routine medical problems.

The arrangement with Dr. Beasley is a long standing one. His service and the charges for his service are good. In addition, he is willing to bill Southern Tech directly, eliminating the need for the student to pay out money on the spot. It is highly unlikely that another physician would be willing to provide these services at these rates.

If you do wish to consult another physician, Dean Smith will be glad to work with you, however, the same \$100 per year allowance will apply.

Further information on the Health fee is shown on pages 36 and 37 of the 1980-82 college catalog, should you need to know more. Dean Smith

will be happy to discuss the plan with you, should you so desire.

To the President:

In the October 9th issue of The Sting, you said, "Expanding...the night school program would allow us better use of our facilities." You suggested this to "take the pressure off our day school."

Many students agree with you that the pressure has increased with this fall's record enrollment. There is pressure on the day school as well as the night school. We would like to help you change that, and your extension of the library hours would be a big help in taking pressure off all the classes.

As Southern Tech's President, you probably know Georgia Tech's library is open until midnight four days a week and from 2:00 until midnight on Sunday. Do you think similar hours for the Southern Tech Library would help students with their assignments? If the night school program is expanded, shouldn't the operating hours of the library be extended as well?

I believe you should extend the library hours to help the students fully utilize our facilities. I will look for the answers to my questions when your next interview is published in The Sting.

Bryan J. Parris

To Bryan J. Parris:

I certainly understand and appreciate your desire for longer operating hours in the library. The STI library is currently open 75 hours per week and the schedule is geared for the heaviest usage putting the limited number of professional staff available during these times.

Unfortunately funding does not allow for us to have sufficient staff to maintain longer hours. In comparison to other University System schools, our library is open more hours than most. The four universities in the system are the only ones open more than 90 hours per week and this is primarily due to their graduate programs.

We are currently making efforts to obtain more funding for Southern Tech and the library holds a top priority if and when additional monies are found. Meanwhile every effort will be made to accommodate our students during the best time frame allowed with the budget.

CAMPUS POLL

Just as a matter of policy, the Sting randomly polls the studentbody, every so often, concerning activities or questions pertinent to them. This issue's focus develops student responses to the following:

PLEASE GIVE YOUR CANDID OPINION OF THE "USEFULNESS" OF ANY OR ALL OF THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONS
 WGHR RADIO STATION
 THE STING NEWSPAPER
 THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
 THE LOG YEARBOOK

The radio station is a very useful function and integral part of the school. I used to listen to it all the time after it became FM but we cannot pick it up now. The Sting has been and can be informative. A lot that goes on is unknown unless it is read in the Sting. I like the way opinions can be expressed and goings-ons uncovered.

The SGA is probably the most important part of our school. They are the ones that fight for the students' rights and so far have been doing a good job.

I am sorry that the yearbook does not have the support it needs. It is hard to get that support in an Eng. School where there is no journalism department. I hope that more people get involved because the Log depicts a lot about the school that one can't get from just looking around.

WGHR has made great advances in the past two years. Lee Blaylock, last year and Barry Bynam, this year have created a professionally run organization. I salute the radio station staff and programmin and hope that the antenna will be increased in height corresponding to the improvement in the broadcasting.

The Sting is becoming one of the best campus publications. It may be controversial at times, but it results in increased student involvement.

The Student government has had problems over the last two years, but seems to be coming around this year. Involvement is up and apathy is down.

The yearbook is another matter. For one thing, I have yet to see

Log for 1980-1981 and the date of expected shipment is in February. All of the students at Southern Tech pay activity fees which are used to produce the Log, there have been a maximum of 500 copies available for the years 1979-1980, and 1979-1981. There are more than 2000 students on campus.

How does the Log justify catering to only one-fourth of it's supporters? I think the time of college yearbooks is fast coming to an end at Southern Tech due to lack of personel to produce it, the lack of quality in the production, and the costs of producing it. I think a different type of publication would better utilize the money allotted to the Log.

John Cochran
 Past President
 of the SGA and
 Current Chairman
 of the SGA
 Judicial Cabinet

The radio station is good, it gives us a good form of entertainment in the student center.

The Sting is a very good source of school information without it we might not know what is going on around school. I think the Log is a very important part of the school. I think it is more important than the radio station or the Sting. It is something to look back on years from now.

The Log to me is a necessity as a part of college life; it gives you something to look back on.

The Sting gives the students something to read in addition it gives individual organizations a place to place announcements.

WGHR probably serves some purpose but I don't know what it is.

SGA keeps good relations between students and faculty and members of the community.

The only organization I am familiar with is the Sting Newspaper. I flip through it and read some of the articles, but I never have read the entire newspaper. I mainly refer to the newspaper calendar. The Sting newspaper is definitely needed to inform students of activities past, present, and future at STI. By the way, I have been a student at STI for four quarters.

WGHR-Bunch of jerks inside, but fairly decent music.

Newspaper is real informative and is a great attribute to campus.

Student Government needs me!

LOG- I haven't seen it yet!

WGHR - Has a lot of potential, but I feel that its only usefulness is to provide music for the Student center and possibly the campus as well as providing broadcasting experience.

STING - We need more input from the students to improve it more. For the number of people who run it, it's a great achievement to get the bi-weekly paper out.

SGA - May do alot for the Students, but feel that their activities should be more publicized to make more aware their activities, aims, goals, etc.

LOG - Feel that this is the lifeblood of all publications on the college campus. A written memoir of your existence always supplies motivation and inspiration especially to move from year to year from Freshman to senior. Supplements your pictorial and written records of your college days. It is the most important publication being that it is history.

I feel the WGHR radio is doing a fairly good job, but they need to play a wider variety of music.

The Sting newspaper does an excellent job in reporting, but the photography staff needs to choose their pictures more wisely

SGA--Never heard of it!

The Log needs to get more student to submit pictures, a good way to do this is to set up a day where students can come and have their pictures taken by Log photographers solely for yearbook purposes.

It should not be taken for granted that these are the opinions of the student body as a whole. This poll has several flaws 1) it was taken one afternoon in the Student Center and library 2) many of these people were close associates of members of the Sting Staff (i.e. ,the positive responses about the newspaper) and 3) of the roughly 35 people asked (not a representative number of students) only a handful are printed here.

It can be concluded from the evidence gathered however; that the radio is one of some purpose, but needs more power 2) the newspaper is a necessity that would improve significantly with more student input. 3) the Student Government needs to be seen and heard to improve student opinion of their usefulness and 4) the Log must stay and is an invaluable pictorial record for years to come.

Sports



Southern Tech fans raising hell down at the "Nest".

STUDENTS SEEK A WRESTLING TEAM AT STI.

What happened to our Southern Tech Wrestling Team. Is it "gone with the wind" or could enough interest be generated to rejuvenate the program. There are a group of people who are genuinely interested in bringing this sport back to life on campus. Anyone who would like to get involved can contact Eric Burch in Howell Dorm, Room 104, or call him at 427-7899. A good coach is the key ingredient of any successful team. Any member of the faculty who is interested in this position please give us a hand.

We're talking collegiate wrestling with rigid rules and a professional attitude, not to be confused with the fiasco you watch on Saturday afternoon television.

Steve Palmer

INJURED HORNETS OFF TO A GOOD START

The 1931 version of the Southern Tech Running Hornets has proven to be a successful one. The Hornets got off to a fantastic start with a 6-2 record. With in the six victories are two tournament championships. These include the West Georgia Invitational Tournament and the Berry College Tournament.

Southern Tech played six games without a loss, until they met Edward Waters at the "Nest". This game was a action packed event even though the Hornets came up on the short end losing a 91-87 decision in overtime. According to Coach Perides " we were just not ready to

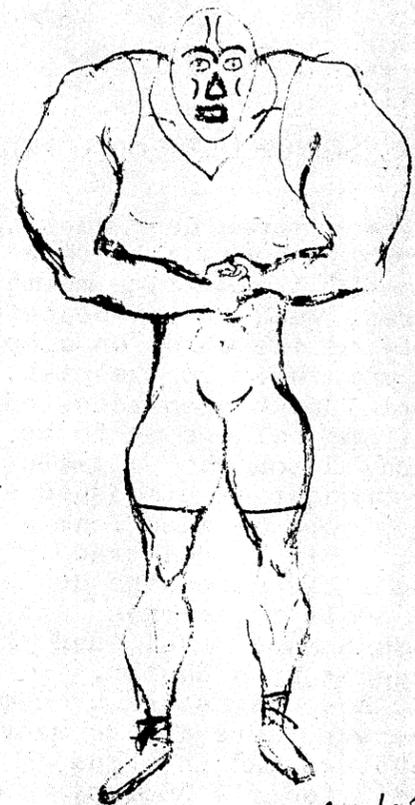
play Edward Waters." Also effecting the outcome of the contest was the abundance of Hornet injuries.

In the Edward Waters game, the Running Hornets were without Billy Bromell due to a death in his family. Also Ricky Hudson played the game with a broken wrist.

December 2, Southern Tech traveled to Paine University in Augusta. Even though "Perides' Boys" played hard to win, the final score proved otherwise as Paine defeated Southern Tech 60-56.

Saturday night the Hornets played Allen University, however the results of the game were not available by press time.

Mark Zelazny



Chuck Smith

DEC. BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Dec.	1	Tuesday	Edward Waters	Home
	2	Wednesday	Paine College	Away
	5	Saturday	Allen University	Home
	9	Wednesday	Gardner-Webb	Home

FEATURES

WEEKEND STARVATION DIET AT STI

Southern Tech is often thought of as a "suitcase" campus because so many people leave for the weekends. However, there are many of us who stay in the dorm and we should not be forgotten. In order to obtain a "meal" during the weekend, we "dorm rats" must spend our meager allowances at some greasy fast food joint. If we can scrounge enough money up "Slims Busy Bee" is good for a burger and a beer.

Not all the students have the privilege of owning a car. We poor souls must either risk our lives crossing route 120 or 41 or hitch a ride from a friend to obtain a hamburger that has probably been "stepped on" as the drug dealer would say. What ever happened to the good ole days of cornbread, collard greens and southern fried chicken right from the oven. Nourishment is one of man's few basic physical needs. Without it we could starve! Must we go on hunger strikes in order to prove how great the need is for weekend food service.

According to the "STI Guidelines for Action" pamphlet, plans are being made for new dining facilities. Unfortunately, however, money is not available to make this plan a "piece of cake."

Here is some food for thought you may wish to consider next time the dreaded "hunger pains" strike. Did you ever eat a pine tree? Many parts are edible. I like the roots myself. Well, don't forget to bring the saws and axes.

Steve Palmer

THE CASE FOR DEER HUNTING

I have enjoyed deer hunting for over six years. It is a pastime which has given me many pleasures, such as the peaceful serenity of the woods on a cool Autumn morning. In the past, however, I have been accosted by many who believe me to be a "maniacal demon who salivates at the thought of bloodshed and death" simply because I am a hunter. This is not true, because I have seen the death nature deals to animals, and it is much more cruel than the death dealt by a hunter.

I do not understand or comprehend why there are so many anti-hunters and anti-gun people in today's society. They are so caught up in their beliefs that they are blind to any type of fact. I say this because they think hunting is cruel. Here is how I killed

my first deer. You be the judge of how cruel it was. I had been up that morning since five o'clock. The sun was at my back and it was pretty cold. Because it was dry, every small twig that hit the ground sounded like a small herd of buffalo! I saw my deer, however, long before I heard him. When I saw him, he stepped behind a tree. When he stepped out again, I shot him through the neck and he died in that spot. An argument against my point would be "what about deer that don't die in one spot? My reply would be that nature, with wild dogs and disease, is more cruel than hunters are.

I am not trying to make an avid hunter out of anyone. All I want to do is try to correct some of the misconceptions about deer hunting and tell how it is not as cruel as many people think. In my opinion, a better understanding between hunters and the rest of the population would lead to better game laws, which would make everybody happy.

Scott Huffstetler

WHERE DO YOUR ACTIVITY FEES GO?

Each quarter every student is required to pay an activities fee in excess of twenty dollars. Because this money is appropriated for the entertainment of the students, it is only right that they have a voice in how it is spent. Recently a new video machine-wide screen television was purchased with those funds, with the intent of entertaining the students. Any ding-a-ling can realize that television serves as merely an escape or diversion. This "so called" source of entertainment challenges neither the physical or mental state of a person. I feel that this considerable amount of money could have been spent in a more constructive manner. New exercise or photography equipment would provide enjoyable and educational ways for students to spend free time. This would promote interaction between students and provide real sources of "entertainment."

So, if you are not one of those crazed ninnies who spends his or her free time sobbing over afternoon soaps, and you care about whether or not your money is spent wisely, speak up!

Steve Palmer

TELEVISION AND MORALS

Due to the invention of the television, mass media has been able to influence larger audiences than ever before. Within the past decade the general trend has regressed from that of traditional family-oriented shows to immoral programs. Also, the amount of time people spend viewing television has steadily increased, thus having a far greater influence on their lives.

The ideals portrayed by a majority of the earlier programs were centered around the family unit and its importance. Older programs such as Ozzie and Harriet and Hazel, as well as the modern shows like the Waltons and Little House on the Prairie illustrate this essential quality. Today, however, many programs deal with broken homes, single or divorced parents and their wayward children. The series One Day at a Time, which centers around a divorced mother and her two daughters, downplays the importance of a father in a family unit.

Sex is another issue that is exploited in modern television. Shows such as Soap and Three is Company, not to mention a slew of others, portray sex as something that is without commitment and not connected with morals or responsibility.

Also, homosexuality is suggested to be a normal and acceptable lifestyle. A new series in which Tony Randall portrays a homosexual will be aired in the near future.

Should you or, more importantly, your children be exposed to this type of "entertainment?"

Steve Palmer

STI POLICE DEPARTMENT

The duties performed by our police department should not be overlooked or go unappreciated. Although enforcement of rules and regulations is not always popular, it is necessary.

Our Southern Tech Police are often criticized for writing so many parking tickets. Surely you must realize that parking rules must be enforced. Otherwise you would probably see cars parked from the hallways of Howell Dorm to the roof of the Student Center. So the next time you find a little white piece of paper tucked under your windshield, remember they are only doing their job.

Steve Palmer

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SOCIAL STUDIES 299

Do you know where you want to go in your career? Would you like a little help in deciding or in planning how to get there?

Social Studies 299 will provide that help.

Guest speakers from our campus, business and industry will discuss such topics as career decision making, interviewing, cover letter and resume writing, and dressing for success. Speakers in the past have been from such companies as Oxford Industries, Hewlett Packard, Southern Bell, Milliken & Co., and Lendman Associates.

In addition, there will be exploration into companies that interest students, interviews with people who've "made it" already, viewing of films, testing to identify personality and leadership styles.

The course is flexible; you can help determine what information you want provided. Bring your curiosity and your questions to Social Studies 299, Career Planning and Preparation on Wednesdays at 12:00 noon.

TBA

TBA, the local sorority on campus has been really rolling this fall quarter. We are all very proud to say that our initiation went off with a bang! We started our "appetizer" at the Mad Italian and ended with the "dessert" at the Rock where champagne flowed! We all had a great time and the original sisters are very proud to say that we now have a whole new group of wonderful sisters.

Sigma Nu, your Rock-of-the-Ages party was great -- all the wild costumes and music made the event exciting. (I think the hippie should have won the prize!)

One night about a week ago a few of our members made a mysterious trip to the Atlanta Hilton downtown where they met with a bunch of gamblers. There they played as cashiers and, get this,..."dealers!" Sounds kind of suspicious to me. I heard they were either drinking to gamble or gambling to drink! But they all said they had a real good time working with the people.

Our canned food drive on the 21st was a success as was the Powder Puff football game

with the Sig-Eps on the 22nd. Although a few of us didn't know the first thing about football, much less how to play, we still tried. "Little Ellen" came through for us and gave everything she got. Way to go; at least we had the spirit. But really, they all did very well. (No, I'm not including myself.)

STI's basketball team is off and running and TBA is supporting them all the way. We're selling spirit-pins in the Student Center and at the games. Show your spirit and buy a pin! Good Luck Runnin' Hornets!

Carol Woodruff
V.P./Reporter

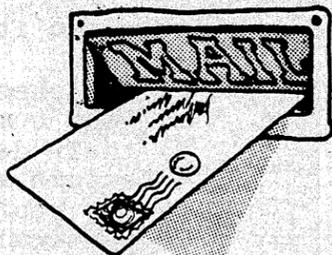
TOP 10 COLLEGE WOMEN COMPETITION

Southern Technical Institute students are invited to participate in GLAMOUR Magazine's 1982 Top Ten College Women Competition. Young women from colleges and universities throughout the country will compete in GLAMOUR's search for ten outstanding students. A panel of GLAMOUR editors will select the winners on the basis of their solid records of achievement in academic studies and/or in extracurricular activities on campus or in the community.

The 1982 Top Ten College Women will be featured in GLAMOUR's August College issue and will receive a \$1,000 cash prize.

Anyone who is interested in entering the search should contact the Student Center Office for more information. The deadline for submitting an application to GLAMOUR is December 15, 1981.

Post Office



Student please check your Post Office Boxes !!! And if by chance you will no longer be with us, PLEASE leave a forwarding address!

Thank you
The Post Office
Staff

Ask The President

"Ask the President" will become a regular feature in the Sting beginning with the first issue of fall quarter. Dr. Cheshier has agreed to answer questions to him in each issue of the Sting. Questions to any other member of the STI Administration can also be answered in this column. This will give any student a direct line of communication to the president of this school. Students should place the questions in the Sting mail box (in the student center by the television). The newspaper staff will make sure that the proper administrator receives the question.

FOR SALE

Dark Knotty Pine Dining Room Set -- BASSETT including two Captains Chairs, two Benches and two Extension leaves for table.

Original price: \$2,300.00
Must sell due to moving; will sell for \$1,000.00

If interested call Martha Morris: work, 424-7220, home, 424-1099



I plan on living a long and healthy life, so I get regular cancer checkups. Call or write your local unit of the American Cancer Society for a free pamphlet on their new cancer checkup guidelines. Because if you're like me, you want to live long enough to do it all.

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USG STUDIES ABROAD

The USG Studies Abroad Program offers students from Southern Tech and 32 other schools in Georgia the opportunity to spend a summer in another country and earn degree credit at the same time. The variety of programs is greater than ever, with new ones in Quebec and London this year.

Interested students should contact Southern Tech's campus representative, Dr. Robert Fischer, Head of the English and History Department, or write to USG Studies Abroad, Box 653, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA 30303. The application deadline is April 1, 1982.

SGA OPENINGS

The following positions in the Student Council are vacant: Night School Rep, Apparel Rep, Architectural Rep and Textile Rep.

The qualifications for these are: overall GPA of 2.0, 36 quarter hours and two quarters at STI. Come by SGA office and pick up petition if you are interested.

Anyone with restaurant management experience who is interested in managing the food service area in the lower level of the Student Center should contact Tobin McTyre, Student Body Vice President at 424-7250 or in the office on the upper level of the Student Center.

SOUTHERN TECH DAYTIME PARTIES

Are you bored? Tired of having nothing to do? Well your worries will soon be over. Starting next quarter, Pat and the Squirrel will bring you entertainment. Not just the usual "bull" that you are accustomed to, but something totally different. We will introduce a precedent at Southern Tech. Have you ever heard of partying in the daytime? That's right in the daytime. Beginning next quarter we will be bringing daytime parties to Southern Tech. They will begin at 11:00am and end at 4:00pm. Our first party will begin in January. Admission will only be 25¢...a small pittance to pay to have lots of fun. The entertainment will be sponsored by Pat and the Squirrel.

SOUTHERN TECH CHRISTMAS PARTY
FOR

THE CHILDREN OF STUDENTS
FACULTY, STAFF AND FRIENDS
SUNDAY - DECEMBER 13
ROOM 119/120



3 P.M. - DISNEY FILM AND CARTOONS

4 P.M. - SANTA ARRIVES

THIS PARTY IS CO-SPONSORED BY
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CAMPUS ACTIVITIES BOARD.

ONCE AGAIN...

The Sting Staff wishes to announce it's latest invention in regular rhetoric! Because students are particularly interested in the quality and severity of instruction they receive at Southern Tech (i.e. demanding that instructors be listed on the course registration schedules), we have decided to offer each and every one of you the opportunity to nominate for exposition your favorite professors! The winning nominees (the two that receive the largest number of nominations each week), with their permission, of course, will be personally interviewed by a member of the STING Staff as to their hobbies, interests, teaching philosophies and anything of interest that they are willing to devolve. This is your chance to find out who the real stars are! And guess what? The nominations are not limited to instructors. If there is any one on this campus (faculty or staff) that you feel is simply outstanding---nominate them! We welcome all nominations and will do our darndest to investigate all entries!

here's how to do it:

On half a sheet of paper place

- 1) your nominee
- 2) their dept., room # or STI ext.
- 3) enough words for us to understand why you think this person is particularly "good"

And then sign the message with your name and dept. (this information will remain confidential if you request)

RUSH your completed write to the Sting Mailbox outside the Sting Office in the Student Center before the next issue comes out!

Lincoln Green Comes

Back To College

Well, its that time of the quarter again. I suppose everyone is looking forward to the Christmas holidays. Allison is going home and I will miss her so. For Thanksgiving I took her to my house and we had turkey and dressing and pumpkin pie. Then we went to downtown Atlanta and saw the lighting of the great tree! It was so beautiful how the lights shown in her eyes and gave a fellow a sense of a halo high above her hair. It was cold and crowded so we had to walk for miles snuggled up together. I asked her to be my best girl that night and she said "no." I guess she hasn't yet realized what a wonderful person I am!

But I had thought my lady love would have to play second fiddle for awhile because I had found a new interest. Yep, you guessed it...basketball! It all happened rather sudden like. I went down to the gym because the fellows said there was some big fancy weight room down there to tone up my muscles. Heck, my muscles come naturally...yours would too if you ran 10 miles a day, plowed a few fields and shoveled hay every fall! I may not look like much, but I'm solid, man! I thought it was worth a look see anyway. There was a lot of neat stuff down there for me to play with but what got me on the basketball team was when the coach walked by and I was, let me get this right, "palming a medicine ball." I think that's how it went. Actually, what I was doing was holding this big heavy ball in one hand upside down. Afterwhich we strolled over to the gym and watched the other guys practice. The coach asked me if I thought I could do what they were doing. Wasn't nothing to it. It was kinda like horseshoes. Each man trying to see how far away from the roped hole he could get before the ball wouldn't go in any more. My balls seemed to go in all the time no matter where I stood. Coach liked that and signed me up.

I was so anxious to tell Allison that I ran all the way cross town. You see, she got a part-time job for Christmas at one of the big department stores. When I finally reached the K-Mart, I was all but out of breath and stumbled

over my words. Even after I managed to get myself together, she still seemed rather uninterested. I suppose she still hasn't quite forgiven me yet. At that time she wouldn't even promise to come to any of the games.

But, tonight she was there! My heart skipped a beat. I, who hadn't scored a point since the season began, wanted like anything to play. I begged coach to put me in and just as I was about to put the ball in the basket (I had to jump a little, there were a bunch of guys trying to take the ball away from me) my foot slipped off the pavement and I came down too hard on my big toe! Now here I am spending the rest of the holidays in Kennestone Hospital! It is not so bad. I don't have a cast or anything...there's not much you can do for five broken toes. There's one consolation, however, I can't take finals from a hospital bed.

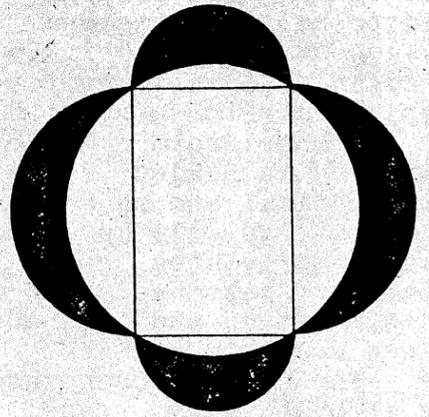
Till next year,
Your Friend,

Linc



STINGERS

from de Caux



Unfortunately the exact dimensions were left off the above drawing. It is known however that the rectangle is inscribed in the inner circle and that the outer curves are semi-circles drawn on the sides of the rectangle. It is also known that the area of the rectangle is 1.2 square inches exactly. Is it possible to discover exactly what area the black part of the figure has without any further information?

Mike Sumrell produced a very nice solution to #31 which had been around since March of this year! John Holloway, Michael D. White, Wilford Moore and S.R. wiped out STINGER #42. WOW!

As usual solutions to this week's STINGER may either be left at my office, 256b, or in my box in the Mathematics Department Office.

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