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Curriculum changes announced for CET

Tom Doran, staff writer

Four year graduates in Civil Engineering Technology will have four majors to choose from beginning in the fall quarter 1984. Course requirements for the associate degree will change at the same time.

Students in the CET curriculum will be able to major in surveying, structures, or construction management and will also be able to declare an undesignated major. The changes were discussed at the April 17 meeting of the Student chapter of the American Society of Civil Engineers by David E. Hornbeck, CET department chairman.

Hornbeck reported that the new majors were developed by the CET faculty in response to informal discussions with students and with representatives of industry. Students will be able to more intensively specialize in the field they prefer. The new structures option, for instance, will include a course in bridge design. Students will also need six hours of CET electives.

Degree applicants specializing in surveying will need eight hours of CET electives and face a new requirement for CET 310, which, Hornbeck said, "will become more of a drafting course."

Those electing the construction option will take 14 hours of CET electives plus several management courses currently taught by the Industrial Engineering faculty. The general or "no option" major will require 25 hours of CET electives in addition to the 180 hours required of all CET majors.

At the associate degree level there will be two possible majors. Students can choose

between a general civil engineering curriculum and a surveying major. One significant change is that the surveying option will require a five hour course in advanced surveying.

Several CET courses will be refocused or redeveloped beginning this summer. Two courses, CET 302 and 316, will gain an hour's credit to become four hour courses. CET 310 will still be only five hours but will be called **structural drafting**, and will be a prerequisite to all structural design courses.

Strength of materials (CET 314) will be a prerequisite to Indeterminate Structures (CET 316) which will be a prerequisite to Reinforced Concrete (CET 338) and Structural Steel (CET 337).

In surveying, Route Surveys (CET 322) will be a prerequisite to Photogrammetry (CET 421) and Advanced Surveying (CET 425), which will be a prerequisite of Land Surveys (CET 323).

The new degree requirements will be mandatory for freshmen and new transfers beginning Fall 1984. Current students and those who have maintained continuous enrollment (defined as not having "an absence of three or more consecutive quarters of matriculation" at Southern Technical Institute), may elect the degree requirements which are most advantageous to them. In the case of courses which have changed, students will be given the quarter hours of credit published when they took the course and will be presumed to have the necessary prerequisites for any subsequent courses.

Hornbeck recommends that students consult their advisors if they have questions about the changes.



Students speak with Representative Darden

Tena Mullinax, staff writer

On April 23, 1984, Congressman Buddy Darden visited Southern Tech. He came not to make a speech but to talk to the students, faculty and staff on a one to one basis. He wanted to inform the people (you) that he represents in Congress how he stands on present issues.

Mr. Darden was elected to an unexpired term following the tragic death of Larry McDonald. He took office on November 10, 1983 and represents the 7th District of Georgia in Congress. He is also a member of the House Armed Services Committee.

Mr. Darden answered many questions that concerned present day issues. Robert Blanck, an ROTC student, asked Mr. Darden how far he thought President Reagan's policy on Nicaragua ought to be carried. Mr. Darden answered by saying that the President's policy should be given the chance to be followed through until attempts have been made to complete everything that the policy is set up to do. He

believes that Nicaragua and El Salvador are vital to U.S. security. Mr. Darden also made the point that the U.S. has many foreign policies which tell people that the U.S. government is disunited. Consequently, Mr. Darden is a strong believer in "separate powers." The Legislative, Judicial and Executive branch should each take care of themselves before they try doing the others' job.

Mr. Darden commented on the Social Security System, a concern to all working Americans. As it seemed in the past, Congress has been slack to take action on things that do not effect them. Social Security is a good example of this. Congress used to be excluded from Social Security but as of Jan. 1, 1984, Congress is now affected. Mr. Darden believes part of the problem is that society is becoming older; more people are living past 65. In order to solve this problem he believes Social Security will have to grow---perhaps the age will increase. He does not think

the system will go under because the government has a contract with the people.

Congressman Darden also touched on the topic of implementing the Grace Commission to attack the deficit. According to Mr. Darden, there are three major areas that need to be looked at in order to cut the deficit: Defense budget, Entitlements, and Interest paid on the deficit. Other topics that Mr. Darden commented on included: Funding according to desegregation, chemical warfare and attempts to befriend our neighbors south of the border of Mexico.

William Gatlin, President of the Interfraternity Council presented Congressman Darden plaque for outstanding work in the 7th district. In the future, Mr. Darden will be traveling back and forth to Washington while Congress is in session until June. He then plans to do a talk show on the radio. In September he will resume his duties in Washington as Congress goes back in session.

Passing the torch

John Hardman, editor

As readers of this article are probably aware, I have been the editor of the *STING* since January of this year. I assumed the editorship in an *interim* situation; that is, until someone could be found to take over for a more permanent term. I have enjoyed being the editor, and I've made what I believe to be some real improvements in the operation, production, and overall quality of the paper.

The time has come for me to announce that effective at the end of Spring Quarter 1984, I will no longer be the editor of *STING*. It was fun, but I have some other responsibilities to take care of.

There are about a million yellow posters around campus. This poster exists in the hope that someone will be interested in becoming the editor of the *STING*. I hope some of you students will consider this position. It is a paid position and it is a good learning experience.

The editorship is a management situation, and as

such it makes a great item to add to a resume. It is a good opportunity to work with people, and to learn about the journalism business as well.

If you are interested in being an editor for the *STING*, come and talk to me; or see Dr. Kelly in the English Department. We will be glad to show you what goes on and how to do it.

I will be staying around to teach the new editors how to manage the job, and to make sure they are comfortable before I leave. I also plan to continue contributing written material to the *STING* on a regular basis. Again, I hope some of you will give serious consideration to this matter. It is a great way to get involved at Southern Tech. Also, it would be a real shame for the fine newspaper that the *STING* has become to fail for want of editorship. If nothing else, at least come by our office and see what we do. You won't know for sure until you try.

The great STI survey

James P. Sakers, asst. editor

I have been at Southern Tech for, oh, about two years now. (Although it seems longer) Since I have been here, there have been occasions that I began to think that I was THE ONLY person here who had viewpoints, yes, I said **viewpoints**—you know, those things that go right along with **opinions**?!

These viewpoints haven't, of course, been limited to any one particular facet of living, loving, or learning at STI, but rather, general ideas and observations of general happenings around campus.

Some of my friends and associates here have told me that they do, indeed, know what's going on here and, even more, have opinions. The problem is that they never seem to be able to put these opinions into words, either written or verbal.

Well, now I have come up with, I believe, the inevitable solution to this serious communication gap... (drum roll, please)

Ladies and Gentlemen, introducing The Great STI Survey!!!

In the next issue of the paper (barring the last-minute disasters) there will be a form, one with questions on it. That is the survey. It will be in a form that is so easy to figure out, even the IRS could do it!

So, take ten minutes, and fill out the survey, then take two more minutes, and put it in the box just outside the *STING* office (right next to the big TV screen in the Student Center). Then, I will take the forms, and put all the results together, and, if more than three people fill out the survey, I'll print the results in the last issue of the quarter.

So, be thinking about all of those things that you love and hate about Southern Tech. You won't have to write your names, so you can say anything (within reason) that you want to say. Any and all interesting (and printable) remarks will be printed!

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Freedom of choice

Steve Hoofnagle, staff writer

The U.S. auto industry is currently experiencing very prosperous times. The Chrysler Corporation reported higher quarterly profits than it has ever made in an entire year. This prosperity has come about largely by "trimming the fat".

U.S. auto makers have eliminated wasteful processes, closed unprofitable operations, retooled plants, tightened quality control, and invested in engineering research and development.

All of this change benefits Americans: Business people and consumers. All of this change was brought about by economic pressures: dissatisfied Americans buying imported cars. This is how the free enterprise system is supposed to work. If company A supplies a better quality product, at a lower cost than Company B, Company B either learns to compete or folds (**competition in action**).

Currently there is a "domestic content" bill under consideration by the U.S. Senate. This bill provides that a certain percentage of U.S. made parts be utilized by any manufacturer that sells more than 100,000 cars or light trucks in this country. The proportion of "domestic content" increases with the number of autos sold and reaches 90% with sales of 900,000 or more.

This bill (S.707) is designed to protect American jobs and make U.S. manufacturers more competitive. In fact it would do just the opposite. Effectively relieved of any competition, U.S. auto makers would stop research and development, pump-up prices, and allow wasteful practices. The voluntary restraint agreement with Japan has artificially driven the price of Japanese cars up. The U.S. automakers raised their prices accordingly—I call this price gouging.

The U.S. auto industry, like all other industries, must learn to compete. The producer of the best quality, lowest cost product will drive the competition out of business. A domestic content bill will give Detroit a captive audience and revive such practices as planned obsolescence.

The U.S. Department of Commerce estimates that the domestic content bill will cost American consumers \$740,000 for each job created. The non-partisan congressional budget office reports that this bill would end up costing 125,000 U.S. jobs.

The U.S. auto industry must learn to compete. The House of Representatives passed its domestic content bill (HR 1234) in 1983. Government coddling will eventually kill the U.S. auto industry. If you care, write your senator. I did.

Campus Capsules

WHAT COLLEGE ACTIVITY IS MOST HELPFUL to students' careers? When the U. of Texas Counseling Center asked recent UT graduates that question, the number one answer was: Partying. Social activities are best for making future contacts, it seems.

USE OF VIDEO GAMES may be declining elsewhere, but not on college campuses. College Union magazine reported in its April issue that business in college union video arcades is still booming, thanks in part to promotions by the unions, and to the constant introduction of new, more challenging games.

USING BOGUS BUS PASSES resulted in theft charges for 25 U. of Kansas students. The KU Student Senate, which operates the bus system through a Transportation Board, authorized its drivers to confiscate bogus bus passes, after a growing number began to turn up. The students, who were caught with a bogus bus pass or having made a bogus bus pass for friends, face charges of one to ten years in prison or a fine of up to \$5,000.

A PROPOSAL TO INCREASE STUDENT INPUT into the running of the campus Studer Center awaits Syracuse U. administrative action. The proposal, endorsed by 28 student leaders, calls for the center's student governance board to be given authority to approve policies, subject to administrative veto. It would also allow the student board to conduct performance reviews of the center's director.

ONLY ABOUT 300 STUDENTS TURNED OUT for the National Student Lobby Action Day, in part because it was scheduled during spring break. Organizers, which included several national student groups, had hoped for several thousand students to protest proposed aid cuts. They believe the lobbying effort was successful, even if the rally was small.

COMMENCEMENT CONCERNS: The Washington State U. Commencement Committee hopes to restrict the "carnival atmosphere" prevailing at recent events by changing the program. Students will sit in

chairs on the main floor, rather than in bleachers, and will see a much shorter program, since most speeches, the hooding of Ph.D. students and other activities will be eliminated. The U. of Pittsburgh student government wants Gov. Dick Thornburgh's invitation to graduation to be rescinded, because Thornburgh hasn't supported additional education funding. At the U. of Texas-Austin, the University Council agreed to give students a role in the selection of commencement speakers, putting two students on the selection committee.

The "AMERICANIZING" OF FOREIGN STUDENT NAMES is under fire at the U. of Texas, where an Oriental student objected to the university's refusal to put her last name first on her diploma. The former student, who now lives in Singapore, says she has to constantly explain the listing of her name, since it goes against Eastern traditions. UT officials say this is the first complaint of this nature.

TAKING TUITION-SETTING POWER away from the Arizona Board of Regents would produce tuition levels that are unfairly high, complains the U. of Arizona Associated Students. Its senate passed a regulation that would require tuition to be set at 20% of the operating costs of a university for in-state students, and 85% for out-of-state students.

FOUR PIECES OF ART DISPLAYING NUDE FIGURES were taken down from a student show by Brigham Young U. officials. Some families visiting the exhibit had complained about the drawings. Art faculty members agreed not to continue exhibiting the drawings, but said they were not erotic.

A MINOR BRAWL BROKE OUT among Boston College students standing in line for tickets to the Middlemarch Ball, a semi-formal dance. Organizers blamed the fight on tensions over the ticket distribution procedures, which require students to follow clues to reach one of four distribution sites for a limited number of tickets.

TIES TO SOUTH AFRICA still draw student complaint. Northern Illinois U. students voted three to two to oppose

the NIU foundation's acceptance of gifts from South African-based companies or the government of South Africa. A Black student group and black faculty members have called on the U. of Pittsburgh to divest. Pitt students also protested a trip to South Africa by the S.S. Universe, Pitt's Semester at Sea facility, prompting officials there to say no further South African stops are planned.

A STUDENT CANDIDATE'S POSTER was deemed inappropriate by Brigham Young U. officials because it contained a picture of people dressed like Boy George and Culture Club. BYU officials said the band promotes homosexuality and transvestism.

FACED WITH AN overcrowded schedule and limited staff, the Arizona State U. Counseling and Consultation Service was forced to limit to 12 the number of private counseling sessions a student may receive each semester. Limiting one-on-one sessions will allow the service to reach more students.



In Memoriam

Twenty-three year old Alvin Lamar Parker died on Wednesday, April 16, 1984. He was a senior and had planned to graduate summer quarter. Alvin worked at a Hess station on Fairground street in Marietta. He died from three .32 calibre pistol shots inflicted during a robbery at the station.

Alvin was from Ashburn, Georgia, but was a resident of Norton dorm. He is survived by Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Parker, Jr. and their six children.

Con. Ed. Sponsors HP/41C/User clinic

On May 19 and 26, 1984, Southern Technical Institute, in cooperation with the Surveying & Mapping Society of Georgia, will offer a short course on the Hewlett Packard 41C series "calculator." It is an excellent course for anyone interested in surveying to improve their skill with this calculator.

People who will find this course rewarding and informative include Land Surveyors, Professional Engineers, technologists, draftsmen, land surveying students, and anyone else interested in the use of a HP 41C in the surveying profession.

The course will be conducted by Dr. Alan Gabrielli, Associate Professor at Southern Technical Institute. Dr. Gabrielli has 15 years experience with HP calculators and is extremely well versed in the use of the 41C series.

The course will be held at Southern Technical Institute Saturday May 19 and the following Saturday May 26. Each day's instruction will run from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The course fee is \$50.00. Payment should be made to Southern Technical Institute. Pre-payment is required. Registration should be made by contacting the Department of Continuing Education, Southern Technical Institute, 1112 Clay Street, Marietta, Georgia 30060 or by calling (404) 424-7240.

Topics to be covered include: 1) Stacking Registers, 2) User Mode Functions, 3) Assigning Functions to other points on Keyboard, 4) Programming--sizing

registers--labeling programs--go to key--labels "A", "01", etc.--stepping thru program--correcting steps--alpha strings for prompting--branching and looping--conditional branching--subroutines--flags--peripherals (card reader, printer, cassette drive).

General Information
ENROLLMENT: Mail registration and fee of \$50 to: Department of Continuing Education, Southern Technical Institute, 1112 Clay Street, Marietta Georgia 30060.

Advance registration and payment are required. Enrollment is limited to thirty; so, if time is short, call **REGISTRATION** at (404) 424-7240.

MATERIALS FOR INSTRUCTION: Instructional materials will be provided to each participant during the first session. The cost has been included in the basic course fee.

LOCATION: Classes will be held in Room 205, Building 2, on the Southern Tech campus in Marietta. From I-75, take exit 112; travel west on Clay Street for 2 traffic lights. Enter the campus by taking the second left turn lane from Clay Street. Park in the main lot. Building 2 is the classroom building nearest the student center. A sign will mark the location of the classroom.

CEUs: This program meets criteria for the nationally accepted Continuing Education Unit (CEU). Each participant successfully completing the course will earn 1.0 CEUs, and may receive an official transcript from the Southern Technical Institute Registrar's Office.

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Placement Center Bulletin

Campus Interviews Scheduled:

- *Wed., May 2 -- Murata Eric - EET, MET
- Thurs., May 3 -- Patterson Engineering - CET
- Fri., May 4 -- Garan, Inc. - IET, A&TET
- Tues., May 8 -- GE Medical Systems
- *Thurs., May 10 -- Cox Cable Communications - EET
- *Fri., May 11 -- Cox Cable Communications - EET
- *Tues., May 15 -- Ford Motor Parts & Service Co. - IET, MET
- *Fri., May 18 -- Fulton Supply Co. - IET, MET

*Indicates company is pre-screening

Information on pre-screening can be obtained by picking up one of the blue mimeograph sheets. If you miss a pre-screening deadline, you will not have an opportunity to submit a resume unless you send it to the company yourself. Sign-up sheets for the companies pre-screening are re-posted one

week before the interview date for those selected to begin signing up.

Sign-up sheets for the companies that will not pre-screen are posted one week before the interview date. Before signing up, read all information in the notebook and if you do sign, leave a copy of your resume in the notebook. If a sign-up sheet is filled, leave copy of your resume in the notebook for consideration.

Our office needs the following from all graduates interviewing: (1) copy of your resume; (2) completed registration card; (3) copy of spring quarter schedule. See Mrs. Howard for more information.

U.S. Marines will be on campus Thursday, April 26, downstairs in the student center. If interested, go by their display table between 10:00 am and 2:00 pm that day.

Summer Jobs are beginning to come in--check the part-time job board and the blue folder marked "SUMMER WORK" for these opportunities.

Night school students and alumni who wish to use placement services should call Paul

Smith, placement director, 424-7224, for an appointment.

ATTENTION Fall 1984 and Winter 1985 graduates--LOCKHEED has scheduled early interview dates for Fall and Winter quarters and they will pre-screen.

EET, IET and MET graduates interested in Lockheed should turn in a resume to Mrs. Howard as follows:

FALL 1984 graduates turn in resume by Friday, October 5.

WINTER 1985 graduates turn in resume by Friday, January 11.

Counseling Center offers workshops

Tues, May 8, 12 to 1 pm--TEST TAKING SKILLS--Analyze your test taking skills and learn new strategies for taking exams.

Tues, May 29, 12 to 1 pm--OVERCOMING TEST ANXIETY--Do you....block or freeze when studying for exams? Get tense? Have trouble concentrating?

**All workshops will be in Ballroom B of the student center.

Foreign & Domestic Teachers Organization

The Foreign & Domestic Teachers Organization needs teacher applicants in all fields from Kindergarten through College to fill over six hundred teaching vacancies both at home and abroad.

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Their information and brochure is free and comes at an opportune time when there are more teachers than teaching positions.

Should you wish additional information about this organization, you may write the National Teacher's Placement Agency, UNIVERSAL TEACHERS, Box 5231, Portland, Oregon 97208.

The KC/STI Ranger team has awarded a beret to cadet/PVT Chung Hwan Yi. He has completed the requirements to wear the honorable beret and flash of KC/STI Ranger team. These requirements took over two quarters to accomplish. These requirements are much the same as the U.S. Army Rangers must complete before earning their berets. KC/STI Ranger team is a school club open to STI ROTC Cadets and receives support from KC/STI ROTC.

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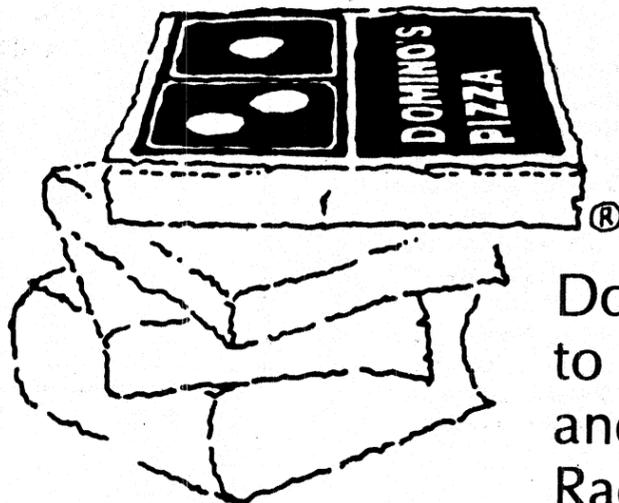
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Beach party— a Southern Tech tradition

Steve Hoofnagle, staff writer

Each spring Southern Tech holds its Annual Beach Party. The party this May will be the third annual beach "bash". The idea for the beach party originated about three years ago when administrators Sue Konrad, Ron Wofford, and Steve Holtz pooled the remaining funds in their departments. They wanted to start a springtime activity that would celebrate the coming of spring with some good old traditional college fun.

The Beach Party centers around Carolina beach music. This is not 'Beach Boys', but a unique Southern style of beach boogie. This years party will feature the "Fantastic Shakers" from North Carolina.

The beach party is a chance for students to show

creativity. Contests such as Mr. Macho, Miss Swimsuit, and Tacky Tourist let everyone get a little crazy. However, Sue Konrad wants to remind everyone that this is to be good clean fun. If you see someone having just a little bit too much fun, remind them of their individual responsibility to keep themselves in line.

This is the one time that apathy disappears at Southern Tech: over 1,000 people are expected to attend this year. So, break out the cheap sunglasses and come have some fun in the sun: 3rd Annual Beach Party May 3, 1984!!

NOTE--Volunteers are needed to help with the party. Anyone interested should stop by the student center office.

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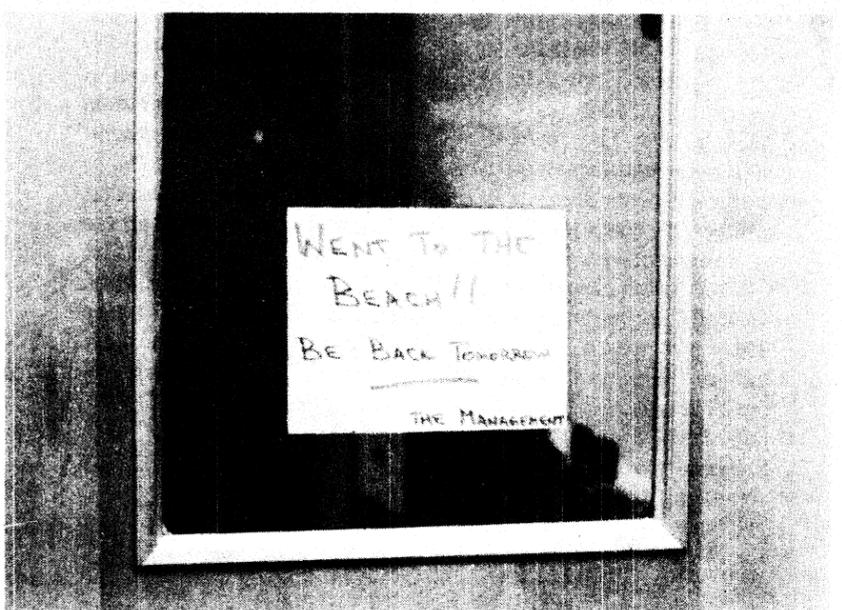
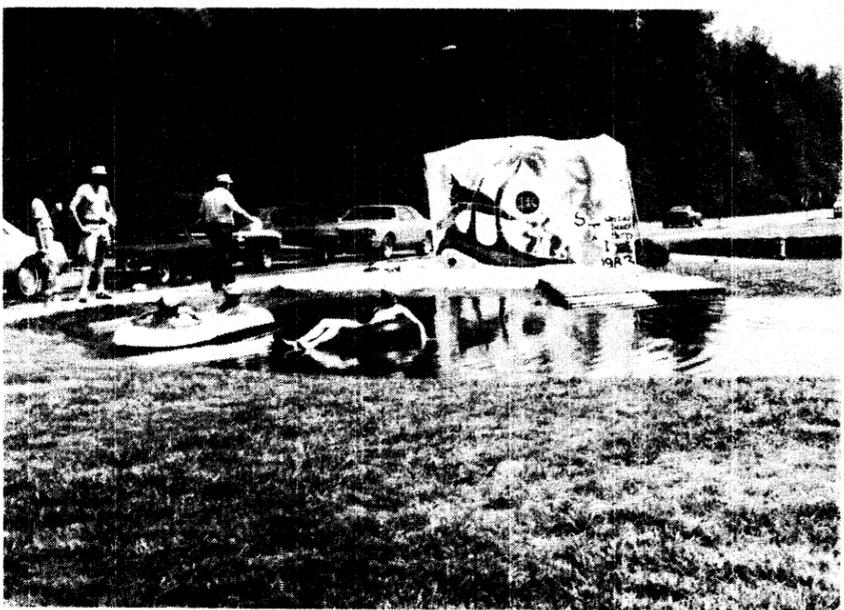
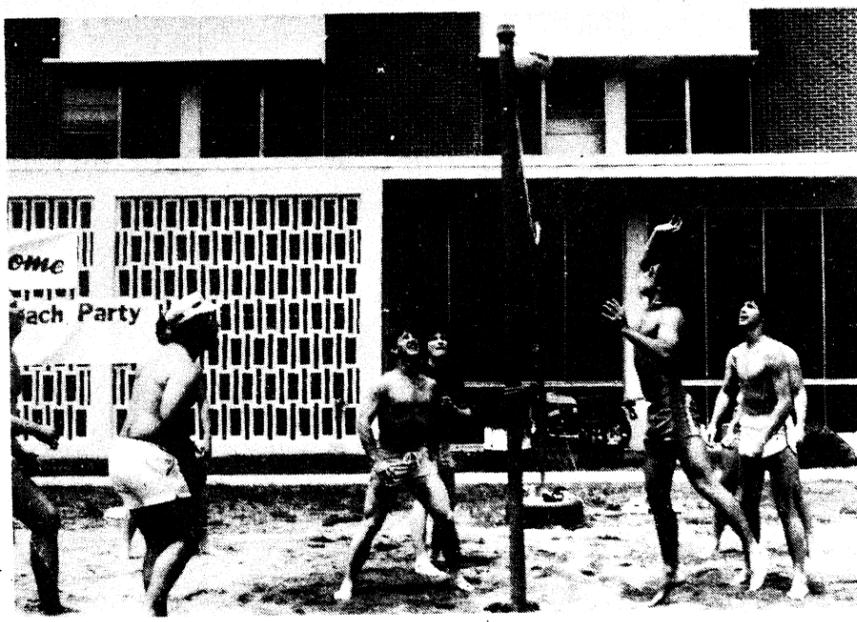




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Get involved in the production of your newspaper and yearbook.

The *LOG* staff is now accepting applications for positions on the 1985 yearbook staff. We need several photographers and general staff personnel. For more information, contact Guy Barrett in the *LOG* office at 424-7303.

Morning Straits— an observation

The feeling that she was a fraud had come over her at odd moments throughout her life. This morning the impression of her fraudulence had been especially strong. It was because she was approaching 30. She had been approaching 30 since her 25th birthday. That had been her first "honorable" age, a coming into her own dignity. Twenty to 24 had been extensions of her pubescence. When she was 12, those were years easily imagined. Movie stars were in their early 20's, teachers, soloists in the church choir. Beyond 25, one anticipated actuality, arrival. Closing in on 30 now, she felt anxious of her genuineness.

One can't be a girl all one's life. Is the despair of the 30th birthday that one is no longer a girl and wishes to be so, or that one is no longer a girl and doesn't know what to be? Beyond the girl's exploitation of her own lusciousness, there is her lusciousness, there is her luxurious potential. Potentiality as a cloak wears thinner every year. To become 30 is to become naked, or else to cover oneself with shame.

"You have so much potential," had seemed a positive, encouraging statement; now it seemed a trap, an instruction to fail, to reside in incompleteness. Her mother had felt loss on her 30th birthday. She had done it all, everything a woman does, had assumed it for life, and needed only to repeat/follow what she was doing. Thirty was to walk a hallway lined with closed, unlabeled doors. She thought of a friend, well past 30, who fortified herself with the

potential of her 20's and some cheap sherry. The threat of 30 was that she must give up the idea of her potential. What could replace this idea that had seduced and comforted her?

Many dramatic motions had been made: proud departures from parents, lovers, schools, jobs, husband. Departure as a way of life, so pointlessly captured in the word "quitter." She had wished to simplify, to reject all distractions from her quest for actuality. Distraction had proven an enduring habit. To a person of potential, anything is an opportunity, any form a credible one. The hard lesson of actuality is to structure oneself, even arbitrarily, to mold energy's cup. Here may I flow and here not.

Today, a new thought had come: If a fraud, a fraudulent what? Could she be "not herself"? And if she could be and had always been only herself, why the feeling of falseness? Today she knew.

She had felt false because she had wanted to say, "I am this," because she had been looking for her own closed corridor, a cultural cul de sac reserved just for her. In her multiplicity was the vigor of her personhood. Hers was not the potential of the unformed, incomplete—but the potency of physical existence, complete.

To be true at 30, she had only to let go of "ought", "could be", "should be", all those purveyors of unwholeness. Today she said, "I am." Thirty would find her herself, as always.

Dorm rooms don't lie

College drop-outs forecast their departure in the way they decorate their dorm rooms, according to Barbara Brown, an assistant professor of psychology at Texas Christian University. First-year students who do not quickly begin to incorporate their new environment into their room decor aren't likely to stick around very long.

Brown has conducted two studies in which she examined photographs of student's dorm rooms as predictors of college performance. Both show that students who were tied to their hometowns tended to drop out. The rooms of female drop-outs contained lots of old prom corsages and pictures of high school friends. Male dropouts' rooms showed similar signs of homesickness, usually centered on a sports theme. Statistically, drop-outs' rooms contained an average of 17.8 hometown mementos versus 7.8 for those who stayed in college.

Rooms that expressed a singles interest to the exclusion of all others—ballet, hockey, etc.—also predicted

drop-outs consistently.

Signs of adjustment and success in college life include evidence of new interests along with the old. Bookstore calendars, the college's football schedule, or a pennant all predict a non-drop-out.

For a more sophisticated study of the same topic, Brown interviewed freshmen before they entered college and three times during their first year. Their rooms were also photographed and their resident advisers were asked to predict whether the students would stay. Brown hasn't finished analyzing the data yet, but she says that, ironically, RA's can spot homesick students because they are often the "social initiators," the ones who try very hard to make a lot of friends.

Brown says the territorial displays found in the way rooms are decorated, are related to questions of privacy regulation. Students who stay in school turn out to be those who are good not only in opening up to contact with others, but also at closing it off when they need to.

The beach goes on

Cornelia Jackson, staff writer

It's "that time" again and unless you've been out to lunch lately, you've probably heard about the big bash to celebrate Spring. Of course, I'm speaking of the 3rd Annual Beach Party. Come out and enjoy the fun, the sun, the musical talents of the Fantastic Shakers, and DJ Steve Hill.

The Fantastic Shakers are an eight piece show band whose distinct sound typifies a South Carolina Beach Band. They are best known for their hit recording "Myrtle Beach Days." They have been popular at colleges for over 20 years.

The DJ, Steve Hill, appears throughout the country. His latest appearances were with Chubby Checker, Wolfman Jack, and the Four Tops. Besides spinning some nice music, Mr. Hill will be the MC for the Mr. Macho, Miss Swimsuit, and Tacky Tourist contests.

The music will begin at 4:00 and last for four continuous hours. So don't miss 1984's hottest event, the Beach Party.

Meet Jenny Hice

John Hardman, editor

During the early part of Spring Quarter, the *STING* went looking for a typist to help with typesetting the paper. We put a large ad in the paper and waited. Not one call came in. Deadlines came and went. The paper was delayed because of the extra time needed for the editors to typeset the paper.

Finally, we found a girl named Jennifer Hice. Jennifer is a senior at Paulding County High School. She was told about the job by her sister, who works as a secretary in the Administration Building.

She came over for an interview and we hired her immediately. Jenny's typing ability has proved to be an asset in many ways. She types quickly, accurately, and intelligently. Jenny is responsible for taking pages of handwritten material and turning them into neatly typed columns ready for pasting up. She

even proofreads her own work.

Jenny Hice will be working for the *STING* for the rest of the school year. Having her around will be a big bonus to all the members of the *STING* Staff. The *STING* salutes Jenny for a job well done.

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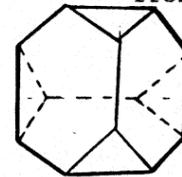
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The four corners of a regular tetrahedron are cut off leaving a solid with eight faces, four being equilateral triangles and four regular hexagons. This solid weighs 46 lbs. How heavy was the original tetrahedron from which it was made?

Lambda Chi Alpha

The nice weather has finally arrived and all of the brothers are having a great time whether they're knocking the softball over the fence in the intramural games, or getting fired up for the Beach Party, Greek Week, and the Tub Race.

Congratulations to Ernie and the Lambda Chi softball team. They are having a terrific season; however, having a couple of baseball players on the team does, indeed, have its advantages!

It seems as though we're all practicing for the Greek Week events--mainly the beer chugging contest!! Remember guys, there are other events. There's the egg toss (which we won last year), barrel roll, keg toss, arm wrestling, tug-o-war, volleyball, and many others--be there!!

During the beach party,

volleyball and tug-o-war are the main events. These events are designed to work up a tremendous thirst so that one can practice his "12 ounce curls." As for last year, nobody needed a cold beer more than that cute girl eating the fire! The band is usually one to see also.

Yet there are a couple of brothers who have something more important to do like work on our tub for the tub race. This year promises to be a good one for our tub. If we can keep the driver's eyes off the girls we will be in hot pursuit of the trophy.

Everyone have a good time at these events because afterwards its back to the same ol' grind. Let's give 'em hell during Greek Week, Lambda Chi!!

John Fisher
"Fish"

The new "Super Frat"

Even as Colby and Amherst colleges are labelling their fraternity systems unnecessary, a group of California fraternities is promoting the survival of the Greek system through a national computer network.

Following a December meeting of national Greek organizations, Greeks in Northern California began the Uni-Com Project by conducting in-depth interviews of the 83 national Greek organizations to assess computer needs in detail. Bill Beilman, associate director of the project, says the response of the national organizations has been "extremely enthusiastic." "The theme of the December meeting in Kansas City was 'No One Is Stronger Than All Of Us,'" says Beilman. "We see

fragmentation of the Greek system as a real danger. It needs to bind itself together," he says, and a computer network tying together both the 83 nationals and the approximately 83,000 local chapters would be a good way to do that.

A computer network would allow fraternities to upgrade fund-raising efforts and improve contacts with alumni, says Beilman. Also, he says, having ready access to a broad range of data will give individual chapters a national perspective on their own activities and let them act and develop differently than they might otherwise.

But Beilman also points out it's a matter of competition: Yesterday's dorms have become today's residence halls, complete with peer

counselors, advisers, and, increasingly, computer terminals. The frat house must add computers if it wants to remain an attractive alternative for serious students.

The Uni-Com Project will publish a detailed monograph in November, 1984, with specific recommendations about hardware, software, and other technical concerns. The whole network will be funded by donations from alumni, nationals, and local chapters.

Despite the fact that at the December meeting, fraternity members put a higher premium on developing word-processing capability than on sharing statistics, Beilman says he doesn't see a coast-to-coast term-paper-sharing network springing up on the Greek computer network.

Tau Kappa Epsilon

The brothers of Tau Kappa Epsilon are enjoying a very successful spring quarter. Successful, in that we had three excellent rush parties including our infamous Reach the Beach Party which was enjoyed by all. Successful, in that we received twelve associate members into our fraternity. These new men are: Mike Durham, Freddie Harris, Mark Howell, Robin Hunter, Darrell Pippin, Dana Shepard, Mike Smith, Willie Starling, Clyde Wilkes, Les Wilkinson (pledge president), Brad Whitmire, and Del Toole.

Special thanks goes out to our Rush Chairman, Hal Moore, for a job well done. Thanks also to all the other brothers and little sisters for helping to show who the No. 1 fraternity on campus is, TKE.

On Saturday, April 12, was the annual TKE Springfest at Georgia Tech. Almost every chapter from the Southeast was there for this fun filled day of softball, volleyball and all sorts of fun and crazy contests.

Congratulations to Mike and Kristy for winning the erotic suntan oil spreading contest, and to the other fraters and

little sisters who won the banana pass. Also congratulations to Jill, Rhonda, and Kristy who were contestants in the 1984 Miss TEKE Peach contest. Your winners with us girls. But with no doubt, our chapter was the most enthusiastic and best represented school there. Keep up the good work Xi-Chi!

A notice to all TKE fraters, be prepared for the F.W.B.T.!!

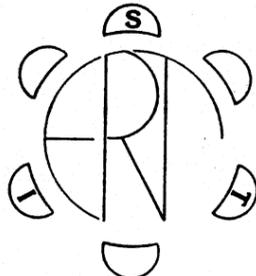
T.R.H., H.Y.!!!

Cliff Leatherwood
TKE Historian (223)

Interfraternity Council

The IFC is proud to announce the completion of the Norton Park Elementary School project. All fraternities participated in painting the school. IFC is now sponsoring a Super Walk on the weekend of the 28th. Greek Week is coming along quite well. All the events have been discussed and approved. We are looking for the best Greek Week ever.

Pete Hill,
IFC Public Relations



STI Executive Roundtable

Is Southern Tech a Vo-tech school?

Are we headed in that direction? What is the future of higher education? What steps are being taken to improve education in the state? How does Governor Harris' plans for education affect you the college student? These are perplexing questions, are they not? To find out the answers to these and many other questions ask any member of the ERT how you can be a part of this and many other interesting discussions as well.

The date is May 7th, and the speakers are Ken Breeden from the Board of Post Secondary and Vocational Education, and Joe Mack Wilson a member of the Governor's committee on education.

This is an excellent opportunity to become involved in something that will be beneficial to you and the school. This is one you don't want to miss.

A Pi in the face

When Mark Landry and Dana Peterson began wearing sweatshirts with "Pi Pi Pi" printed on them, a lot of other students at the University of Connecticut noticed. Most of them also saw an ad in the campus newspaper announcing "non-rush week" for Pi Pi Pi, and, without formal leadership, a nonfraternity was born.

Since February, 1,100 students have gotten Pi Pi Pi printed on their t-shirts. In fact, the UConn Co-op is nearly out of that letter. Peterson and Landry, unusual business majors who met as teaching assistants for a children's literature course, couldn't be happier that this has all happened independently. Occasionally, they take out an ad in the personals column announcing that Pi Pi Pi won't be having a meeting that week, but they don't have to do much to keep the pot boiling. Students have seized on this guerilla satire of the Greek system with fiendish delight.

Landry dismisses with a laugh those who "say people who aren't in a fraternity or sorority don't know what

college is about." He believes the growing popularity of UConn fraternities and sororities is tied more to the availability of alcohol--even to underage drinkers--than to anything else and questions whether drinking is what college is all about.

If fraternities point to the strength in numbers, "Pi Pi Pi is the celebration of the individual," says Peterson, the non-president of the nonfraternity. "In my mind, Pi Pi Pi is only one non-member -- me. It only exists in my mind," he says. Anybody can be a member, he says, as long as they share the attitude and have a Pi Pi Pi sweatshirt printed up.

Peterson and Landry would like to export the nonfraternity to other campuses, but anonymously. Non-meetings and non-structure are the key to the fraternity, they insist.

Aside from hoping to see non-chapters spring up elsewhere, Peterson and Landry are toying with the idea of inviting President Reagan to become Pi Pi Pi's non-president. "We figure he's such a frat boy, he'd go for it," Landry chuckles.

CPR—the gift of life

Steve Hoofnagle, staff writer

Most of us are familiar with Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) through television and movies. CPR is a first aid skill that can sustain life until advanced life support can be obtained. To understand CPR we must first define death:

**Clinical Death* occurs when the heart beat and breathing have stopped. *It is reversible.*

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CPR can prevent the onset of biological death and may even reverse clinical death. Anyone can take the CPR course, which can be completed in 8 hours. These 8 hours could save the lives of your friends and family.

If you would be interested in taking a CPR class at Southern Tech, please drop a note, with your name and address, into the *Sting* mailbox. The mailbox is located next to the big-screen T.V. on the top floor of the student center. (Notes must be received by May 15th, 1984.)

Remember, the greatest possible gift is the gift of life -- 8 hours is a small price to pay.

Nadella appointed acting registrar

Tom Doran, staff writer

Dr. Ranakumar Nadella has been appointed Acting Registrar effective Spring Quarter. He replaces J. Lewis Hamrick who has assumed teaching duties in the Industrial Engineering Department.

Nadella describes his appointment as temporary while the operation of the registrar's office is being reorganized. "There have been problems with registration the last two quarters," he said, and the administration wants to develop a more smooth running system and re-evaluate the responsibilities of the registrar before looking for a permanent replacement. "We hope to complete this during the summer," he said.

Members of the faculty and administration have praised the changes Nadella has made in the registrar's office. "It's a different world in there," one said. "They actually get things done."

Nadella came to Southern Tech in 1969 as a professor in the Chemistry and Physics Department. He holds graduate and undergraduate degrees from Andhra University in India. His current per-

manent position is Coordinator of Institutional Research. His responsibilities include preparation of the school budget and serving as a liaison between the STI administration, the legislature and the Board of Regents.

Pre-registration for Summer Quarter will begin May 23 and continue for five days. "It will be on-line registration," Nadella says. "That means students will stand at an active terminal while their schedule is punched in. If there are any problems such as pre-requisites, being frozen by the business office, and so forth, the problem can be resolved while they are there."

"Students will be given a time assignment based on their credit hours," he said, "and other factors such as graduation status, co-op, or handicapped status."

The announcement of summer course offerings is expected about May 9, along with complete instructions for registration. Registration for Fall Quarter will be held during the summer on a date to be announced later.

Alumni Achievements

Alfred J. Purdy, director-industrial markets for Atlanta Gas Light Company, was presented a life membership in the American Gas Association's (AGA) Industrial and Commercial Hall of Fame.

Mr. Purdy was honored at their marketing conference in March for his contributions to AGA industrial standards activities.

The Parris Island, S. C. native joined the company in 1953 as a heating engineer. He transferred to the air conditioning sales department as an engineer in 1958 and was named industrial engineer for the Atlanta division in 1966. He was promoted to division sales manager in 1978, chief industrial engineer in 1981, and to his present position in early 1984.

Mr. Purdy received a bachelor's degree in industrial engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology and an associate degree from Southern Technical Institute. He has served in the U.S. Army. He is a registered professional engineer in Georgia, a member of the National Society of Professional Engineers and is a member of the board of directors of the Atlanta Chapter, Georgia Society of Professional Engineers.

Mr. Purdy is married to the former Barbara Hudson of Atlanta, and they have seven grown children and six grandchildren. The Purdy family attends the St. Pius X Church and resides in Rockdale County.

Catherine Land-Waters has been promoted to assistant supervisor in the corrosion department of Atlanta Gas Light Company.

Ms. Waters joined the company as a co-op student in 1980 and was placed on the training program in 1981. She was named an engineering assistant in the corrosion department in 1983. These offices are located at the Atlanta Service Center on Caroline Street.

The Apopka, Florida native received a bachelor of science degree in industrial engineering technology from Southern Technical Institute and a bachelor of arts degree in education and a bachelor of science degree in French from Auburn University. Ms. Waters has also attended the University of Neuchatel in Neuchatel, Switzerland. Before joining the company, she was a French teacher in Fulton County for two years.

She is a member of the National Association of Corrosion Engineers, serving as assistant secretary/treasurer; the Georgia Utilities Coordinating Committee, serving as secretary of the corrosion subcommittee. Ms. Waters is also a member of the Atlanta Jaycees and Peachtree Presbyterian Church.

Ms. Waters is married to Robert J. Waters of Columbus, Ga., and they have a son. They reside in Atlanta (Fulton County).

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Acworth, GA --MET
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Buckhead --ECET
Three openings

Rinker Materials Corp.
West Palm Beach, FL
CET, MET
Two openings

Southeast Pre-Cast Concrete
Tucker, GA --CET
Two openings

Toole Surveying Company
Augusta, GA --CET
One opening

Acco-Babcock
Stone Mountain, GA
MET, IET, ECET
One opening

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--Atlanta, GA
CET, MET
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Augusta, GA
CET, MET, IET
Two openings

Automation Intelligence
Atlanta, GA --ECET
One opening

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Atlanta, GA --ECET, MET
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May 8, 1984 (Tuesday) Norfolk-Southern Railway System- Several openings for CET, MET, ECET--NORFOLK, Virginia, Atlanta, Knoxville, Birmingham, Charlotte

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The Intramural Department will organize the Beach Games starting at 2:00 p.m., while the music will start at 4:00 p.m. As in the past years, we will have the following contests (only STI students can participate):

- 1) Best Tacky Tourist (male)- dress up as your favorite American tourist and win a great prize. First Place Prize- Kodak camera
- 2) Best Tacky Tourist (female)- dress up as your favorite American Tourist. First Place Prize- Kodak camera
- 3) Mr. Macho- come strut your stuff and show the world that you're a real man.
- 4) Miss Swimsuit- Yes, STI's version of the bathing beauty contest. Great prizes await the lucky coed who wins this contest. Sanyo Walkman Radio is the prize for first place.

YOU MUST SIGN UP IN THE STUDENT CENTER OFFICE TO PARTICIPATE PRIOR TO MAY 1.

Prizes will be provided by Hawaiian Tropic, Student Activities and Southland Beverage.

Hawaiian Tropic will be giving out free suntan lotion during the day. Refreshments will be served starting at 6:00 p.m.

We need students to help put this event on so, if you're interested in helping with the best and largest attended campus event, sign up in the Student Center office.

Sand volleyball, great dancing, music, food, funny contests and over 1,000 Southern Tech students, faculty and staff add up to great times and many college memories.

Remember, COME GET YOUR FEET WET!!!

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