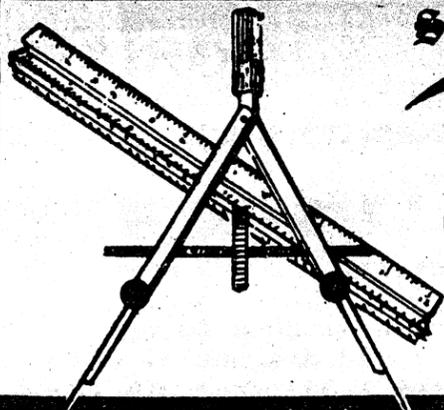


Southern Technical Institute

Marietta, Georgia



The Sting

By Whom Shall You Be Be Controlled

by Monica T. Durden

For more than a year, the Statutes Committee, under the leadership of Professor Julian Wilson have put a great deal of time and effort into coming up with the recently released proposed Statutes of Southern Tech. The committee has done an excellent job and deserves credit from us all.

Even so, there are still many questions to be answered.

3. Student Life Committee
The Student Life Committee shall consist of five Faculty members elected by the faculty, one administrator appointed by the President, and one nonvoting student member. The Committee is charged with developing policies and procedures for all extracurricular student activities except intercollegiate athletics. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to, approving proposed changes in the Student Government Constitution, approving the Student Government budget, approving charters for student organizations presented by the Student Government, and reviewing or originating regulations for student-sponsored activities such as concerts and guest speakers and for such organs of the student body as the student newspaper and radio station. In addition, the Committee shall set standards for student behavior and where possible suggest suitable penalties for infractions and shall formulate rules for the Judiciary Committee. The Committee shall review and approve annually the code of conduct for students."

Also in another section pertaining specifically to

Faculty responsibility was the idea that: "The Faculty shall prescribe rules for regulation of student periodicals, athletics, intercollegiate and intramural games, musical, dramatic and literary clubs, fraternities and sororities, and all other student activities and affairs, subject to the approval of the Chancellor and the Board of Regents."

To a great many of the student leaders at STI this is an unacceptable proposal that could very well go through without stringent student opposition. Creditable suggestions such as these are the direct result of the overwhelmingly obvious student apathy prevalent on this campus. The Faculty it seems wants the strong arm in not only student affairs, but also in governing policy as well.

A committee composed of Faculty members only (a nonvoting student member does not count) that makes all the decisions regarding student activities is a subtle dictatorship. Action must be taken. Says Tobin McTyre, SGA president "For the past 2½ years, everything has been fine: the Student Government Association has been just that, the Student Government. We have done everything that the proposed Statutes would authorize the Faculty to do. In the past, anything the SGA did was subject to the approval of the Dean of Students and ultimately, the President. To my best recollection, nothing we have done has been vetoed or even changed by these two offices. I respect and appreciate the time and



effort that the Statutes Committee has put into this matter, but on several points I strongly disagree."

Says one student of the new proposal "I have often felt a certain irritating notion that particular faculty members and even administrators would be a lot happier if Southern Tech could (would) exist without the students. It is most evident in the course scheduling procedures, fee payment regulations and even in the penalties for parking tickets. Have you ever known a faculty member to go before the Judicial Board over a parking ticket dispute?... therefore to even just suggest total faculty rule over the students is not at all surprising, or better yet unanticipated."

Granted the students should never hope to ascertain or maintain full responsibility for the implementation or regulation of rules of policies governing student organizations or student behavior. However, it is strongly felt that the adaptation and approval of policies regarding "Student Life" should be a shared responsibility between mutually interested parties ...the Faculty, Administrator and the STUDENTS.

BY WHOM SHALL YOU BE
CONTROLLED?!

Bathtub Racing Supplement Enclose

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Sting

I recently had an opportunity to visit STI--my alma mater. As I entered campus, I realized that there is no alumni parking. This is as it should be since many times students must park quite a long way from civilization. I resolved the issue by following the signs into the "visitors" lot; wherein there are three types of spaces all of which are numbered. The first type had names, people's names, and since state law prohibits naming state edifices after the living, then these spaces must be tribute to some long dead educator or statesman. Turns out, that they were named after current administrators so it is a debatable point. The second type of space had the label "visitor" and all spaces of this type were filled. The third type of space was a very special space. In the place for the label there was nothing--no denotation what so ever. This space had no name--it must be for NOBODY.

But who is this NOBODY? Regressing, I was overwhelmed with the sense of worth that the Southern Tech administration instilled in me during my stay at STI. Then I knew that I was that special NOBODY, for if the STI administration thinks that anybody is NOBODY then that NOBODY is me. Further, anybody (who cannot be NOBODY) who "works" on our state payroll would certainly be on the job by 11:00a.m.

It turns out that this was a magical space. Upon leaving three hours later, I met my long lost father--and he called me son. Though overcome with emotion, Dad proceeded to inform me that STI now has an official, well-paid, administrative NOBODY and I had parked in HIS space. Boy was NOBODY steamed! I was impressed.

I have been and always will be indebted to STI, particularly the Faculty; but now I am also deeply indebted to the administration of STI. They found my father, gave him a job and sobered him up. They have hired a NOBODY, and while you might think this absurd, NOBODY

is a standard, a measure, to be held up for comparison. So, the next time you feel depressed and your self-esteem ebbs to a new low, go by the goat-shed and look up NOBODY. It will make you feel better. I know that I feel better just knowing that STI has a NOBODY who makes me feel like somebody.

Kenneth M. Thompson
Class of '81

To The Editor and students:

WHATEVER HAPPENED TO THE YEARBOOK???

As you may or may not know there is a yearbook at Southern Tech, and within a few weeks you will be able to pick up your copy in the Student Center.

What you probably also don't know is that the Editor (& staff) of last year's yearbook has been removed. Brian Squires took up the yearbook when nobody else wanted it. There would be no yearbook organization today if it wasn't for him. Brian picked up the yearbook from virtually ground zero and put it together through a lot of hard work and long hours. Brian also had a few but very hard-working individuals who should also get a pat on the back.

Recently, a meeting was held with Dean Smith to decide the fate and new editor of the "Log." Brian and his staff were asked to prepare several items for the next yearbook and present them at this meeting.

After all the hard work that he did, the Administration chose somebody else who has not even worked on the yearbook at all before. The new editor of the "Log" is William "Guy" Barrett.

I feel that Brian and his staff have been slapped in the face by the administration of this school.

It just doesn't seem right!!

To Brian Squires:

Thank you for your time and efforts and especially for the yearbook!

To William Barrett:

I wish you luck; it's a lot harder than it looks.

Sincerely,
Andy Hathaway

Dear Editor:

I was a witness to a shameful and disgusting event last week. One that disgraced every student on this campus.

We are supposed to be our nation's future leaders but if this guy was an example, our nation is going to hell in a handbasket.

One of our students showed off his versatile vocabulary by spouting foul and abusive language at one of the police officers.

Granted, the fella was probably upset since the tow-truck was hooked up to impound his car. The side of the story he won't tell the other students is that he already had 5 tickets for an unregistered vehicle. It isn't as if the guy didn't know any better, he had at least 2 old decals on the windshield.

He first fed the officer a cock-and-bull story that he thought a "friend" had been playing a joke on him and putting his tickets on his windshield. Then he told the officer (who had already given him a days' grace on impoundment) that the reason he had put the old ticket back on his windshield was because, "I wanted them to know I knew I had a ticket."

THAT'S STUPID!!!

I refuse to go into it any more, because the more I think about it, the madder I get.

I do want to say this though. The officers of STI have the same authority as any other officer in the state. If that had been a State Patrol officer, this young man might have found himself spending the night in jail.

He should count himself lucky that the officers give the students as much slack as possible.

I'm glad that the officers are here to protect us. I'm sad that this school has a few assholes like this particular student.

William G. Barrett

HAPPY
MOTHER'S
DAY. MOM!

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Although the Atlanta Vet Center has been in business for nearly three years and has recorded over 49,000 veteran contacts, director David Lewis says there is no let up in Vietnam Era veterans seeking readjustment counseling. In fact, Lewis said, the veterans coming to him now present tougher problems than ever before.

"They have job problems, family problems, emotional problems," Lewis said. "Their Vietnam experience is a common thread and the economy magnifies their readjustment difficulties. Even now, in 1983, many Vietnam veterans haven't made it all the way home from the war."

In technical terms, many of these troubled veterans suffer from post traumatic stress disorder, a delayed reaction to the extreme stress of their military experiences which can manifest itself in a number of symptoms including depression, anger, anxiety, emotional numbing, guilt, suicide, alienation and negative reaction to authority.

"It's the one common factor affecting most of the veterans we see," Lewis said, "and very few counselors are equipped to effectively deal with it, let alone diagnose it."

That's why Lewis' Vet Center and local veterans' service organizations are sponsoring a day-long workshop (two sessions--9am-noon, 1pm-3pm) Fri., April 22nd, at the Ga. Mental Health Institute, 1256 Briarcliff Rd.

The workshop, "Post Traumatic Stress Disorder: Issues, Assessment and Treatment Working With Vietnam Veterans," is expressly for those professionals most likely to come in contact with troubled Vietnam veterans; like psychologists, social workers, law enforcement officers and lawyers, Lewis explained.

The workshop will feature a panel composed of Atlanta Vet Center Counselors and Raymond M. Scurfield, DSW, chief of counseling services for the Veterans Administration's readjustment counseling service.

Scurfield, a nationally recognized expert on the causes and treatment of post traumatic stress disorder, works at VA headquarters in Washington and is in charge of the counseling programs in 136 Vet Centers across the nation. He served in Vietnam as an Army social work officer and later spent another year in the Far East in Army Community Services. He worked many years in Vietnam veterans' counseling programs in California.

The workshop is free and is open to all professionals who work with Vietnam veterans. Participants can register at GMHI the day of the workshop or in advance by calling the Atlanta Vet Center at 881-7264.

Annual Awards Ceremony Scheduled for June

Plans are now being made for the Annual Awards Ceremony to be held on Friday evening, June 10, 1983 at 7 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom. Anyone planning to present an award should notify Dean Charles Smith, Dean of Student Affairs, on or before Friday, May 27, 1983. If the Dean of Students Office is not notified by the deadline the award may not appear in the printed program.

Each group presenting an award will need to provide:

1. The name of the award, the sponsoring organization and the emphasis of the award (i.e. service, academic, etc.)
2. Name and address of the award recipient, if known.
3. Name and address of the person presenting the award and the company or the group this person represents.

Each group presenting an award is responsible for inviting the award recipient to the Awards Ceremony. Invitations will be sent if the names and addresses are made available.

If it is known that an award recipient will not be present at the Awards Ceremony, please make arrangements for someone else to accept the award and inform Dean Smith or the Masters of Ceremonies of this change in advance.

The Spring Bathtub Race is scheduled for Sunday, May 15, 1983, at 3:00p.m. This is a major campus event which attracts many visitors to campus. It is a fun time but it can also present some problems. Last Fall, for instance, some unidentified and irresponsible individuals rolled several tires onto Clay St. after the bathtub race causing several accidents and a near tragic situation. This foolishness not only causes embarrassment to the college but it endangers the safety of passers by.

We all hope this year's Bathtub Race will be a success and that all Southern Tech people will do their part to make this event an asset for STI and not a liability.

Dean C. E. Smith

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CORRECTION

The letter from The Network which was published in the April 22 issue of The STing was reprinted by request of The Network and not by the request of the Counseling Center as was erroneously printed.

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The New Bookstore

In order to provide more space for the Computer Center, the bookstore is moving to a new building. Constructed on the West side of the breezeway between the Lab and Electrical buildings, it is composed of seven prefabricated sections, which were assembled on April 25th.

According to Robert Rethmel, bookstore manager, the store will be relocated sometime after the first of Summer quarter. He cited a number of reasons for waiting until then to make the move.

First, it is doubtful whether the interior of the 4800 sq. ft. construction will be fully completed before the end of the current session.

Second, if the store could not complete the transition before the new quarter started, students could be faced with standing in two lines in two separate buildings to get everything they need (a thing Mr. Rethmel and his staff wish to avoid).

Third, the bookstore takes inventory at the end of each quarter. A move would thus make this procedure much more difficult.

And fourth, their total inventory is actually much higher at this time, since books are being stockpiled for the coming session. Such a move would mean transferring many times the quantity that waiting a few weeks would entail.

So the move will probably be made two or three weeks into Summer quarter though

Rethmel says that he is personally ready to "get out" of the old store. The current structure is not designed for a bookstore, leaving a lot of wasted space. What space is left for storage and display is at a premium. Storage space is so crowded, in fact, the staff cannot keep track of everything. This has resulted in items being ordered twice or not at all, and in a general sense of confusion about stock.

All this should change with the new building, which was partly designed by the bookstore staff. It features more useable space and a better floor design, with ample storage. It will have more and better display space in general, and will particularly increase the area devoted to clothing, backpacks, engineering supplies, calculators, and reference books.

During rush, the new store will have four checkouts instead of the current three; a fact that should delight everyone, since last quarter the bookstore had 8,045 sales the first five days it was open. That translates into one customer for each register every one and one-half minutes. In the first day alone, the store had 2,784 sales. That's a combined total for all three registers of one sale every 15 seconds.

For Allen Schreier of PBS Building, Systems, Inc. (the Project Manager for the bookstore's construction) and

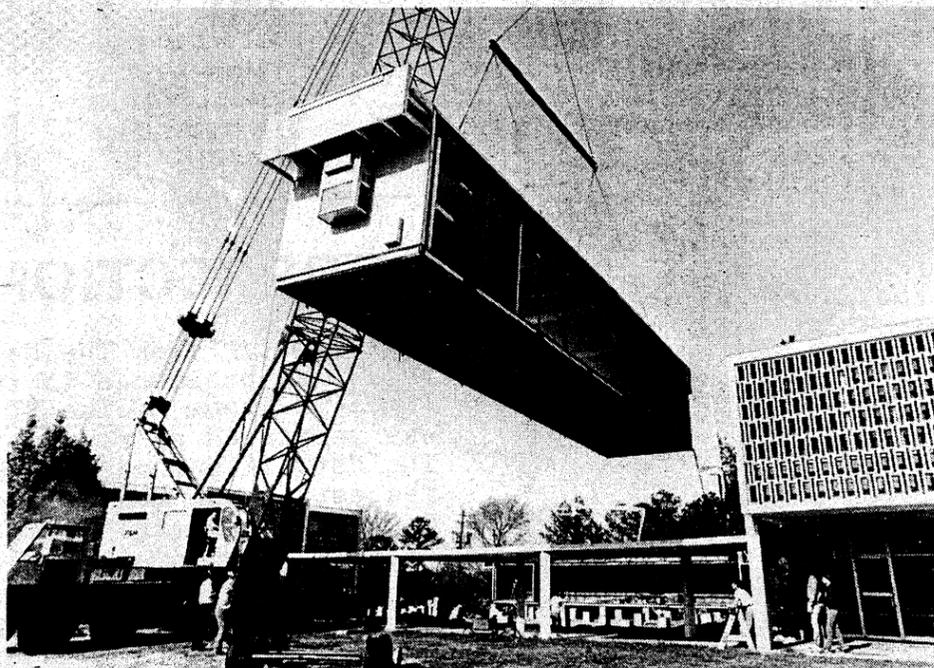
his workers, the job had its own pleasures and problems. Among the pleasures, Schreier commented that he found the campus "very nice," and one worker said he particularly liked the "pet rock."

On the other hand, a major difficulty was lifting the prefabricated units over the breezeway and into place. "For each foot of distance you lose lift power," Schreier commented. Therefore, a larger crane had to be brought in to do the job. In fact, the crane used has a 130-foot boom and a 140-ton capacity.

Another problem arose two days after the building was assembled, when a worker accidentally cut the water line into the campus. Questioned about it, the driver said, "we had to cut into the line to connect it to the building anyway, but we hadn't intended to do it this way."

One final note. As of this writing, sources revealed that very tentative plans are under consideration to move the post office into part of the bookstore's new building. According to this proposal, post office boxes for boarding students would be moved into the dorms, while headquarters for the post office and boxes for commuting students would be installed in the building with the bookstore. Everyone should be reminded that this is currently just a proposal. When and even if it will be carried through is uncertain. So, stay tuned...

Lenn Sisson



The Bookstore moves in
May 6, 1983

Photo by George King

Warning: To all students, Campus Safety has received a towing contract. Anyone who has three or more tickets is subject for impoundment. Any student who has outstanding violations will need to clear them up immediately to avoid impoundments of their vehicles.

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

The first meeting of the new LOG staff will be Tuesday May 10, at 12 NOON in Ballroom "C" of the Student Center.

Anyone interested in becoming part of the yearbook staff should plan to attend.

BATHTUB RACING '83

SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT



Meet the Racers

by John Brauhbeck

AS race day draws near all of the Bathtub Racers are attending to last minute details. The Anheuser-Busch company, brewers of BUDWEISER beer, along with the Bathtub Racing Association have teamed up to bring us the Seventeenth Annual Spring Bathtub Race. The 75-lap race will start Sunday, May 15 at 3:00 p.m.

To pick a winner in this race would be difficult because attrition is such a big factor. I have arranged the tubs in numerical order and included a few bits of information about each to help you get acquainted with the racers.

Tub #7, driven by MET sophomore Mike Smoker, is a new machine that could be very competitive if the bugs are worked out by race time. This will be the third race that Mike has entered here at Southern Tech. Mike is the President of the BRA.

Tub #11, driven by CET senior Billy McCloud, is usually one of the top qualifiers. Billy finished fifth in the last Fall race despite a cracked engine mount. Sponsors for the tub are Blackbook Co. and Lambda Chi Alpha.

Tub #15, the Team Miller Racing entry, is the current holder of the track record. Driven by alumnus Edward Jordan, the tub turned a lap time of 62.7 seconds during

qualifying last Fall. Edward won the Fall race and he is surely the one to beat.

Tub #18, Zeke the Silver Streak, was built by James Wascher and will be driven by Tim West. The TKE machine is constructed of aluminum beams and sheet, making one of the more flexible frames. The racer has recently been fitted with a new front end.

Tub #20, the S.O.L. Racing Team, has undergone some design changes. Driven by alumnus Allen Hollingsworth, the tub has potential to be among the finishers.

Tub #30, the Spring Gardens College entry, finished second last Spring and they should be competitive this Spring also. The driver, Tom Clemens would like to see some Bathtub Races in Pennsylvania so that he would not have so far to drive to go racing.

Tub #35, driven by Bucky Delong, is the entry from Drexel University in Philadelphia. It is currently the only water cooled 125 cc powered tub in the race. Bucky

finished fourth in the Fall race.

Tub #43, driven by Sigma Nu alumnus John Farmer, will be making another trip from Kentucky to compete this weekend. John has been a steady runner in races past and for those interested, John has put his #43 up for sale. This could be a good opportunity for a new team to break into Bathtub Racing.

Tub #44, driven by veteran tubber Don Davidson, should be one of the faster entries. His Vermeer sponsored racer will be using a rebuilt Can-Am engine which could provide Don with the combination he needs to win. Don is an exciting driver to watch, especially during time trials when he goes into the turns after a long straightaway.

Tub #48, reported to be another TKE entry has not confirmed who will be the driver at press time.

Tub #57, driven by Chris Burdette, will make the grand debut this weekend as they try their hand at Bathtub Racing. The tub that they have bought was at one time one of the fastest.

Tub #68, driven by Charles Ellison, has an improved brake system for this race. Charles' engine won the race two years ago when it powered the Charlie Mix machine. #68 is always entertaining to

watch as it drifts through the hairpin turns at high speed.

Tub #77, driven by Donnie Gnatt, was the winner of last year's Spring race. Sigma Nu and Hip Pocket sponsor the tub which has been fitted with front disc brakes for this race. Always consistent Donnie should finish well.

Tub #81, driven by Sigma Nu alumnus Court Dowis, finished third this Fall. Court has had a few third place finishes in his career and he wants to do better. Watch him! This could be the year.

Tub #96, driven by Rodney Bridges, should be one of the fastest. Rodney has won more Bathtub Races than any other driver, although engine trouble has bothered him in recent races. An innovative tub, it is capable of impressive speed when the engine cooperates. Due for a comeback, Rodney is one of the favorites this weekend.

Special thanks goes out to all Fraternities and Sororities who have pledged to serve as track marshalls. The Track Marshalls are an essential part of the safety precautions taken at every Bathtub Race. Also a thanks in advance to all those hardy soles who will get wet and filthy during the tire throws

1983 SPRING RACE SCHEDULE

May 10	8:00	Meeting in Room 206 of Classroom building. Dues and Fees are all due
May 12,	1:00-5:00	Tire throw. Move and set up bridges
May 13	1:00-3:00	Tire check and alignment-Bridges set up.
May 14	7:30 a.m.	Race Direction Only
	8:00 a.m.	Set up Pit Area
	8:30 a.m.	Driver and Co-Driver Track Walk
	9:00 a.m.	Track Marshalls' Meeting--Room 213
	9:45 a.m.	Morning Practice Begins
	12:00 p.m.	Noon Lunch Break
	12:45 p.m.	Track Marshall's Meeting--Room 213
	1:30 p.m.	Afternoon Practice
	2:45 p.m.	Practice Ends--Line up for Time Trials
	3:00 p.m.	Time Trials Begin
		Qualifying Line Up Closed
	5:00 p.m.	Time Trials End
		<u>Move Tires At Assigned Areas</u>
May 15	7:30 a.m.	Race Direction Only
	9:30 a.m.	Set Up Pits
	10:30 a.m.	Driver Track Walk
	11:15 a.m.	Track Marshall's Meeting--Room 213
	12:00 p.m.	Practice Starts
	1:30 p.m.	Practice Ends
	2:15 p.m.	Track Marshall's Meeting--Room 213
	2:30 p.m.	Drivers' Meeting--Room 357
	2:50 p.m.	Tubs Line Up
	3:00 p.m.	RACE BEGINS
	After Race	<u>Move Tires At Assigned Areas</u>
May 16	1:00-3:00	Tire Pick Up. Take Down and Move Bridges

This year's race will have all the color of past races, beauty queens, exotic sports cars, music, food, and more. You should make plans to attend. Stay tuned folks, BRA and BUD together, This one's for us!

History of the Bathtub Race

The roar of the engines, the acrid smell of burning oil and gasoline, the quiet hurry of the mechanics, the loud murmur of the pre-race crowd milling about the pit area, and, on the track, the high-pitched whine of the finely tuned engine screaming its way through the curves in the final test before the big race. Across the track, the booming voice of the amplified announcer penetrates the air: "Driver's, report to the track officials. Fans, clear the pit area." Fans increase the tempo of their activities, jockeying to find the best spot on the track to watch the action. It's race time!

The scene is not that of the Monte Carlo Grand Prix but is, instead, the campus drive of Southern Technical Institute in Marietta, Georgia where the most unique of all land races takes place - the annual bathtub race. These are not just common bathtubs on wheels, mind you, but finely tuned racing machines. The formula is simple:

Take any cast iron bathtub four feet in length, mount it on a tubular frame, attach a 175 cc motorcycle engine, devise a steering system, and you're in business.

Of course, refinement of these basic requirements produce an Indy-type bathtub racer that negotiates the 1.1 mile track filled with hairpins, S-turns, straightaways, and gently banked turns at speeds in excess of 60 miles an hour. Nowhere in the world is there another race that can compare to this one.

Bathtub racing is a relatively new sport at Southern Tech. It made its appearance about 17 years ago when two fraternities, using tubs mounted on wheels as a means of carrying beer, spontaneously began a race. Other clubs and fraternities soon picked up the idea and bathtub racing as an organized sport was born. The original tubs were pieced-together racers with little more than ropes to guide them and powered by the energy of unfortunate pledges. The track consisted of a series of man-made obstacles such as opened fire hydrants, mud puddles and water balloons. Despite its crude beginnings, the idea of bathtub racing took hold and grew. It has evolved into a major racing attraction that draws national attention.

Independent Student Bathtub Racing Team is in need of a few dependable workers for the Spring '83 race on May 15, 1983. Please call Charles at 255-8917.

Parking Regulations for the Spring Bathtub Race

Parking will not be allowed on Campus drive or on the road on the west side of the main parking lot from 10:00 pm on Friday, May 13 until after the race on Sunday, May 15.

Parking will be allowed in the small parking lots in front of the administration building, but cars will not be allowed to move from these lots after 8:00 am on Saturday.

Both main entrances will be blocked off for practice and race sessions. Campus police will be stationed at these entrances to control any persons attempting to enter.

The gates from the Drive-In lot will be left open for passage, however, when tubs are on the course, all persons may cross the track only at the bridges.

Autos that park illegally and/or present a danger to practice or to the race will be removed by a wrecker at the expense of the owner.



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Bathtub Racing Supplement



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A Four Day Week For Summer Quarter?

STI has applied to the Chancellor to permit the school to operate on a four-day schedule during Summer quarter. The move is designed to make more efficient use of campus facilities during the smaller, Summer session.

According to sources, a final decision has not yet been received from the Chancellor's office, though one is expected in the next few weeks.

If approved, it will mean a ten-hour work day for most staff, and longer class periods for faculty and students; but weekends will be three days long.

Sources also stated that certain services will not be affected. Campus security and certain maintenance sections, among others, will continue their normal schedules throughout the quarter.

Lenn Sisson

Career Day Slated for STI

The annual Career Day will be held on campus May 20, 1983 in the Student Center.

We expect fifteen companies to be on campus between the hours of 9:00 AM and 2:00 PM for the purpose of providing career information to the student body. This is a good time to visit with each type company to gain insight about types of jobs available and job possibilities for the future. A number of the company representatives will be STI alumni who will be representing their companies so that students can learn first hand what graduates do in their work assignments.

Paul Smith, director of placement, is coordinating this event and encourages all students to take time out during the day to seek out valuable career information.

A few companies attending are: Digital Communications Associates, Lockheed-Georgia Company, Westinghouse, Duracell, and Northern Telecom.

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Robert Fischer Back from Puerto Rico

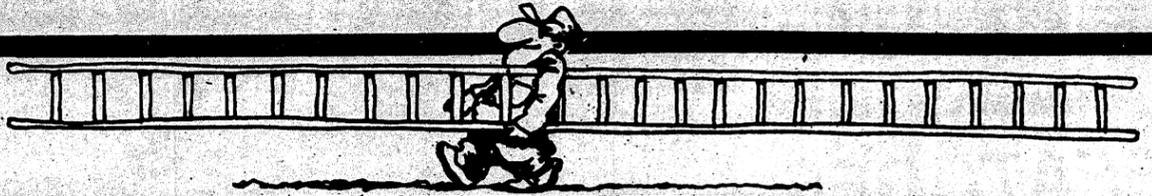
Robert Fischer, English and History Dept., recently returned from San Juan, Puerto Rico, where he delivered a paper at the 13th annual meeting of the South Eastern Council of Latin American Studies. The title of his presentation was "Reagan's Response to Reform and Revolution in Latin America." Dr. Fischer's academic specialty is U.S. Diplomatic and Latin American History. The meeting, held during the first week of April, attracted more than one hundred scholars from the U.S. and Latin America.

Glorious Knight

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The Long, Dark,
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Sir B. Strickland
March 1982

FEATURES



The Adventures of Hap Hazard Private Eye

by James B. Todd

I was relaxing in my office, reliving one of my many exciting cases, when a vision walked through my door. Calling this dame beautiful would be like calling Windsor Castle a summer cottage. Her hair was the color of a strong bourbon and water, and her emerald green eyes made me shiver. The curves on this babe made a french curve look like a straight edge. This dish would make a blind man look twice.

When I finally caught my breath, and thought I could trust my voice, I asked her to sit down.

"Have a seat Miss uh..."

"Hart. Opal Hart."

She was a gem all right.

"Well, Miss Hart, how can I help you?"

"Oh, Mr. Hazard, it's my fiance, Bit Byte. He's thrown me over. He hasn't called me in over a week. His roommate says he only sees Bit when he leaves his room to get another box of vanilla wafers. He quit going to school. He quit going to work. I don't know what I'm going to do. Can you help me get Bit back?"

Crystal tears the size of pearls were rolling down her beautiful cheeks. What I wouldn't have done to have been able to kiss those sweet salt drops away.

"Miss Hart, you said he had thrown you over. Who could he have in his room that could entice him to stay in there so long?"

"Not who, Mr. Hazard, what? The last time I say him he was on his way to the Cosmic Slide Rule and Computer Shop. He was going to pick up a new Hewlett Packard 99000 calculator. He's been in his room ever since he got home with it."

My hopes of a favorable solution to the case evaporated when she uttered those two deadly words, Hewlett Packard.

"Ah, HP syndrome. I'm sorry to tell you this Miss Hart, but I've been on many cases that involved HP syndrome, and I've found that 99.44% of the time, it's fatal."

Opal Hart crumbled.

"Oh, what will I do without Bit."

I had a couple of suggestions but figured they could

wait. I also had an idea that might save this bone head Bit.

"We've only got one chance, Miss Hart. I'll tell you about it on the way over to your fiance's apartment."

I followed this sanctuary of perfection out to the lot where I keep my heap. She was poetry. Sheer poetry.

Once in the car, I gave her the story. It was short and simple. Bit had to go cold turkey. The prescription? The kid would have to throw away his HP 99000 and use no calculator more powerful than a TI 30. Brutal, but effective. Miss Hart didn't take the news too badly. I think she was warming to me.

When we got to the apartment I saw the worst case of HP syndrome imaginable. Bit didn't even hear us come into his room. He was stooped over his drafting table with the lamp pulled down low. Bit was pounding the buttons on his HP 99000 a hundred miles an hour. The noxious machine was pinging and ponging like a runaway pin ball machine.

It was apparent the kid's brain was in a permanent interface mode with the HP 99000. It was two computers having a rapid fire conversation about some garbage like the universal constant. Since neither the kid nor the HP 99000 had enough sense to terminate, some one had to do it for him. I pulled out my heater, jerked the kid away from the table, and planted three slugs in the HP 99000.

The kid dropped dead. Like someone had pulled his plug. I guess that someone was me.

I rushed Miss Hart out of the room. I wanted to get her out of there before the cops showed up and started asking her a lot of senseless questions she didn't need to hear.

"Don't take this too hard, Miss Hart, you'll get over it somehow."

"You're right, Mr. Hazard. I'm going to start forgetting that null set right now. I should have known about him when he told me he loved me for what was in my cranial lobe."

I couldn't believe it. Her cranial lobe? My chances were looking better.

"Can I call a cab for you?" I asked, with that "can I call you tonight" lilt in my voice.

"No thanks, I need the walk, but you could call for me tonight. About 8:00?"

Pay dirt. My heart was racing like a thoroughbred.

"You bet, Opal. I'll be there with bells on."

So, the case was solved, one way or another. Bit Byte was on his way to the big Main Frame in the sky, and I would soon be on my way over to see that vision of visions, Opal Hart. That satisfying feeling came over me that only means one thing; another case in the success column for...Hap Hazard, Private Eye.

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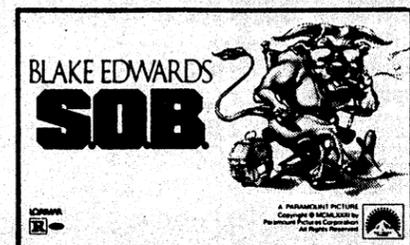
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In order to make a safe landing on Saturn the above number has to be calculated to forty decimal places. Unfortunately our space engineer's double precision computer cannot give him this much accuracy! Perhaps you can help him out with a little algebra!

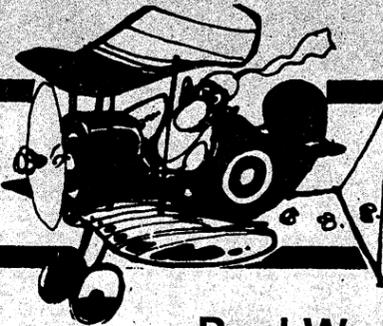
Maurice Khano correctly solved #58 and Steve Blalock solved #59. Many attempted solutions have been turned in for #60 but none is correct! Remember that the picture IS really misleading. The edge of the grazing area is NOT circular!

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Real World or Blue Sky?

by William "Guy" Barrett

I wrote an article recently called "Professor Who?" that told you a secret about choosing professors. That article brought at least one grumble (from a Prof. who shall remain nameless) that said something to the effect of "but what about how much they learn?"

My answer to that is this. Southern Technical Institute is a unique type of school. One that teaches "real world" solutions to problems. We need to be taught "real world" subjects at the "real world" level. We do not need the "blue sky" level of mathematics that is taught at MIT or even at Ga. Tech. If that is the way a student is inclined, he or she should transfer to a school that offers that level of math.

Unfortunately, some of our Math and Physics professors seem to think that "you don't want to put numbers in the equations because that messes the equations up."

Honest, I heard it with my own ears. Now a mathematician may indeed feel that way, but I too wish he had put some numbers in that equation so I could see how it worked.

Most of the students here study hard in order to pass, or else they don't stay here

for long, because they want to make money in industry. We need "real world" math, we need "real world" Physics, and we need "real world" English and History. Give us what we need and just a little bit more. Remember that this is STI, not MIT, Ga. Tech or William and Mary.

Thank goodness that most of the prof's at STI do teach real world applications. It only worries me when I hear some of the little stories maticulate. For instance, one of the night class instructors (part-time) was telling me about some type of social for the faculty that he went to. He had been there for about an hour when this prof walked up and spoke to him. Immediately after he had introduced himself, he asked the part-time how many of his students he had failed last quarter. The part-time told me that after that kind of remark, he didn't care to go to any more faculty socials.

Conclusion? Yes, the amount you learn does matter. But, if more of the profs would come down to earth and worry less about "just suppose," they would have more of an opportunity to

teach a subject thoroughly.

I don't think any of the students mind having a good basic grounding in any subject. I do know none of them like taking a class under a professor who has a reputation of aiming for a 60% failure rate.

Yes, faculty members, we do have them. I hope you aren't one of them.

P.S. I wonder if certain profs would get the message if they suddenly found copies of this article under their doors?

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Clubs and Organizations

Tau Kappa Epsilon

Once again, TKE has emerged as victorious by winning several events at Springfest (which is a large social event comprised of competitive games and good times. It is held every Spring at Ga. Tech).

First, our Little Sisters showed their superior athletic ability when they captured a hard fought 2nd place in the volleyball competition.

In addition, Little Sisters Cheryl Snyder, Teri Davis, Lynn (Brother James Wascher's girlfriend), and Melanie (Brother Ed Head's girlfriend) captured 1st place in the beer chugging contest.

Finally, TKE placed two competitors in the TKE Peach Contest, Jill Phillips and Sarah Compton. Sarah won second place in overall competition. To all our Little Sisters, we congratulate you on doing a terrific job and proving STI #1.

Also, we would like to congratulate Brother Ed Head on his recent victory. Ed is a powerlifter, and recently captured the title of second in the state for his weight class.

Next, Kristy Morgan was initiated as a Little Sister on Sunday, April 17th. We are glad to have Kristy as a member, and are very proud of her.

Well, Greek Week is coming up and we are diligently preparing for our competition. Greek Week is a time of fellowship for all Greek organizations on campus. Good luck to all our fellow Greeks.

Also, TKE will (hopefully) be ready to tear up the track at the Bathtub Race. Everything's looking great!

Finally, due to a problem in scheduling, we are having to cancel open house. We hope to reschedule sometime in the near future.

As always, if you are interested in Greek life, come by the office or the TKE house.

Jeff Thompson
Historian

AIIE

The Southern Tech chapter of AIIE elected officers for the 1983-1984 term. The new officers are:

Doug Chandler - Pres.
Jimmy Iskander - V. P.
Buddy Stone - Treas.
John Nowiak - Sect.

Congratulations to our new officers and best wishes for the coming term.

The Academic Dean, Dr. Travis, will be the guest speaker May 3 at 12:00 noon in room 266. He will present a program on his IE tour of Japan.

May 17, from 5-7p.m., the annual social will be held at the Chattahoochee River Co. on the Marietta Square. Come out to the social, join the party, and meet the new officers!

ASCE Upcoming Events

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