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Housing Director Announces Plan for Dorm Renovation



Here is the Director of Housing, Ed Klein. He's normally a pretty laid back guy, but our photographer caught him in one of those rare occasions when he leans forward. Photo by Ray Cline

By Stacy Johnston
Staff Writer

Really? Renovation of the dorms??

Don't get excited yet, because the plan is still in its primitive stages. Meaning...it hasn't been approved yet. In a recent interview with Ed Klein, Housing Director, he said that it will take more than seven years to completely renovate Southern Tech's 25-year-old dormitories.

Mr. Klein took over the office back in July and saw a great need for the students to have a well-constructed and attractive place to call 'home.' He is currently working on a detailed plan to renovate one dorm floor each summer with significant input from the students who currently live in them. Klein has sent out questionnaires asking what the students picture as their 'perfect dorm room.' He's received many interesting responses.

This past fall a number of things

were done to help the situation, including improving the showers and hallways.

Klein feels that the area that needs the most work is the student rooms themselves. In each room Klein wants to see that all of the old permanent fixtures are gutted and removed. The permanent fixtures in question are the closets, desks, and drawers. This will leave extensive damage to the walls, which will need to be painted, and the floors. No decision has been made about installing carpeting or any other floor covering at this point.

As for furniture, Klein wants to see that each room has all the furniture it needs, so students won't have to build lofts, counter tops, etc. He sees the lofts as dangerous. There are numerous companies who specialize in dormitory furniture and some of these ideas have been presented to the students.

Klein stated his goal: "When a student moves into one of our rooms, they won't have to do anything to it.

It's got furniture in it that takes into account the needs for space, it's comfortable, and they just come to school and not worry about sinking money into their living space." He realizes the stress for new students and wants to take away as much of that as possible.

Another addition that Klein wants to add was brought out by one of the students: A lot of the students have the need for a drafting table in their room, so he wants to be able to have an adjustable desk/drafting table that rises to the needs of the students.

The basic question is how much will this cost? When asked how much the dorm fees would go up, he said that it wouldn't be very much. Mainly because he realizes that most of the students are paying their own way through school and cannot afford to pay an extra \$100 to live in the dorms. They might end up finding an apartment or other living arrangement instead of living in the dorms if the fees go up too much.

New Classes Apply Chemistry to the 'Real World'

By Tony Perez
Electronic Staff Writer

Southern Tech is growing in the number of courses offered. One particular field that is expanding with the college is the chemistry program. The Department of Physics and Chemistry is now offering courses that can be directly associated with the real world. This "Real-World" chemistry includes courses in environmental and organic chemistry.

The environmental chemistry course deals mainly with common problems such as pollution, acid rain, and waste disposal. The course dis-

cusses procedures on sampling solutions (water for example), how to measure toxins, analyzing pollutants to determine their source and effects to the environment, and possible remedies to these problems.

The course discusses recycling of some materials, and possible alternatives to current materials and methods of waste disposal.

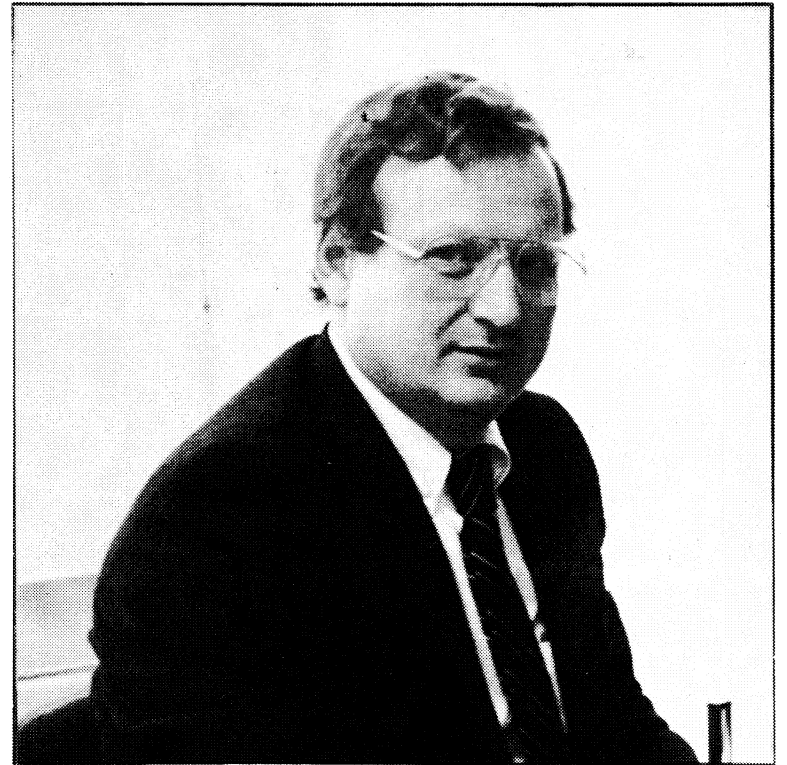
It also talks about government regulations on industry and the environment and discusses the Environmental Protection Agency. The labs consist of assignments like measuring the pollutants in the stream that runs alongside the cam-

pus.

The environmental chemistry course will serve as a supplementary course for the Civil Engineering Technology program. The department will be offering a special topics course in environmental chemistry which will involve projects dealing with streams to waste disposal. At present, there are a couple of students that are doing some analytical work on tomato seeds that went into outer space.

There are several courses in Organic Chemistry which are useful for many average-type applications. A course in Survey of Organic Chemistry provides topics discussing the nature of natural and synthetic polymers. It will provide the knowledge needed by many textile and pulp industries. It involves, for example, the process of making baby diapers, as they are nothing more than processed cellulose. The course is designed for the Textile and Apparel Engineering Technology Programs. Additional courses get into the study of organic compounds and natural versus synthetic compounds.

Both the environmental and organic chemistries are upper level courses. They require a student to have passed the basic core chemistry courses. Although the department has no chemistry major programs,



This is Dr. Scales. He is the head of the physics and chemistry department and you're not. What's wrong with you? You should try harder. Photo by Jack Silver

they offer minors in analytical, polymer, and general chemistry.

Dr. Smith, assistant professor of chemistry, talks about an upcoming conference here at Southern Tech dealing with paper, plastics, and solid wastes. Many speakers will discuss topics from farming to environmental law enforcement to recy-

cling solid wastes.

For quite some time, the chemistry department has offered only the basic core chemistry which is required for most majors. According to Dr. Scales, head of the Department of Physics and Chemistry,

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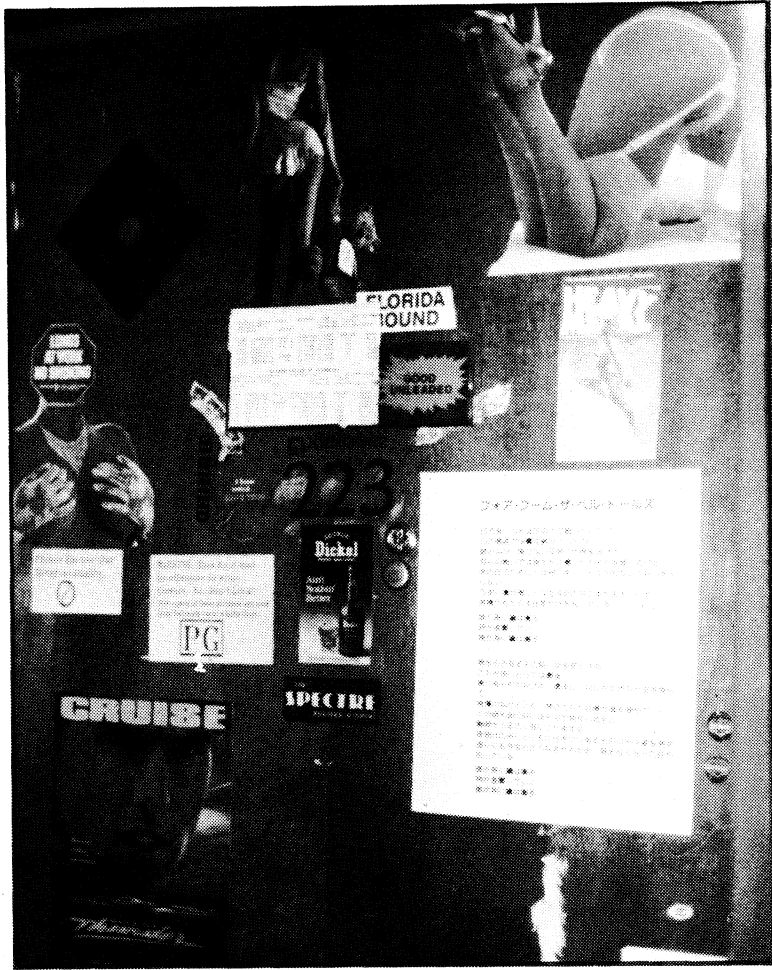
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Next Deadline: February 20

Controversial Pictures in Dorms Cause Controversy



The Sting staff would like to express its outrage that such offensive material is allowed on the doors of our students. Grrrrrr. Our hearts are filled with hate and anger. Tom Cruise. Bleech. Aren't there laws against that sort of thing in public? Plus, that stuff in a foreign language is unreadable to me, so I'm sure it's something bad, like a stereo warranty. Photo by Greg Kohl

By Bill Finnick
Residence Reporter

Recently the pornless self-expressionist door decor of Norton Hall's room 223 came under fire "for being offensive to women."

Which particular subject in their appreciation for the female body, (there are several on the door) that is offensive has not directly been defined. In fact the actual piece may have already been removed.

According to Kyle Albritton and Randall Fischer, the occupants of room 223, they have been posting abstracts of a calendar purchased at a "Hallmark Outlet Store" in a revolving display of their heterosexuality that is widely admired within their hall.

An independent observation of the door could lead one to suspect "The Lungs at Work" sign above a headless torso of a well-endowed lady performing a dual breast examination as the possibly repulsive picture the two culprits have been ordered to take down.

Randall Fischer said that, "as practically everyone in the hall heard the story [of the demand to take down the pictures] they wouldn't let them take down the pictures...and they have a lot of support in the hall to leave them up."

Several ladies of Southern Tech, who wished not to be named in this article, stated that while they didn't particularly like the gentlemen's creative outlet, "it wasn't their door, they didn't have to look at it, and weren't particularly offended by the pictures."

Inversely proportional to the support the residents of room 223 get are the complaints received by the Housing director, Ed Klein.

Having received several complaints, from both genders, the Housing Office has been compelled to ask the occupants to subdue their outwardly heterosexual cause in the hall of Norton's second floor.

The student's private domain,

their room, is open to any form of self expression; however, the unabridged freedom to express one's self ends at the threshold of one's own door. The doors of the resident hall rooms reflect the community they are a part of and a semblance of good taste must be maintained.

Another resident, John Maynard of room 232, also told to clean up his door, felt the whole thing was being blown out of proportion. He said, "It's not worth it. They [the pictured ladies] all have clothes on...the 'Lungs at work' one is one of the funniest I've ever seen...It's [the sensationalism of the whole affair] just not worth it"

\$300 Bose 301s Stolen from Music Listening Room

By Andrew Newton
Used Stereo Salesman

The speakers from the Music Listening Room were discovered missing on the night of February 6. Currently, the Student Activities department has no clue about the whereabouts of the speakers.

Early Thursday morning on February 7, Student Center management posted a notice on the Music Listening Room door with the easily read bold type marking the facility "Closed." The notice reported the Music Listening Room's Bose speakers stolen the day before, and it asked for information from anybody that might know the whereabouts of the speakers. The notice also included the fatalistic message, "The Music Listening Room will not reopen until these speakers are returned, if ever."

Barry Birkhead, director of Student Activities, admits that currently he has no leads as to who took the speakers, but he suspects that the thief was a student who made off with his loot before the building closed, though he says anybody, not just a student, could have walked into the Student Center and committed the crime.

Barry Birkhead and the Student Activities department haven't decided whether or not the speakers will be replaced. Mr. Birkhead said that if Student Center construction begins this year then "it would be a waste of money to buy the speakers now" because "that room will be essentially gutted in the construction." Mr. Birkhead also said, "As of now, there's no new listening room in the new building."

If Student Center construction doesn't start for another year or so, then plans might be made to purchase replacement speakers. But the purchase will be made at the end of this budgetary year (late Spring Quarter) and only after careful review of remaining Student Center funds.

The Bose 301 speakers were valued at \$300 and had only been in the Music Listening Room a year and a half. Purchased by Student Activities and installed by radio station management during the Summer of 1989, the Bose 301s were replacements for some speaker cones to a pair of \$800 Cerwin-Vegas which were stolen from the Music Listening Room during finals week of the previous quarter.

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renovation of laboratories in recent years made it possible to extend the chemistry offerings. Scales stated, "We've spent around a million dollars renovating the laboratory building, and the majority of the renovation is in the chemistry area." As new equipment and facilities become available in the lab, more courses can be offered. As with all of the other operations on campus, the state budget cuts have slowed the progress of getting new equipment some, but it is far from a standstill. Currently, the department has two large chemistry labs, and instrument lab, and a stock room occupying a total of 3400 square feet. According

to Dr. Scales, a bachelors degree is in the future, but it will be several years as adopting a B.S. degree is a slow process.

Industries are looking for more and more chemistry graduates since they are now required to follow strict EPA guidelines and other state requirements. Dr. Scales states, "Many employers have called asking if there are any students available who have a strong background in chemistry."

Since chemistry has become an important factor in industry, it is important that Southern Tech can support the demand in the chemistry field.

• News Notes •

Southern Tech Professor Serves On National Science Foundation Panel

Dr. Jayanti Lahiri, professor of physics and chemistry at Southern Tech was invited by the National Science Foundation (NSF) to review undergrad curriculum and course development in engineering, mathematics and the sciences.

This program provides support for introductory level undergraduate instruction aimed at improving the quality of teaching engineering, mathematics, and the sciences to undergraduate students.

Panelists are selected from the scientific communities to provide experience and insight for the review of these proposals.

The review panel meets in Washington D.C. on Monday, February 11 through Thursday, February 14, when they will pass out Valentines Day cards with really cool little pictures of hearts and atoms on them.

Dr. Lahiri has been a professor at Southern Tech since 1981. For the last several years Lahiri has recieved funding from the National Science Foundation for her research in theoretical atomic physics. Before coming to the United States, Dr. Lahiri taught in India, Tanzania and Zambia. In 1988 she received the outstanding faculty award from Southern Tech.

Southern Tech Takes Time To Honor Troops In The Persian Gulf

Southern College of Technology, in conjunction with the Greek Planning Committee, observed a "Moment of Silence" on February 12, in observance of the men and women in the Persian Gulf. The ceremony began at 11:55 a.m. at the campus bell tower, where the Star Spangled Banner was played followed by the 12 o'clock ringing of the bells. At 12:01 p.m. America the Beautiful was played. A minute of silence was then observed by Southern Tech faculty, staff and students. The ceremony concluded with a Time Toll, a three minute ringing of the large bell in support of troops serving in the Persian Gulf.

Courtesy of Public Relations

Coming Events

- Feb. 11-15** - CAB Video "Another 48 Hours.." Upstairs in the Student Center.
- Feb. 12** - SGA meeting at Noon in Ballroom C.
- Feb. 13** - Hornets at Kennesaw State College at 8:00 pm.
- Feb. 14** - Happy Valentine's Day!
- "Breakfast for Champions" features speaker Bob Weber at 7:45 am in room 119/120.
- Feb. 15** - Atlanta Symphony "Classics Concerts" at 8:00 pm.
- Hornets vs. LaGrange College 7:30 pm. In the Gym
- Feb. 16** - Homecoming Dance at Terrace Garden Inn Atlanta.
- Feb. 18** - Hornets at Brewton-Parker College at 7:30 pm.
- Feb. 18-22** - CAB Video "To Kill A Mockingbird.." Upstairs in the Student Center.
- Feb. 19** - IFC Meeting at Noon in Ballroom C.
- Feb. 20** - Cobb County Mass Choir Concert 7:00 pm. In the Burruss Auditorium. Refreshments will be served. Sponsored by Cultural Series.
-Sting deadline.
- Feb. 25-29** - CAB Video "Glory." Upstairs in the Student Center.
- Feb. 26** - SGA Meeting. Noon in room 119/120 of the Student Center.
- Next Sting issue released.
- Feb. 27** - Georgia State University Jazz Band. 7:30 pm in the Burruss Auditorium.
- Feb. 30** - Hornets in the District Tournament.
- Feb. 33** - IFC Meeting at noon in Ballroom C.

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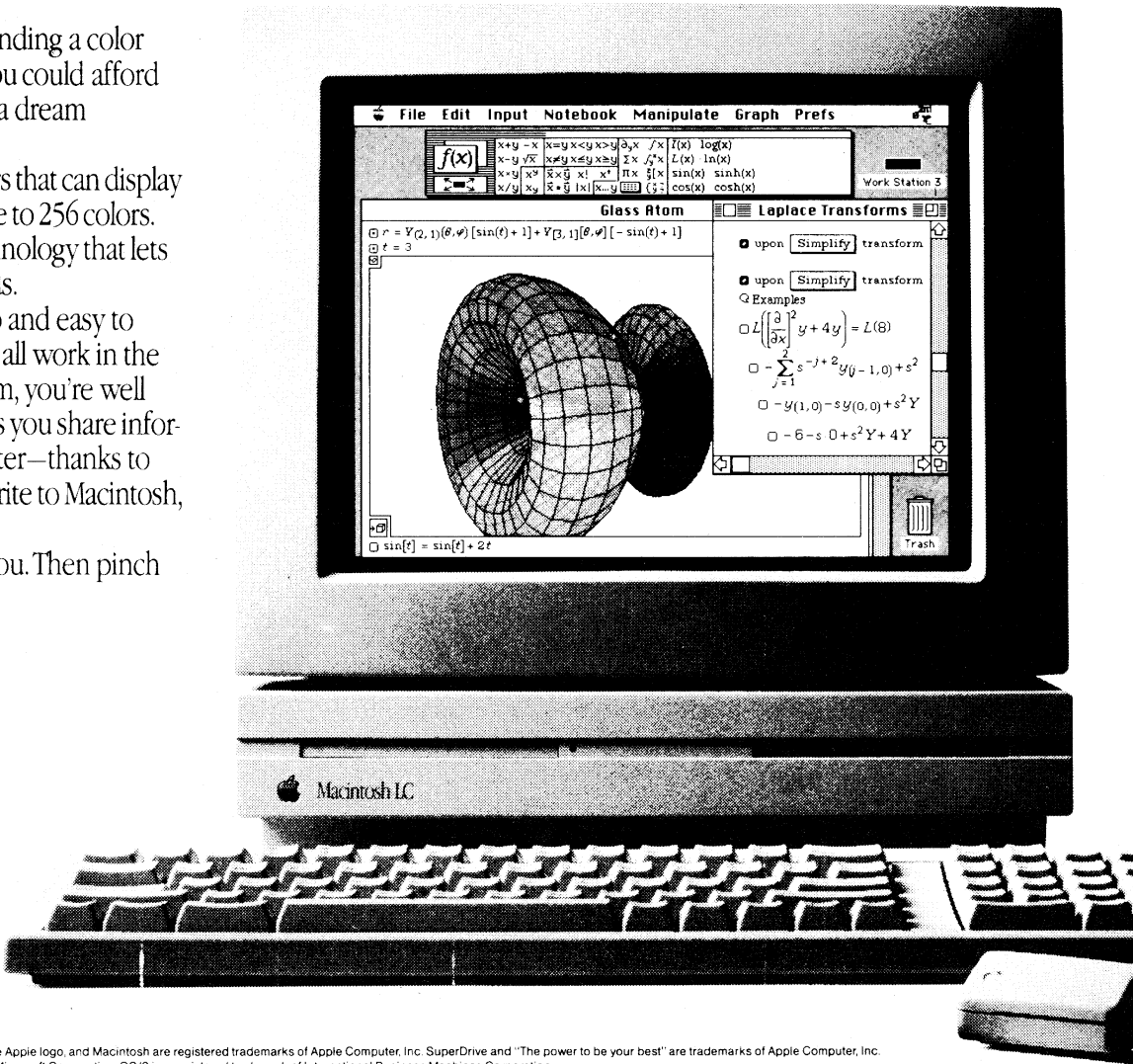
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New Dean of Architecture is Way Groovy, Man

By Charles Scott
Staff Writer

Mr. Paul David Pearson started as Southern Tech's Dean of the new School of Architecture last fall. He was the man chosen to mark the "Genesis" of Southern Tech's new program to guide the students and staff into a dimension they had long hoped to attain.

Mr. Pearson loves his job and is happy to be a part of Southern Tech. He says he is impressed with the diligence of the hardworking students and devoted and experienced staff.

With the new School of Architecture program underway, Mr. Pearson mentioned that Southern Tech is seeking students with a much wider experience and strong desire for the design development profession. He believes that Southern Tech's "multi-cultural background will give us the special thrust or advantage that no other school in this region can boast. That this coupled with excellent teaching will dignify this School of Architecture even farther."

When asked about the goals for the new School of Architecture, he replied, "We are looking to become a major national-quality school to produce quality students in environmental development. To build another great environmental component for the people of this region. This is the task we are to prepare our students for."

Mr. Pearson has a strong interest in the theory of architecture. This stems from his mentor, Rayner Banham, now deceased, of the University of London, who also had a deep interest in theory. He explains that through architectural criticism, one can achieve a true exchange of ideas about the design environment, producing a higher quality result for cities, towns, and neighborhoods.

He commented on present day architecture and the return of traditional styles. He explains that society had developed a longing or desire to connect with the past. Mr. Pearson feels that society is now maturing enough to not cling to the past; that traditional architecture now mixed with rational developments will produce a modern world.

In regards to the architectural industry today, he admits that we are in a "slump." He says the industry has been in this predicament long before the present recession and that this is cyclical and will not last. He would like to see emphasis on developing the environment by budgeting monies to improve it on an ongoing basis rather than seeing industries adjust when private monies dry up.

However, he urges the students to not worry. Mr. Pearson says, "Society will recover, building will flourish once more, and we will have a ton of fun designing and building for the next century."

Locally, Mr. Pearson has an

interest in the development of Marietta and its place in Metro Atlanta. He feels that Marietta can give special focus to the outer realm of the Atlanta area. He explains that Marietta can supply the special desire of environmental beauty presently lacking in the circumferential development around Interstate 285. He call this a "Special Mission" to be reckoned with.

Mr. Pearson, originally from South Carolina, is well educated. He has received a Masters degree in architecture at Columbia University in New York, a five-year professional degree from Georgia Tech, and a degree from City College's school of architecture in New York.

He has practiced architecture in New York, designing for several leading firms and has taught at City College in New York.

Mr. Pearson hasn't been all work and architectural theory during his life. He is a husband and father of two sons, one of which is coincidentally an architect. He is happy to say that he is a grandfather "doing well living in Marietta and working at Southern Tech."

Truly this man, with his educational background and experience, was well chosen. His words of wisdom displays his true knowledge of architecture.

Southern Tech's school of architecture is well underway with inspiring goals to be met as laid out by Mr. Pearson.



We don't know who's car this is, but unless this guy's car washed down after a hard rain, he's got to feel mighty stupid anyway, so we wouldn't tell you even if we knew. We will laugh at him though. Ha ha ha ha ha ha ha ha ha ha ha ha ha ha ha ha ha ha! Photo by Bill Finnick, on the scene photographer

Student Services Rock My Face

By Paul Smith
Director of Placement Center

What is the Student Services Department?

First, the placement/career services offices are located in the lower level of Howell Dorm. The staff includes: Paul Smith, the director; two Secretarial Assistants and two part-time Student Assistants. The student assistants keep the office open until 7:00 p.m. Monday - Thursday. The telephone number is 528-7265.

Second, this department is provided by the college to assist students who seek ways to: 1) find part-time employment, 2) summer employment, 3) full-time jobs while attending college, 4) graduating students seeking career employment and 5) assistance in development of job search skills. Job search skills include: 1) self-assessment objectives, 2) job search skills/planning, 3) resume development, 4) interview skills, 5) company research, 6) career advisement, 7) career resource library and 8) personal appointments.

The placement/career services center contains a variety of material: job search skills books and video tapes, a library of employer directo-

ries, a number of chamber of commerce directories, company videos and brochures and other occupational career materials.

At the beginning of each college quarter, an orientation/registration meeting is scheduled for graduates. Job announcements are posted in the departments of study and throughout the campus. To obtain complete information about a job, students must come to the placement center and complete requirements as specified in each company's job folder.

A separate job board for part-time and flex-time jobs and some folders with full-time work opportunities are maintained for students who wish to work while pursuing their education. Students seeking summer employment need to meet with one of the staff to research companies who may be geographically suitable to their needs.

Last, the placement center and staff are available to assist all students with their job search and career development skills. The staff is employed to provide the above services; however, no one can guarantee a student a job. Each student's achieved skills and efforts will determine employment.

Cultural Enrichment Series

Cobb County Mass Choir Concert

Wednesday, February 20, 7 p.m., Burruss Auditorium.

Feel the pure power of the Mass Choir's words and rhythms, which always set people's hearts beating and bodies moving to the beauty of original gospel music. (Refreshments will be served. Free and open to the public.)

Georgia State University Jazz Band

Wednesday, February 27, 7 p.m., Burruss Auditorium.

The always popular GSU musicians bring their own brand of the beat back to Southern Tech's campus. Come early because seats fill up fast when this group starts making music. (Free and open to the public.)

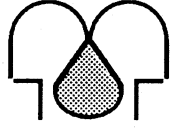
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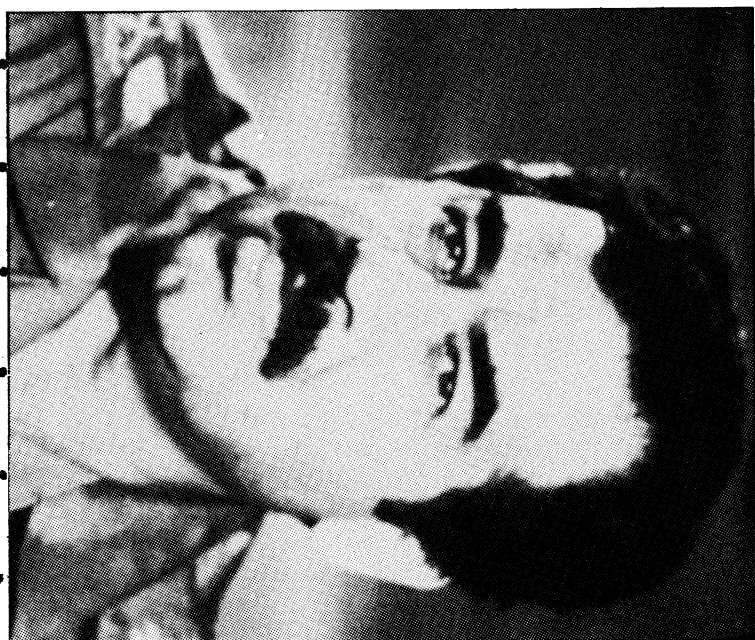


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War Prompts Campuses to Recall Study Abroad Students



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Several schools have told U.S. students studying abroad to come

Study Says Fewer Students Are Using Drugs

College Press Service

The number of college and high school students who use illicit drugs sharply declined in 1990, a nationwide study contended January 24.

Students' consumption of alcohol remains at about the same high levels of prior years, the annual survey by the National Institute of Health and the University of Michigan also found.

"Clearly our young people are gradually moving away from nearly all forms of illicit drug use," concluded Lloyd D. Johnston, the survey's director and a social scientist at Michigan.

Researchers found that about one-third of the 1,200 college students surveyed had used an illicit drug in the past year.

One-third of high school students surveyed had used an illicit

Recession Affects Some Campus Bookstores

College Press Service

The recession is starting to affect college bookstores, various campus store managers report.

Some sales are declining. Like troubled off-campus stores trying to lure customers, some are discounting the prices of the wares they offer.

"We're operating at the bare minimum here," said Elizabeth Santerre, manager of the Quinebaug Valley Community College in Danielson, Conn., where classes have been canceled because of budget problems.

home in the aftermath of the outbreak of war in the Persian Gulf on January 16.

Some students, however, ap-

parently have decided to stay overseas, foreign study officials report.

Several students who decided to stay in Europe have reported being the object of occasional verbal hostilities, but no one has been physically harmed.

Georgetown University closed its programs in Turkey and Italy, and told students studying in Israel and Cairo to come home even before hostilities had broken out, reported Georgetown spokeswoman Anne Jones.

Moreover, the school suggested that students in all other study abroad programs come home as well, but warned them not to be on airplanes if war broke out.

Georgetown's action, in turn, stampeded other students into calling home.

"That just wreaked havoc on all the other (schools') programs," said Joan Solaun, Study Abroad Office Director at the University of Illinois at Champaign.

When overseas students from other colleges heard Georgetown's warning they panicked and called their own offices asking if they should come home, Solaun explained.

Solaun, for one, felt bringing students home from most places might be unnecessary, despite warnings from the U.S. State Department that all Americans traveling abroad might be targets of terrorists.

"It's a time for calm and prudence," she said, adding that Illinois is taking a "wait and see" attitude with its students abroad, except for those in Israel.

"We felt we had to bring them home," Solaun said.

Although no students abroad from Oregon's Lewis and Clark College have chosen to come home, two out of 22 students pulled out of a group going to France, said Vance Savage, Dean of the college's international education program.

"Six or eight" students from American University in Washington, D.C., opted not to go to Europe, said Dave Brown, Dean of AU's Washington semester and World Capitals programs.

Some students who have chosen to stay overseas have encountered anti-American hostilities, although no personal abuse, Savage said.

"Luckily, most folks abroad are

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When overseas students from

While students apparently are using illicit drugs less frequently, Johnston added it's not because drugs are hard to get.

"Our data strongly suggest that most of the decrease among young people in their use of marijuana, cocaine, crack and PCP is due to a change in their demand for these drugs, not a change in supply," he observed.

Students "have increasingly come to see the use of these drugs as dangerous and, probably as a result, peer acceptance of such use has diminished considerably," he said.

However, it's not too early to become overly optimistic, Johnston warned.

"We must not lose sight of the fact that even today a significant fraction of our young people are involved with these drugs, and that there still remains much to be done."

Rutgers University in New Jersey. "We're more affected by the university's situation. As long as enrollment is up, we don't feel the effects."

"I really haven't seen any change at all, as far as people spending money," added Teresa Jones, bookstore manager at Independence (Kan.) Community College.

"When the economy's bad, student enrollment goes up," said Virgil Stephens, who runs the bookstore at Ohio Northern University. "So far, everything's remaining steady. It's a little too early to tell."

courteous enough to know the difference" between the American government and American students, Savage added.

A female American student said she had been verbally accosted by an Arab male outside a bar in London, Solaun said.

Solaun and other study abroad directors agree U.S. citizens abroad should try to be inconspicuous.

"We don't hang our shingle out," admitted American's Brown.

Students studying in Florence received letters before the war from a group threatening to harm them if the U.S. were to attack Iraq.

Officials at all the colleges said they were closely following State Department directives on whether it was safe for students to travel and stay abroad.

"I just hope I'm doing the right thing" by letting the students stay, Solaun said.

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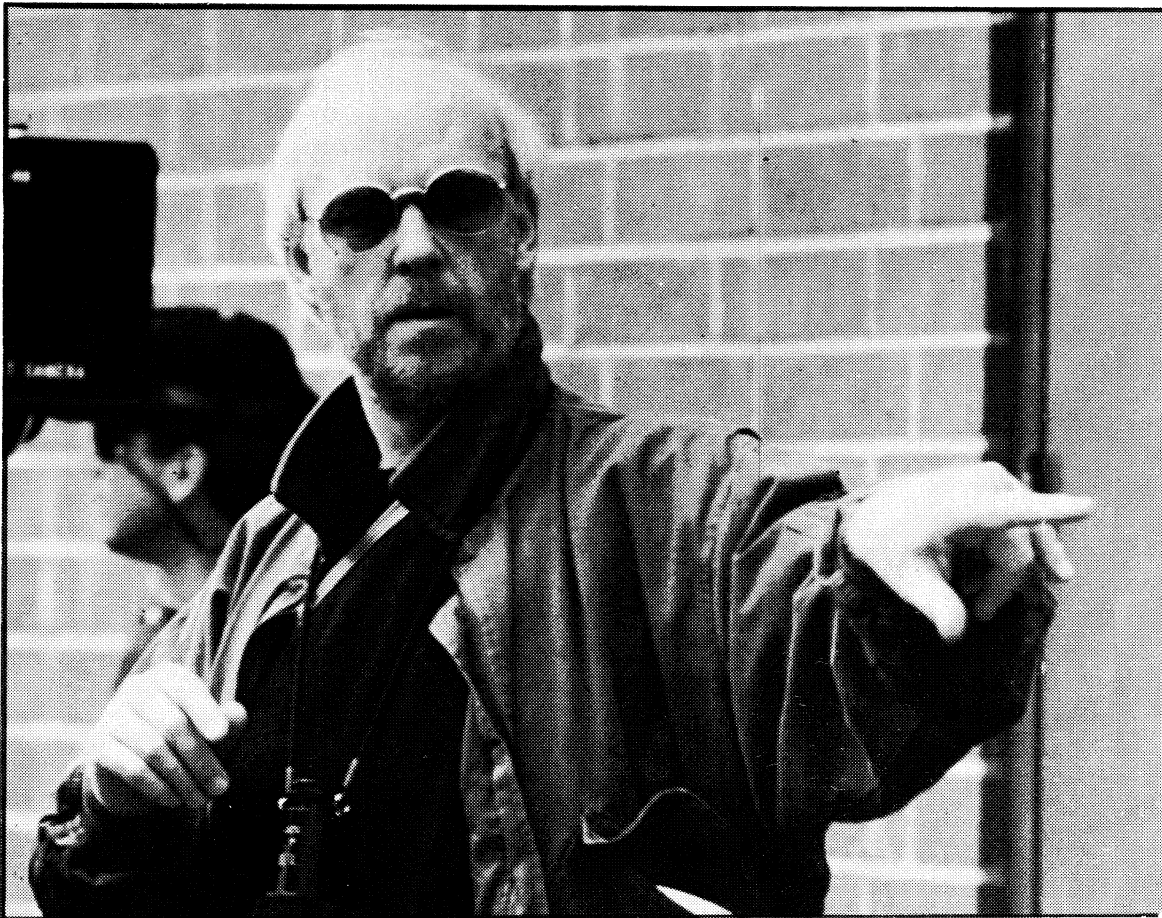
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Student Government Association Meeting

February 26
Noon - 1:00 pm

SGA meetings are open to anyone who wants to complain, ask a question or find out just what the heck the SGA does, anyway.

By Andrew Newton
Hungry like the Aardvark!

L.A. Story, a comic love story from Tri-Star Pictures. Starring Steve Martin and Victoria Tennant. Written by Steve Martin. Directed by Mick Jackson. Produced by Daniel Melnick and Michael Rachmil.

Looking for the next brilliant comedy of the season? Then look no further. In typical Steve Martin fashion, *L.A. Story* delivers a volley of non-stop laughs and humor with a love story using Los Angeles as the backdrop.

Have you ever wanted to know about all those weird things that L.A. has to offer? Well, *L.A. Story* is chock full of little quirks about Los Angeles. From the unique California cuisine to the seasonal freeway shootings, the actual particularities of Los Angeles could make this movie alone.

But the name of this movie really should be *L.A. Love Story*, the love story end of the deal being the developing relationship between Harris K. Telemacher (Steve Martin) and Sara McDowel (Victoria Tennant). Harris is The Wacky

Weatherman and Sara is a visiting English journalist reporting on the uniqueness of L.A. The two meet at a party, and that's where the love story gets under way.

L.A. Story easily stands up to the standards expected from past Steve Martin films. While it might not top some his past creations such as *Roxanne* and *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels*, it definitely ranks up there with them.

Victoria Tennant is the stunningly beautiful co-star of the movie. Born and raised in London, she is the daughter of the late agent Cecil Tennant and Russian prima ballerina Irina Baronova, and she just so happens to be the wife of - you guessed it - Steve Martin. But this isn't her first movie with funny-man Steve Martin. Anyone remember her in Martin's hit movie *All of Me*, also starring Lily Tomlin? However, Victoria is best known for the mini-series *Winds of War* and *War and Remembrance*.

So if you are looking for a tour of Los Angeles or a good love story or an incredibly funny comedy, then see *L.A. Story*. It will be sure to put a smile on your face and a skip in your walk.

M.J.'s Cafe Offers Good But Hard to Find Deals

By James Tharp
Staff Writer

Everything is so expensive. It is getting so that you cannot even find a decent off-campus place to eat that is cheap enough for the flat broke college student. Luckily, there are still places that concentrate on food rather than atmosphere. M.J.'s Cafe is a place that does just that. The food is cheap and \$5 goes a long way there.

This cafe caters to the lunch-time crowd in a business park, so the cuisine is cheap good food that is prepared really fast. The cafe specializes in sandwiches, but also has soups, salads, high rollers (chicken salad or something similar rolled up in soft, thin dough), and an assortment of meals stuffed in a pita. All sandwiches come with chips.

When I was there, I had one of their daily specials. It was the taco pita. This is the ingredients of a taco in a convenient pita shell. A pita taco means no drips, cracks, or any other unpleasantness usually associated with hard shell tacos. It had meat, cheese, and, get this, fresh lettuce and tomatoes. It came with tortilla chips and brunswick stew on the side. The taco was flavorful, but it was rather bland for my taste.

I also had a BLT sandwich, which was very good. At M.J.'s, they have a novel concept for their sandwiches: they offer a choice between white, rye, and whole wheat bread for your sandwich. The price of this meal was almost \$6.60, and that was a lot of food.

The interior of the cafe was rather small, as they deal mostly in take-out meals. All of the tables were two seats. Two seats are fine for one or two people, but a large group would have a problem. M.J.'s Cafe has very good food, and I would recommend them to a friend.

M.J.'s Cafe is located in the Franklin Forest business park. It is easy to miss, so pay attention. From Southern Tech, turn right and go over Cobb Parkway on the 120-Loop. Turn right onto Franklin Road at the first light after Cobb Parkway. Go down Franklin road about one and a half miles and look for a large green sign on the right that reads "Franklin Forest." The sign cannot be seen until it is almost too late. M.J.'s is in the first building on the right. Follow the signs.

If the traffic gods are in your favor, you can get to M.J.'s in about five minutes. M.J.'s is open from 9am to 3 pm weekdays only. Happy eating.

New Band Chagall Guevera is Hard to Pronounce

By Shawn Moseley
Lost Sock Editor

No, you're wrong, Chagall Guevara is not a Bolivian Samba band. Actually, they are a lyrically intense rock n roll quintet. Chagall Guevara harks from the land of the Grand Ol' Opry, Nashville, yet they don't wear cowboy hats and sing about their broken down pick up truck and an empty bottle of whiskey.

Chagall consists of Steve Taylor (lead vocals), Dave Perkins (guitar/vocals), Lynn Nichols (guitar/vocals), Wade Jaynes (bass), and Mike Mead (drums). The guys are all from different parts of the coun-

try (L.A., Denver, Greenwich Village, Canada, and Burbank.) But they chose Nashville because they "wanted a place to develop without the influence of the New York and L.A. music business." While in Nashville, Chagall Guevara noticed their writing was similar "to the Southern Gothic style of writing: a semi-freakish mentality and religious sensibility, with a fairly distorted view of the abnormalities of existence."

The bands self titled, debut album *Chagall Guevara* is a respectable first try. Produced by Matt Wallace, of Replacements and Faith No More fame, the album has a consistent rock beat that is accom-

panied by impressive, almost abstract lyrics.

"...through the passing strange i fell to the wide eyed opposite my agenda was hidden well now I don't know where i left it i woke up in Eschers World today my mother said it was ok..."

"Eschers World"

If you had to equate Chagall with another band (or style), I would have to say Midnight Oil, although Chagall's music has much more of a Southern influence. The combination of Steve Taylor's vocals and Nichols edged guitar make for a great "rock 'n' roll" sound that reminds me of the now famous Aussie band.

Producer Wallace enjoyed the bands "get it right (or wrong) the first time" philosophy in the studio. "We did that a lot of times," recalls

Taylor, "On everything from instrumentals to solos...." On the song, "Play God," the guys needed a horn section, and although they hadn't played since grade school, Nichols, Taylor, and Perkins went "to the neighborhood music store, where horns and harp were rented for the afternoon. In the spirit of the project, there were no rehearsals, and the magic of the moment was captured in the first few takes."

The bands talent is not to be denied. Although this album probably will not win any album of the year honors, it is not too shabby. The band could possibly vary their selection of songs a little more on the next album (like I know), because, unfortunately a few of the songs seem to sound alike and run together. But, being the schizo lis-

tener that I am, I did have a few favorite tunes. I especially enjoyed "Eschers World," "Take Me Back to Love Canal," and "The Wrong George." "The Wrong George" is the coolest, because it is basically a phone conversation between Dave Perkins (guitar/vocals) and an older lady who insists she knows him and that he has a brother name George. Cool.

The Chagall album is not bad, not bad at all. On a scale of one to five "Wolf Blitzers," I gave it 3.5 "Wolf Blitzers," Not too bad for a debut album. I expect even bigger and better things from this kind of, no not really local band, so go buy the record, it's on MCA records, Lee (MCA) will appreciate it, and you will have a shiny-new, solid sounding album.

- Math Stinger -

By Dr. Joel C. Fowler
Assistant Professor of Mathematics

Many responses to last issue's puzzles on sequences were received. The answers are as follows:

O,T,T,F,F,S,S,E,N,T,?=E (first letter of the name of each number in order O(ne),T(wo),T(hree),...,T(en),E(leven)).

1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, ?=55 (each term is the sum of the two preceding it).

-1, 0, 2, ?=5, 9, 14, 20, 27 (from one term to the next the amount added is +1, +2, +3,... Unfortunately, the last term was in error in the last issue. It was given as 26 rather than 27.)

4, 8, 5, 10, 7, 14, 11, ?=22 (from one term to the next the pattern is x2, -3, x2, -3,...).

3, 4, 2, 5, 1, 6, 0, 7, ?=-1 (from one term to the next the pattern is +1, -2, +3, -4, +5,...).

?=78, 39, 38, 19, 18, 9, 8, 4, 2, 1, 0 (the next term is half the previous if it was even, one less than the previous if it was odd. The term 19 was accidentally omitted from last issue).

Due to space limitations I can only give the names of the people with the first correct solutions. Several were received at the same time. The first sequence was solved by Joe DeRome and Jeniram, both of IET. All sequences except the third and sixth were solved by Scott A. Anderson of ACS and Kerry Thomas. Scott A. Anderson of MET solved all except the last. Finally, Tony Panzarella solved all of the sequences, including the last. Thanks to all who submitted solutions and my apologies for the errors that occurred in the sequences. Solving the third and last despite my errors is quite a feat.

Given the interest in sequences it seems fitting to run another series of sequence puzzles of a different (and more challenging) nature. For each of the sequences that follow you should find a formula, using the variable n, that produces the terms in the sequence starting with n=1. For example, if the sequence were:

2/3, 3/4, 4/5, 5/6, 6/7, ... a formula would be (n+1)/(n+2) since for n=1, 2, 3, ... this formula produces exactly the terms in the given sequence. The sequence:

0, 3, 8, 15, 24, 35, 48, 63, 80, ... is produced by n^2-1 .

Here are the sequences for you to find formulas for. I have checked these very carefully for errors to avoid last issues' difficulties.

6, 9, 14, 21, 30, 41, 54, 69, 86, ...

-1, 1, 5, 13, 29, 61, 125, 253, 509, ...

1/2, 3/5, 2/3, 5/7, 3/4, 7/9, 4/5, 9/11, ...

-1, 8, -27, 64, -125, 216, -343, ...

0, 3, 2, 5, 4, 7, 6, 9, 8, 11, 10, 13, 12, ...

Even when a pattern is very clear or simple, a formula that produces the terms can be very hard to find. The sequence 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55, ... (which is called the Fibonacci sequence) given last issue has a very clear pattern. The formula for these terms, however, is so complicated that finding it without using some fairly sophisticated mathematical techniques is practically impossible (believe it or not, the formula involves the square root of 5). As a last and very difficult puzzle, find a formula for the following sequence (that has a very obvious pattern):

-1, -1, 1, 1, -1, -1, 1, 1, -1, -1, ...

All answers should be sent to Joel Fowler in the Mathematics Department. Correct answers and the names of the first to find them will be announced in the next issue of *The Sting*.

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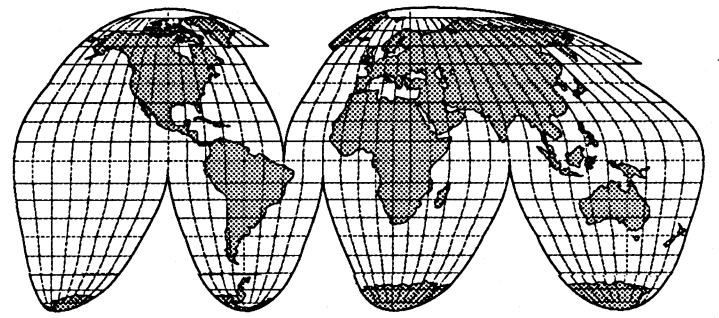
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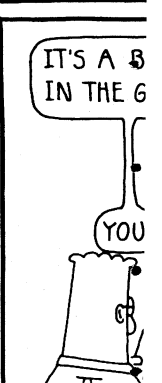
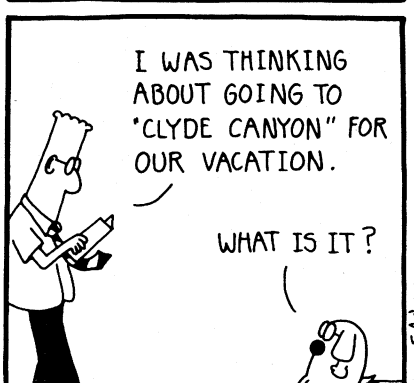
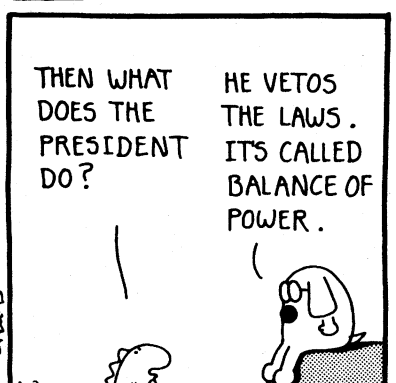
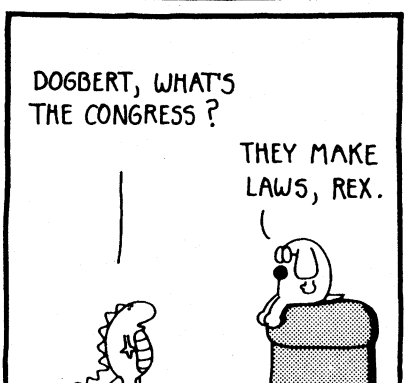
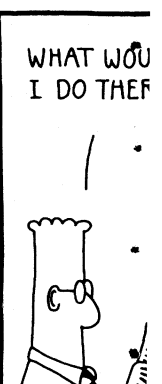
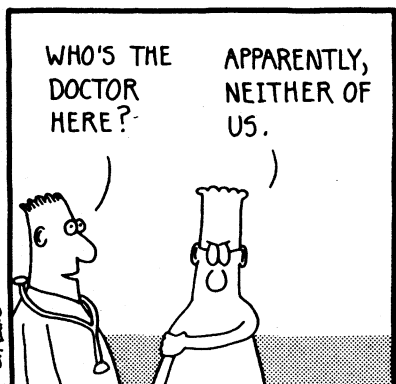
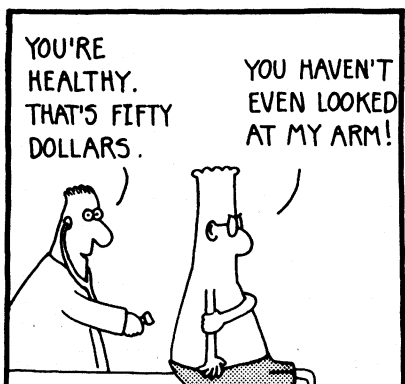
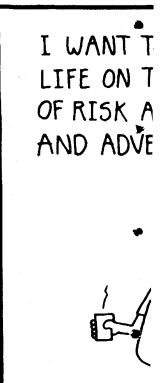
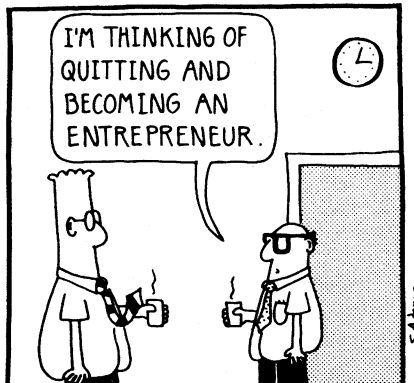
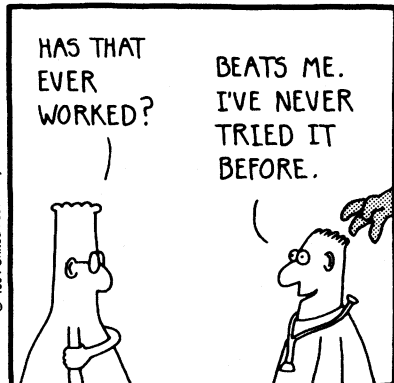
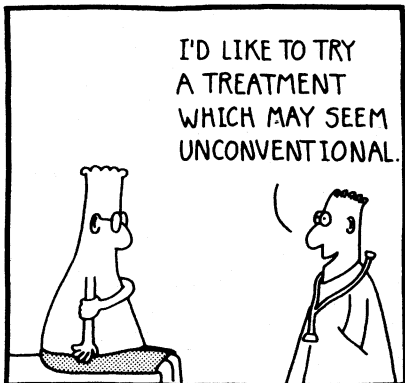
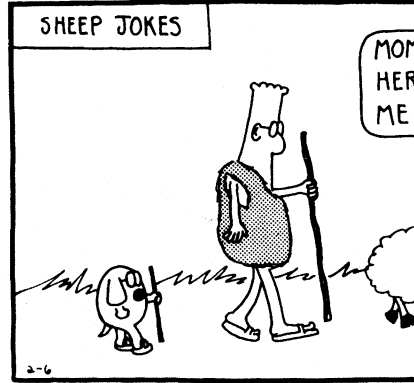
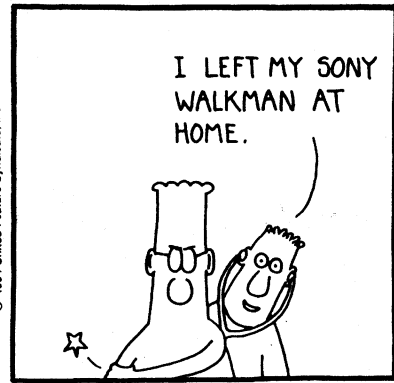
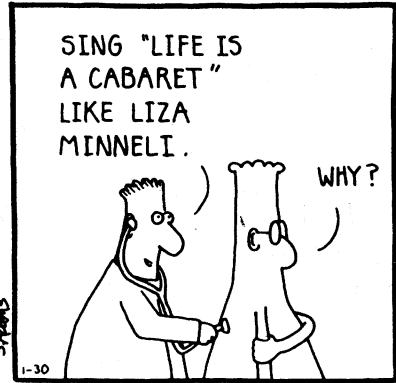
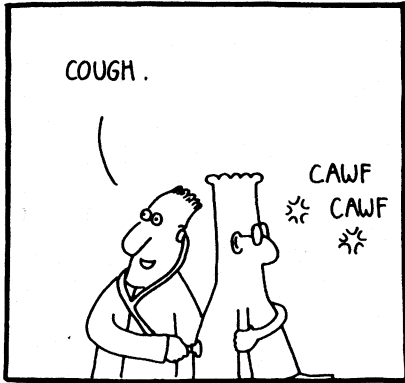
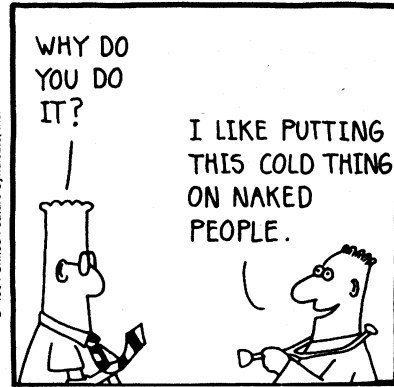
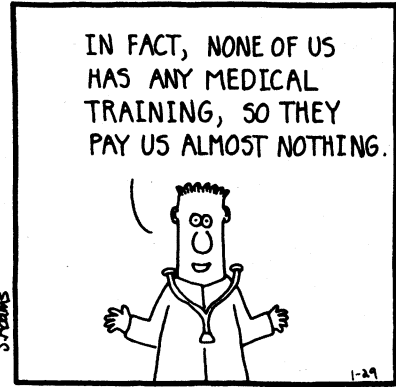
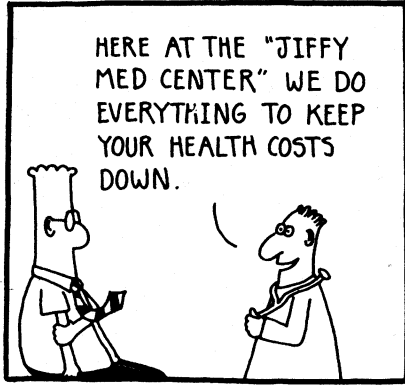
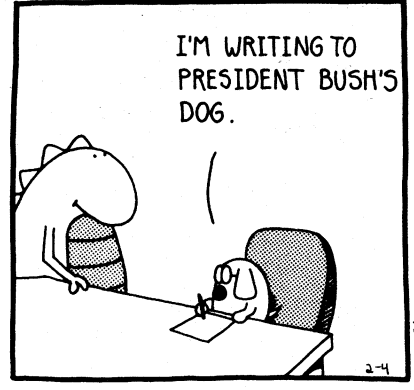
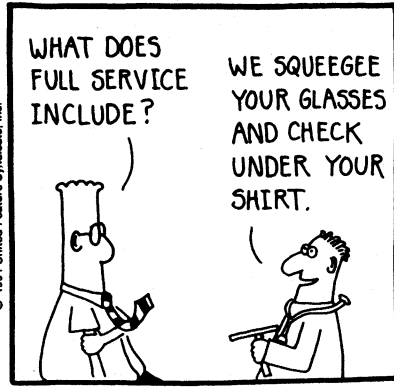
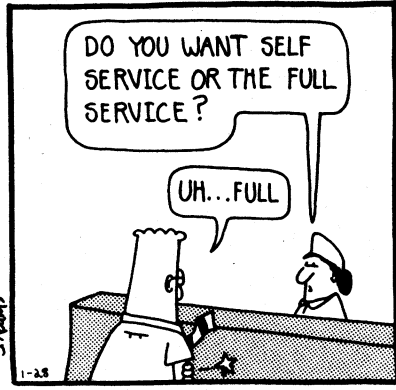
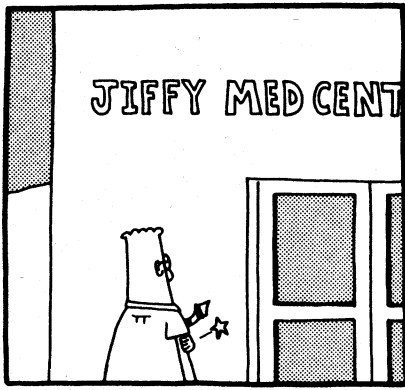
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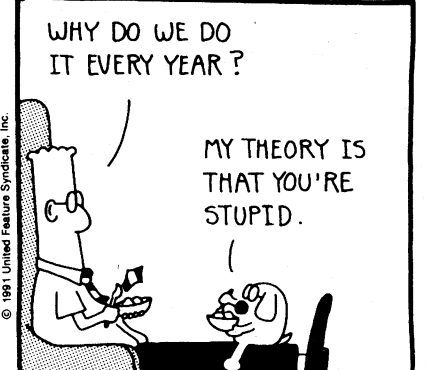
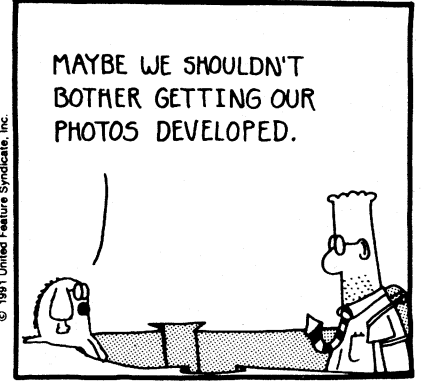
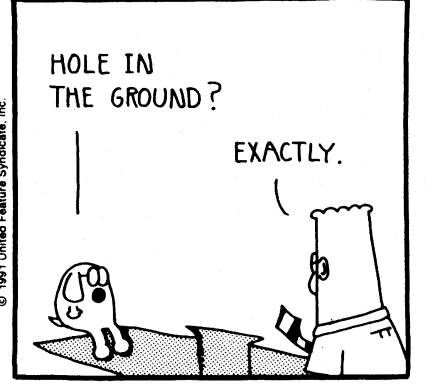
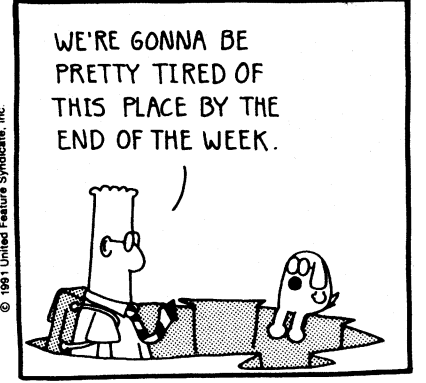
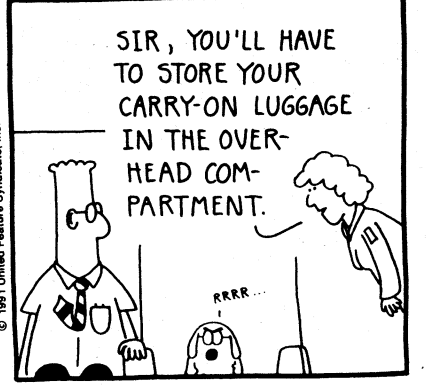
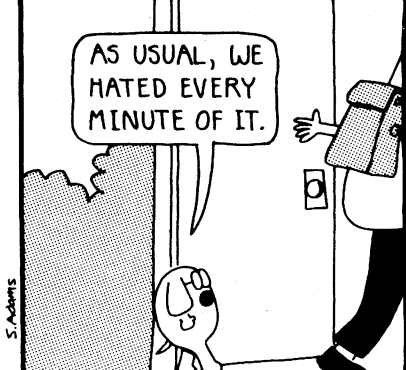
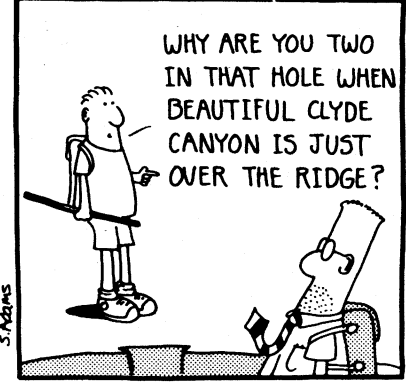
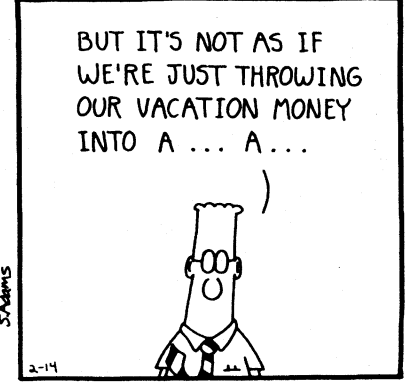
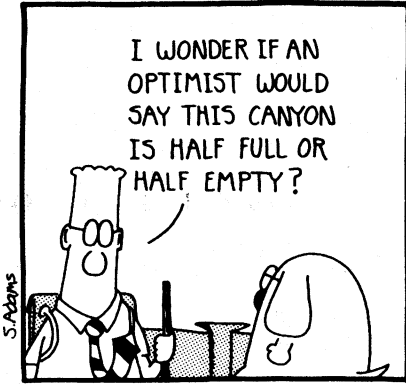
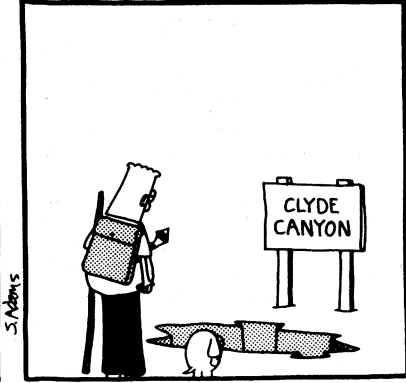
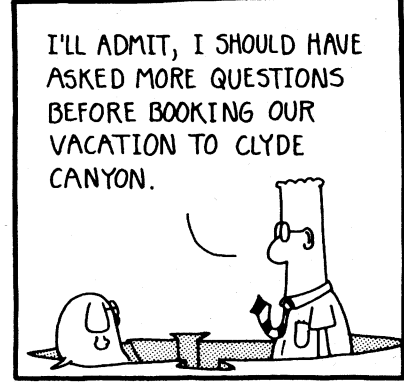
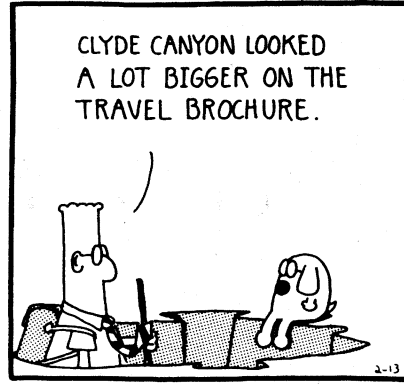
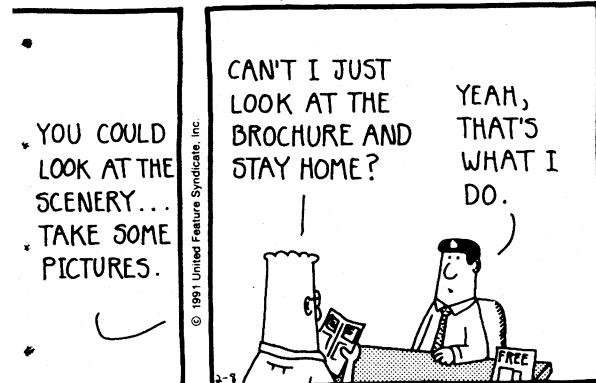
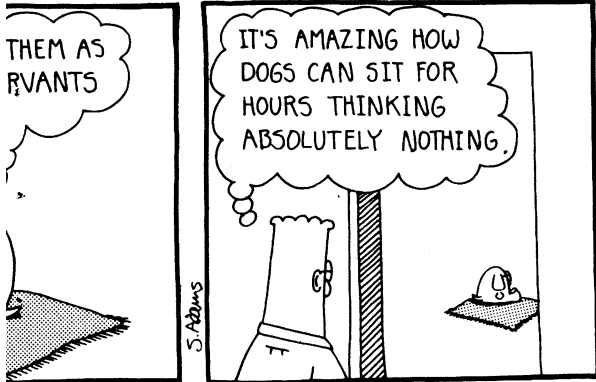
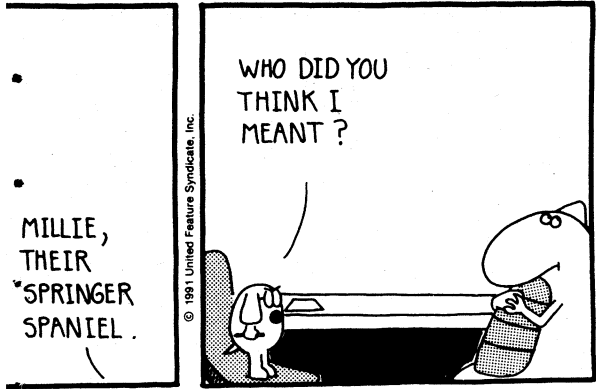
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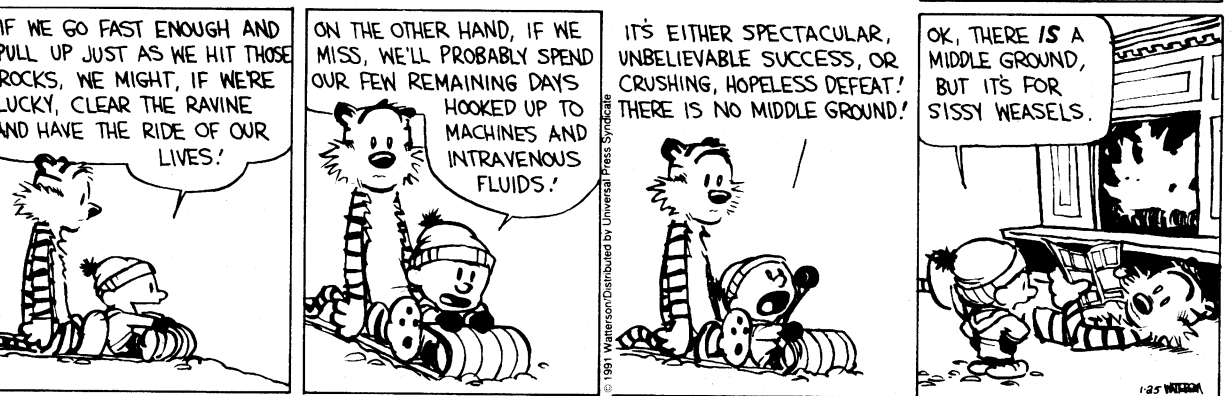
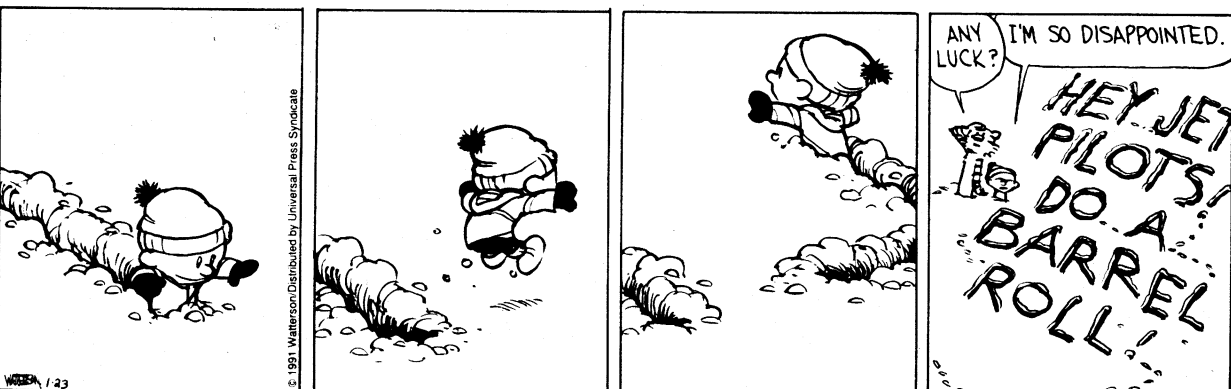
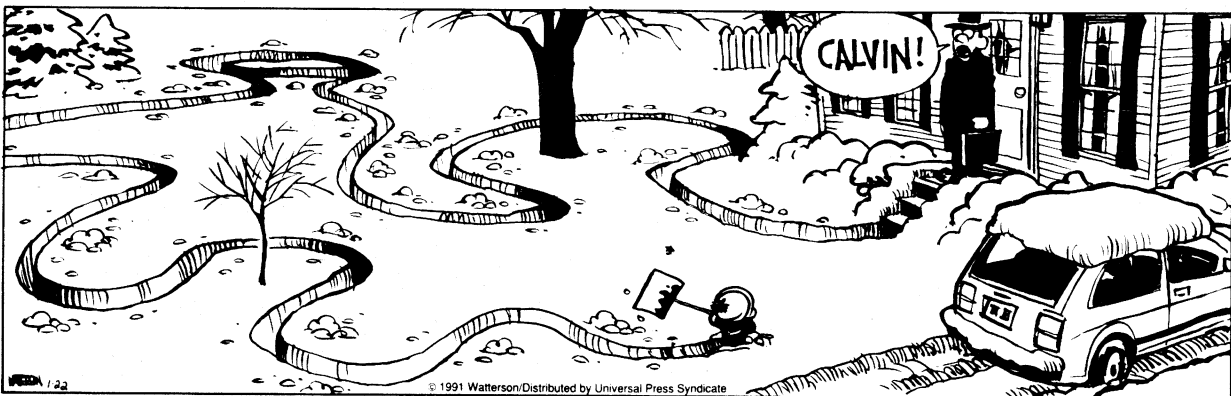


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Ask the Psychologist.

By Dr. Michael Slavit
Director of Counseling

In this column, Dr. Michael Slavit, Director of Counseling, will answer questions about issues of emotional, behavioral, or social interest. This column is not intended as a substitute for seeking help from a qualified professional. (SCT students, faculty, and staff are eligible for service at the Counseling Center). And, Dr. Slavit's comments do not necessarily reflect the views of *The Sting*.

Send your questions to Dr. Slavit c/o *The Sting*.
Q: The Persian Gulf War has made me feel different from other people. I am against war. BUT, I think that Saddam Hussein is dangerous and should be stopped. I guess the war is legal, since Congress authorized the President to act. I think our troops in the Gulf are doing their best to be loyal Americans. But I also think that the people in this country who are protesting the War are doing their best to be loyal Americans (they're not sabotaging the war effort; they're just disagreeing). Some people are making me feel that I'm stupid or unpatriotic for defending the protesters. I'm feeling isolated among people who think we should support the government 100% with no room for questions. Can you, as a psychologist, shed any light on this problem for me? If not, can you, as a U.S. citizen shed any light?

A: I'll respond to your question both as a psychologist and as a U.S. citizen:

As a psychologist, I'll state that many people are stuck at a developmental level at which they cannot tolerate living in a relative world. You are apparently not one of them, and that is to your credit. You state that you are against war. But, you apparently feel that avoiding war is not as important as stopping Saddam Hussein. So the strength of your adversity to war changes relative to circumstances. And, you are able to view both those fighting the war and those protesting it as loyal Americans. So, you see loyalty as relative to a person's convictions.

Just as we grow up physically, most people grow up in their ability to think about ethical issues. Most persons start out in life believing or hoping that there is one absolutely true answer to each question — one right response to each problem. This "right/wrong," "we/they," "black/white" thinking is called "dualism." But the world is more complicated than that. We develop to an intermediate point at which we see that everyone has a right to an opinion. As we continue to develop, we realize that some opinions are more valid than others relative to certain purposes or beliefs. This is called "relativism."

You are apparently feeling isolated among dualistic thinkers. If you cannot help them to think in more relative terms, you may have to seek out other relativists to talk to.

As a U.S. citizen, I notice three points in your question: 1. You have looked to the democratic process (i.e. Congress' vote) to determine that the war is legal; 2. You recognize that the protesters have their right to dissent, and that their dissent is not necessarily a disloyal act; and 3. You imply that the American conscience does not have to disappear after a vote is taken.

Our presence in the Persian Gulf shows that the U.S. as a nation feels that we have something better to offer than the totalitarianism of Saddam Hussein. The better thing we have to offer is the freedom which comes from our democratic way of life. And our democracy depends on our citizens being informed, and expressing their informed opinions. The U.S. has chosen the role of defender of freedom — even in other parts of the world. We can offer a strong argument in favor of that role as long as we protect and preserve civil rights, human rights, and the right to self-expression in our own country. If we did not respect the rights of the war protesters, then we would be anti-freedom, and we

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would have to question our right to the role of defender of freedom. The war protesters are still part of the American democratic process, and of the American conscience. Even though the U.S. wants to see Saddam Hussein stopped, we made the decision to take military action only after debating it in the democratic tradition. And we have to defend the rights of those who left the debate with a dissenting opinion. The point of view which you have expressed in your question is a valid one, and I hope you will not continue to feel isolated.

SCT Pep Band Rocks the Hornets to Victory

By Robert Christensen
Staff Writer

On a night that saw more Southern Tech students sit at home doing calculus homework, playing Super Mario Brothers III, or watching Lawrence Welk, a small and dedicated band of adventurous types did something to combat the stifling atmosphere of complacency and dullness on campus. They transformed themselves into maniacal musicians of the SOUTHERN TECH PEP BAND, perpetrators of school spirit, entrepreneurs of half-time entertainment, and all-around cool cats.

The long and colorful history of the Pep Band goes all the way back to, well, last November, a scant week before the first basketball game. It all began when several SCT students were sitting around lamenting the sad fact that this here school was too dang boring. But rather than submit the usual student answer to this problem (i.e. complain and drink), they did something radical. The instigator of this band of upstart revolutionaries, the cute and cuddly Esther Jenkins, was a former Georgia Tech student and member of their Pep Band and a veteran of that school's Final Four appearance. She single-handedly brought together an odd coalition of former high school band members and refugees from the North Ave. Trade school's own band.

This seemingly motley crew has quickly grown into one of the more exciting aspects of Hornet Basketball, as attested by the fervid response from the home crowds. The Pep Band has attended all but three of Southern Tech's games so far, even going on the road to fire up the team up with their spirited performances of renegade marching band tunes.

Saturday's game against the Shorter Eagles was yet another exciting example of their ardent mission of rousing up the Fieldhouse.

About fifteen minutes before the start of the game, the Pep Band moved into position on the east side stands and began warming up for their mirthful sonic attack. Their first song, however was the National Anthem, done in a solemn and professional manner. No liberal, commie, pinko pervert antics here! But patriotic playing aside, the band was loaded for Bear, er, Eagle, with a bag chock full of collegiate favs and golden Nuggets from long ago. Their first number was the Washington State song, "Louie, Louie" (as arranged by the Kingsmen), stuffed with massive bass from the tuba section and punctuated with some snazzy moves by the band members. This rendition easily surpassed that of the Temple Marching Owl Band as found on the "Best of Louie, Louie" album. The next song done was the recently revived Bruce Channel ditty "Hey, Baby" from "Dirty Dancing" (now a fraternity favorite throughout the land). The music was good, but the singing was a bit off, but due only to the fact that the crowd didn't join in. A bit sloppy, but what the hey?!?

With the players making their way to the locker rooms, the Band began preparing for the half-time show, which was shared with what could best be described as preteen exotic dancers-in-training, brought in for the frazzled libidos of the supposed "all-guy" student population. But then the Pep Band had its turn and turned in quite a performance. Starting off with a cover of "Gimmie Some Lovin," done in a far bluesier fashion than Spencer Davis could imagine, they chugged away at this classic cut like a band possessed. This really got the crowd going, including the SCT "Green Bee" and several tykes who took the chance to shoot hoops.

Then came a fabulous re-arrangement of Thomas Dolby's "She Blinded Me With Science," done with a heavy, heavy, monster sound and accompanied by great drumming. Then the band tore into a fast

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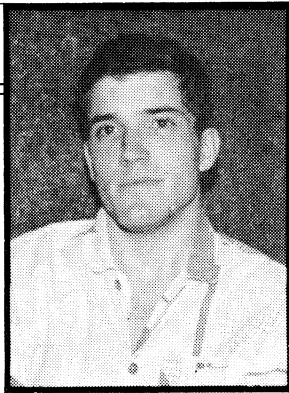
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EDITORIALS

Where Does All Our Money Go?

By Ed Hardy
Lame Duck Editor



It seems to me that the quality of my education is going downhill. I have been here at Southern Tech for just over four years now, and I have seen several professors from my department leave and not be replaced.

This means that either my department is offering fewer classes than it used to, or the classes are getting larger. From what I can tell, both are happening.

This worries me tremendously because if Southern Tech gets a reputation as a diploma mill, all the money I've paid for tuition over the years will be wasted.

I wondered if this decline was just in my department, or if it was a schoolwide problem. So I spoke to several department heads about this. All of them agreed that their departments are chronically under-funded. I don't mean they want more money. Everybody wants more money. They need more money. They need more money to pay their teachers and buy vital supplies and equipment.

My first idea was we needed a tuition increase. Southern Tech is among the least expensive colleges in Georgia. But when I suggested this to a department head, he pointed out some interesting facts.

All right, get your calculators out. Say you're taking 15 hours. Full time fees this quarter was \$477. So you paid about \$160 for each 5 hour class. If there are 30 people in your class, collectively you paid \$4770 for that class.

Now suppose you are a professor. If you teach 3 classes per quarter, for four quarters a year, your students have paid \$57,240 for your classes.

Let me assure you, no professor is paid anywhere near \$57,240. It's closer to half that.

So now I'm going to tell you something even more amazing. The State of Georgia has a policy to keep education affordable to everyone. That is why for every dollar you pay in tuition, Southern Tech receives about \$3 from the state. That's about \$150,000, about \$30,000 of which goes to pay the professor.

Where in the Hell is the rest of that money

going?!!

In my opinion, it's wasted.

(Now comes the part where I become unpopular, because most of the cuts I'm going to suggest are the jobs of people I know.)

Why do we have a Continuing Education department? Do any of us ever use it? No we don't, but we help pay for it.

Do we really need three full-time psychologists in the Counseling Office? Do we even need a Counseling Office at all? We pay the salaries of everyone in that office, and I doubt a large percentage of students actually go there.

What about the basketball team? A very small percentage of students go to games, but we pay Coach Perides' salary and for all those road trips the Hornets make.

I don't think we need a Public Relations department. Sure it's convenient for the Administration to have someone else deal with the media, but do we need one? No. What use have most students ever gotten out of PR? But that's three more salaries we have to pay. (Sorry about that, Mr. Thompson.)

Take a look at what was just done to the quad. I shudder to think what those walkways and that picnic table cost. And I and most of the other other students I have asked about it were perfectly happy with the quad the way it was. But we paid for all those so-called improvements.

And what about all those trips President Cheshier takes around the world? I remember one time he took part in a college president exchange with Australia during which he spent several weeks Down Under in the middle of winter. Did we need that? Damn straight we didn't, but I would be willing to bet we paid for it.

I'll tell you what we do need. We need more teachers and smaller classes. We need to pay our teachers better so we can afford the best. We need the most up-to-date lab equipment and computers.

I think all the waste that is going on is an example of people forgetting the priorities a school needs to have. Not only should teaching come first in priority, it should to come first, last and always. Every time an expenditure is considered, someone needs to ask 'Will this improve the quality of education at Southern Tech?' And if it doesn't, don't spend the money.

Anarchy Is Cool!

By Andrew Newton
Pete Kang's Sequel



Between Ed Hardy (see the above editorial), who wants to do away with the administration, and William Signs (see the letters page), who wants to do away with Student Activities, this campus would be a mere a gigantic classroom doling out endless streams of homework.

What does this have to do with my topic? Virtually nothing except for its contrast to my point - to beat the system, don't buck it, join it. Any Karate master and physics teacher will tell you that it is easier to redirect a force than to stop it cold.

Now we've all tried to beat the system in one way or another. Someone did a good job of getting out of a test about three weeks ago by making the weather turn

to foul snow. And I'm sure everyone at one time or another has called in a bomb threat to avoid giving a dreaded oral report or something. But there are better ways.

Say for instance, joining the *Sting* staff. On occasion this may get you stopped by fellow classmates for intensive interrogations about the last completely psychotic editorial published, but I've only known this to get four people killed so far. But it is more often that it gets you recognized by professors. This seems especially so in the English department. In addition to that, I am fairly certain that it was my connection with *The Sting* which had one of my outstanding parking tickets repealed by Chief Howard.

Do work for the Student Government Association (SGA). Eventually they will pass that by-law stating that all parking tickets given to SGA members will be rescinded, and everybody knows that SGA never suffers from budget problems.

Work for Campus Safety. You get to hang out in a cool building, all the people allowed to carry guns are

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Consensus Editorial

Every issue we, the staff of *The Sting*, try to generate a meaningful and topical subject striking close to the matters of Southern Tech for our consensus editorials. We thought about writing on apathy, but none of us really care anyway. We thought about complaining about the bad parking problems, but most of us have assigned parking spaces. We thought about exposing the money-grubbing administration for what it is, but all of us are making a killing ourselves. We thought about discussing the advantages of the new Student Center, but most of us will have graduated by then. We thought about whining because there are very few girls on this campus, but we get laid all the time.

So instead, we resorted to violence. Bill trapped Marc on one of the drafting tables and drilled a third eye-socket into his head, but not before Marc decorated all the door-frames in the office with Andy's small intestines. Wes is making new holes in the walls with Ed's upper body. And nobody's seen Gareth since he said something about going up on the Student Center roof with his gun.

Student Activities a Waste

Dear Sting Editor,

I read the funniest thing in your paper last week; you telling some moronic clown to "get a life at the library." Even though I agree with your attitude towards this misanthrope, I have to laugh at your suggestion that he find one on this campus. No matter what you or the student life committee might say, Southern Tech is the last place anyone could get a life!

Just look around this school, there's virtually no worthwhile student activities. The only organizations that try to do anything are the fraternities and sororities, but their dues are too high for impoverished students like me and all they ever do is have drinking parties, sponsor a bathtub racer and have some paltry "social conscious" charity. The rest of the so-called campus clubs delve even farther on the ridiculous.

If the school ever wanted to lower the cost of attending this institute or building an addition to the Student Center, they could start with the "student activities" fees. Why should we continually fork over money to such white elephants like the radio station or the yearbook? Why bother print up a bunch of yearbooks if so many students drop out between quarters? All the Log is now is a Who's Who amongst the greek organizations. I see no use for a radio station that no one listens to, let alone pick up on a real radio. Besides, all they ever play is punk rock, which practically no one else would consent to listen to. Besides, Georgia State already has a like-

minded station so I say if the "radio" staff wants to spin records, they can go to the library music room, if that ever opens.

Also, speaking of so-called "entertainment," why is there a need for a campus activities board? All they ever do is show daily reruns of movies I saw months ago. I don't think the hordes of students sitting upstairs in the Student Center would care if they were watching "Grem-lins II" or "Wheel of Fortune," although "Wheel" is on FREE TV. The same can go for SGA, which is nothing more than a popularity contest anyway. I can't think of a single pertinent action they take to make life easier for the student population save arguing parking tickets. Let's face it, there's no more need for such flim flams than there is for starting a college football team. At least we have a newspaper that is usually funny and sometimes informative. And if DeVry can have a basketball team, I guess Southern Tech can, even though hardly anyone attends.

The biggest reason for getting rid of these "organizations" is that they aren't needed. If students want to have a good time, they go downtown, to the nearest bar, or to the local multiplex. That is, if they don't have to get to work right after class. If SCT was located in some tiny rural town in South Georgia, then I would agree with such diversions, but not here in the Atlanta Metropolitan area. Southern Tech has always been and will be nothing more than a commuter school. In closing, I'd like to see the administration wise up to this expensive

joke called "student activities" and get our fees down to a reasonable rate.

Sincerely,
William Signs

William Signs,

We thank you for your somewhat flattering remarks about our newspaper. We always try to find the best news on campus and display the best sense of humor possible. Of course, that doesn't always happen, but we try.

But your view on Southern Tech's campus life leaves much to be desired. It is true that the Greek organizations have a lot of beer drinking parties, but this is no worse than your suggestion of going to downtown bars, and how you observe their parties as not adding life to this campus is beyond us. But there is a lot more to Greek organizations than you see. They are a vehicle that allows many students to survive in college for reasons such as fellowship and study assistance. And if you call sponsoring Red Cross blood drives and People Understanding the Severely Handicapped (PUSH) a "paltry" cause, then you should seek help in the Counseling Center.

And your comments about the campus radio station are equally unfounded. How do you know that

WGHR has no listeners? Are you privileged to information that the radio station management doesn't know about? Do you have sworn affidavits from everyone in Marietta stating that they don't listen to WGHR? And just because WRAS exists does not give rise to the need to give up hope for WGHR? There's more than one rock 'n' roll commercial radio station in Atlanta. There's more than one person in your major. Get the point. And WGHR falls into the category of "creative outlet" for students.

While the Student Government Association (SGA) has had more than its fair share of problems over the past year, they are trying to change things for the better on campus. Currently they are looking into putting recycling boxes on campus and adding loading zones for students in crucial areas. They are going to sponsor a canned food drive with the BSU in April, and last year they looked into increasing drop/add to more than one day and sponsored the new bulletin boards and bike racks placed on campus during last summer. Of course, you wouldn't know. You probably never attended any SGA meetings. By the way, SGA meetings are opened to all and held on alternating Tuesdays at noon in the Student Center.

And perhaps you really screwed up in limiting the Campus Activities

Board's (CAB) service to the campus with the weekly movies shown in the Student Center. Perhaps you missed the really great Jazz Quintet last Tuesday? Perhaps you missed the Street Dance last Fall? Perhaps you missed the Talent Show last winter? Perhaps you have never heard of the Homecoming Dance which will be coming up in a few days? Perhaps you are not as informed as you thought?

So it is time you look up from your shot glass at your bar and smell the coffee. There is a lot to do at Southern Tech, and many times the only way to get students like you involved is by gun point.

And in the future, Mr. Signs, we would appreciate you use your real name when sending letters to The Sting. This is not say that we are absolutely positive that you are giving us false credentials, but no one, including Campus Safety, has heard of you. Perhaps using Douglas Adams logic (if I can't see them, they can't see me), there is a reasonable explanation why you see no need for many of our campus organizations.

Ed Hardy
Andrew Newton
Gareth Williams
Marc Pruitt
Adam Drogan
Wes Hetrick
Bill Finnick

A Georgia Mathematician in Queen Elizabeth's Realm

or

How I survived
Blood Pudding, Toad-in-the-Hole,
and Striding Edge
and Lived to Tell the Tale!

Prof. Kathleen Hall requests the honour of your presence at a slide show wherein she will give an overview of life as an American professor teaching mathematics in England.

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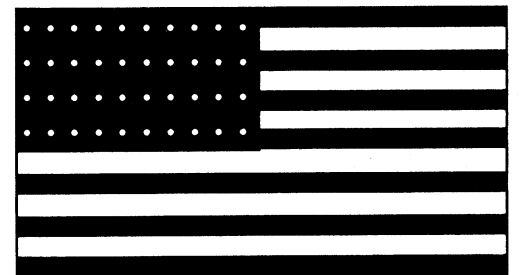
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Persian Gulf Salute

Southern College of Technology, in conjunction with the Greek Planning Committee, will observe a "Moment of Silence" on February 12, in observance of the men and women serving in the Persian Gulf. The ceremony will begin at 11:55 a.m. at the campus bell tower, where the "Star Spangled Banner" will be played followed by the 12 o'clock ringing of the bells. At 12:01 p.m. "America the Beautiful" will be played. A minute of silence will then be observed by Southern Tech faculty, staff, and students. The ceremony will conclude with a Time Toll, a three minute ringing of the large bell in support of troops serving in the Persian Gulf.



A Δ Π

By Heather Quinn

Oh, No! Watch out, there's more of them. Yes, I'm talking about the ADPi's. At the beginning of February, the ADPi's were proud to welcome three new initiates to the "first and finest" sorority, Alpha Delta Pi. Congratulations to Jennifer Bowen, Lyn Peacock, and Leslie Wilson. You girls are an awesome asset to the sorority. Another fine congratulations goes out to three of our Alphas: Wendy Harper, Kim Odom, and Laura Sharpe. These girls have landed a debut on our own Southern Tech radio station, WGHR. You can catch these three on Mondays from 4-6:00 p.m. You can't touch 'em!

No, I didn't forget our awesome, and I mean, awesome new Alphas. Congratulations to Christy Conkwright, Kim Cornwell, and Tara Hill. We love you girls!! Special lion love hugs go out to all our senior Alphas- Wendy Harper, Kim Odom, Amy Pratt, and Laura Sharpe. We love you, guys.

A warning to all you eligible bachelors: IT'S COMING TO A COLLEGE NEAR YOU!!!!

Again, it is time to elect new officers for the year of 1991. Good luck to all our candidates and remember to vote wisely. ('Five-Foot-Nothing': Transferring is a Cheap Way Out!!! sdj)

Also, remember to give a moment of silence with Southern Tech and 11 Alive on February 12 at noon for our loved ones in the Middle East. Let's support those guys (and girls)!

Well, th...th...th...that's all folks!



By Tony Perez
P.R. Committee Chair

The Southern Tech chapter of Circle K may be perhaps the fastest growing club on campus. We now have over 22 members and we have many events coming and going. Although some of these events involve work, all involve some type of enjoyment or reward.

The club is still in the process of renovating the homeless shelter here in Marietta, and we are almost finished. We began working on the shelter in November of last year when we only had nine members helping out; but now that we have 25 members the project should not

take much longer.

Last week was Circle K week. During that week, we attended clubs of other colleges including Emory and University of Georgia and we got together with them for some social events. The major event of last week was no doubt the UGA formal which was held on Saturday February 8. The formal was a dance for all of the district Circle K members in Georgia. It was held at the Tate Student Center at UGA (University of Georgia in Athens). It was a lot of fun and everyone enjoyed themselves.

This Saturday, our club will be engaging in a project called "Branch Out for Life." On this day we, along with other clubs, will be planting trees in the front of the CNN Center in downtown Atlanta. This is one of our environmental projects that will be of great value in this modern age.

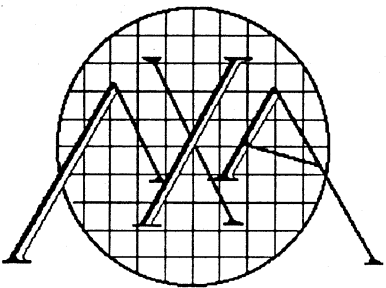
Our club will be having elections for officers on February 26. Nominations for the elections are already in progress. The officers will be installed on April 1. These results will be published.

The Circle K District Conven-

tion will be held from March 1 to 3. The convention will be held at UGA. The convention is definitely one of the enjoyable-party events. As always there will be loads of fun activities planned such as club competitions, a banquet and a theme dance.

We are planning a recycling program for the campus. Bins will be placed at various locations around campus for depositing empty aluminum cans and other recyclable materials. All proceeds from the cash returns will go for community service projects.

As always, our club is always open for new members. Becoming a member is as easy as pie. There are no embarrassing applications, no credit references, and NO MINIMUM GPA. In fact, we are one of the few organizations that will freely distribute our phone numbers. Here they are: Me (Tony) 499-2558 or Scott Dickey 451-3339. You are welcome to attend our meetings which are every Tuesday at 12:00 noon in the Presidential Conference Room in the Administration Building; just follow the signs.



TKE Tau Kappa Epsilon

Mad Dog
#329

The Fraters of Xi Chi Chapter have been and still are very busy. The Bad Apple Bash was a ROCKIN', THROW-DOWN, TURN-IT-UP, HIT-IT-HARD, SHAKE-IT-OFF, and DO-IT-TILLYA-DROP, SLAMFEST of a PARTY!!! I would like to thank everyone for their hard-working effort to make the party the success it was. And oh, as for the BAD APPLES.....

.....they have NOT forgotten, they will NEVER forget, so lock it up...OR DON'T CRY!!! I would also like to congratulate Xi Chi's new Executive Council: Prytanis-Bruce Harbin, Epypryanis- Scott Whittemore, Grammateus- Eric Williams, Crysophylos- James McIntyre, Historian- Russ Bagwell, Hypophetes- Richard Starr, Pylortes- Chris Kittrell, and Hegemon- Jason Scott. Leadership at its best. Upcoming, we have our Regional Leadership Conference where EXCELLENCE is the only standard, and the Lizzard gets down and dirty. On February 23, 1991, Xi Chi Chapter of Tau Kappa Epsilon will celebrate XVIII years of the

supremacy and brotherhood at SCT. The annual Red Carnation ball will be the best ever seen by any fraternity man in the entire known universe. This year's RCB will be held somewhere in the southeastern United States. I would also like to congratulate Alex, Brad, and Kirk on a super fine job at B&C- keep up the good work guys. Xi Chi would also like to salute PFC. Benjamin B. Martin (#286)-and all the Armed Forces serving in Operation Desert Storm. GIVE 'EM HELL.

Until Next time.....TEKES RAISE HELL!!!

TAUKAPPAEPSILON.....Not for wealth, rank, or honor, but for personal worth and character.....

By Brian McConnell
Resident Gossip King

Howdy folks! Yep, it's that time again. Got some things to tell you (as usual) to help keep you up to date with what's going on.

First off, the social with the Phi Mu ladies from Kennesaw College was a big success. Some of us were even conscious enough to remember some of it. Ha ha. Seriously though, we are looking forward to our next soiree.

As promised, the Lambda Chi's are wiping the floor with the competition in basketball and bowling. The basketball team just had a winning game bringing us to a 3 and 1 standing. Our bowling team is sitting at two games out from first place. Keep it up gents!

Well, the big camping trip to Mount Yonah that was scheduled for January 25th was cancelled due to the big snow day (not to mention 16 inches of snow on the mountain). It's been rescheduled for February 8, so we're ready to go again. I'll let you know how it turns out next time.

We had eight Lambda Chi's drive down to Melbourne, Florida, for our annual leadership and risk management seminar at the Florida Institute of Technology. We had fifteen chapters of Lambda Chi's there for the weekend and they had a great time!

Well, that'll do it for me this time. Until the next auspicious occasion when we meet again. Take care.

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on your side, and what rat-fink cop would give his own cohort a parking ticket.

Now you might think by this editorial that college is all about avoiding parking tickets, and if you are Shawn Moseley or a Life College student, this would be true (Shawn topped the Campus Safety hot list and Life students are shot on sight). But there are students that have learned how to take full advantage of this wonderful collegiate system.

I'm speaking, of course, about the blokes from across the Atlantic known to us as British students. Now they have learned to "beat the system." In fact, they're so good at it, not only did they beat their system over in the grand U.K., but they felt it necessary to come over here and show us yanks a thing or two.

First they manage to find their way into a mostly socialist system where nearly everything is paid for, and then they come to America where the British Pound is in their spending favor. The obnoxious one I always run into has managed to acquire a camcorder, went to New York for New Year's (stopping off in various other spots), and now plans on a tour of Colorado at the end of the year. Now that's a racket!

Be a female on this campus. Enough said.

Become a Resident Assistant in dorms - I mean Residence Halls. Now these guys get paid for being in their rooms. And then they get money to throw parties and such. They get to live in the big rooms. They get to yell at people when

they're in a bad mood. They get all the girls. They get to wear sunglasses while dancing in the nude. Well, maybe I've extended this one too far by a point or two.

Don't become a Student Center Building Manager. Barry Birckhead is a pain to work for. Not!

I think by now you understand this "beat the system" deal. And I'm glad you do because at this point this editorial is too long and completely too stupid. But its not like I'm trying to make up for some article that wasn't turned in or anything. Not at all. Anyway, between Ed's editorial and mine, I figure there's only a few left we haven't offended, and they don't count anyway. Damn! Offended them to. *The Sting*, we don't want to change your oil, just your friendly disposition.

Gamma Phi Beta

By Julie Johnson

Yo, Yo, Yo...We have some new rad sisters and are they hot...! Janet "Planet" Leinart, Traci "AT&T" Hale, Julie "Turbo" Johnson, Pam "Spam" McDowell, Heather "Opus" Ramker, and Denise "SAAB" Sanders!! Gamma Phi Beta sisters are too, too excited. "V" people are too cool! But Howdy, we now have some super pledges this quarter.

CONGRATS!: Jill Woolridge, Linda Stanley, and Christina Via. We hope that all the new pledges find a true bond of sisterhood. Good luck to our new officers. They will make Gamma Phi Beta the best ever!!! We are ready for action and watch out Eastwood.

Those cow-poken Pi Kappa Phi's are too Wild! At our Wild West Social, we roamed the plains and settled our towns! There were Indians, too! YIKES!! (J.J.) There was such a blast that Atlanta had to surrender to us! Great Social Guys!

The Gamma Phi Betas will be selling ribbons to support our troops in Saudi Arabia. Please contribute and buy these ribbons. Your donations will go to "11 ALIVE Family-to-Family." Thanks for your support!

And we sign off.....
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By Becky Willocks
Secretary

SCT's Chapter of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME) kicked off winter quarter with a January 31 meeting featuring guest speaker Bob Bringe of Nassau Research. Mr. Bringe demonstrated various new welding technologies using equipment developed and manufactured by his company.

Among some of the breakthroughs presented was a rod that could be used to oxy-acetylene weld aluminum to produce a strong joint. Another new product demonstrated was a welding rod that could be used to weld stainless steel, cast iron, or ANY steel.

Upcoming SME sponsored events tentatively include plant tours,

more guest speakers, a robotics competition, and a networking with senior chapter members. Also, in the spring, the manufacturing certification test can be taken through SME.

Fall quarter was busy for SME. Activities included a tour of Lockheed (emphasizing manufacturing operations), an enrollment campaign, two lunch meetings (PIZZA), and the election of officers. Officers for the academic year are: Gary Jennings - Chairman; Adam Grizzle and Carl Schumann - Vice-Chairman; Becky Willocks - Secretary; Ted Sommers - Treasurer. Board members include: Steve Damico, David Straka, Trey Smith, Gary Ruess, and Bernard Desmond. Faculty advisor is Mr. Don Horton.

The next meeting of SME will be February 13, at 12:00 noon in the Metal Shop, K122. Guest speaker will be Mr. Bill Emery of Ziegler Tools; Topic: Starret Tools. Everyone is welcome!

If you haven't joined SME yet, see any member or Mr. Horton for an application. Fees are only \$10.

McAdams as being chosen the Director of our Pledge program. In addition Melanie Trammell and Jennifer Hightower will assist her. We are very excited to have her in this position. Good luck Kristine, Jennifer and Melanie. We also wish well to all the sisters on their midterms. Do good. Remember scholarship. Any ladies on campus who would like to know more about our group may call myself, Jennifer Bige, at 528-7303 here at school, drop by our meeting Sunday the 17th at 7:30 or come to a Log meeting at noon Tuesday and I'll talk with you. We invite you to come see what we're all about.

As the Secretary of Sigma Alpha Omega, I want to congratulate the strong few which make our group as special as it is!! We have no concerns regarding the people who left in the past. Because it is just that in the past. As the saying goes 'if you can't handle the heat get out of the fire,' ...and they did. Let me assure all of you who have an interest in our group that we are still here and only the strongest of our members remain. Our loss was only those who couldn't handle the heat from the flames. Our goal is to be the Phoenix arising gracefully from the ashes...Come join us in our quest.

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Sigma Alpha Omega

By Jennifer Bige
Secretary and Historian

The sisters of Sigma Alpha Omega are very pleased to be the sponsor of Mr. Brad Brannon for Mr. Southern Tech. Mr. Brannon exemplifies the type of qualities which make him our favorite choice. He is an active brother of the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity. He has worked with the Red Cross to set up Blood Drives on campus, participated in the Adopt-a-Highway program and is just an all around good guy. Please help us show how important he is in our community by supporting him for Mr. Southern Tech.

In the sorority news we are pleased to announce that invitations will soon be going out for our "Date Night '91" dinner and dancing to be held the weekend of March 1st. We have a very special evening in store for you gentlemen. Look for you invitations soon.

We want to congratulate Kristine

The Log Yearbook

By Jennifer R. Bige
Editor in Chief

The Log is finally heading down a tunnel towards a light which is a ...deadline. We (?) are pleased (I think) that the yearbook will soon be upon and hopefully passed its first and only color deadline. Those who are still interested in working on staff are encouraged to come by Tuesdays at Noon in the *Sting/Log* office.

My comments to the coward

W G H R

102.5 FM

By Andrew Newton
WGHR Lounge Singer Critic

I guess the new PICK THE BIG WOOGER campaign has now started. We have the new T-shirts and bumper-stickers now. So you'll see a lot of our chaps running around sporting their new attire. In addition, if your car gets bumper-

who called and said he thought my advertisement (I'll call it "Sex Drugs and Rock-n-Roll") was "immature" are just that he was not making himself very credible for not leaving his name. (Let me tell you that I am on to you - Such members of the S.M.E. should in the future leave names when calling! Also I don't accept complaints about *The Sting*. If you want to call the paper immature that's your business but do so on their phone. The number is 528-7310.)

In addition to the above I want to say to all you students that if you don't like something on this campus then don't just complain. Sure complaining is easy, but it takes a bigger person to actually do something about the problem. If you don't like my advertising then make one for me and submit it. I will be

stickered by our commando bumper-sticker squad, don't get offended. They must have thought your car belonged to President Steve Cheshier. We are now going to get some caps. They'll be black with a white woogerdated logo on them. Shawn is still deciding on the rest of the wooger-line of clothing, but I'm betting the wooger slacks turn out black with a giant rectangle woogerdated symbol on the buttocks. Then we'll get some white wooger reeboks or something. This will make us look completely stupid.

For those of you looking to expand your musical horizons, we have a few suggestions. If you are looking for something not too far off the

more than glad to see if it relays the information in such a way as to get students attention. Obviously, my advertisement got your attention. Otherwise, I wouldn't have gotten the calls I got.

The Log is running a contest right now which gives the member who comes to the most meetings a fifty dollar bonus, a tie or the appropriate woman's wear and a pizza to the person who attends and participates the most at meetings. Please also keep in mind that we need your submissions for the creative outlets section. Send us as much as you want...we'll print more.

That's all for this informal chat this issue so go out and get your friends their well deserved Valentines, come to my meeting and have a Happy Valentines Day !!!

beaten path in the progressive area, we suggest Buffalo Tom's Birdbrain and the new Jesus Jones album Doubt. And for those of you willing to get way off the beaten path into the industrial or semi-industrial category, we throw into the hat Front 242's Tyranny For You and Meat Beat Manifesto's 99%. These are all good tunes to spin.

And I wish to apologize for last issues completely gory rendition of "A Christmas Story." I will try to stop this from ever happening again, but I want to see blood. Blood! Blood! Blood! I want to strain flesh through my teeth and stomp on brains and stretch veins and arteries. And Ed thinks there's no need for the Counseling Center.

Pep Band continued from 11

and furious version of the "Peter Gunn Theme," perfect for any sport's halftime, with a good bit of improvisation thrown in for good measure. And it seemed like the perfect music for the teams warming up for chapter II of the game. The halftime highlights ended with a toe-tapping rendition of the "Budweiser March," done in in an appropriate "ompa" style that would have brought tears to eyes of any St. Louis beermeister. The band members even ompaed themselves, bouncing up and down like a pipe organ in time with the music. Speaking of time, they worked the clock like NBA pros,

down to the last few ticks of the timer.

Due to the low number of team time-outs during the rest of game, the Pep Band was only able to do two more tunes, but here quality reined over quantity. Kicking into "Mony, Mony," the band twisted it into a cool jazzy jam with enough punk attitude to satisfy any garage rock combo. With the Hornets in clear control of the game, the band members quickly turned on the hapless Shorter players with chatter and good-humoured taunts that added to the spirited air in the gym. The last song of the game was a

soulful cover of "Soul Man", which paved the way for the game-closing tune of "I can't Turn You Loose" (the Blues Brother's Theme). Then in a mad banzai charge across the court, half of the band took up positions in the opposite stands and tore into "The Horse", creating an impressive wall of sound as the cheerful crowd streamed out into the night. An appropriate ending to a great night of thrills, spills, chills, and pretty darn good musical talent. So go out and catch 'em at the next home game, unless of course, you really want to watch "Lawrance Welk".

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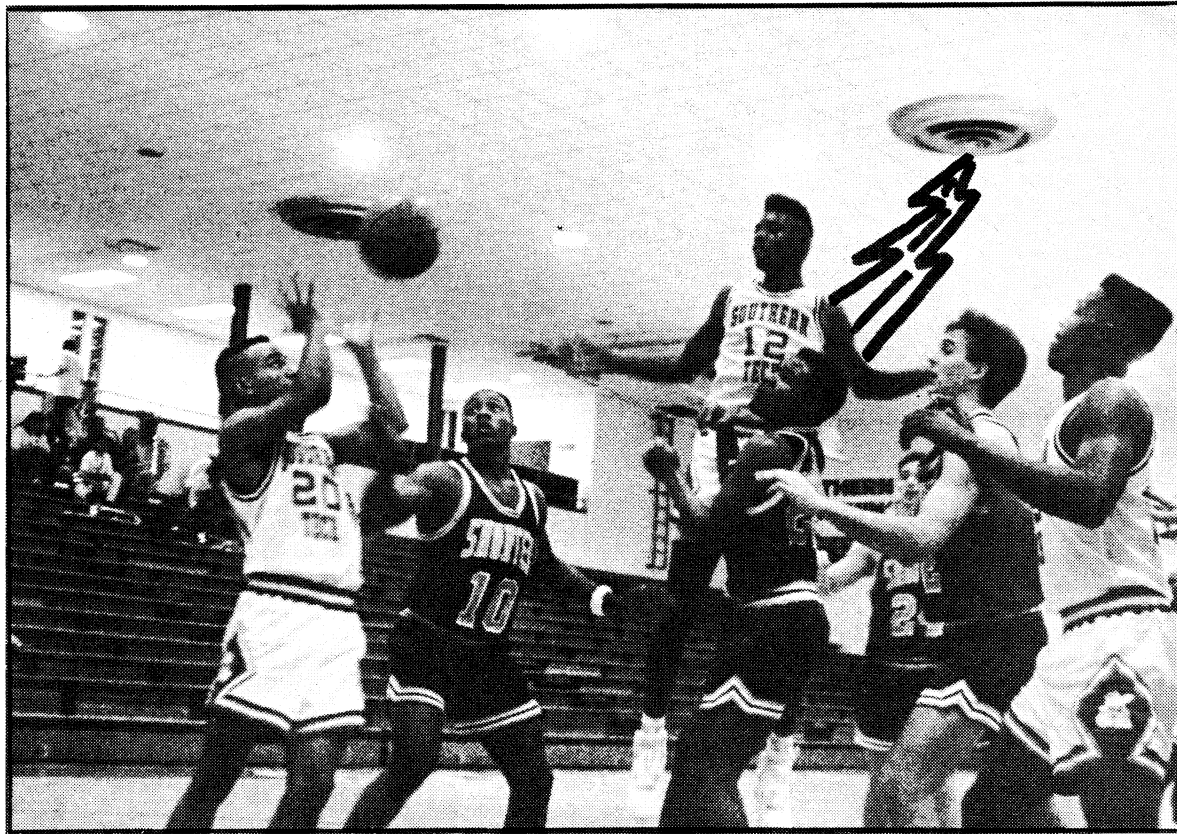
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**PICK
THE BIG
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Hornets Continue Drive to District 25 Championships



The Big News! In a game against Shorter College, disaster was barely thwarted when aliens from the planet Bleoorg, (no relationship to the aliens from Glort featured in last issue) attempted to steal star SCT Center Lamar Smith. Fortunately, Coach Perides cussed at the aliens until they put him back. Photo by Bill Φιννιχκ, photo god

By Brian Teets
At All the Games

January 28, 7:18pm, full moon, the Hornets Nest. Georgia Southwestern, ranked eleventh in the NAIA and first in our district, boasting a perfect record, tensely warms up. On the other end of the court, Southern Tech Hornets get ready to protect their perfect record at home in district games. The crowd turn out is tremendous to see what surely should be a clash of titans.

Tip off. The Hornets start off hot. Good rebounding, hustling, passing, and pressuring throw the Hurricanes off guard causing GA Southwestern to call a timeout at only three minutes into the game (Hornets 9, Hurricanes 0).

Out of the timeout the Hurricanes come back to switch the lead in the next seven minutes. However, the Hornets turn the heat up a notch and stomp them the remainder of the half making the score: Hornets 36, Hurricanes 22.

For the most of the second half, the Hornets manage to keep the lead

and eat the clock well.

But during the last five minutes of the game GASW show why they are undefeated in the district. Playing aggressive defense, the Hurricanes force many turnovers and many fouls which are not answered for at the free throw line. They close the lead to six points with less than three minutes in the game left.

Boiling hot, Coach Perides merely says "It's time to play". But his actions speak louder than his words. With classic Hornet strategy, the offense and defense switch to maximize playing and manage to hold the Hurricane rally to beat Georgia Southwestern 76 to 74.

Although it was team play that won the game, special recognition goes to Jesse Usher with 17 points, 10 rebounds and Lamar Smith with 10 points, 9 rebounds.

On their quest for the district championship the Southern Tech Hornets also defeated Clayton State, Berry College and Shorter College putting them in second place in the district.

Go get 'em Hornets!!!!

Chastity Abstinence Elevator Music

If you are creative, original, artistic, talented, skilled, poetic, or even mildly literate, *The Log* needs your submissions to its Creative Outlets Section. Submit your poems, stories, photographs and generally artistic stuff to Jessica Day in the *Log* office. For information, call 528-7303.

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Food for Thought

The Counseling will be offering a series of presentations entitled "Food for Thought" on Tuesdays, in conference room A of the Student Center. No advance registration is needed. Students, faculty, staff and friends of the college are invited.

February 19 Being a Person of Color on a Predominantly White Campus.
12:00 - 1:00 Diverse racial and ethnic groups at SCT provide opportunities for cross-cultural learning. But minority status is not always positive for the minority group members. Discuss the academic and social effects of racial minority status. For enhancement of cross-cultural learning and promotion of dialogue, we invite all races and ethnic groups.

February 26 Career Decisions: A Step by Step Approach.
12:00 - 1:00 Learn to make better career decisions by considering your values, goals, interests, and skills. Discuss the suitability of your tentative career choices. There may be no means to be certain, but you can improve the odds of a satisfying choice.

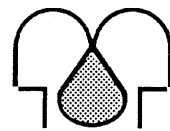
The remainder of the Hornet regular game schedule is:

- February 13 Kennesaw State College (away)
- February 15 LaGrange College (home)
- February 18 Brewton Parker College (away)
- February 23 Claflin College (home)

DISTRICT RECORD AS OF FEBRUARY 6

GA S. Western	10-1
Southern Tech	10-3
GA College	9-4
Berry College	8-4
Kennesaw State	8-5
Brewton Parker	6-6
Shorter College	4-7
North Georgia	4-7
LaGrange	1-10
Clayton State	0-12

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