



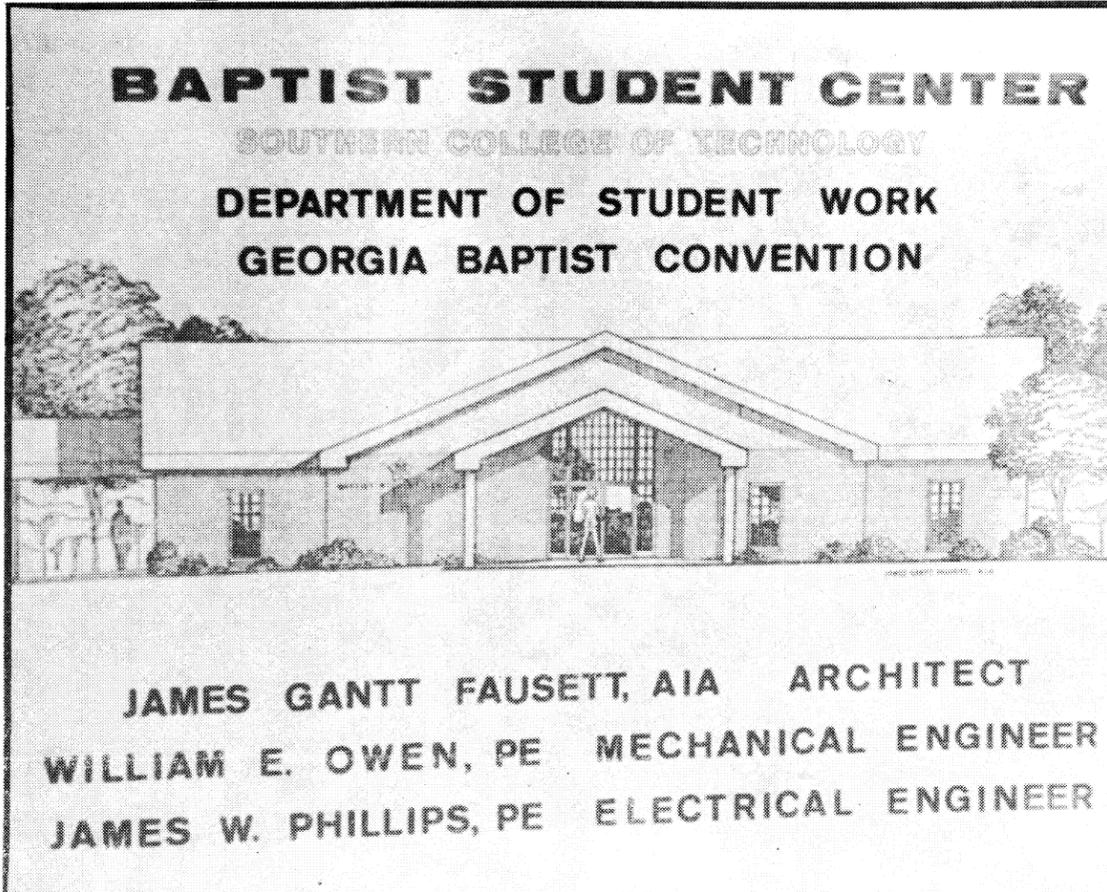
# The Sting

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## Baptist Student Union Building Under Construction



This is a photograph of the artist's rendition of the new Baptist Student Center. They are getting theirs now because they have friends in higher places than the Georgia Legislature. -Photo by Tom Crowell

By Ed Hardy  
Editor

The Baptist Student Union (BSU) is getting a building of its own. It is currently under construction and will be located beyond the 300 building.

According to the BSU's Campus Minister for Southern Tech, John D. Pierce, the building will cost about a half a million dollars. This estimate includes the building itself, the land to put it on, and the furnishings for it. The money was contributed by the Georgia Baptist Convention, an association of over three thousand churches.

The building will be about 5,400 square feet. It was designed by Jim Fawcett from the Architectural Department.

It will be mostly one large multi-purpose room that can be divided into smaller rooms. It will be used for large meetings and recreational purposes, like ping-pong. Reverend Pierce said, "We hope to do programming that's directed

toward International Students and towards Faculty and Staff, so there will be different sized groups using that [meeting room]."

Adjoining the meeting room will be a kitchen for refreshments for meetings and banquets. And there will be a TV room with couches and chairs so people will have somewhere to relax.

Southern Tech has a Baptist Campus Minister Intern that stays here full time for nine months while he is in seminary. The BSU center will have a dorm-type room for him to live in.

The building will also contain office space for the Campus Minister, the Intern, and the Head of the Baptist Student Union.

In conclusion, Rev. Pierce said, "The building is really designed to be very multi-purpose."

The building is scheduled to be completed sometime late Spring Quarter.

## Students Will Evaluate Teachers

By Westly Hetrick  
Assistant Editor

In an attempt to improve teacher effectiveness, the Faculty Senate has voted in a proposal to make faculty evaluations by students both mandatory and standardized. The standardized faculty evaluation forms were developed by the University of

Washington and were chosen for their reliability, validity, and adaptability.

In a memo to the faculty, Deans Rezak, Vizzini, and Yancy stated that since "the primary mission of Southern Tech is teaching, it only seems reasonable that the college should make an effort to assess how well its faculty are doing, individually and collectively, as

a community of teachers." According to Dr. Vizzini, "[student] faculty evaluation.. is only one of several things used to evaluate the faculty members," but it should be collected in a way that maximizes its potential.

This new policy, when implemented, will supplant the previous policy of using faculty evaluation forms on a voluntary basis. In addition, the forms will be evaluated every quarter, instead of once a year as is the case now.

The way the new system will work is that the forms will be given to students between the ninth week and the last day of classes. In addition to the computerized forms from the University of Washington, the students may be given open ended questions written by the professor or his department. The two forms will be placed in two separate sealed envelopes. The standardized questions will be sent during exam week to the University of



This girl isn't actually filling out an evaluation form. But it does look like she's filling out one, doesn't it? That's the glory of special effects. -Photo by Tom Crowell

Washington where they will be compiled. The University of Washington will send the Department Head a departmental summary with no individual identified, and the standardized forms will be given back to the professor.

The open ended questions, if used, will be collected and returned to the professor after all grades for that quarter have been turned in. The individual evaluations, both standardized and open ended, will remain sole property of the professor.

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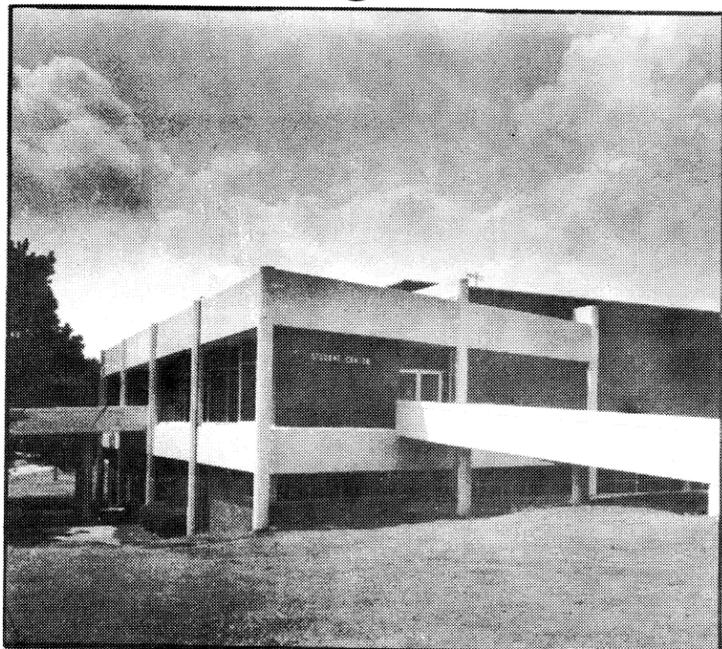
**FEATURES** Page 5 We rip a movie to shreds and preview the late, great, Thomas Edison, or a reasonable facsimile thereof, visiting campus.

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**Next Deadline: Nov. 22**

# Hopes High for Student Center

# News Bits



Presenting our case to the Regents, Dr. Propst emphasized that "we have extraordinary space demands," which can mostly be attributed to an increase in enrollment.

In January, after a final meeting with Chancellor Propst, Governor Joe Frank Harris will take the revised proposal to the Georgia General Assembly. Later, when the budget is in legislation, Dr. Propst will have one last formal opportunity to state the system's case when he appears before a joint session of the House and Senate Appropriations committee.

To say that our current Student Center does not meet our needs is to grossly understate the problem. The current facility was built to accommodate an enrollment roughly half the size of our current student body. Evidently, the growth potential of Southern Tech was seriously underestimated when the present Student Center was built. "We have 13 student organizations in small rooms and offices right now," says Barry Birkhead, director of student activities, "and

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Yes, this picture goes with yet another Student Center addition update. We at *The Sting* vow to keep putting these updates in the paper until we get a new Student Center (and a bigger office). If that doesn't work we'll hold our breath until our eyes bug out in a grotesque manner. -Photo by Tom Crowell

By Solomon Oged  
Staff Writer

The Regents Board's capital outlay list for Fiscal Year 1991 is topped by the proposed \$6.5 million addition to the Student Center. The Budget will have to go through the legislative process, while we here at Southern Tech can do little but

wait and hope. The enthusiasm surrounding the newborn Georgia budget in which Southern Tech again tops the list of requests made by the Regents was especially strong this year. Chancellor Propst, the Head of the Regents Board officers, described their last meeting as "spirited."

### Student Financial Aid Offered

Student Assistance is now accepting applications for scholarships, fellowships, grants, and loans for the 1989-90 school year. According to the president of Student Assistance, Mark Caffey, millions of dollars available to students for financial aid go unclaimed each year. Caffey believes Student Assistance will help many students. "Education should not be prohibited because of cost," he added. If you are a college student and would like to fill out an application, please send a self-addressed-stamped envelope to: Student Assistance, P.O. Box 1481, Friendswood, Texas 77546.

### Students Build Playground Equipment

Tom Crowell needs volunteers to help to build playground equipment for the Battered Women's Center at the YWCA on Henderson Street. This playground is to replace the one that was removed when the new Women's center was built.

Anyone interested should come to the meeting Thursday, November 9, at 2:00 p.m. in the Student Center Office. Or leave your name and number with the Student Center Secretary.

### Sting Changes Name

*The Sting* has changed its name, sort of. It used to be called *The STING*, which was an acronym for Southern Technical Institute News Gazette. But the school is no longer named the Southern Technical Institute, so it was decided that *The Sting*, without all the capitals, made more sense.

### The Sting's Thought For The Day

*If God had intended for us to use the metric system he would have given us ten fingers and ten toes.*

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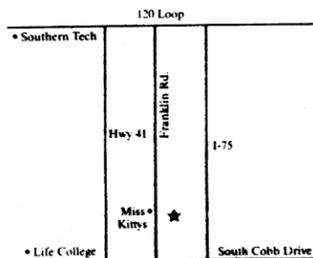
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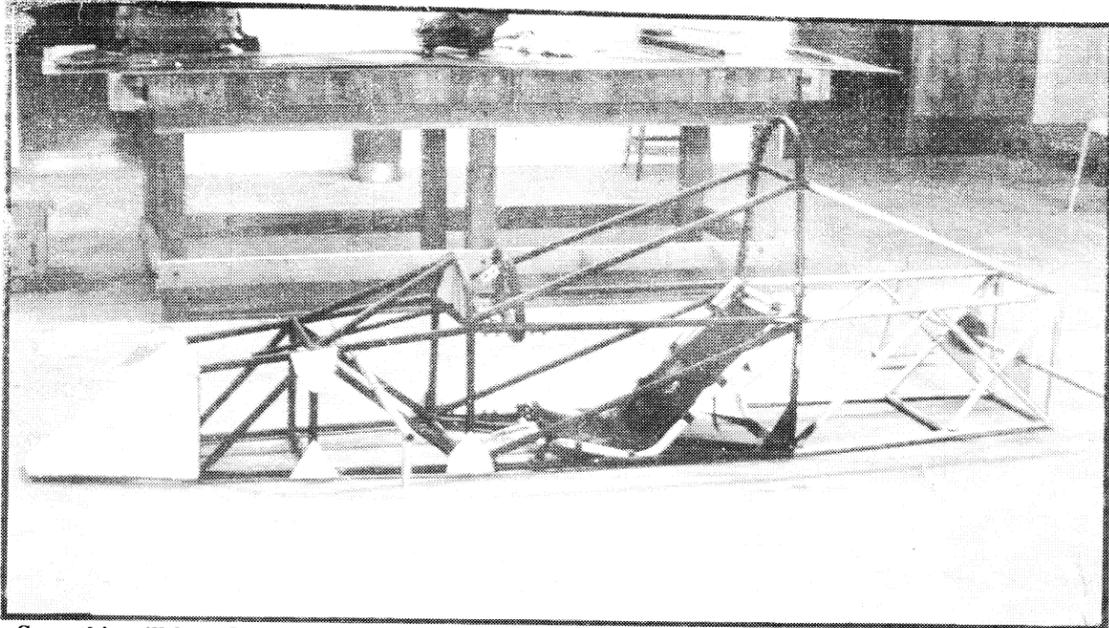
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# MET Students Build Race Car



Soon this will be a Formula SAE race car. How soon? Hopefully by May. Maybe sooner with your help. -Photo by Jack Silver

By Becky Willocks  
Staff Writer

The world famous Human Powered Vehicle isn't the only game on campus anymore. Motivated MET students have embarked on yet another ultimate design project: the soon-to-be-world-famous Formula SAE race car.

So, what is it? Well, the Formula SAE (Society of Automotive Engineers) is a small formula-style race car completely conceived, designed, built, tested, and raced by students. And Southern Tech has thrown its wrench into the ring with hopes of winning the 1990 Formula SAE competition.

The race car, built entirely by students, will be judged in three categories: engineering design and static inspection, solo performance trials, and high-performance endurance.

The rules for the competition are few and simple. The car's engine can be any four-cycle piston engine with a maximum displacement of 610 cc. However, any engine modifications are acceptable. The wheels must be at least eight inches in diameter, and the car must have a wheelbase of at least 60 inches. The fuel tank can only hold one gallon. Also, the race car must meet all the required safety regulations.

Professor Orren Williams is the faculty advisor for the Formula SAE project. He believes that such an undertaking is the ultimate design project because it simulates real world engineering. Students are being challenged to use more than their engineering skills. They also are learning how to prioritize, manage time and money, solicit sponsors, and work as a team.

The Formula SAE com-

petition first came to the attention of Prof. Williams when he read about it in *Autoweek* magazine over a year ago. He mentioned the race car project to a group of students, who immediately expressed interest in starting such a project at SCT. Williams and a small yet highly motivated group of only three students actually started the Formula SAE project during Winter quarter 1989.

At that time the project was offered as an MET Special

Topics course, thus the students received course credit. This quarter, however, Formula SAE is not offered as a course but is considered a special project on a club level. This change was made, Williams said, so that students from other departments outside of MET could get involved. The only stipulation is that the students must be ASME members since it is an ASME owned

Formula cont. on 4



According to Jim Brown, director of Plant Operations, it costs more than \$500 to sandblast paint off the rock. Yet some campus organizations feel that flyers and other promotional techniques are inadequate. -Photo by Tom Crowell

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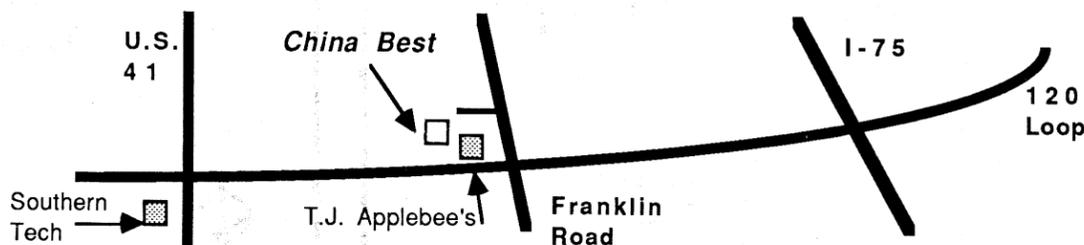
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project.

Michael Snipes, an MET senior, is the Team Manager. He has been involved with Formula SAE since its conception here at SCT. Snipes sees his role as manager as being a coordinator and organizer. Other team members work on specific aspects of the project. One student is rebuilding the donated engine, while another is working on the front suspension. Two more are perfecting the car's frame, while another group is working on the power transmission.

Much of the work to complete this project has already been done. Scale models of the race car have been built and tested in the wind tunnel. Also, a mock-up of the frame gives the team a real feel for the car and allows them to make necessary modifications.

The group is racing against the clock to finish the Formula SAE car in time for the May 1990 competition. They hope to get it rolling early so that they can get in plenty of practice time for the race.

The driver for the car has not yet been chosen, although there are many interested candidates. The bottom line is that

this team is going to the competition with the intention of winning. Therefore, their driver will be the person who turns in the best time during their practice time trials. Of course, the driver will be someone who has put in some time on the project.

Professor Williams and Snipes both agree that the project's only obstacle is the lack of money. Williams said that the students know what parts and materials they need. Now it's just a matter of finding the funds. "Parts are expensive," Williams said. For example, two hub assemblies cost \$159, and one set of wheels has an estimated \$600 price tag.

Some relief has come in the form of discounts from parts store owners. Snipes said that businesses making substantial contributions will have their decals on the race car -- just like in the real world.

There is no real competition between the Formula SAE and HPV, says Snipes, just a lot of friendly jest. "We call the HPV a bicycle and they call the SAE car a go-cart." He thinks that both projects have the same goal, however: to promote Southern Tech.

## COMING EVENTS

- **Nov. 7:** Last day to vote for Homecoming Queen. Voting takes place downstairs in the Student Center
- **Nov. 10:** Dramatization of Thomas Edison by Pat Hingle in Burruss Auditorium at 7:00 p.m. Classroom workshop will be held at 1:00 p.m. in Student Center.
- **Nov. 11:** Runnin' Hornets opening game against Philander Smith College. 7:30 p.m. in the gym.
- **Nov. 11-12:** Fall Bathtub Race. Time trials on Saturday and race on Sunday.
- **Nov. 13:** CAB will sponsor Repertory Theatre entitled "Champagne Complex." This will be a comedy play on the effects of champagne and will be held at 6:30 p.m. in Burruss Auditorium.
- **Nov. 13-17:** "Architecture Week" held by Southern Tech chapter of American Institute of Architecture Students will hold week long exhibition of Atlanta-area architecture firms in rotunda of Southern Tech Library.
- **Nov. 17:** Homecoming '89 will be held in the Northwest Hilton from 8:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. The Homecoming Queen will be announced at the game the following night. Sponsored by the Campus Activities Board.
- **Nov. 22:** Deadline for the next issue of *The Sting*.
- **Nov. 28:** Release of the next issue of *The Sting*.
- **Dec. 4:** Serendipity Singers will play festive Christmas music in Burruss Auditorium at 7:00 p.m.
- **Dec 11-18:** Ski trip in Steamboat Springs, Colorado, will be sponsored by Southern Tech Department of Recreational Sports. Contact Karl Staber at 528-7349 for more information.

Call 528-7310 to place your organization's events in upcoming issues.

Compiled by Andrew Newton and Ed Hardy

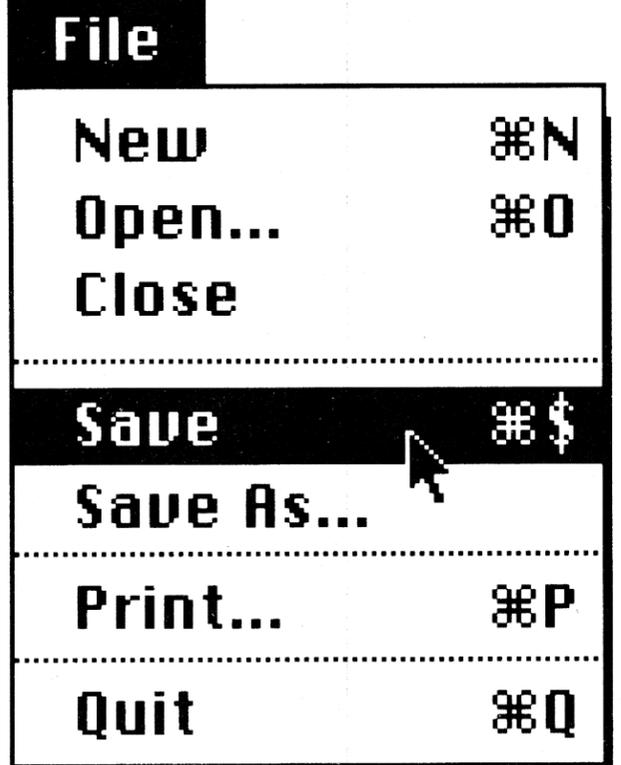
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## See *Immediate Family* Later



Hey! Look! A movie with Glenn Close and James Woods where they don't kill anybody.

By Joanne Byrd  
Staff Writer

*Immediate Family*. Starring Glenn Close, James Woods. Directed by Jonathan Kaplan. A Columbia Pictures release.

With a cast including Glenn Close and James Woods, you are led to believe that *Im-*

*mediate Family* will be a sensational movie. But the combination of a weak plot and the controversial issues of teenage pregnancy and abortion versus adoption caused this movie to dive into a tail-spinning crash.

The movie did not leave me with any sense of what the writers and directors were

trying to say with this movie. There did not seem to be any strong direction that the movie was trying to take.

Before I continue criticizing the movie, I'd better give you the plot. Meet Linda and Michael Spector (Close and Woods) who are in their mid-30s and childless, but it's not from a lack of trying. Lucy Moore (Mary Stuart Masterson) comes into their lives, nine months pregnant and needing a home for her unborn child. Although Lucy loves the baby's father, Sam, that's right, just SAM, played by Kevin Dillon (Matt Dillon's little brother), they do not feel they are ready to settle down and begin a family.

Through the arrangements of a lawyer, the Spectors agree to adopt Lucy's baby once it is born. If I continue with the plot I will tell you that the movie industry has compared the movie to the made-for-TV *Baby M* movie.

There were several good laughs in this movie. The Spectors' dog, Ellen, a huge sheep-dog or something, is great! Would you tolerate a dog playing tug-o-war with you and an armload of dry cleaning as



The Society for Creative Anachronism came to Southern Tech Monday, Oct. 30, and demonstrated cool ways to beat the crap out of each other. -Photo by Tom Crowell

the rope? Ellen has symbolically become the child the Spectors have not been able to conceive so far.

There is an interesting parallel between Linda and Lucy besides both their names beginning with the letter "L." Lucy, who is around 17 years old, was born when her mother was 17. Lucy's mother died when Lucy was younger. Linda, who is in her mid-30s, sort of becomes Lucy's friend and mother in the movie. This development lends an interesting element to the movie.

But even with all the emotions and laughs, I did not feel entertained by this movie. I felt it may have been a little

one-sided by pushing adoption for the pro-life supporters. Yet, the emotions involved with a mother giving up her child for adoption were not totally ignored. The plot was unrealistic because if Lucy and Sam were planning to get married in the future I didn't feel that they would've given up their firstborn child.

If you have ever been involved with adoption or fully support the pro-life movement you may thoroughly enjoy this movie. I felt that the conclusion was unrealistic and the sensitive issues were not addressed properly. Thus, the movie was a disappointment for me.

## Edison to Visit Campus



Soon the ghost of Thomas Edison will rise to haunt Burruss Auditorium. Oooh. Scary. Am I the only one here who's still in a Halloween mood.

By Elizabeth Talley  
Staff Writer

On Friday, Nov. 10 at 7:30 p.m. in Burruss Auditorium, Pat Hingle, a well-known television, film, and Broadway actor, will portray inventor Thomas Edison in a drama

presentation entitled, "An Evening with Thomas Edison: Reflections of a Genius."

The two-hour play will be well worth the \$2 admission price. Beyond the history books, certain aspects of Edison the man, not the inventor, will be revealed to the

audience. Did you know that Edison had a dual personality? There is more - just some things are not printed in history books.

Being a veteran of 20 Broadway roles and appearances on popular TV shows such as *War and Remembrance* and *M.A.S.H.*, Hingle has plenty of acting experience, so you will no be disappointed. Southern Tech is privileged to have such a well-known actor to come to our campus.

Before the presentation Pat Hingle will hold a workshop for anyone who would like to get some acting tips. There also will be a reception. Even if you are not an actor, it would be interesting to ask him a few questions about his acting career such as his appearance on *Batman*. The workshop will be held in the Student Center at 1:00 p.m. on Nov. 10. After the workshop, Hingle will transform into the 80 year-old Edison with the help of a three hour-long make-up procedure.

Tickets can be bought at the Student Center, but hurry up - more and more people are finding out about the presentation!

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by BILL WATTERSON

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OK, ...UM, FIRST LET'S MAKE A LIST OF WHAT WE KNOW.

YEAH! THAT'S A GOOD WAY TO START! GREAT!

NUMBER ONE: WHAT ARE BATS?

THEY'RE BUGS, AREN'T THEY? YEAH, PUT THAT DOWN.

#1 Bats = Bugs

ARE YOU SURE?

THEY FLY, RIGHT? THEY'RE UGLY AND HAIRY, RIGHT? C'MON, THIS IS TAKING ALL DAY!

I THINK WE'VE GOT ENOUGH INFORMATION NOW, DON'T YOU?

ALL WE HAVE IS ONE "FACT" YOU MADE UP.

THAT'S PLENTY. BY THE TIME WE ADD AN INTRODUCTION, A FEW ILLUSTRATIONS, AND A CONCLUSION, IT WILL LOOK LIKE A GRADUATE THESIS.

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YEAH, I SPENT ALL LAST EVENING ON IT. DID YOU?

WELL, WHEN YOU KNOW AS MUCH AS I DO, IT DOESN'T TAKE AS LONG. MINE TOOK ABOUT 15 MINUTES.

15 MINUTES? LET'S SEE.

I GUESS YOU WON'T BE SETTING THE GRADE CURVE **THIS** TIME, SUSIE! READ IT AND WEEP.

"BATS: THE BIG BUG SCOURGE OF THE SKIES."

NOTE THE PROFESSIONAL CLEAR PLASTIC BINDER.

BATS AREN'T BUGS!

ALL RIGHT, CLASS, WHO WOULD LIKE TO GIVE HIS REPORT FIRST?

I WOULD! I WOULD!

WHY CALVIN, WHAT A SURPRISE TO SEE YOU VOLUNTEER! YOU MUST HAVE DONE A GOOD JOB. GO TO THE FRONT OF THE CLASS.

OH BOY!

NOW LET'S ALL PAY ATTENTION. GO AHEAD, CALVIN.

THANK YOU. BEFORE I BEGIN, I'D LIKE EVERYONE TO NOTICE THAT MY REPORT IS IN A PROFESSIONAL, CLEAR PLASTIC BINDER.

THAT'S VERY NICE. GO AHEAD.

WHEN A REPORT LOOKS THIS GOOD, YOU KNOW IT'LL GET AN "A." THAT'S A TIP, KIDS. WRITE IT DOWN.

MY REPORT IS ON BATS. ...AHEM...

"DUSK! WITH A CREEPY, TINGLING SENSATION, YOU HEAR THE FLUTTERING OF LEATHERY WINGS! **BATS!** WITH GLOWING RED EYES AND GLISTENING FANGS, THESE UNSPEAKABLE GIANT BUGS DROP ONTO..."

**BATS AREN'T BUGS!!**

LOOK, WHO'S GIVING THE REPORT? YOU CHONDERHEADS ...OR ME?!

CALVIN, I'D LIKE TO SEE YOU A MOMENT.

MAN ALIVE! CAN YOU BELIEVE WHAT MY TEACHER WROTE ON MY REPORT?

SHE SAYS I OBVIOUSLY DID NO RESEARCH WHATSOEVER ON BATS AND THAT MY SCIENTIFIC ILLUSTRATION LOOKS LIKE I TRACED THE BATMAN LOGO AND ADDED FANGS!

SHE'S PRETTY PERCEPTIVE.

SHE DIDN'T EVEN GIVE ME CREDIT FOR MY PROFESSIONAL CLEAR PLASTIC BINDER!

WHAT DID YOUR PARENTS HAVE TO SAY?

NOTHING. AND IF YOU'LL GIVE ME A HAND HERE, IT WILL STAY THAT WAY.



Unmoved by the humiliation and abuse, Homer the rent-a-goat waits patiently to go home to a nice relaxing night with his wife and kids. -Photo by David Miles

## Goat Night a Success

By Lamar Bevil  
Staff Writer

What is GOAT NIGHT? Goat Night is a Southern Tech tradition that took a vacation but is now back. The legend of Goat Night states that during those turbulent sixties, a disgruntled student put a goat or two inside the Administration Building for a weekend. The goat or goats allegedly dined on student records and red tape. This is why some of the older students and staff lovingly refer to the Administration Building as the "Goat Shed."

From this humble beginning, a celebration began. This year's Goat Night was organized by the Interfraternity Council and co-sponsored by the Campus Activities Board. An estimated crowd of 350 students came out for this year's roster of events. The night began with the tug-o-war contest and then the wrist wrestling championship. After these events, dinner was served and the band, made of of SCT students, began to play. At the first break a lip sync contest was held, then more band, and a reverse beauty contest. The grand finale was the "Best Dressed Goat" contest. Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity was the overall winner, winning three of the five events.

The IFC would like to thank everyone who participated and made Goat Night a success!

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Asked if we will get the funds needed to build the new student center next year, Mr. Birkhead knocked on his wooden desk, then crossed his fingers and said, "we hope so." Then looking out his half glass office, he pointed out to his left and right indicating where his dream of an expanded student center would be most appropriate, and said, "it will be connected to the present one."

If it is any relief, the problem of space is common around the University system. The University of Georgia, for example, was forced to convert stairwells into laboratories. At Augusta College, labs were built in an old army barracks, which squeezed out classroom space and squeezed in students. And there are many more examples.

Giving the current growth rate of Southern Tech, it is most important that our funding goes through next year. But we have been denied twice, so hopefully, we will be denied no longer.

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to favor the opinion of some artsy-fartsy architect that calls these designs "fun." They fail to ask themselves how these designs will hold up to time, and instead opt for the fads of our volatile time, apparently overlooking the obvious fact that these buildings will be around to please or plague the faculty and students for years to come.

Now, I have not raised the criticism without offering a solution. My idea is one that existed in all of the great societies throughout time: Copy what you admire. As my father once said to me as I watched him paint the Mona Lisa: "Plagerize, plagerize, let no man's work pass your eyes."

Imagine a campus filled with exact copies of great architectural triumphs of the past: a Notre Dame Cathedral for the Baptist Student Union, an ancient Roman Basilica (complete with a vomitorium in the cafeteria) for the new Student Center, and a Great Pyramid of Giza for the Administration. Why, I even came across a set of original blueprints for the Parthenon once when I was scavenging through Peachtree Salvage. Even without blueprints we could just send a few AET students out with a tape measure and some engineering paper and we could get a much more enduring design that this school has ever known.

And just think of the results. Tourists would come to take snapshots and buy T-Shirts. Magazines would feature our school as the "Noblest Campus in America". Students would have more of a reason to go here, stay here, and be proud of this school when they leave here. But, alas, it is not so.

I guess that my point is that this institution needs to make a break from its tradition of retarded archetecture. This might not seem like much in the context of this argument, but what it will take is some brave individual in our administration to tell all of the half-baked weenies that no, the emperor is not wearing any clothes.

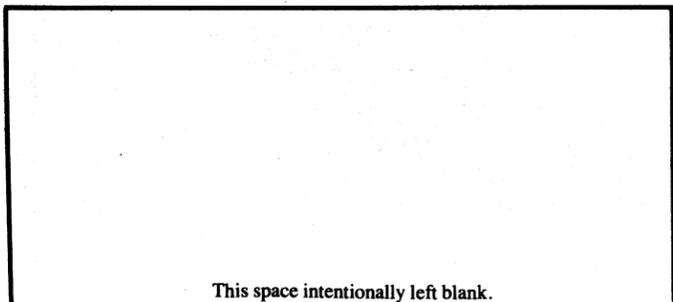
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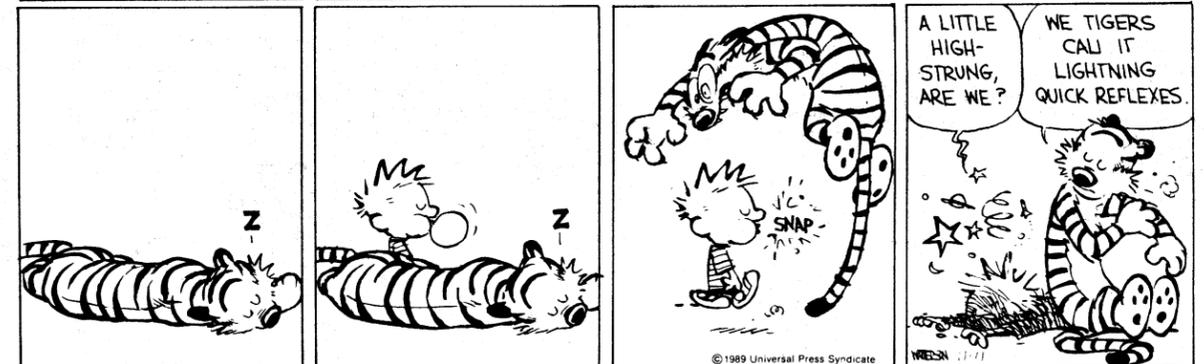
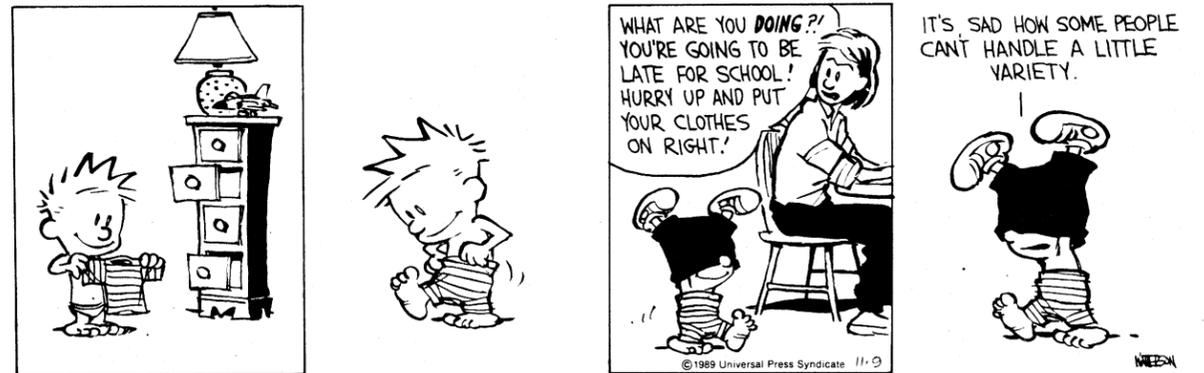
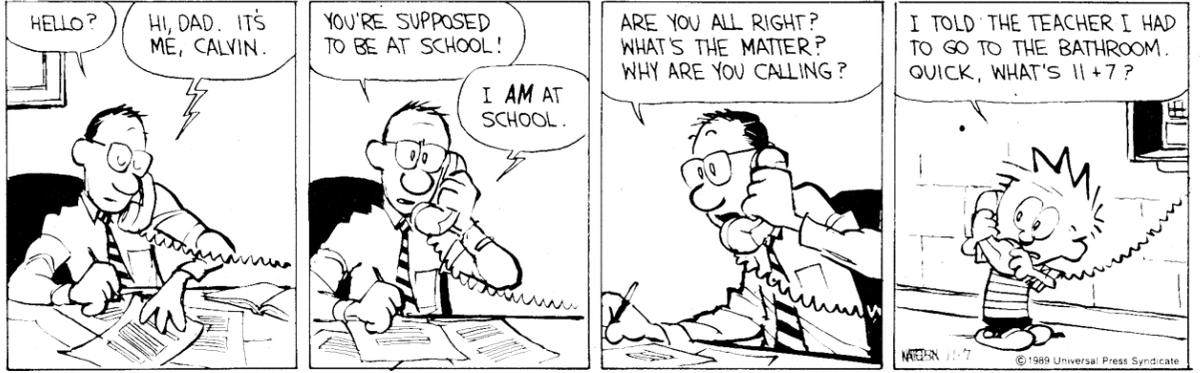
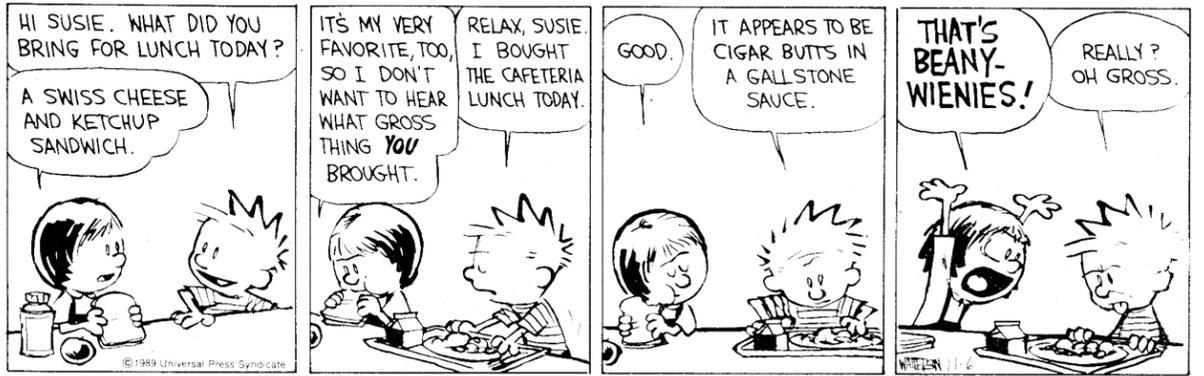
Perides biggest problem right now is lack of motivation. "Our intensity level is not where I want it. We need to practice and play with greater intensity." He attributes this to the long practice season, and explains that the intensity level of the team should increase as the opening game draws closer. "The kids are bored. Heck, I'm bored. But that'll change this Saturday night," Perides smiles.

Go see your team play this Saturday night at 7:30 p.m. in the gym (you know, the place with the basketball hoops and the only wooden floor on campus).



# calvin and Hobbes

by BILL WATTERSON



# EDITORIALS

## Crime Can Happen to You!

By Ed Hardy  
Editor



College is not the idyllic place some people seem to believe it is. The people I'm referring to are the ones who believe that just because they are on a college campus, they can't be the victim of crime. This just isn't true.

Students are regularly robbed, raped and murdered on campuses all across the country. According to the Center for the Study and Prevention of Campus Violence, almost two thousand violent crimes and 107 thousand property crimes were reported to the FBI by colleges last year, despite the fact that only ten percent of all colleges report crimes.

The first thing you are going to say about this is "Most of those crimes probably happened at schools that were located downtown in big cities. We live in the sleepy little town of Marietta. No one is going to rob us out here." Well, I'd like to point out that those aren't apartment buildings down there on South Marietta Parkway, that's low-rent housing. That's Marietta's equivalent of the slums. And they're a whole quarter of a mile off campus.

And if that doesn't frighten you, 70 percent of all campus crime is committed by other students. So you can't trust anyone.

Now that you realize that crime can happen to you on campus, the issue of prevention is raised. There are two places that your property can be stolen on campus when you aren't there: your dorm

room and your car. And preventing these is extremely simple. Just lock your room and car when you leave it.

When I say lock your room, I mean all the time. If no one is in your room, it should be locked. Even if all you are doing is going to the shower. Think about it, it would take someone about thirty seconds to enter your room, take your wallet, and leave.

You wouldn't think there would be a big problem with locking doors, but Campus Safety frequently finds people's doors not just unlocked, but actually standing open for long periods of time without the residents there. This is begging for trouble.

And lock your car. Campus Safety tries to watch the parking lots, but they can't be everywhere. And even if you lock your doors, don't leave valuable items lying on your seats in plain sight.

The best way to prevent being attacked is not walking around alone at night. Even if you are just going out to your car. This is aimed particularly at female students. While this is a generally well lit campus, that strip of trees between the dorms and the theatre parking lot is a pretty dangerous place to walk past at night. I wouldn't suggest going anywhere near there alone after dark.

And guys, volunteer to walk girls places at night, even if they don't ask. Wouldn't you feel terrible if your girlfriend got attacked walking out alone to her car because it was too much trouble for you to walk out there with her.

The attitude of "Don't worry, it's not going to happen to me" isn't going to do you a bit of good. Because it can happen to you, and probably will unless you work to prevent it.

## What's Wrong With All of Us?

By Steve Hill  
Staff Writer



You always hear it. You may have even said it yourself. "Why can't 'they' build anything like 'they' used to?" Why can't we build cars that last more than 80 thousand miles without falling apart? Why can't we compete with countries like Japan and Korea, countries that don't have one-tenth our resources?

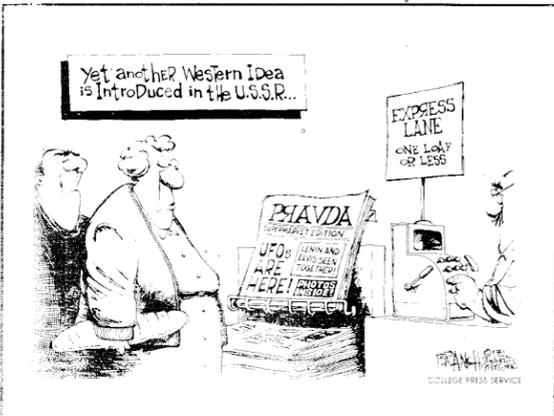
One problem I see is that too few people actually care about the quality of the work they do. Good enough is good enough - especially if it gets you home by five. I'm not preaching - I'm just as guilty of it as the next guy. But I am tired of it. I'm tired of doing a job that's merely acceptable.

When you graduate from here, you are (hopefully) going to get a job. No matter what size company you work for, you're going to produce a product or provide a service for somebody. Behind that good or service is your name. And eventually

you are going to have to make a decision as to what quality of workmanship will satisfy you. When you make that decision, I want you to remember how angry or upset you were the last time your new car broke down. Or how mad it makes you when you can't seem to get good service in a store. Remember how pissed you were that someone did a bad job for you because they had a hangover, or because they didn't care. Remember how you felt and ask yourself: "Do you really want someone to feel this way about me?"

I guess what I'm trying to say is: care about what you do. Don't do a half-assed job because you know it'll be "good enough." We have too many people out there who just don't give a damn about what they do. There's more to work than a good paycheck. There's pride in doing a job well. Or in doing one everyone thought was difficult. It's your duty to your fellow man. You know him because you've been in his shoes before. It's your job. Do it well.

Someone's counting on you.



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## Consensus Editorial

We of *The Sting* would like to complain. While a quiet campus lacking in controversy is generally a good sign, it makes life pretty hard on us newspaper people, as is attested by our three page news section. Where does the blame for all of this go? We would like to think the administration is just being too darn efficient for it's own good. The solution for this problem? (We at *The Sting* like to ponder things like this late at night.) Making life more difficult for students is right out of the question, so we would like to encourage the administration to cause problems on its own time. A big drug scandal or on campus prostitution scandal would be nice, but don't limit yourself, guys. Be innovative!

## Clean the Bathrooms

Dear Sting:

I am writing this letter because you have promised me anonymity. I am embarrassed due to the delicate subject matter of this letter, but especially because, despite the numerous complaints, our custodial staff (specifically those in the Administrative Bldg.) have yet to alleviate the problem. Perhaps this should be addressed then to their director, Mr. Jim Brown.

### Somebody please clean up the Ladies Room in the Administration Building!!!!

We are talking filth, with a capital F. If this letter seems humorous, ask any lady in the Administration Building how they feel about the lavatory and you will get a sound rebuttal. I do not know what the conditions of other lavatories are on the rest of the campus, but if they remotely resemble that of this subject, I can honestly say I have visited cleaner gas station bathrooms.

Floors that have not been swept in I don't know how long. Windows that need a thorough windexing, and most importantly toilets that are crying aloud for a major soft scrub plus a douse of clorox. I mean, they are really bad. Like

someone got sick and splashed. If this letter seems to exaggerate, go look for yourselves.

One time, and "admin" ladies we all remember, a trash can sat in the toilet for an entire day. Everyone used the other stall. My hat off to the brave individual who finally removed the "can" out of the "can."

If keeping a public restroom sanitary wasn't enough to complain about, how about keeping the vending machine filled with tampons and sanitary napkins? Is that too much to ask?

What are we paying custodial (night time office cleaners, I guess) workers for? To watch TV and play pool in the Student Center late night? Makes you wonder.

I know poeple have complained to deafening ears, but no more. If it's not enough to keep the lavatories clean for the employees, what must a visitor think, especially in the Administration Building of a major engineering college of the University System.

Please, Mr. Brown, supervise those who supervise. Someone is not doing their job. Seriously.

A Not Alone Lady  
in the Admin. Bldg.

## Stop Stop Signs

Dear Sting:

Um, Um, I can't seem to think of anything to complain about. I finally get a chance to voice my feelings and my mind goes blank. It's my big chance, the one article that will make me a legend. I got an idea.

Stop signs at Southern Tech have gotten out of hand. Some anti-movement fanatic is attempting to prevent my auto from rolling. This is causing

undue and unnecessary wear on the brake linings of my car. I demand retribution.

I remember as a child my Great Grandpa would tell tales of signs that said, "Stop for pedestrians" rather than stop for no apparent reason. Getting to class on time is a pain in the neck as it is without having to slam on the brakes every time I get into second gear.

Signed,  
"Don't have time to stop"  
Mike Kolbas

## For Shame!

Dear ED:

I would like to express my disappointment regarding the conduct of a certain fraternity member (TKK) at Goat Night.

I believe his conduct was not only vulgar and uncalled for, but also irresponsible, with a business, colorful, and how they are not at all appropriate for the campus.

I would like to see the person who witnesses such lewd behavior by a so called 'adult.'

The lowpoint of the whole incident was that despite his behavior, he was being cheered on by his fraternity peers while others were being shocked by his obscene gestures. These people should have been able to recognize the fine line between decency and vulgarity.

Their attitude toward such behavior shows a poor example of what is on our campus. If I were you, I would be embarrassed and ashamed to wear the colors and be affiliated with such a group.

Name Withheld

## Architecture Ideas

Dear Sting:

The growth of our esteemed institution once again looms on our horizon: the Architecture Department has received approval for a five year program, and will need its own building; the talk of a new student center is growing louder; the "Future Home of the Baptist Student Union" has been decided upon and there are even rumors of a new Civil Engineering building a few years down the road. By the time any of this construction has even begun I will hopefully be far down the road to Reality and long gone from this Pressure Dome of educational pleasure, so it is into the hands of the future degenerations I must leave one of my most bothersome dislikes of our campus: it's ugly.

It is hard to make subjective judgements regarding beauty, which we all know is in the eye of the beholder, but ugly does not share this distinction. Ugly shares a universal acknowledgement within the community of the reasonable, sane and sober. (I have this-uh-friend that drinks a bit, and he says that I-I mean he-woke up on a few occasions at my-I mean his apartment with enough ugly to consider himself an expert on the subject.)

Now there is a little that we can do about the architectural deformities that already litter our campus, like the mobile-home-meets-concrete monstrosities of the original buildings, or the Monticello-inspired K-Mart rendering of the present Student Center, much less the spartan interpretation of boredom that we call the dorms, but as I look to the new library and textile building, I am forced to question the competence of a committee that seems to cling to Southern Tech's time-honored dedication to mutant construction.

I think it was Keat's who made the profound connection between beauty, truth, and timelessness, and I feel that those gracious people who decide what our buildings will look like have never made that connection. Instead, they seem

Ideas cont. on 7

### Man of Few Words

Dear Sting:

\$1.97 for a 9%+ english  
muffin

Shawn Moseiev

## More on Library Vents

Dear Editor:

It had been my intention to respond directly to Mr. "Hobart Floy" concerning his complaint about the Library air conditioning. However, according to the college roster and the Office of the Registrar, Mr. "Floy" does not exist. Therefore, I am responding to you.

While large enough to adequately heat and cool the building, the Library air handling system does not adequately deal with the many variations in ceiling heights and space sizes in the building. Additionally, the second floor classroom is at the end of a duct run. Physical Plant tells us that there is nothing that can be done to lessen the noise in this particular room. It is an inconvenience we have to accept with as good grace as possible. In other areas of the Library Physical Plant does plan to add

sound-proofing material to mechanical room walls to lessen noise coming from those sources.

Sincerely  
John W. Patillo  
Director, Southern Tech  
Library

*Mr. Patillo, I apologize. You are quite correct, there is no Hobart Floy. It is a pseudonym for a person on campus who wished to remain anonymous. I realize now we should simply have printed "Name Withheld" on the article. In the future articles of this sort will be clearly labeled as such.*

*It is the policy of The Sting to print letters without names on them as long as we know who the letters are from. We will not print letters that we receive that have no names on them.*

-Ed.

## Ticket Complaints

Dear Sting:

Boy am I steamed. A few weeks ago I recieved a parking ticket that I believed was unjustified. I then went to appeal the ticket by filling out the appeals form, and turning it in to the SGA Judiciary committee. Up to this point things were going fine. I wasn't fond of this bureacratic paper chase, but I knew it was a necessary evil.

However, about a week and a half later, something happened. I went to get my paycheck from the Business Office. What could be wrong

with that, you ask? Well, I couldn't get my check because I had an outstanding traffic fine.

I could possibly understand withholding the amount of the ticket and reimbursing the fine if the appeal was successful, but holding a hundred dollar check for a fifteen dollar fine is asinine. Luckily, I'll be able to get by until this is all straightened out. But what if I hadn't. I wonder if any students have had the problem of not being able to get their paycheck because they couldn't pay the fine to get their paycheck.

Westly Hetrick

## HELP WANTED

Playground Engineers  
and Technicians Wanted  
To Assemble Small  
Playground at YWCA

Meet Thursday, Nov. 9,  
at 2:00 p.m. in the  
Student Center Office



By Arthur "Scoop" Fonzerelli  
a.k.a. the Fonz

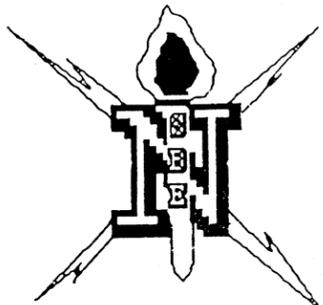
Let's get busy! I'll start off with some well deserved congrats. First to our 3 newly initiated brothers: Wayne Boston, Steve Armour, and Kevin Ingraham. Great job guys! More kudos go out to Todd Green, Brother of the Month, and Tal Martin, the infamous "Bu" of the month. Tal enlightened everyone on Goat Night with his impromptu astronomy lessons. By the way, Tal looks *hot* in a mini skirt! Last, but not least, I would like to congratulate our newest A.M. Skipper Short, the Waffle House kid! You won't regret it Skipper!

And now to Chuck Dowdle for sports...The Lambda Chi's are still going for the gold in volleyball and football. The fighting Lambchops are once again in the post season playoffs with a respectable 3 and 2 record, but golly gee, look at

the volleyballers. They are white HOT at 5 and 1!!!

Ladies and gentlemen, guys and gals, mamas and papas, we have just received the results of the first nowhere near annual Lambda Chi costume contest. The second runner up was the luscious but lovable Scott Barrett. First runner up, who will step up if the winner cannot fulfill his/her obligations and duties, is David "I wanna be a Ho" Weaver. (David is currently a student at the Velvet Jones School of Technology.) David was impressive in his outstanding rendition of the lady in red! Of course that means the grand prize winner is none other than...drum roll, Anton...Jack, uh, I mean John Douglass. John was the best "Joker" I've seen this side of Nicholson.

To close out this action packed, fun filled amazingly exciting literary monument, I would like to remind everyone to study hard (the quarter is almost over) and get those grades up. Also, I encourage everyone to come to the Bathtub race on November 12 and support the Lambda Chi Alpha/Budweiser racing team! Until then, I'm not Robin Leach because champagne wishes and caviar dreams cost too much money!



"Bridging the Gap Between Corporate America and Students" was the theme Southern Tech's Society of Black Engineers chose during National Society of Black Engineers Week (October 17-October 19).

The week began with a Freshman Mixer, which allowed the incoming Freshmen to meet the members of N.S.B.E. as well as other organizations on campus and find out about present and future activities and how they can get involved.

S.T.S.B.E. 3rd Annual Cair Fair took place on Oct. 18. Companies such as Kimberly Clark, F.B.I., Georgia Power and Alcoa all participated along with many others.

The week ended with an Awards Ceremony. Pat Budd from NY was the speaker at the ceremony and capped on the several ways the gap between

corporate America and students can be shortened. The Awards Ceremony recognized the academic achievers of S.T.S.B.E. The award recipients were as follows for 3.0 awards: Regdrick Banks, Sharon Davis, Bernard Foster, Andrea Mingo, Kerry Mitchell, Evelyn Pascal, Richard Sanders, Sonja Scoggins, Kyra Wynn, Julius Abraham, Alvin Robinson, Joseaf Stone, Sharon White, Tonya White, Tonya Flowers and Marvin Dickinson.

3.0 Overall G.P.A.: Julius Abraham, Marvin Dickinson, Tonya Flowers, Sheila Jackson, and Tonya White.

Outstanding Member: Kerry Mitchell.

Outstanding Executive Board Member: Kyra Wynn.

Bell South Scholarship: Sonja Scoggins.

Appreciation is given for the support shown by the members as well as the student body and the many departments that aided in our success. If you're interested in joining S.T.S.B.E. contact Pres. Tonya White, Howell Dorm, Room 407 or Membership Chairperson Richard Sanders, Norton Dorm, Room 212.



By Lamar Bevil  
President

What's Sig Ep been up to lately? Well, on October 21, Sig Ep raised over \$500.00 at our American Diabetes Association "Bucket Brigade" fund raiser. That was also the weekend our Regional Director Chuck Shallett came for a visit. He was also able to see Georgia

## WOOGER SCT RADIO

By Andrew Newton  
WGHR General Manager

Unlike other WGHR articles, this issue we promise not to solicit the campus for new Disc Jockeys and turn-table slaves, but you are welcome to join should the whim strike you. Actually, our airshift board is quite full right now, and anyone joining at this point would be hard pressed to find a spot during a weekday (weekends are still basically free).

Anyone who can remember our ad from the first issue of *The Sting* this quarter will remember William "Wild Bill"

## TKE

By Brad Kennedy

GOAT NIGHT! Scruffy never had it so good. He got to see Lizzard Belafonte, Brandy Brannon, and won Best-dressed award among Greek goats. Word has it that Scruffy finished the night off with a huge Banana-Fest with his girlfriend Brandy in Winder; the town that never sleeps. Follow-up story at 10 p.m. Special thanks also go to Associate Dan Pearce, our arm wrestling champion, for his display of Greek power. For those of you suspecting foul play, Dan went through a complete series of drug tests held by the International Olympics Committee prior to the event.

ETA in action. October 26 was the once again famous Goat Night. Our Halloween party was a blast. Some of our brothers from Georgia State came and partied with us. Also, would the kidnapper(s) please return the toothbrushes, there is a 50 cent reward. And finally, last Wednesday, Sigma Phi Epsilon celebrated its 88th year as a national fraternity.

As the quarter winds down, it is time to look towards the future. At the Bath Tub Race, Sig Ep will be track marshalling for the No. 15 tub. Sigma Phi Epsilon would like to wish the Hornets a winning season. Their first game is the eleventh. Speaking of basketball, Homecoming 1989 is on the seventeenth. Good luck to all the Homecoming Queen candidates. STUDY-RUSH!!!

Wooger, WGHR's founder. Well, despite the fact that he is now dead, his record company is releasing another one of his albums. So you can look forward to seeing William "Wild Bill" Wooger (A.K.A. Chet Baker) on the cover of another album in your favorite music merchant's mart.

In the works at the radio station, we may possibly be arranging for the Heretix to visit this campus and give a concert. Further details will be made available when the plans are concrete.

And life goes on at WGHR... Bug Radio is still being broadcast on Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m. and on Thursdays at 5:00 p.m., so tune in and listen to 102.5 FM, or just drop by our station in the bottom floor of the Student Center



By Daryl Sawyer

Well, this is my second article this year and let's hope it's better than the last one.

We had our annual Halloween Party and it was a great success. Most everyone dressed up for the event. The best costumes of the night were Luke Rock, Daisy Duck; Scott Gear, a Flasher; and Scott Whittle, Moses.

A couple of upcoming events are our founders day banquet on November 16 at Spaghetti Warehouse at 8:00 p.m. Everyone do not forget SCT's homecoming dance on November 17 at the Windy Hill and I-75 Hilton. I want to see you all there. Not but least, on the weekend of November 11-12 the semi-annual Bathtub race is being held.

And finally I would like to thank all who came out to help for the PUSH toll roads. After two toll roads we have raised \$1100 towards PUSH. Great job! I think we should all give a hand to Buster, Craig and Ralph who built a PUSH playground for the Holy Angles Hospital.

## ADPi

By Heather Quinn

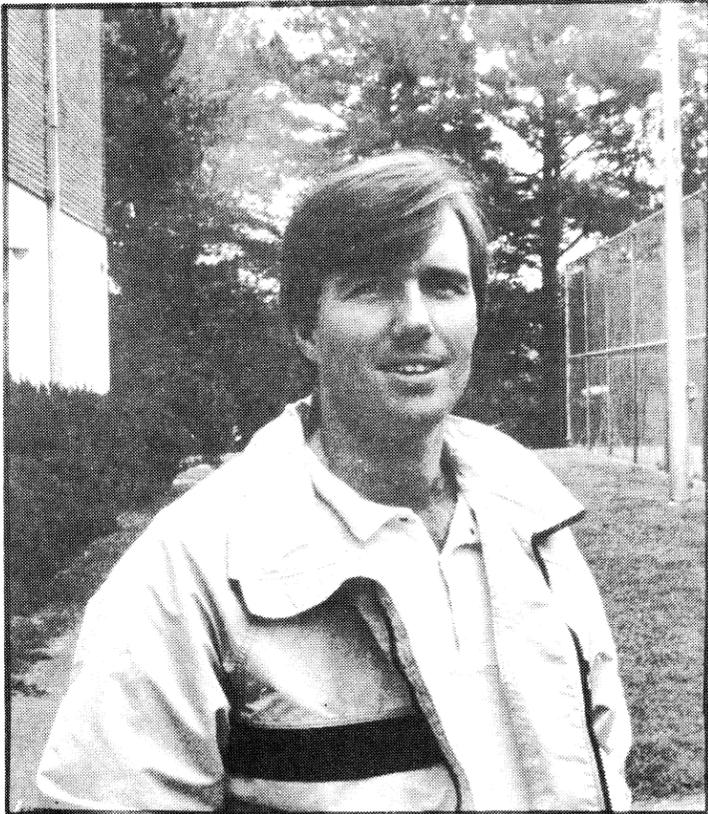
Once again, ADPi is staying busy and having great fun. ADPi recently held our annual pledge dance on Oct. 21 welcoming all our new pledges. Held at Baby Doe's the dance had an elegant atmosphere. Thanks to Janet for a successful party. (You did great, girl!)

Got a chocolate craving? See a sweet ADPi carrying the sweets. We are now selling Snickers and M&M's for a Ronald McDonald house fundraiser. Be sweet, eat sweets, and help our sweet kids. We will appreciate everyone's support.

Coming up events include our PiKap social early November. We can't wait to "cruise" with the guys on the Love Boat.

Well, until next time--"I'm outta here" (D.M. of S.N.L.).

# Intramural Championships Are Near



Pictured here is Karl Staber, King of International Sports, Activities, Marmosets, Marsupials, and Potted Plants, or something like that. Although this picture doesn't show it, he's had a big head ever since the administration gave him his new title. -Photo by Daniel Longhurst

By Alfonso Lanier  
Staff Writer

As the Fall season moves in, flag football is one of Southern Tech's most traditional ac-

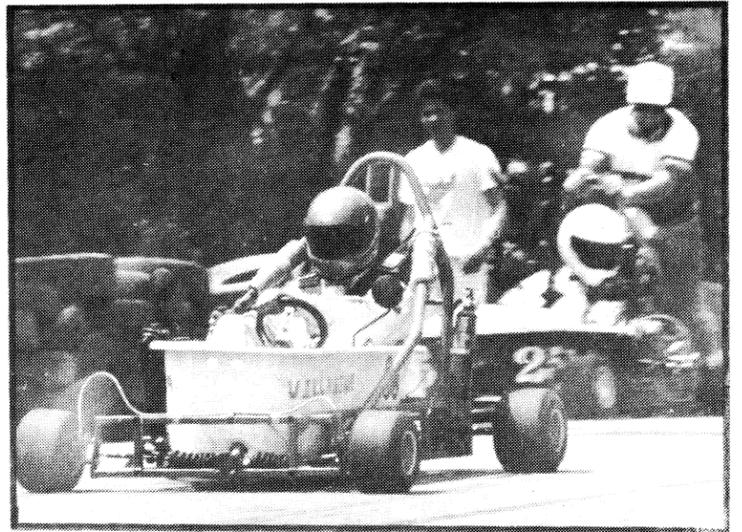
activities. The season began four weeks ago and several teams are in the running for the Intramural championship.

After the two top teams are decided, they will travel to

Georgia Tech where they will participate in the regional flag football championship. If one of the teams is lucky enough to win the regional championship, then they will travel to New Orleans to play in the National flag football championship.

The teams that are participating for this year's championship are: TKE, BSU, Young Guns, Gladiators, Slaughter House, Sigma Phi Epsilon, The Union, Sigma Pi, Lambda Chi Alpha, Wolverines, Lumber Company, Sigma Nu, and Pi Kappa Phi. BSU, Young Guns, Wolverines, and Sigma Nu are tied for the lead with a 4-1 record while The Union is gaining ground with a 3-1 record.

Only five games are played in the season before the playoffs begin. Many intramural players say they do not like the five game schedule. They argue that there are not enough regular season games to prove how good a team is in such a short period of time. Nevertheless, the playoffs will start in a week and every team will have the same goal, to be intramural champions.



There is no humorous caption for this picture because we find the idea of bathtubs careening around campus in excess of 70 MPH funny enough.

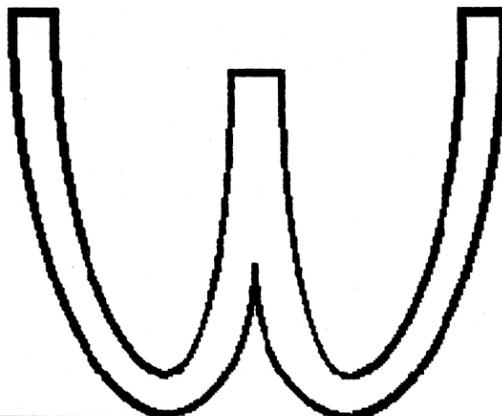
## Bathtub Race Previewed

By Twylah Tyner  
Staff Writer

It is bigger than the Indy 500! It is better than the Taladega 500! (By the way, that is a race.) It is the 1989 FALL BATHTUB RACE. That's right, folks. It is that time of year again when mature, reasonably educated adults put a motor, a transmission, and four wheels on a bathtub and drive around the campus doing at least three times the speed limit. I bet our campus law enforcement officers are just itching to start writing speeding tickets. Too bad! For two days, November 11 and 12, it will be legal to circle the campus at 80 m.p.h. but only in a bathtub.

Time trials will begin at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 11 followed by the Rookie Race at 4:00 p.m. The 1989 FALL BATHTUB RACE will start at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 12. Everyone is invited to come out and see which poor sucker will roll his "turbo tub" first.

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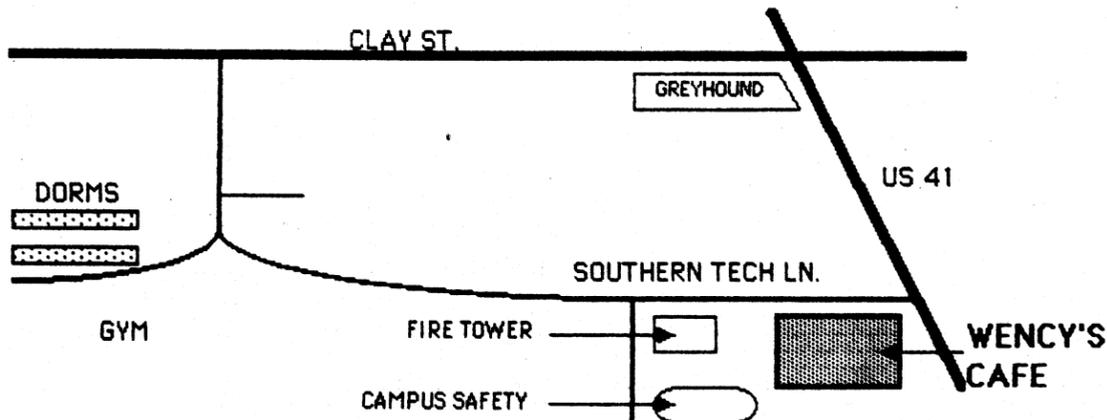
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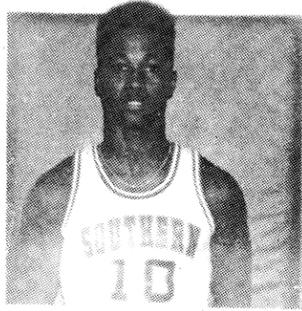
## Basketball Team Prepares for Opening Game

By Steve Hill  
Staff Writer

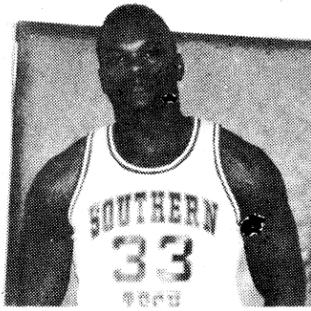
Southern Tech begins its basketball season this Saturday against Philander Smith College. It will be the first game in what promises to be a hard season for the Runnin' Hornets.

With only ten men on the roster for this year's team, Coach George Perides expects a tough time finding enough players to go around. Both guard positions are going to have to be filled by the only three players with experience playing guard. Junior College transfer Brad Durr will take the brunt of the time at point guard, with Chuck Johnson and David Harrison seeing action at point as well as the no. 2 guard position. "Our biggest strong point is that we have returning players," said Perides. Returning players like Cordell Benton, who Coach Perides calls "the most improved this year," should help temper the inexperience of the

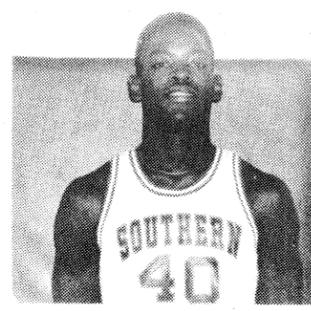
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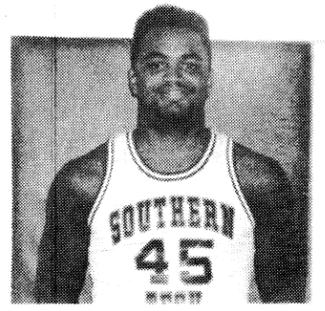
**Brad Durr**  
Position: Guard  
Height: 6'1"/Weight: 176  
Class: Jr.  
Hometown: Columbus, GA



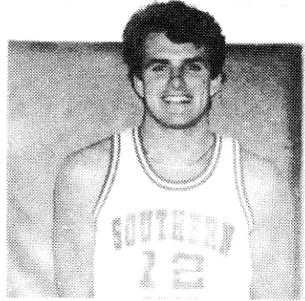
**Darren Holley**  
Position: Post  
Height: 6'4"/Weight: 210  
Class: Sr.  
Hometown: Albany, GA



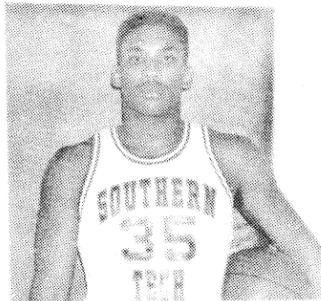
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Position: Post/Forward  
Height: 6'6"/Weight: 210  
Class: Sr.  
Hometown: Topeka, KS



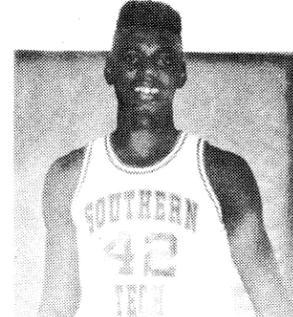
**Maurice Charlton**  
Position: Forward  
Height: 6'4"/Weight: 210  
Class: Jr.  
Hometown: Columbus, OH



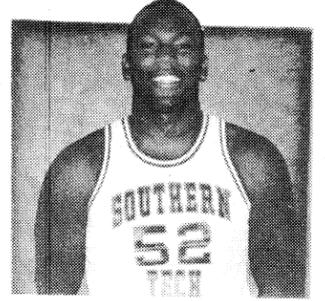
**Lamar Smith**  
Position: Forward/Post  
Height: 6'6"/Weight: 185  
Class: Jr.  
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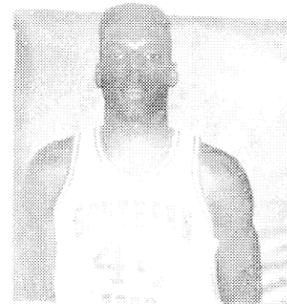
**Charles "Chuck" Johnson**  
Position: Guard  
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Class: Sr.  
Hometown: Decatur, GA



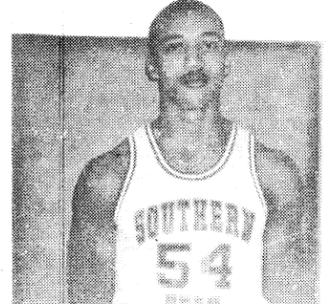
**Scott Edwards**  
Position: Forward  
Height: 6'6"/Weight: 210  
Class: Sr.  
Hometown: Sebree, KY



**Earl Johnson**  
Position: Post  
Height: 6'5"/Weight: 220  
Class: Sr.  
Hometown: Douglasville, GA



**David Harrison**  
Position: Guard/Forward  
Height: 6'3"/Weight: 190  
Class: Jr.  
Hometown: Columbus, GA

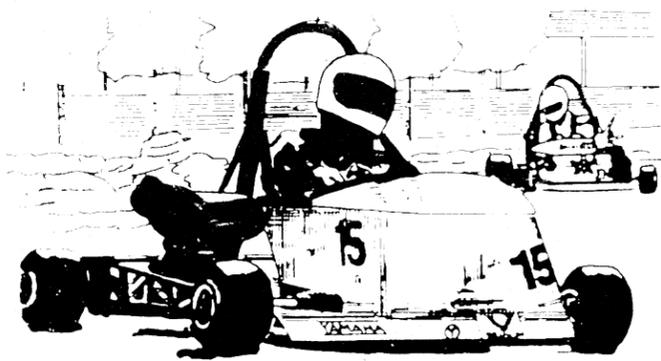


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