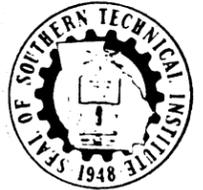


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# The STing



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## Name Change In the Works

By Doris Cabaniss

The Student Government Association, led by Tom Chae and Tim Bailey, met for the second time this quarter to discuss upcoming issues at Southern Tech.

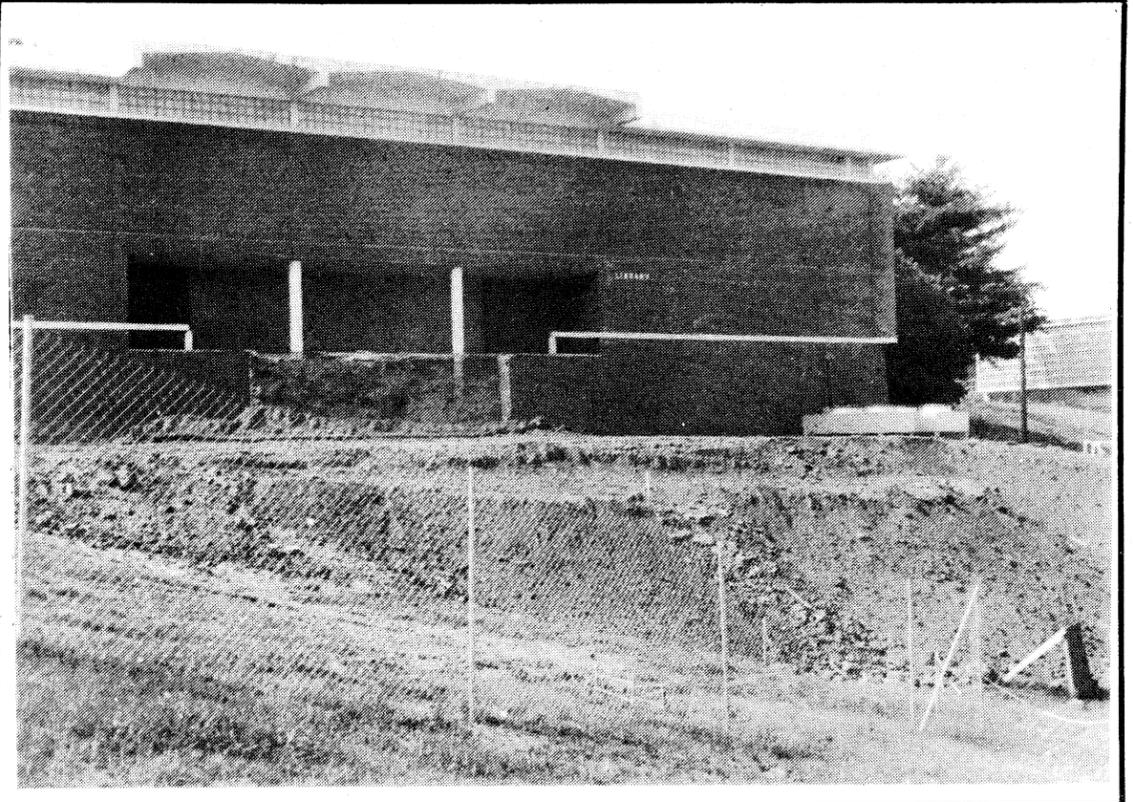
One issue of concern on top of the list is the consideration of a new name for Southern Tech. The current name, Southern Technical Institute, insinuates that the school is a two year technical school, when in reality, STI is now a four year college in the University System of Georgia. The new names chosen for consideration are 'Southern Institute of Technology,' 'Southern Technical College,' and 'Southern College of Technology.' The name, 'Southern Institute of Technology,' was submitted to the Board of Regents by the faculty, the administration, and the alumni association as Southern Tech's choice of a new name.

SGA would like to recognize the new student representatives appointed to the Athletic Advisory Board.

Sharon Davis, Tom Chae, and John Caspers will participate on the board which advises on scholarships, athletic schedules, and budget allocations for the STI collegiate athletic association.

New student orientations will be held on July 31 and on August 7 at 6:00 p.m. The Student Government Association will have a booth set up both evenings to enlighten new students on the activities of the SGA. Drop by to lend your support.

The SGA would like some feedback on your opinions of the following issues. Let us know what you think! We are interested in: (1) Extending the library operating hours past 10:00 p.m., (2) Extending the McIntosh lab operating hours past 10:00 p.m., (3) Adding a stop sign or speed breaker at the crosswalk intersection located at the Student Center circle-drive to protect pedestrians., (4) Southern Tech car license plates to: a) Commemorate being the top engineering technology school & b) Welcome in our new name (after it is approved by the Board of Regents).



### Library Addition Finally Under Construction

*The rear of the library has been torn down to begin construction on the Library Addition that could not begin until the new Academic Building was completed.*

Staff Photo By Derek Stewart



*Our Mascot,  
Stinger*

## Extension Approved

By James Babalola  
News Editor

The Board of Regents has approved a proposed budget of four million dollars for the planned extension of the Southern Tech students center. According to the Director of Student Activities, Mr. Bir-

ckhead, a thirty-one thousand squarefoot addition is planned which will possibly include a theatre seating five hundred. The architects working on this project should start design work in fall quarter, but money will not be released for breaking ground on the project before Fall 1987.

## Library Work Progresses

By Mike Powers

Construction began recently on a \$3.5 million addition to the Southern Tech library that will more than double the size of the existing structure. The new facility will house nearly 200,000 volumes and provide students with additional study areas, according to library director John Pattillo.

The 30,000-sq.-ft. addition to the 18-year-old library will

include a main room designed to seat 1,000 students, thirty individual study rooms, a personal computer room, and a data processing room.

The structure's design will feature various architectural artifacts from the past. Among these historic pieces will be features from the old Atlanta Constitution building, built in 1883, and parts of the

old Atlanta Terminal train station.

The architectural collection was donated by Betty Lou Smith, the widow of the late Bealy Smith, an Atlanta insurance broker who collected the artifacts. The entire collection is valued at \$37,000. The new library will be completed in about 18 months, according to Pattillo.

# Faculty Spotlight

By James Babalola, News Editor

Professor Sidney Schuster is an Assistant professor in the physics department. He is single and his hobbies include reading, tennis, walking and chess. He was interviewed by our News Editor, James Babalola.

News Editor: When did you come to Southern Tech?

Prof. Schuster: Fall of 1984

News Editor: How do you find Southern Tech students?

Prof. Schuster: I find Southern Tech students to be down to earth, no nonsense, interested in how things work and in technology.

News Editor: What do you like about Southern Tech?

Prof. Schuster: I like this interest in Technology. I like the campus. I like to walk around the campus because it is pleasant.

News Editor: What do you dislike about Southern Tech?

Prof. Schuster: Some of the poor attitudes towards physics, not thinking it is important enough; coming over from engineering, why do we have to take physics?

News Editor: How important do you think Physics is?

Prof. Schuster: I think it is still the foundation for most of those physical sciences. It is a rich fundamental course for anything that pertains to engineering, even architecture.

News Editor: Do you feel that

Southern Tech students are getting a decent education?

Prof. Schuster: I think so. I can only speak for the physics department. I feel students are getting a good, solid education from our department.

News Editor: How about the physics courses that do not transfer to other colleges. Georgia Tech, for instance?

Prof. Schuster: That's changed with our new calculus based physics courses, which should be no trouble transferring.

## Fun, Fun, Fun!

They don't cry over spilled milk at the U. of Kansas where cow-tipping is gaining in popularity as a 'sport'. As one KU sophomore describes it, cow tippers go into the fields at night, sneak as close as they can to a cow sleeping on its feet, and then run full-force and throw themselves into the animal, trying to knock it over. Reportedly, it's not too easy to do.

News Editor: Which colleges did you attend, sir?

Prof. Schuster: Temple University for undergraduate work, Brandeis University in Massachusetts for a Masters degree and then back to Temple University in Philadelphia.

## Dear STing

Dear Sting Staff,

Friday afternoon I entered campus and by my observations, left, thinking that the ultimate epitome had reached Southern Tech - that it had been closed and sold to the First National Bank. You see signs were placed under the marquis indicating First National Bank. At first glance, I don't think anyone would realize this is a college campus, but, think it is a bank. The persons who allowed this must not have been thinking. I wonder what Georgia laws have been violated by allowing a private concern to advertise on state property. Can I put up a sign advertising my company?

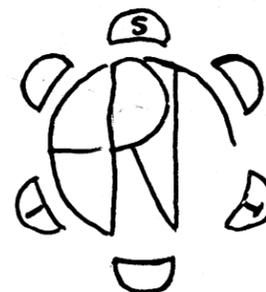
Dear Concerned Student,

The STING staff has spoken with Mr. Roberts, Vice President of Finance, and he has really enlightened us on the topic of the AVAIL sign that has been placed on Clay Street. He says that the sign on Clay Street and the discontinued check cashing by the Finance Department were the conditions for the AVAIL system being brought to Southern Tech. Southern Tech officials spoke with 13 local banks about bringing the AVAIL system to Southern Tech but First National Bank of Cobb was the only bank who showed interest and only accepting the offer if those conditions were met by the

school. Mr. Roberts also added that the Finance Department will cash checks if the AVAIL breaks down. The bank, having not come to STI summer quarter, will be here Fall Quarter to start interviewing students who wish to open checking and saving accounts with First National Bank of Cobb.

Sincerely,  
Alicia Lynn  
Copy Editor

It's not who you know as much as whom you meet.  
Meet Somebodies.



## WGHR

What type of music would you like to hear broadcast on YOUR student-funded radio station? Choose one of the categories below or note one of your own under 'Other'. Then, drop this ballot in the STING box. The results of this poll will be tallied and taken to Mr. Buck

## MUSIC

Lawson, WGHR General Manager. You really should fill this out, since WGHR can't respond to student opinion without your giving it. So fill out this poll and we will see if your radio station will respond to your wishes. After all, YOU are paying for the station to be there.

## POLL

By Edwin Vaughan, Editor

- Top 40-Rock
- Progressive/New Wave
- DJ's Choice
- Country
- Classical
- Other (Please Note)

# Chow An Understatement It's The FLICKS

## Chatter

By Tim Glover  
Head Reporter

I recently heard a few standard complaints about the food in STI's cafeteria. (It tastes bad, it's the pits, its too expensive) Bull! The cafeteria offers a quality product at a reasonable price. You don't even have to drive off campus, (which sometimes involves risk of life and limb when you get on 41).

The food does not taste bad, although it doesn't compare to home cooking. The operators maintain a clean, healthy environment. Immediately after lunch rush, I watched them start sweeping and wiping the counters, instead of just standing around. Prices are not out of line either. They might be a few pennies higher, but consider how convenient the cafeteria is to you. Also, remember the cafeteria has a limited number of patrons, unlike Hardee's and other similar places. (Incidentally, I had a cheeseburger, fries, and coke at school for \$2.65; the same meal at Hardee's cost \$2.66) I admit the Hardee's burger did taste a little better, but after considering what it cost me to drive out there, STI's food was perfectly alright.

Compare to Hardee's or home cooking? Not really, but you can hardly beat the convenience, price, or taste of food at STI's cafeteria.

By Tim Glover

The STING needs more staffers desperately. (They even took me!) We try hard to put out a quality paper, but the effort is rough with our presently small staff. Writing is not always drudgery, it is fun and challenging too. We also need help in layout.

I recently looked at an issue of Georgia Tech's paper, *Technique*, and counted 48 staff members. Comparing their ratio of students to newspaper staff, we should have at least 14 members on our staff. What's wrong with STI? Do you realize how valuable writing experience is? (Apparently, many students

at Georgia Tech do.) The ability to put thoughts on paper in a clear, concise manner is not simple (but at least I'm trying). When job hunting time comes, the ability to write well is a major factor. I'll be saving every article I write to prove my abilities to a prospective employer. You could too, if you wrote for the paper.

Unlike some English classes, you can write anything you want to for the STING (One of my articles made front page the second time I wrote for them.) So come on down and improve your writing skills by joining our (presently small) group of dedicated staffers.

### Frankly Speaking

by Phil Frank



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By Ric Hall

In the Hollywood world of film, where the philosophy 'if it works, beat it to death' dominates the thinking of producers, writers, and directors, laughing off the ever-present sequel is easy. Out of the land of Psycho III and Rocky IV comes Aliens, the long awaited sequel to the 1979 classic, Alien. What separates Aliens from other sequels? It's good. One might even say it is better than the first.

The team who brought you Aliens, director James Cameron and producer Gale Hurd, were also responsible for the low-budget smash The Terminator. They have brought back all of the devices that you loved in Alien: functional, used, and dirty-looking sets; the classic haunted house (or space colony) setting; and most importantly, the stunning performance of Sigourney Weaver as the heroine Ripley. The story begins when Ripley, upon awakening from 57 years of hypersleep, discovers that the planet where she originally encountered the alien has been colonized. Suddenly, however, the colony has been

cut off. A group of marines pack up in a space tank and drop down to investigate. The pack is led by the usual incompetent, by-the-books lieutenant and the tough-as-nails sergeant. The marines are marines: tough, burly, and crude; yet dedicated to the task at hand. The film makes an excellent statement on yuppie mentality with the character Burke (I can't explain - just go see the movie). The film receives warmth from Newt, a small girl who is the only survivor of the colony, and ironically, an android named Bishop.

Each of these characters however, really only provide a backdrop for Weaver's Ripley. She is back with a vengeance, yet she has more than her own survival to fight for. As Ripley confronts the queen alien, she both hates the beast and feels sorry that she has to destroy the monster and her children. As I left the theater, I was asked if Aliens was scary. Scary doesn't adequately describe Aliens. Jason's predictable slashing of teenagers down at Crystal Lake is scary; Aliens is intense. It is a flawless masterpiece that richly deserves a 10.

## WGHR MUSIC SPOTLIGHT

Prince and the Revolution  
*Parade*

The latest LP from Mr. Nelson and the Revolution has been accompanied by some of the worst marketing strategies in music history. For starters, the albums only single, 'Kiss', was released about two months before the rest of the album. 'When Doves Cry' was also released earlier than 'Purple Rain' in 1984, one might argue, but 'When Doves Cry' was such a strong single it left the listener craving more material. No one had ever heard music as good as was exhibited on Purple Rain. Prince is once again trying to rise to popularity by the numbers: 1) hit single, 2) album, 3) movie. The problem? Nobody's buying.

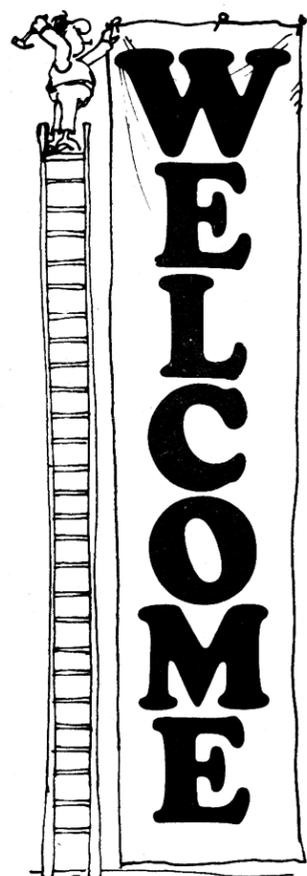
Simply put, Parade is a terrible album. The first side is a collection of too short or too long songs fused together

so that one cannot tell the beginning of one or the end of another. ~~Absolutely~~ nothing on the first side leaves the slightest impression. Despite all the noise it makes at times it still is bland and uninteresting. The music is only slightly better on the second side provided anybody could sit through the first without destroying the wasted vinyl. On the last side, 'Mountains', (an MTV hit that is nothing without visual stimuli) opens, then yields way to the perfectly sappy and supposedly 'European' sounds of 'Do you lie?' What drivel. Unfortunately, 'Sometimes it Snows in April' sets a record for the drippiest Prince composition yet and leaves the listener with his stomach churning.

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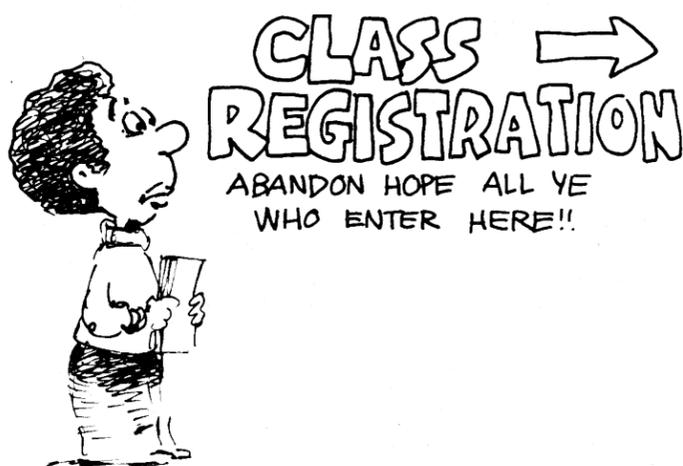
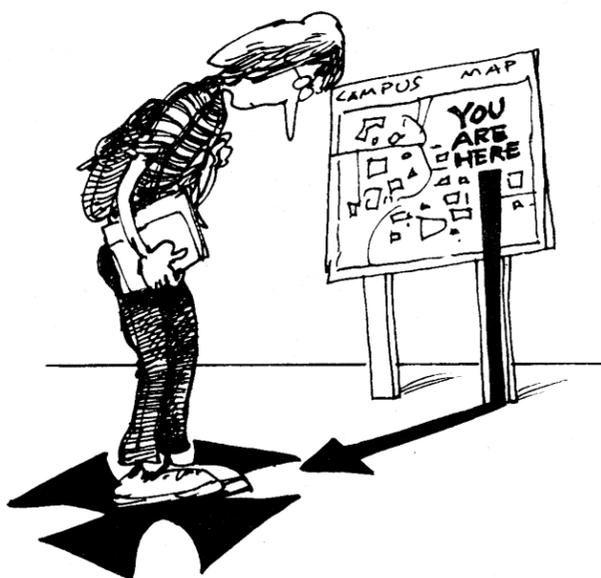
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It's not too late.



To all incoming freshmen, the STIng wants to say 'Welcome'.

We would also like to take this time to challenge you to become a new breed at STI. A breed of student that cares about your school



and gets in-  
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Best of luck  
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*Edwin Vaughan,  
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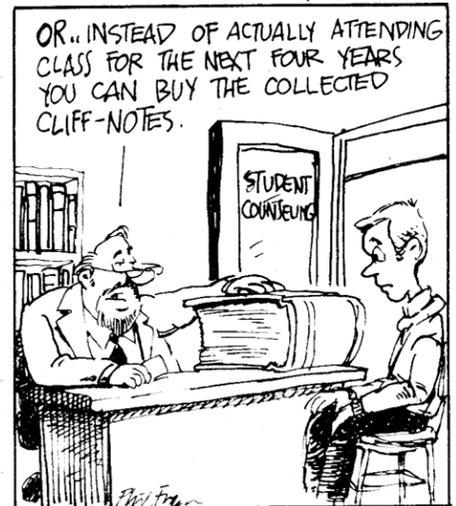
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## Our Very Own Rock Band, EFFEX

### EFFEX Rocks

### STI!!

**By Ric Hall  
Reporter**

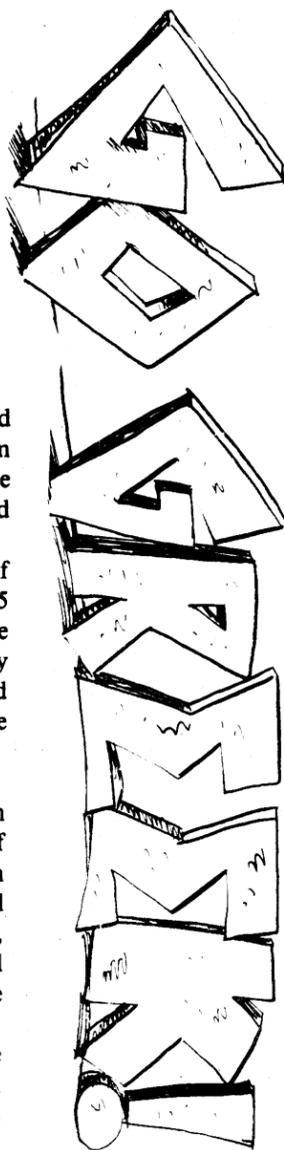
On July 18th, local band Effex entertained a small but warm crowd between the dorms with a unique blend of dance music, Top 40, and rock. The band is fronted by the lovely and talented Deneen Sorrells, who shares vocal chores with electric drummer Robert Mathea and Keyboard and whoopie cushion player Bob Reilly. These Southern Tech students, along with co-managers Jeff Hassell (guitarist) and Chris Knowles (sound engineer) formed Effex last summer. Terry Margosian joined the band after Christmas to play bass and complete the line up.

After an afternoon shower delayed set-up, Effex began their ambitious set of approximately forty well-learned

cover tunes. The band played a wide variety of music, from mainstream rock to dance tunes to the college-oriented sounds.

Bob Reilly and the rest of Effex expected more than 75 people who composed the audience, but he politely remarked that those who did show up were 'great'. One has to wonder, however, Effex is a fun, energetic band. The students of Southern Tech should be more supportive of fellow students like Deneen Sorrells, Bob Reilly and Robert Mathea. Once again, thanks to John Fisher and CAB for bringing another fine concert to the grounds of STI.

Effex is available for hire for frat parties, weddings, and bar mitsvahs. For more information, call Jeff Hassell at 955-1535 or Chris Knowles at 426-9507.



It's a tradition: Somebody, presumably skylarking students, has once more swiped the 5-foot-tall, 100-pound-plus T from the side of Georgia Tech's administration building. According to the school's alumni magazine a 'fraternity once donated to the library archives detailed plans for the caper, complete with photos and instructions where tricksters should place their feet while negotiating the Gothic architecture.' Modern T-snatchers must also thwart an alarm system.

Responsible Hosts: The Sigma Chi fraternity at the U. of Florida has purchased two breathalizers to measure the blood-alcohol level of people leaving chapter parties. The fraternity members will drive home anyone who registers as legally drunk (.10 percent in Fla.). The chapter president says his only worry is that some people may drink too much just to see how high they can register on the machines.



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# Sig Ep

By Charles D. Adams

The Brothers of Sigma Phi Epsilon hope that everyone had a great break between quarters. I know that fifteen of us did. These adventuresome people went down to Panama City to have a week of Fun and Sun. Rick Morris even invented a new drink called 'Rickster's Death At The Beach'. Just ask him how he got it.

June was a very busy month for our friends getting married. On June 14, Wanda Norton, one of our Little Sisters, married Fred Wolter. Then on June 21, Brother Greg Rodgers married Lisa McGraw. Finally on June 28 Brother Mike Bagley married Jamie Bryant, also one of our Little Sisters. (I would like to apologize for what I did to Mike and Jamie's car and apartment. Are ya'll still eating pot luck?) We would also like to wish Robin and Steve Straub and Mark and Donna Hughes Happy First Anniversaries.

Also on June 14, Brother Andy Berry and Brother Adam Rodenberger got their

diplomas after many years of hard work. Extra congratulations go to Adam Rodenberger for being chosen Greek Man of the Year and for being recipient of the Elizabeth and Calvin Hays Southern Tech Outstanding Student of the Year.

On the weekend of July 19 and 20, we had our annual Back to Brotherhood Retreat at Prater's Mill in Dalton, Ga. Many thanks to Mike Sims' parents who let us trash their house for the second year in a row. And just like last year, we go on a retreat and when we get back we take the Rock. We're looking forward to many of the good times like the ones we had last year. Anybody is welcome to drop by and see us during the day or night because we're just out there having 'good clean fun'.

Back to Spring Quarter again, we have two new Brothers: Keith Boushelle and Mike Tataris. We hope that everyone has a good Summer Quarter, if they can stand the eight week quarter, and even a better Fall Quarter. L.M.C.T.;E.C.

By Elizabeth Faucher

Plans for Summer quarter are underway. At our chapter meeting on July 17, we discussed plant tour ideas, our new chapter newsletter, and plans for the Fall quarter IIE Atlanta chapter meeting.

We have tentative plans for a tour of the Avon facility in Chamblee on August 14 to see advanced material handling systems. Watch for posters for the complete details.

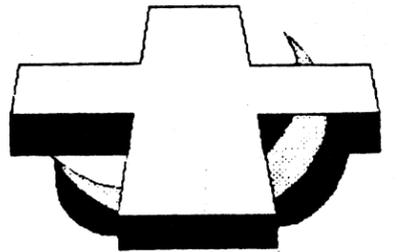
Steve Elliott, the manager of work measurement at Lockheed, will be our Guest speaker Thursday, August 7 at 5:30 p.m. in Room 260. We are looking forward to a great turnout for Mr. Elliott's program so make plans to attend.

Our new chapter newsletter organized by Ralph Silver and

Richard Joyce, is almost ready for publication. Watch your mailbox for the newsletter and keep up to date on chapter activities and coming events.

We need volunteers to help with the Fall meeting of the Atlanta IIE chapter, which we are hosting here at Southern Tech. This is a great opportunity for our chapter members to meet professional industrial engineers in the Atlanta area and we need your help!! We are responsible for the entire meeting---setting up the meeting room, ordering and serving the food, and developing and presenting the evenings program. Southern Tech IET students will be in the spotlight at this meeting, so get involved and let's make a lasting impression on the professional Industrial Engineers.

# LAMBDA CHI ALPHA



By John A. Fisher

Yes, the Brothers of Lambda Chi Alpha did invade the city of Panama City Beach last weekend. Let me tell you that we kept up the good respectful reputation that the Panama residents have come to know us for. Rumor has it that there is a brother that seems to walk into the wrong restroom when he gets lit - well this time he found the right one - he just could not find the doorknob to get out! My roommate did not have a problem with the rum with the same name - he

drank tequila. Joe Perkins did not hang any moons to any old ladies on the way but he did 'hang over'. As far as the breaking the sound barrier, I rode in a Dodge Dart so for the first time I experienced 25 miles per gallon. Yes, it's also true that someone did get lucky, but we can't mention his name because his girlfriend may object. In all the sun was nice, the girls were nice, and so was the fun that went along with it. At least the air conditioners worked - I wish I could say the same about Howell Dormitory.

The Fraternity GPA continues to climb. At last check Lambda Chi continued to achieve excellence with a 2.7 average - higher than the independent average. Keep up the good work guys.

As most people have heard, Dr. St. Germain has left his position at STI for a more preferred teaching job in Boston. He was the Academic Advisor to our chapter and the Brothers will certainly miss him. What makes matters worse is that I was registered to have him for history this quarter, and much to my dismay, I found a monotoned teacher taking his place. You don't know what you have till it is gone. We wish him the best future he may receive.



## Nightlife

By Edwin Vaughan  
Editor

Hello again, all you STI nocturnal activists! I hope all of you enjoyed my last column, a review of the rather cool party spot on Windy Hill Road, Sneakers. Now, as promised, I can tell you all about the interesting Male Review at Bumpers at Akers Mill.

I probably should not be reviewing Bumpers, since it seems already a favorite night-spot for us here at STI. I've met a lot of fellow students there. The decor at Bumpers is classic 50's garage. That is the best way to describe it. It's really neat. The service is courteous and fast; the drinks are conveniently potent and tasty. (Perhaps I should not say such things on our dry

campus; I was not drinking on campus, though).

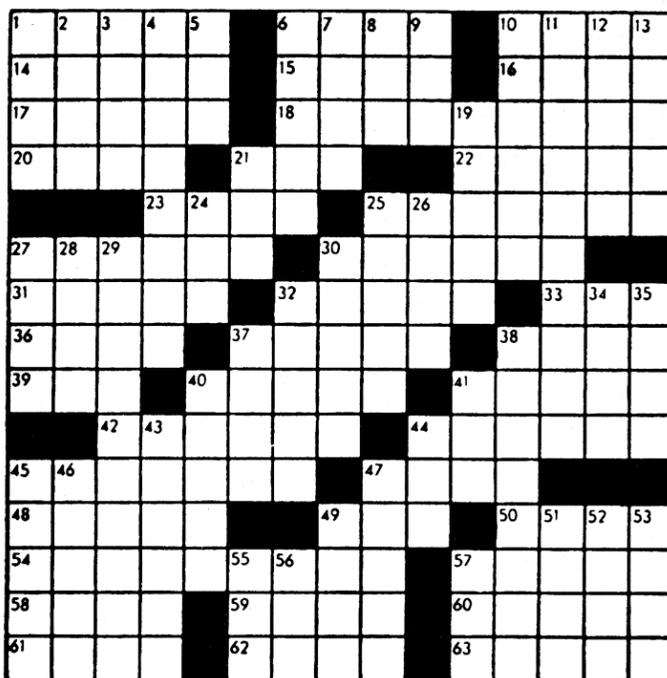
I can not say that I enjoyed Bumpers Male Review; I did not even go there to see it. It simply happened while I was there. I am not saying that the Review was not well-planned, good-quality entertainment, which it was. I am simply saying that I, being thoroughly male, was not titillated by the whole thing as the fourscore and seven attractive women that were packed into Bumpers to see Golden Boy's address were. All in all, I found the whole display extremely ... interesting. The women really seem to enjoy it all, also.

Besides being a major attractor of women, Bumpers is also a great Top-40 and beach music dance club. You really should check out Bumpers at least bi-weekly.

# Gearing Up '86 - August 7th and 8th

## STing Crossword Puzzle

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|-------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| ACROSS                  | 37 Dimmer          | DOWN                         | 29 Where Halifax is:    |
| 1 Frolics               | 38 Whetstone       | 1 Engrossed                  | 2 words                 |
| 6 Revise                | 39 Meadow          | 2 Debtor                     |                         |
| 10 Bullies              | 40 Markets         | 3 Crest                      | 30 Informs              |
| 14 Expect               | 41 Itinerary       | 4 Cocktail:                  | 32 Beaver State capital |
| 15 Shore bird           | 42 Steeples        | 2 words                      |                         |
| 16 Egg-shaped           | 44 Shouted         | 5 Pigpen                     | 34 Poker term           |
| 17 U.S.A.-Can. coin     | 45 Fitness         | 6 Ruhr city                  | 35 Feat                 |
| 18 TV program: 2 words  | 47 Licentious      | 7 Fate                       | 37 Lima is its capital  |
| 20 Journey              | 48 Expiate         | 8 Man's name                 | 38 Fool                 |
| 21 Diamond, e.g.        | 49 Pud             | 9 Spigot                     | 40 Sea nymph            |
| 22 Fathered             | 50 Shed tears      | 10 Aper                      | 41 Use oars             |
| 23 Diving bird          | 54 Rebels          | 11 Pilot's sign-off: 3 words | 43 Nags                 |
| 25 Free                 | 57 Gadget          | 12 Merchandise               | 44 Ax                   |
| 27 W. Hemisphere nation | 58 Girl's nickname | 13 Plow sole                 | 45 Females              |
| 30 Bar                  | 59 College org.    | 19 Noted Can. doctor         | 46 Chopin's forte       |
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