



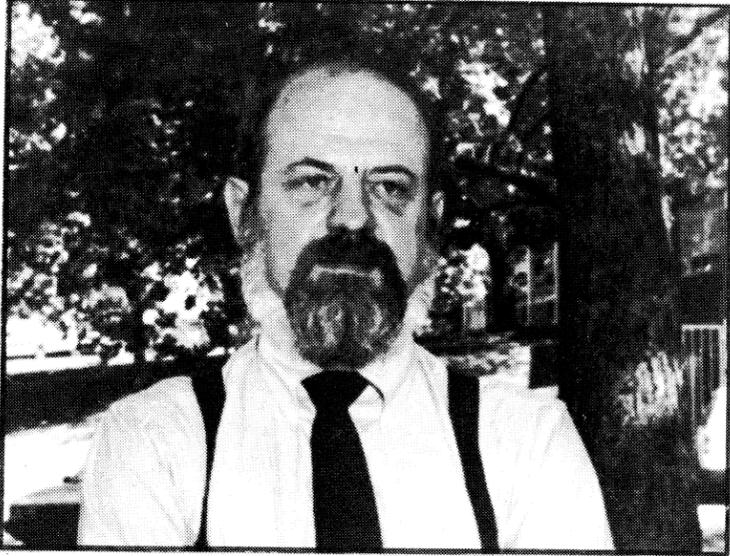
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Professor Reprimanded for Sexual Harassment



This is an old picture of Dr. Strickland. We would like to say something funny right here, but it would probably open a big can of whoop-ass.
- Photo by Jack Sliver

By Mackie M. Bowden
Just a Fool

Dr. Stricklen, head of the Mathematics Department, has been reprimanded for sexual harassment of a female student at Southern Tech. The female student was employed by his department.

The student's name is being

withheld by *The Sting* upon her request.

The two charges brought against Dr. Stricklen by the student were the discussing of sexual behaviors with the female student and the caressing of her hair.

Even though these don't seem like major actions, in both incidences the female student was uncomfort-

able and after the last incidence she was afraid to go back to work for Dr. Stricklen.

Dr. Stricklen stated that he was unaware that his actions were wrong and that the female student was uncomfortable in his presence.

Dr. Stricklen's reprimand was based on his admitted discussions of sexual behavior with a student. It was also based on not referring the student to the Counseling Center where professionals are on staff to discuss such matters.

Department chairpersons and faculty members are expected to exhibit unquestionable behavior with students at all times. Failure to act accordingly can result in dismissal.

The actions taken against Dr. Stricklen on July 19, 1991, by Dr. Harris T. Travis, Vice President for Academic Affairs, included a letter of reprimand and a requirement that he attend a counseling workshop on sexual harassment within 90 days of the reprimand.

According to Mr. Sam Baker, Executive Assistant to the President, as of October 4, Dr. Stricklen had not yet attended the workshop on sexual harassment. A campus-wide

workshop on sexual harassment is being scheduled sometime in the month of November.

Using the definition contained in the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission Guidelines and in the Southern College of Technology Policy and Procedure Manual, the 1984 "Policy Statement on Sexual Harassment" defines sexual harassment as:

Unwelcome sexual advances, request for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature constitutes sexual harassment when (1) submission to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment or academic advancement, (2) submission to or rejection of such conduct by an individual is used as the basis for employment decisions or academic decisions affecting such individual, (3) such conduct has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work or academic performance or creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive working or academic environment.

The normal situation where sexual harassment occurs is when

one person has power over another, but it can also occur between people on an equal level. When people think of sexual harassment they figure it was a woman harassed by a man, but in the new job market with women getting more advances the opposite can happen. Both men and women can be sexually harassed.

Sexual harassment can be as blatant as rape or as subtle as a look. All it takes for someone to be sexually harassed is for them to feel uncomfortable in a work or class situation because of the sexual actions or remarks of another individual.

If anyone, male or female, feels that they have been sexually harassed they should see Mr. Sam Baker or a member of the Counseling Center staff. Information on the school's policy on sexual harassment can be found in the Southern College of Technology Policy and Procedure Manual number 890.0.

Even though this is the beginning of the 90's and everyone should feel safe in the work place or at school, the attitudes of the population still need to change more before everyone is really considered equal in all aspects.

Staff Council May be a Reality by Christmas

By Bill Finnick
Council Supporter

The adhoc Committee to study and develop plans to form a "Staff Council" met three times in September and is close to formulating the bylaws under which the council will operate.

The council will be the voice to the administration for the 250 plus staff employees that work for the Southern College of

Technology much as the Faculty Senate and Student Government Association work for their respective groups.

The council is a direct result of a protest movement, on this and many other university system campuses, by staff personnel and was caused by Governor Zell Miller's salary freeze for non-faculty positions.

Many of the school's staff were angered by rumors that

spread throughout the institution last spring concerning pay raises for selected administrators. At a meeting between President Cheshier and about a dozen staff members the idea of a staff council was born.

Jerry Baswell, of Plant Operations, opened the original meeting between the concerned staff and the president by pointing out that there is no set mechanism for the administration and staff to pass information. The President enthusiastically agreed, admitting that some supervisors were much better than others at passing recommendations up and handing policies down the chain of command.

According to Alberta Cook, the committee's chairperson, "the group is working on a December election date for the official council. Right now they are working on the bylaws...and are seeking input from all staff personnel by Wednesday, October 9."

There will be another meeting of the adhoc committee on



These are not the violent masses in Soviet Georgia, but they're in Georgia none-the-less. And they're damn mad. - Photo by David Conrad and not Jack Sliver

October 11. Anyone with any ideas or suggestions for the new Staff Council should give them to any of the adhoc committee's members.

The members of the committee, until elections are held, are: Jerry Baswell - Plant Operations, Judy Brooks - IET, Regina Doyle - Co-op, Kenneth

Hill - Plant Operations, Ed Klein - Housing, Robert Kunig - Plant Operations, Jane Redwine - Development & College Relations, George Scott - Campus Safety, LaVern Smith - Enrollment.

Dr. Nadella and Mary Phillips are Advisory Members of the committee.

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Next Deadline: October 18

"What's Your Major?" Tapes are Available - Come Listen.

By Mike Slavik
Director of Counseling

Many people enter college with very little or no idea of what they will eventually major in, or about what career they will pursue. They want to do some exploring of different courses and majors before they make a decision. And, that's not necessarily bad. But those students are probably not at Southern Tech.

If you're in school here, you've already decided on an education in the science/technology field. You apparently want to select among architecture, computer science, engineering technology, technology management, technical communications, math, or physics. But that doesn't mean that you've decided on your major.

If you're studying for a bachelor's degree at Southern Tech, you can choose among approximately fourteen academic majors. (I say "approximately" because the academic departments at SCT are so progressive in meeting the changing needs of students and of in-

dustry, that there may have been a recent change that I'm not yet aware of).

And, if you include all the different options available within each major, there are at least 27 different bachelor's degrees that you can receive here at Southern Tech. The choice may not be an easy one, as there are so many variables to consider. Where can you find out about the different majors, and about the careers they can lead to?

There are many sources of information. There is the College's catalog. There are the Placement and Cooperative Education Offices in Howell Hall. There are the academic deans.

Ultimately, though, the source of the most detailed information about each major and option, and the careers they lead to, are the faculty in the departments. How can you tap into this source of information? Here are two ways:

I. You could make appointments with faculty members in each department that you were interested in, and you could ask questions such as the following:

1. Well, Professor, just what is a major in _____ all about?
2. What options are available within this major?
3. What skills and interests do I need to succeed at this major?
4. What typical work settings do your graduates find themselves in?
5. What kind of continuing education or training is typically expected on-the-job in this field?
6. What are some jobs which your recent graduates have entered?
7. What are some of the advantages of this field?
8. Are there any potential disadvantages to this field?
9. If I'm considering this major... but I'm not sure yet, what course should I take to find out more?
10. In addition to courses, are there any other resources, like books or magazine articles, that would give me a better picture of this field?

If you got answers to all those questions, you'd have a lot more information to use in choosing a major! But, it sounds like a lot of

time and work!

II. You could come to the Counseling Center and listen to some cassette-recorded interviews. You

see, we've done it for you. The staff of the Counseling Center have visited with faculty members representing the different academic majors and options. We've asked all the above-listed questions. And, for your convenience, we taped the interviews and have the cassettes available.

Perhaps you could use our cassette-recorded interviews to increase your knowledge about a number of majors. Then, if you wanted even more detailed information, you could go to faculty of the departments in question. Our tapes would have helped you to whittle down the available choices to a manageable number.

If you come in and use our career library, we'll ask you to take a moment to fill out a very brief form to let us know what you used, if you found it useful, and if you have any suggestions for us. The staff of the Counseling Center wishes you the best in your college career. And, if we can, we'll help you with the task of choosing a major. Have a great year!

Interface '91 Enlightens Campus

By Kashmira Mody
Staff Writer

It is Fall quarter again and time for the annual Humanities and Technology Conference, INTERFACE. INTERFACE'91 is sponsored and arranged by the Humanities and Social Sciences Department of Southern Tech in cooperation with the Humanities and Technology Association. The Conference is funded partly by the National Science Foundation. This year, Professors Thomas Wiseman and Mark Stevens are co-directors of INTERFACE'91.

The purpose of this conference is to bring together scholars and

members of the general public who are interested in the cultural interaction of the humanities, science, and technology. INTERFACE'91 features presentations on theory and research, practice and pedagogy relevant to current issues.

The keynote address by Dr. Bassam Shakhshiri, Professor of Chemistry at University of Wisconsin-Madison is scheduled for Thursday, October 17 at noon. He will explore ways of communicating in the field of science through his presentation entitled "Communicating Science."

Another noteworthy presentation is the "Engineering the Environmental Cleanup" session. This session tackles the logistics, ethics

and social responsibilities of waste disposal. It will be chaired by George Ferguson, vice-president and manager of human resources for Law Environmental, Inc. and include representatives from Columbia University, Georgia State University, and Southern Tech.

Other interesting presentations are: "Human Dignity and Equality in the Technological World", "Mavericks of Technology", and "Psychology, Motivation, and Creativity in a High Tech World".

INTERFACE'91 will be held at the Northwest Atlanta Hilton Inn on Windy Hill Road on Oct. 17 and 18. The keynote luncheon costs \$15. For more information, please contact Tom Wiseman at 528-7204.

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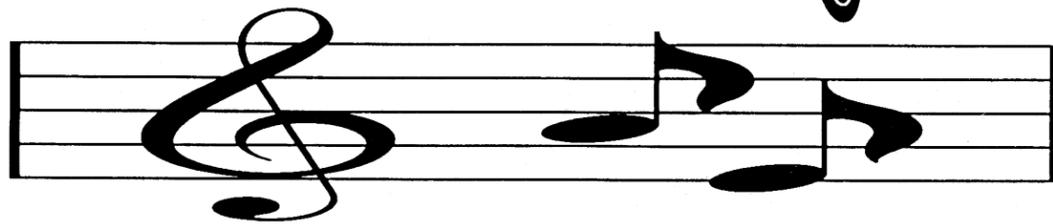
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INTERNSHIPS

ATHENS, GA - Georgia college students who are interested in how state government works may apply for an internship in the State Legislature.

About 30 students are selected each year from private and public colleges and universities in Georgia, said Wheatie Gowen, assistant coordinator of the internship program in the University of Georgia's Carl Vinson Institute of Government.

Interns in the 10-week program, which begins in January, usually work for Georgia House or Senate committee doing research on bills or issues before the General Assembly.

They may also work with a legislative committee monitoring the progress of legislation, Gowen said.

Students selected for internships must be Georgia residents and at least juniors in college. Internships include a weekly stipend of about \$175 during the legislative session. Also, interns can earn academic credit.

The deadline for applications is October 18 for the 1992 legislative session.

Interested students should contact their campus coordinators, who are usually found in the Political Science or Social Science Departments. They can also contact Dr. Bill Thomas, Department of Political Science at Georgia State University, Atlanta 30303 or call (404)651-3153.

Spotlight: International Student Association

By Kashmira Mody
Staff Writer

Southern Tech has a international student population of approximately 273 students. Of these 273 students, about 165 students are immigrants and the rest are non-immigrants. There are 67 countries represented with the Asian students together comprising close to 50% of the foreign students on campus.

The International Student Association holds special appeal to this body of Southern Tech students. The organization, which acquired its present structure in January 1985, serves as "a home away from home" for these students. Moving away from home to go to college is always traumatic. When the move is also a radical few thousand miles into a foreign culture, it takes special courage to be able to adjust. The ISA provides the support, the information, and the services for such a student to adjust to the new environment.

ISA organizes several events during the year, the main one being the International Festival (as part of the annual Techfest).

It also affiliates with other international groups like the AMIS (Atlanta Ministry with International Students, Inc.) and the NAFSA/GAFSA (National/Georgia Association of Foreign Student Association). Some events sponsored by AMIS which have been very successful in the past are the International Student Welcome reception, the city-wide bus tour, and the Host Family Program.

The ISA elected new officers this spring. The new President is Jimmy Rivera. His officers include a Vice-President (Sennait Ghebreyesus), Publicity Chairperson (Ingrid Mierbeth), Secretary (Elias Andraos), Treasurer (Gerardo Cabrera) and a Program Chairperson (Theodros Ghebreyesus). According to Rivera, one of the new activities planned for this year is to help its members with scheduling classes. When asked why an American student should join the ISA, Rivera said, "Everyone should know what the rest of the world is all about. We don't live on trees."

For the Fall quarter, the ISA will hold its meetings at



Here's a picture of the International Student Association from this year's Log. Doesn't this year's Log just suck big time? - Photo by Bill Finnick and not Jack Sliver

12 noon on Tuesdays in the Student Center (Rooms 119-120).

The ISA faculty advisor Charlotte Janis said that the ISA "welcomes all new students to ISA". She added that involvement in the ISA would "enhance their life at Southern Tech, and give them the opportunity to make

dear friends". Ms. Janis is also the International Student Advisor on campus. So, here is some advice for incoming international students from Ms. Janis. It is imperative that all international students see her within fifteen days of arrival into the US. Also, if you are an

international student planning a trip overseas, you need to see her before you leave. Lastly, if you have any questions about eligibility to work, immigration procedures, maintenance of visa status, etc., contact Ms. Janis at 528-7226 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. or come by the Counseling Center.



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New Student Loan Bill Offers Easy Money

WASHINGTON—Put in a nutshell, Congressman Tom Petri says his student loan proposal is “simple, universal, makes sense, and saves money. It will radically improve America’s student loan system while saving the taxpayers billions of dollars.”

The Income-Dependent Education Assistance Act (IDEA) would make up to \$70,000 of loans available for most college and graduate-level students and up to \$143,000 for medical students. Under the income-dependent approach, former students would repay the loans based on their incomes after leaving school. “There would be no fixed repayment schedule. Rather, repayment would automatically be stretched out as long as people need it to be,” said the Wisconsin Republican, a member of the Education and Labor Committee.

Those with high incomes after leaving school would be expected to repay relatively quickly at slightly higher effective interest rates which would help to subsidize those with low incomes after school. Those who expect to make high incomes would still be attracted to the program by its still-reasonable terms and by its flexibility,” Petri said.

IDEA loans payments would be calculated and collected as part of former students’ income taxes.

“Under IDEA, every student would be able to take out loans for his or her education with complete confidence that repayment would be affordable, no matter what income the student ends up earning after leaving school,” Petri said. “If you lose your job, get sick, or take time off to raise kids, your loan is automatically rescheduled.”

Petri noted that any loan

amounts left unpaid after 25 years would be wiped off the books. The degree of subsidy provided in this way would depend on a borrower’s total income over the 25 years. “The only way to avoid significant loan repayments is to have a very low income for much of your working life,” Petri said. “You would have to be very unfortunate to qualify for substantial amounts of loan forgiveness. But if you are unfortunate, there’s a way out for you.”

The IDEA program is designed to be self-financing while being a better deal for students than the current student loan programs which IDEA would supplement. Petri identified sources of savings in the program that correspond to four sources of waste in the current student loan programs.

First: The IDEA program would have “virtually no student

loan defaults,” Petri said. “Because the loans are automatically rescheduled based on income, there would be no reason to default. Further, IDEA repayments are defined as income taxes. Evading repayment would be tax evasion. So there would be no opportunity to default.”

Second: The cost of loan capital under IDEA would be lower because the IDEA program would use direct government capital rather than bank capital which, under current programs, comes with a politically-negotiated high interest rate.

Third: Loan subsidies under the IDEA program would be targeted precisely to those who need them, and to the extent of their need. These subsidies would be balanced by premium payments from high income graduates.

Fourth: The IDEA program would be much simple to adminis-

ter. There would be no family needs analysis at the beginning, and repayment would be collected by the IRS as a part of income taxes.

“The middle class is largely locked out of current student loan programs, and at the same time the Education Department expects \$3.6 billion of student loan defaults this year,” Petri said. “We need fresh thinking to produce a simple, affordable and universal student loan program. That’s what IDEA is all about.”

Introduced in May, IDEA currently has 60 cosponsors in the House of Representatives from 27 states. The list of cosponsors includes representatives from 27 states. In the Senate, IDEA has been introduced by Minnesota Republican Senator Dave Dornburger.

Anheuser-Busch Promotes Responsible and Safe Drinking

ST. LOUIS—Promoting responsible attitudes and behavior about alcohol on college campuses is the message of a series of print advertisements developed by Anheuser-Busch to support grass-root alcohol awareness and education programs on U.S. college and university

campuses.

“Developing responsible decision-making skills is one of the most important lessons a college student can learn,” said Joseph P. Castellano, Anheuser-Busch vice president of consumer awareness and education. “These ads promote the many

alcohol education program options available to college students that can help in the development of those skills.”

The ads are being made available to Anheuser-Busch’s 900 independent wholesalers for use in local publications.

“A Roper research poll found that college students agree that ads such as these, coupled with campus programs stressing education and personal responsibility [like National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week (NCAAW)], are an effective way to address alcohol abuse on campus,” said Castellano.

Using the themeline, “Friends Know When To Say When,” one of the ads is headlined, “This week, everybody on campus will be talking about drinking.” The ad promotes

student participation in NCAAW, an annual week of activities held on more than 3,500 college campuses nationwide. This year’s Week is scheduled for October 13-19. Anheuser-Busch has been a national sponsor of the Week since its inception in 1984.

Another ad focuses on BACCHUS, a peer driven national program with over 500 chapters, that encourages students of legal drinking age to develop responsible attitudes toward drinking and to respect the law and campus regulations. The ad is headlined, “When it comes to responsible drinking, students can be the best teachers.”

Other ads promote the use of “Alert Cab,” a cooperative program that provides cab rides

home from bars or restaurants for those faced with possible drunk driving situations, and the “Buddy System” effort that encourages students to help friends avoid drunk driving and other alcohol abuse situations.

In 1990 Anheuser-Busch’s 900 independent beer distributors placed more than 4,800 ads in local print media promoting responsible drinking.

As the world’s largest brewer, Anheuser-Busch has an interest in seeing that its beers are consumed legally and responsibly. This commitment is demonstrated in the company’s “Know When To Say When” ad campaign and more than a dozen community-based programs that promote responsibility and help fight drunk driving and underage drinking.

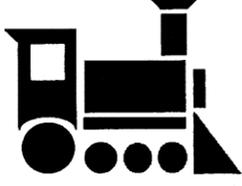
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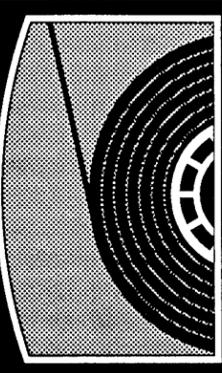
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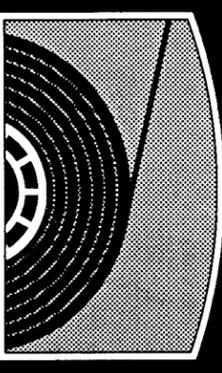


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Sci-Trek Stuns Billions and Billions

In honor of SciTrek's third anniversary, noted scientist Carl Sagan will hold a town hall meeting at the Georgia Tech coliseum on Sunday, October 27, 1991 at 3:00 p.m. General admission tickets are available for \$10 (adults) and \$7 (children and students) by calling Tic-X-Press at 231-5888 or for \$8 (adults) and \$5 (children and students with I.D.) by coming to SciTrek. SciTrek and Northern Telecom are cosponsoring SciTrek's third anniversary weekend.

The foremost spokesperson on astronomy and cosmology, Carl Sagan is the one man who can speak clearly and in layman's terms about the earth, our solar system and the universe. His Emmy and Peabody Award-winning television series, *Cosmos*, was the most widely watched television series in PBS history. In addition to more than 600 published scientific papers and popular articles, Dr. Sagan is author, co-

author or editor of more than 20 books, including the *Dragons of Eden* for which he was awarded the Pulitzer Prize.

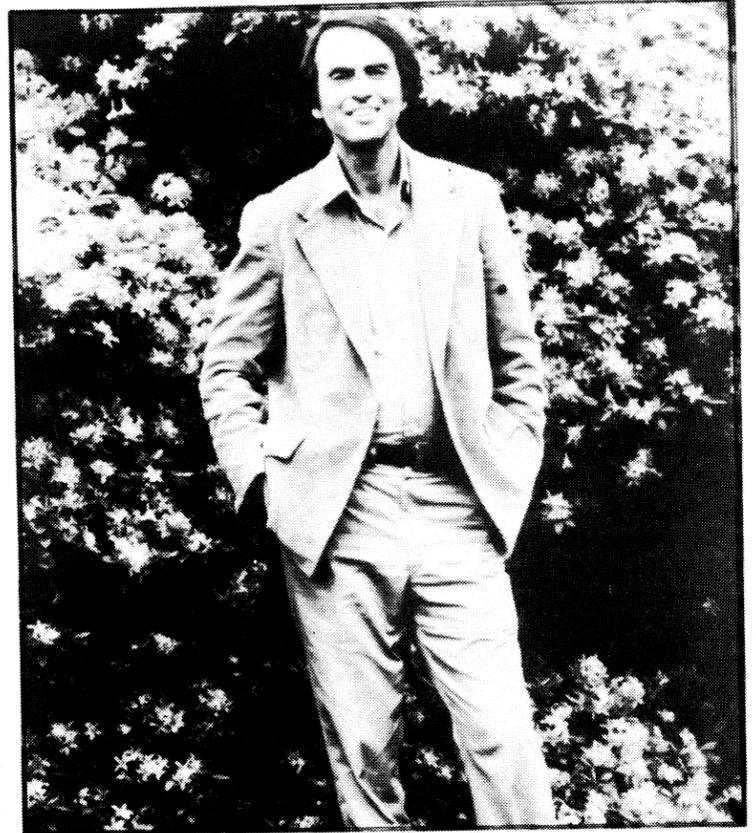
Dr. Sagan is the David Duncan Professor of astronomy and Space Sciences and Director of the Laboratory for Planetary Studies at Cornell University. He has played a leading role in the Mariner, Viking, and Voyager expeditions to the planets, for which he received the NASA Medal for Exceptional Scientific Achievement, the Prix Galbert, the international astronautics prize, and many more.

In celebration of SciTrek's third anniversary, museum admission will be reduced to \$2 per person on Saturday, October 26, and Sunday, October 27 and the museum will open early at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday. Anniversary weekend discounts also will be available on year-long SciTrek memberships- \$5 off individual, family, and grandparent memberships.

SciTrek will host its third annual Trick or Trek children's Halloween party on Saturday evening. Special guests will include Homer the Brave and Harry the Hawk! Birthday cake cutting will be on Saturday at 2:00 p.m. The public is welcome.

SciTrek is ranked as one of the top 10 science museums in the nation and houses more than 100 interactive exhibits. The museum has welcomed more than three quarters of a million visitors and attracted more than 4,000 individual and family members since its fall 1988 opening. SciTrek is dedicated to illustrating basic scientific principals and demonstrating, through technology, their use in our everyday lives.

SciTrek's hours are Tuesday through Saturday 10:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. and Sunday noon- 5:00 p.m. Admission is \$6 for adults and \$4 for children, students and senior citizens. Children under the age of 3 are admitted free of charge.



This is Emmy Award-winning astronomer Carl Sagan, who had a realization as a small child that there must be dozens and dozens of stars in the cosmos. -Photo by someone we don't know.

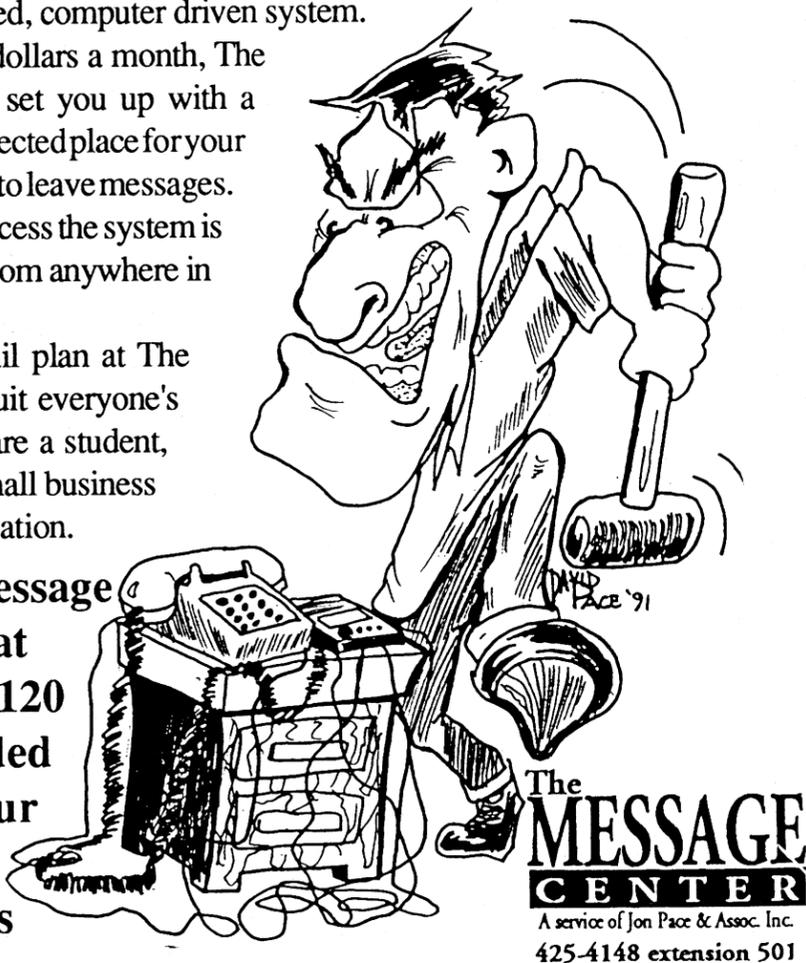
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Mister Sub

By The Letter K
Number Six's Friend

Clay Plaza's newest occupant is Mr. Sub, own and operated by Stephen M. Sellers.

Located at 979 S. Marietta Parkway just one block from school and across from the Commons Mr. Sub is located for the students convenient dining pleasure.

Stephen offers a fifteen percent discounts to all Souther Tech students and faculty with a valid ID. As of the last time we ate there they offered a 35 percent savings over a comparable meal at Subway.

Mr. Sub offers a complete line of, you might have guessed, hot and cold sub sandwiches. While a little more than fashionably late for the Street Dance there were no com-

plaints about the quality of the food.

There is an exquisite selection of toppings to complement the fresh baked bread they use in preparing your meal.

While recently dining with an accomplished Oriental Chef, who own another fine eatery, I was impressed that the Chef was impressed.

The last two *Sting* meetings of the summer quarter adjourned to Mr. Sub with nary a complaint registered from the esteemed collection of palates, except Andy's getting the wrong toppings. Considering Andy had just come back from England he probably used English to order whereby everyone was confused.

Mr. Sub also offers salads, hot wings, and ice cream.

Give them a try, we did and we liked them.

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Wed. Oct. 16 2-3 p.m.
Conference Room A

Are You Suffering From Punkitis? Call On "The Doc"!

By Dan Punk and Dave Punk
Punks

Greetings once again from Dan Punk and Dave Punk. We are back again to give you, our faithful readers, another Punk rock review. This week we are not reviewing any one particular band but, a bunch of bands on one label. Few of the record companies that we have had the pleasure of working with have been as consistent in quality output as Dr. Strange records. Out of Alto Loma California, Dr. Strange began about three years ago as a Punk mailorder company, and then expanded to releasing their own vinyl just one year ago. They now have a total of seven singles and one album under their name.

Their first release was called "Death Dance" which was a seven-incher by the band Manson Youth. Manson Youth features a biting hardcore edge to their music, definitely not your mainstream pseudo-Punk. This single is not for those weak of mind or heart as the band belts out four classic Punk songs on their premiere release.

The second Dr. Strange release was by Long Beach's Bol-

sheviks. It was single called "Cabbage in Mind". This single is very reminiscent of the Dickies and occasions they sound like Devo. The Bolsheviks lean more toward keyboard oriented alternative hard rock than they do pure Punk. Make no mistake, they are a Punk band, but just not in the vein of, say, The Exploited. Although this single had less of a Punk feel than the first release, it was still a very strong release.

The third release was a single by Rhythm Collision which was jointly released with the band's own label, Collision records. Collision (reviewed in the August 27th *Sting*) if a pop-Punk trio hailing from Agoura, California. This single contains "A Look Away" and "I Should've Known" which represents two of the best songs from the band's first album "Pressure". Melodic hardcore Punk rock at it's best. If you can only afford one single, buy this one. It's undoubtedly one of the best we've heard.

The fourth release was an-

other release from Manson Youth, this one called "God's Fun Children". Although very similar in sound to "Death Dance", this single was a marked improvement over their first.

What can we say, the tunes are just better. The band even went so far as to record a ballad (of sorts) on this one.



Entitled "Karen" this is not your typical Journey ballad, but instead retains a very unique style. A 'must hear'.

The fifth release was a E.P. called "Puke" by a cool band named Guttermouth. The highlight on this 7 incher was a song

called "Hypocrite", which sounds like it may have come from the wave of Punk rock that surfaced in California during the early eighties. "Hypocrite" is followed by a thirteen second salute to the classic swimming pool game "Marco-Polo". On the b/w side is the song "Chicken Box", another song very much worth noting. Guttermouth seems to be a solid force in the Punk scene, both now and tomorrow.

Dr. Strange's first full-length album comprises their sixth release. The album is a formidable effort from the aforementioned Rhythm Collision. Entitled *Pressure*, the LP contains the two songs from the single plus ten other ditties with the same driving force of the single. We can't think of a better album to have as your premier full-length release. We give it eighty-one thumbs up.

Just recently Dr. Strange released their seventh release, which was another single by Guttermouth, this one called "Balls". This three song masterpiece was just as good as "Puke", having the same powerful feel to

it. Also released recently was "Foulmouth", a single from a band from South Carolina group 12 Pack Pretty. "Foulmouth" features a feat of amazing musical engineering, four songs in just over five minutes. All the songs, short yet highly entertaining, a worth a listen. The last song, "R.E.M. Sucks", in just about one minute sums up our feelings for one of the most highly over-rated bands ever out of the state of Georgia.

Well that about sums it up for Dr. Strange releases out so far. Coming out soon though is a Guttermouth LP and a picture disc compilation. Also Dr. Strange has an extensive catalog featuring tons of hard to find punk albums, singles, cassettes, t-shirts, stickers, buttons and posters. For more information write Dr. Strange at the address given below. Well, that just about wraps up another Punk review, so until next time remember "Kick a cat and your leg will crack".

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I'M GETTING SICK.



calvin and Hobbes

by BILL WATERSON



I THINK I'M USING TOO STRONG A SUN SCREEN.



HEY, MOM, CAN WE GO OUT FOR PIZZA TONIGHT?



NO, WE HAD PIZZA LAST NIGHT, AND BESIDES, IT TOO EXPENSIVE TO EAT OUT ALL THE TIME.



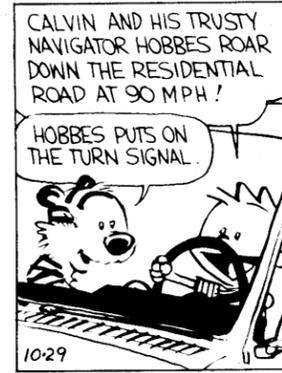
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WE'VE BEEN SITTING HERE FOR TWENTY MINUTES AND NOT ONE THING HAS HAPPENED!



WAAUGH!



CALVIN AND HIS TRUSTY NAVIGATOR HOBBS ROAR DOWN THE RESIDENTIAL ROAD AT 90 MPH!

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FASTER AND FASTER THEY A BUSLOAD OF SCHOOLCHILD DIVES FROM THE SIDEWALK.

HOBBS PUTS THE WINDSHIELD WIPERS.

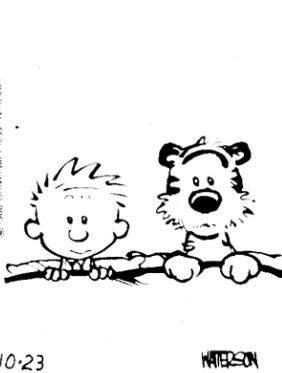


YOU'RE ON MY HALF OF THE BED! MOVE OVER!

YOUR SIDE IS WAY OVER THERE! GIVE ME BACK THOSE COVERS!



CALVIN, BE QUIET AND GO TO SLEEP!!



10-23 WATERSON



YOU HEARD DAD HE SAID TO GET ON YOUR SIDE AND LEAVE THE COVERS ALONE!

THAT'S NOT WHAT HE SAID! HEY! YOU STOLE MY PILLOW! THIS LUMPY ONE IS YOURS!



SEE ANY UFOs?

NOT YET.



WELL, KEEP YOUR EYES PE THEY'RE BOUND TO LA HERE SOONER OR LATE



WITH A DRINK OF MAGIC ELIXIR, CALVIN TURNS HIMSELF INVISIBLE.

10-24



COMPLETELY TRANSPARENT, HE ROAMS UNDETECTED!



CALVIN?



BOY, AS SOON AS YOU WANT SOMETHING DONE AROUND HERE, THAT KID'S NOWHERE TO BE SEEN.



Z



YAWN.



HA HA! I HAVE TURNED MYSELF INVISIBLE!

10-25



BY REMOVING MY CLOTHING, I CAN PERPETRATE ANY CRIME UNDETECTED!



I HAVE COMPLETE FREEDOM! I CAN GET AWAY WITH ANYTHING!



CALVIN! WHAT ON EARTH ARE YOU DOING IN THE COOKIE JAR WITHOUT YOUR CLOTHES ON???



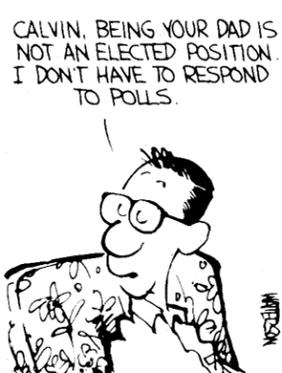
CALVIN, I DON'T WANT YOU UP IN THAT TREE.



WHY NOT? SOME OF T BRANCHES, DEAD AND MIGHT BRE COME ON, D



YOUR POLLS ARE SLIPPING, DAD. BETTER GET WITH IT.



CALVIN, BEING YOUR DAD IS NOT AN ELECTED POSITION. I DON'T HAVE TO RESPOND TO POLLS.



NOT ELECTED? YOU MEAN YOU CAN GOVERN WITH DICTATORIAL IMPUNITY?

EXACTLY.



IN SHORT, OPEN REVOLT AND EXILE IS THE ONLY HOPE FOR CHANGE?

I DON'T LIKE THE DIRECTION THIS CONVERSATION IS TAKING.



GLOONK



GLOONK

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calvin and Hobbes

by BILL WATTERSON



POOP.

OH, YOU'D RATHER BLOW THE EVENING COOKING AND WASHING DISHES THAN SPEND A FEW BUCKS?

WATTERSON

IT SEEMS LIKE WE GO OUT FOR PIZZA A LOT THESE DAYS.

IF YOU'D RATHER FIX A DISH OF CEREAL AT HOME BE MY GUEST.

HOBBS WANTS TRIPLE ANCHOSES.

WATTERSON

Pay up, Squirt.

FORGET IT, MOE. I'M NOT GIVING YOU MONEY.

11-4

IN FACT, I DON'T EVEN HAVE ANY.

Gee, that's too bad.

WATTERSON

OH WAIT, YES, I DO! HERE.

WATTERSON

FOR A KID WITH A MONOSYLLABIC VOCABULARY, HE'S AWFULLY PERSUASIVE.

WATTERSON

THE POLICE ARE AFTER THEM! CALVIN CRAWLS DOWN TO PUT IN THE CLUTCH AND SHIFT!

HOBBS STEERS AND BLOWS THE HORN!

WATTERSON

ALL RIGHT, I'M BACK ALREADY! CAN'T I EVEN RUN AN ERRAND WITHOUT YOU BLOWING THE HORN ACROSS THE PARKING LOT?!

IT WAS HOBBS MOM, NOT ME.

WATTERSON

OK, HOBBS, HERE'S THE PLAN TO PUT MOE OUT OF COMMISSION.

WATTERSON

YOU COME TO SCHOOL WITH ME, AND WHEN MOE COMES TO STEAL MY MONEY, YOU JUMP OUT AND EAT HIM!

WATTERSON

EAT HIM?? I COULDN'T DO THAT!

SURE YOU COULD! WHAT'S WRONG WITH THAT?!

WATTERSON

FAT KIDS ARE HIGH IN CHOLESTEROL.

WELL, JUST CHEN HIM UP AND SPIT HIM OUT, I DON'T CARE!!

11-5

WHAT WILL WE DO WHEN THEY COME?

WATTERSON

SEE IF WE CAN SELL MOM AND DAD INTO SLAVERY FOR A STAR CRUISER.

WATTERSON

IF THAT BULLY IS EXTORTING MONEY, I'M GOING TO CALL THE SCHOOL AND PUT AN END TO IT.

WATTERSON

DON'T DO THAT! IF MOE FINDS OUT I SQUEALED, I'M A GONER!

WATTERSON

THIS KID CAN'T GET AWAY WITH STEALING, CALVIN. SOMEBODY'S GOT TO DO SOMETHING.

WATTERSON

HERE'S A LIST OF WHAT I'M WEARING. SEE YOU AT THE MORGUE.

11-6

TA DAA!

SHEESH.

WATTERSON

10-31

WATTERSON

Hey, Twinkle, here's the 25¢ I "borrowed" from you the other day.

WATTERSON

Somebody ratted on me, and it's gonna be a dark day if I ever find out who!

WATTERSON

11-7

WATTERSON

I THINK I'LL USE THE QUARTER TO CALL MY INSURANCE AGENT.

11-7 WATTERSON

MOM SPOILS EVERYTHING.

WATTERSON

THIS ISN'T QUITE THE SAME, IS IT?

11-1

WATTERSON

HI, DAD, IT'S ME!

CALVIN, IS THIS IMPORTANT? I'M VERY BUSY THIS MORNING.

WATTERSON

I'LL MAKE IT FAST, DAD, CAN YOU PICK UP SOME TOPSOIL AND GRASS SEED ON YOUR WAY HOME?

OK, SURE, GOODBYE.

WATTERSON

WATTERSON

WATTERSON

GLOONK!

WATTERSON

CALVIN, DRINK YOUR MILK IN LITTLE SIPS!

WATTERSON

RING RING

11-9

WATTERSON

HELLO, CALVIN SPEAKING. I'D LIKE TO ORDER A LARGE ANCHOVY PIZZA.

WATTERSON

WHAT? I...??

OH, I'M SORRY, YOU MUST HAVE DIALED THE WRONG NUMBER. GOODBYE.

WATTERSON

I TRY TO MAKE EVERYONE'S DAY A LITTLE MORE SURREAL.

WATTERSON

“Psychologists do not always look for underlying emotional problems; sometimes we can help in practical and strategic ways.”

ASK THE PSYCHOLOGIST

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: “I know that beginning college is a typically stressful time, but I'm just wondering if I'm losing it. Every day I drive to campus, it seems I've forgotten something. The most frequent things I've forgotten are my house keys, my purse, my lunch, or I've forgotten to turn off the air conditioning at my apartment. It makes me feel really “scatter-brained” to keep doing this. Some of my friends say that becoming dysfunctional like this during a time of stress is a sign of a deeper problem, and that I'd better talk to a psychologist. Are they right? Should I seek counseling?”

Signed, Allison

A: Allison, we can all benefit from talking to a trained counselor at some times during our lives, so I never want to discourage you from doing that. But, there is nothing about your description of your “scatter-brained” episodes that convinces me that the problem must be due to a deeper, underlying problem.

When we're faced with increased responsibilities or stimulation, our usual coping mechanisms may not be adequate for the increased load. We may need to develop practical coping methods. As far as the specific problem you've described is concerned, I have helped literally dozens of persons with similar experiences. I often suggest a mental check-list, which can be easily recalled by use of an acronym. In your case, I'd like to suggest that every day, as you reach for the door knob to leave for school, you stop and think the acronym “PLAK.”

- P: purse
- L: lunch
- A: air conditioner
- K: keys

Review this acronym, and the 4 “forgettable items” it represents, every day before leaving for school. That way, even if you did not think of these items naturally, you've self-corrected in time. Then, you will no longer have to think of yourself as “scatter-brained” regarding this forgetfulness. You'll replace the incompetent feeling with a feeling of mastery.

It may seem at first glance to be reading a lot into things to use words like “incompetence” and “mastery” when dealing with a relatively minor set of circumstances. But as I believe you can attest, Allison, discomfort about our own fitness and competence can build up fast.

I suggest that you try this little practical solution, and see if the discomfort disappears through the use of a good strategy. You can always come in to the Counseling Center and work on other practical solutions to problems, or on issues of deeper emotional import if they are present. I guess one of my important messages here is: Psychologists do not always look for underlying emotional problems; sometimes we can help in practical and strategic ways.

A final note: At the Counseling Center, we can help you develop practical and strategic solutions to problems, as well as deal with other personal, educational, and career issues. Our service is confidential.

DILBERT™ BY SCOTT ADAMS

IN WORLD NEWS, THE TINY COUNTRY OF ELBONIA HAS BECOME A DESPOTIC MONARCHY.

THE NEW RULER IS KING DOGBERT, WHO CLAIMS TO BE A DESCENDANT OF THE ELBONIAN DEITY "DOUG."

I HOPE THIS DOESN'T GO TO MY HEAD.

WHACK WHACK WHACK

GIVE ME ONE TICKET FOR THE SLINGSHOT FLIGHT TO ELBONIA'S CAPITAL.

AIR ELBONIA

DO YOU WANT FIRST CLASS OR COACH?

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

WITH FIRST CLASS WE DON'T INTENTIONALLY FLING YOU TOWARD SOMETHING HARD.

I WISH THERE WERE AN EASIER WAY TO FLY IN ELBONIA.

I'VE GOT TO FIND DOGBERT AND CONVINCE HIM TO STOP BEING THE DESPOTIC RULER OF ELBONIA.

BUT, SIRE, THIS IS THE AIRPORT, NOT THE SKEET-SHOOTING RANGE.

PULL!

DILBERT LANDS IN ELBONIA WITHOUT HIS SUITCASE.

YOU BAGGED A NICE PIECE OF LUGGAGE, M'LORD.

I LIKE TO THINK THIS HELPS MAINTAIN THE DELICATE BALANCE OF NATURE.

YES, SIRE.

I'VE GOT TO CONVINCE HIM TO RESIGN.

KING DOGBERT

I FOUND HIM LURKING, SIRE. THE USUAL PUNISHMENT?

DOGBERT!

DILBERT!

WHAT IS THE USUAL PUNISHMENT?

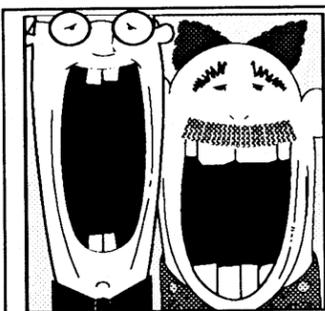
A BLIND DATE WITH "EDNA THE LONELIEST HUN."

YOU'VE GOT TO STEP DOWN AS KING OF ELBONIA. THESE PEOPLE ARE CAPABLE OF MAKING THEIR OWN DECISIONS.

THE PAPER-ROCK-SCISSORS OLYMPICS ARE CANCELED. WE COULDN'T AGREE ON THE RULES.

AND OF COURSE, WE ALL WEAR MITTENS...

WHAT WAS YOUR POINT?

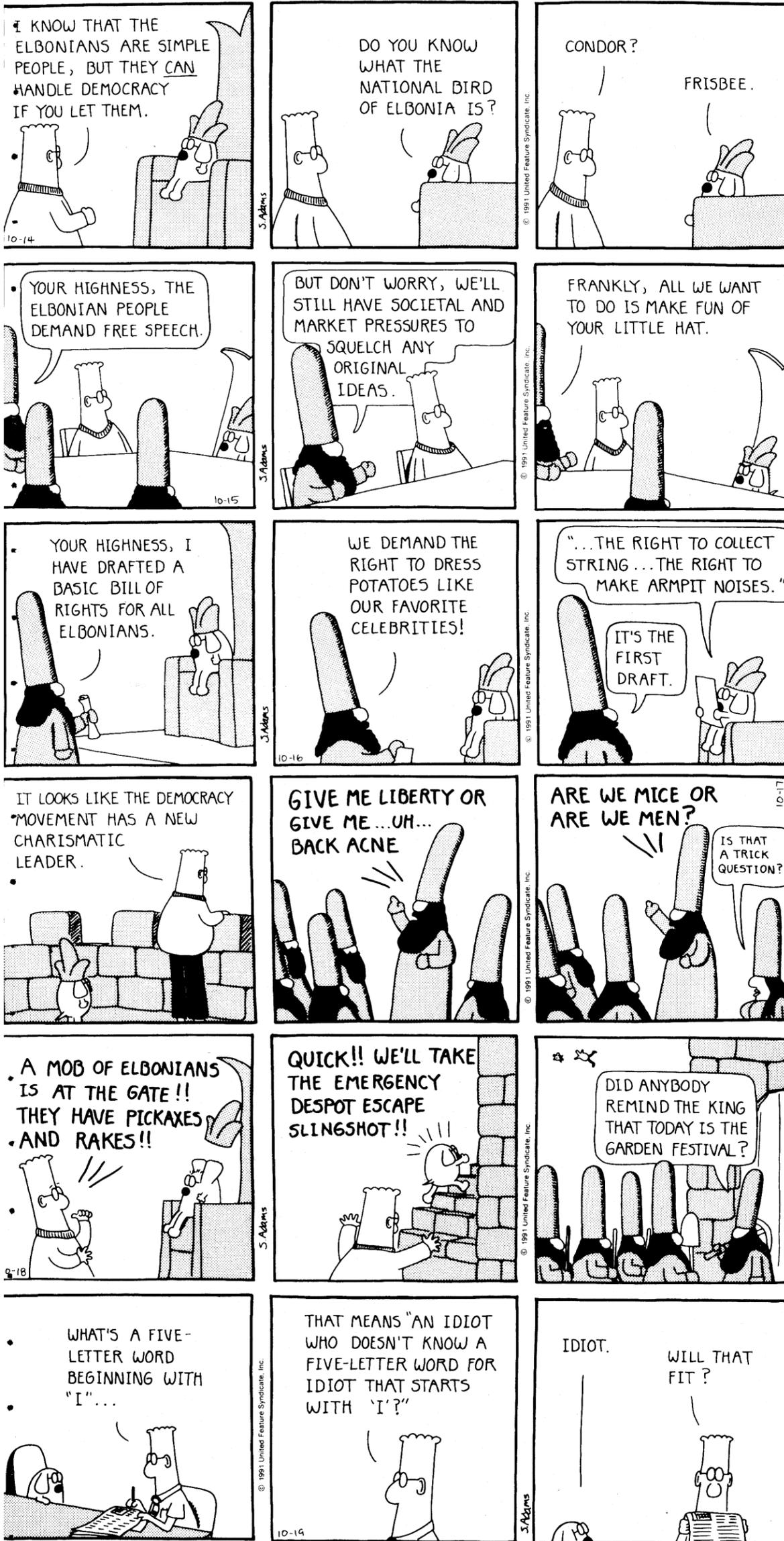


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MATH STINGER

By Dr. Joel C. Fowler
Assistant Professor of Mathematics



The puzzle for the last issue of last spring was to determine in each of the following pairs which is larger and why.

a) $(x^2+y^2)/(x+y)$ or $(x^2-y^2)/(x-y)$ for all positive numbers x and y .

b) The 1000th root of 1000! or the 1001th root of 1001!. The factorial function is defined by $n!=n(n-1)(n-2)(n-3)...(3)(2)(1)$.

c) 1000^{1000} or $(1)(3)(5)(7)...(1995)(1997)(1999)$.

The answers are that the second number given in a) is larger, while the first is larger in c). No correct solutions to b) were found so I will leave it as an open problem. The first correct solutions to a) and c) were submitted by Alan Gabrielli of The Office of Continuing Education.

During the summer several puzzles concerning prime numbers were posed. Although some correct answers have already been submitted, I will delay solutions until next issue to give those who were not here over the summer a chance to work them. In addition I will add some new prime number puzzles at the end. Here are the old ones.

a) Find 100 consecutive numbers, none of which are primes. You should explain why your 100 numbers are all non-prime.

b) Explain why no number larger than 3 that is one less than a power of 4 (i.e. $4^2-1=15$, $4^3-1=63$, $4^4-1=255$, etc.) is prime.

c) Explain why no number larger than 5 that is 4 more than a fourth power (i.e. $2^4+4=20$, $3^4+4=85$, $4^4+4=260$, etc.) is prime.

Here are the new puzzles. n denotes a positive integer.

d) Explain why no number other than three of the form n^4+n^2+1 is prime.

e) Explain why no number other than five of the form 21^n-16^n is prime.

f) Explain why no number of the form 64^n+27^n is prime.

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 printed in the next issue of *The Sting*.

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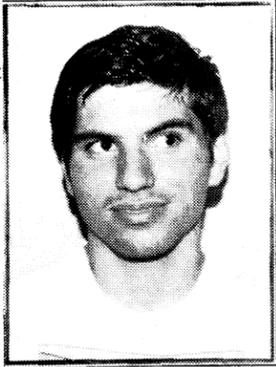
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EDITORIALS

Tony Spills Pieces Of His Mind

By Tony Perez
Terminator 3



I'd like to take this time to express my 2 cents worth on a matter that is beginning to get on my already extremely tense nerves. This matter occurs at the beginning of every quarter. This matter involves those skinny strips of paper that campus safety officers stick on the windshields of people's cars reminding them of the deadline for purchasing parking decals. Although the probable intent on these reminder strips may seem to be good, they also yield a very annoying, frustrating, wasteful, and environmental problem.

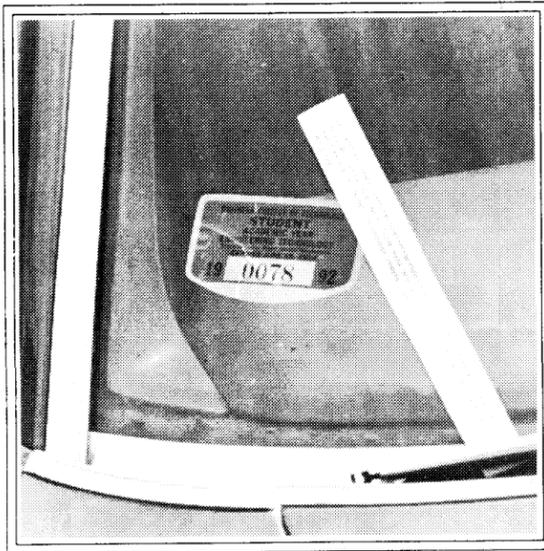
I agree that these reminder strips are effective sometimes to those students who have not yet acquired parking decals. The problem is that the officers flood the parking lots with these strips every day. It would be sufficient to affix these reminders only to those cars that do not have decals yet. However, campus safety sticks them on all of the cars whether they have decals or not. I purchased and placed my decal on the proper place on the windshield the very first week of school. Everyday since then, I still find those reminders on my windshield. Not only do they put them on my car, but they put them where I do not notice them until I am halfway down Cobb Parkway. Numerous times, I have gotten in my car, started off somewhere, and then stop to pull the reminder off my windshield. After paying \$30.00 for a decal, the last thing I want to do is be bothered with trash on my windshield.

The excess of these reminders results in a big waste of a far from unlimited resource—trees. If the officers attack only those cars that have not obtained a parking decal, the paper waste could be cut in half.

In a school where organizations are promoting and actively involved in recycling products and cutting down on waste, this parking lot rally counteracts their efforts to prevent waste.

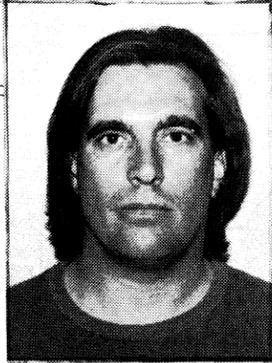
Finally, if anyone is curious about where these reminder strips end up, here is the answer: along public streets. During my last 120 Loop cleanup (shortly after the beginning of the quarter) I have found three of these reminders on the side of the highway between the Civic Center and Powder Springs Road. I suspect that most of these strips fall off by accident because the driver was unaware that it was on their windshield. Thus, these reminders contribute to the garbage that collects along the city streets.

Although I am not implying that the flood of these reminder strips should cease entirely, I believe that they will be just as effective if done about 2 days prior to the deadline and only to those cars that do not already have reminders. The signs placed at the main entrances can easily be seen by any driver who pays attention to road signs, which they should. Therefore, this should be the main method of making drivers aware of this deadline.



Welcome to Southern Tech

By Bill Finnick
Editor



Belated greetings of return or welcome fellow students, hopefully accepted as your case may dictate. Andy was so pissed about the sensitivity committee last issue that I had to give him my space in our Mindless Banter section.

Now Kash will, with some justification, admonish me for fibbing a little when I blame Andy for my not fulfilling one of the few obligations I have as the Editor of *The Sting*: The Freshman Advice Column.

But honestly folks I really was ready to pass on my counter-punk advise to the incoming students. It has been a standard of my more starched, and polished, predecessors for some time. No offence intended Ed.

Some of the things I'd like to mention, but can not wholly guarantee include: How your education will apply to the world more readily than the pure engineer students' and how the faculty at SCT are fantastic at preparing you for the Real World.

Now our fancy fluting big sister with the football team down town has for years tried it's best to cast a shadow over Technologists by lobbying to stiffen the Professional Engineer standards to exclude Engineering Technology graduates.

The Real World, the guys who hire engineers, know B.S. when they hear it so don't worry about the pure dudes, there is a respectable place in the workplace for SCT graduates.

The vast majority of the faculty at SCT is concerned with the growth of it's students. While no one is going to carry you, few will not provide the tools or assistance to graduate.

If you're stuck, don't be stupid. Ask for help. Don't expect to be spoon fed. That homework is for a purpose other than ruining your night-life and weekends. You really will see it again.

Unfortunately, we do have those who can not or will not teach. Yes, some of them try to prove you do not know what they've supposedly taught you. They are the exception rather than the rule.

And so now my final point: by joining organizations you gain the insight learned the hard way. Upperclassmen know who to take, and more importantly who not to take, for any particular subject.

That may be why statistics show the survival rate for an involved student is twice that of the loner.

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CONSENSUS EDITORIAL

We, the staff of *The Sting*, wish to complain. We want to do this because we are so easily susceptible to peer pressure, and we must join the bandwagon with the rest of the students.

Why can't we go to a college where there's something to do? And why aren't the classes held at more convenient times? And we could use more women here. The bell tower looks ugly. Parking is a bitch. We have to stand in line in the cafeteria, and we actually have to pay for the food. The copiers aren't free. Those guys that run the newspaper are a bunch of idiots that don't know how to communicate with normal people. Stray RF from copiers are more powerful than the radio station. The President's office is corrupt and actively mugs students in public. The Civil Engineering students have no fashion sense. And the frosted flakes were stale this morning.

THE STING: It's nominally better than speed metal.

Dave Flogs America's Dead Horse

By Dave Punk
Punk

It's about 12:30 on a Wednesday night. The VCR whirrs as it rewinds the movie I just finished watching. This is about the thirteenth time I've watched this particular movie. I've only watched one other movie with such fervid repetition, and that was Bob & Doug McKenzie's *Strange Brew*. The movie I just sat through, however, is a much more poignant, much more disturbing movie. The VCR finishes its job, clicks to a halt, and I just sit for awhile in anticlimactic silence. I eject the tape, put it back in its box, and file it back with my other videocassettes. P-A, P-E, P-I, P-L, here it is, P-L, *Platoon*.

I can't explain what bizarre attraction I have to such a movie. War flicks usually don't hold much more than a passing interest for me. *Platoon*, however, is different somehow. No, I'm not a Vietnam veteran. My father was not a Vietnam veteran either. In fact, I'm not sure I even knowingly met a Vietnam vet until I attended North Georgia College. It's not the mes-

sage of the men who fought in Vietnam that draws me to this movie, that has been said better elsewhere. It's more the message that I, personally, somehow pull from this movie, I think, that calls me every few months to spend two more hours of my life reliving the experiences of Chris Taylor.

I don't know if the message I get from this movie is the same message that most other viewers got. In fact, most people who I talk to about *Platoon* say they don't like it because it's "too depressing". Well, I think it's pretty safe to assume that the entire Vietnam war was no party. I'm no expert on Vietnam, but I still have my questions. Questions I answer as best I can with what knowledge I have. Why was it fought? What did those Americans who were sent down the line accomplish, if anything?

When I ask why Vietnam was fought I'm not asking for the political causes. Those are all irrelevant now. The war was fought and is now over. But we can ask if there was, somehow, some greater purpose behind all this. Did the men who fought and died in Vietnam

fight and die in vain? I think not. Not, at least, if we of another generation accept the message they so reluctantly left behind. War is futile. War accomplishes little, if anything. War kills Fathers, Mothers, children, brothers, sisters, entire families. The crimes committed during war are of the worst magnitude. Entire villages, not just the structures, but entire villages including the inhabitants therein were annihilated in Vietnam. Pleasant thought, huh?

There is a warning to us all out there, etched in black marble. What we have to do now is learn the lesson that these men died to teach us. Opening our eyes to that light can be blinding at first, but with a little adjustment we must learn to receive it. No more should a man go to fight a battle he has little conception of. No more should we, as a country, blindly accept what we are told is right and just. Fight, if you must, for what you feel is just, but fight not for the abstract causes of others.

It seems that most people in my age group, not old enough to have fought in Vietnam, but old

enough not to have parents who fought, have a seeming disregard for the message of the war. Most of us don't want to hear about it anymore. In fact, we've gained such a distaste for the war, not for its atrocities, but because it seems that, growing up, everywhere we turned there was another Vietnam Vet message bitching about a war we knew nothing of. But that is where our obligation lies. To learn the truth, and to understand that these men fought perhaps to open our eyes, and prevent us from falling into a similar trap.

Has this message that was so violently painted in blood already

begun to fade? Can we no longer read of the torments of war now that the jungles have regained their territories and all the cripples are tucked safely away. Has the 'Gulf War' painted a new message on this faded canvas in bright reds, whites, and blues? War is no longer hell, war is now good prime time ratings.

I must end with one quote I pulled off the back of the videocassette. A quote that really sums up this entire column. It says, of the Vietnam war, "It was a war we might not want to remember, but must never forget." Never forget, or those men really did die in vain.

This is Stupid or Why I Quit Drinking

By Andrew Newton
Staff Something or other

"Hey Sid, that chick last night was hot. I can't believe it."

"Yeah man," said Sid from the side of his mouth willist taking a drag from his fag (smoke). "I would'a killed for just five minutes with her. She had a rockin' bod."

"Dude, you must'a been really plastered."

"No way, Zed."

"Man, you spent an hour with that babe in your car last night. Talkin' about Neuronacide."

"Wow. And it was good. She had the nicest - uh uh uh. Well, I don't like to kiss and tell." Sid took another long drag. "By the way, man. Why did you put your head through the screen door?"

"Well," Zed thought aloud, "I had a reason last night. Must'a been a good one though. Uh. Oh yeah, I was drunk."

"That's my excuse."

"What'd ya do?"

"I don't know yet."

"You know what, Sid," said Zed. "I've got the worst neuron rebellion right now."

"Here, Man, have some of my beer," said Sid holding up a Bud.

"Cool! The wheat and barley magic medicine. I thought all the brew was gone."

"It was," said Sid. "But I found this half one next to my bed."

"What'a deal, man. Waking up to beer!" Zed smiled.

"No," said Sid, "I had to go looking for it."

"Oh." Zed took a swig. "Ashes take some getting use to."

"You can taste? By the way, who puked in my shoes?"

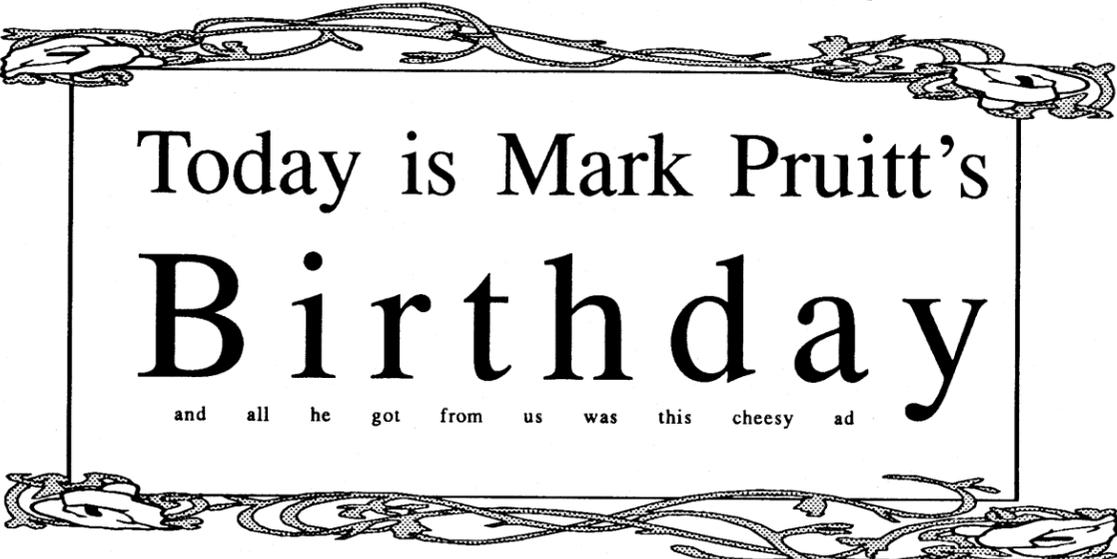
"Not me, man. I lost it in the oven."

"So what's the plan tonight, Zed?"

"Bob's parents are out of town, and he's getting a keg," said Zed.

"Then I s'ppose we should wake him up. I think he's in the back yard." Sid took his last puff and dotted the ground.

** Although the above conversation is quite common, it is a painful reminder of a very important lesson that we all must frequently relearn. Don't Drink and Wake-Up Early. **
Ignore this column.



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Registration Frustration

"I think I am ready, now", I tell myself. Looking in the mirror, I double check to make sure I haven't forgotten anything... I am wearing comfortable clothes, and supportive sneakers, and have my hair pulled back in a pony-tail. Also, I have my trusty College Handbook, course schedule newspaper, lots of paper, and last but not least, my charge card and checkbook. Okay, move out!

All the above items are essential elements needed in the survival kit for this event. The comfortable clothes make the day a little easier to bear. The sneakers with inserts for extra support are a must since one

has to run all over campus. The hair is pulled back to help cut down wind resistance while running all over campus. And with a little (well, a lot) of luck, the gear I am lugging with me will help me accomplish what I have set out to conquer (I hope).

Can you guess what day it is? Does the above scene sound at least somewhat familiar to you? It should. These are the preparations that I, and many others, go through each time registration rolls around.

Although most of the students at SCT have the above mentioned kit or the appropriate equivalent to it, there is one thing all of lack, in my opinion. I believe we lack patience. Why? Because we feel frustrated

and gyped by the administration. Why? Read on.

Isn't it about time for Southern Tech to catch up with other colleges? Southern Tech is a technical college, so why hasn't it kept up with technology? Registration technology—to be exact. I find it absolutely ridiculous that we, the students, cannot be spared the frustration of ancient registration methods. Phone-in registration has been going on for years, but Southern Tech has never taken the time to change over. Why? Beats me, but I sure would appreciate an answer—or better yet, a change!

Sincerely Fed-up,
Jessica Pittman

Who Is This Guy?

Dear *The Sting*,

My life at Southern Tech as been pleasant, even joyful at time, and generally I don't like to complain. But I feel that there is a certain aspect of student life that must be addressed and corrected. And that aspect is Shawn Mosely.

Sean Moseley walks around with those goofy side-burns, and he's usually wearing that stupid,

smelly red cap or the bandana from hell. His clothes never really match, and he has chronic halitosis.

But Sean Mossely's lack of fashion isn't as disturbing as those senseless jokes he's always spouting. And he's always saying "Hey sport" or "Hey pal" and pointing a finger gun. He always calls me by the wrong name and wants to talk about architecture or his latest not-so-funny jokes. And he's always picking on my hero, Andrew New-

ton.

And does Campus Safety know that Sauwn Moosely is driving another car now? They should start ticketing a white, 2-door grandmalooking car.

Deep down, I really think that Shane Mousely is really a Life College student.

Sincerely,
Harry Mudd
Concerned Student

The Purpose of Minority Organizations

Dear editor:

I am writing this letter to clear up some of the misconceptions about minority organizations.

Minority organizations exist to foster a communication between the minority and the field it is trying to integrate in. This is often done with a student chapter and on a larger scale. The goal of these organizations is to enhance student's knowledge of minority participation in that field, past and current, and outlooks on the future.

Minority organizations do not exist to separate themselves and talk the "white people." All of these professional organizations and is interested in pursuing the goals therein.

Nikki Giovanni once stated, "Too bad ignorance isn't painful." However, ignorance is painful when someone assumes that minority organizations are separatists by nature. It is even more ignorant that some people can't acknowledge that integration is a 2-way street.

The case of Brown. vs. the Board of Education stressed that

both (all) races benefit from the integration process. The organizations do not stress separation, but unity in order to seek equal representation and accomplish goals.

I hope this leads to a better understanding and communication between all the organizations on campus.

Sincerely,
Kim A. Thomas
NOMA Student Chapter President

Kim, Assuming that a minority organization is separatist is not wrong. The very fact that any organization is solely working for the good of a specified group implies separatism. Instead of trying to target the problems of a particular minority, that minority should target the problems of the entire society. In that way, they better their lives by bettering the lives of the society as a whole.

And besides, living under the rule "Ignorance is Bliss" is a lot easier. Well... o.k. Maybe that's not true.

Andrew Newton,
Staff Editorialist

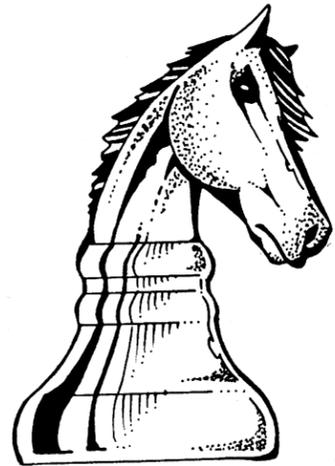
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SGA

By Ed Hardy
S.G.A.V.P.

The Student Government Association would like to welcome all new freshmen to Southern Tech. We wish you the best of luck during your time here.

The SGA Council for this year is mostly made up of people new to Southern Tech's student government. But the officers can supply all the experience needed. The president is Jeff Crocker, who served in that same position last year. I am Vice President, and Tina Lewis is Secretary/Treasurer.

The SGA had a busy summer. The first thing we did was choose Amy Pratt as the Judiciary Cabinet chairperson. The SGA Judiciary Cabinet is the court where all appeals for traffic tickets given out on campus are held. Amy then worked hard to fill up her court with judges and they immediately dived into the backlog of appeals.

We also appointed Bill Finnick as chairman of the Internal Affairs Committee.

The big issue of summer quarter was a suggestion from Council Person Angi Carroll that we make a phone directory of all Southern Tech students. We have been looking into this ever since.

The booth we had at the Organization Fair to give Cokes away was popular. I hope we made a few people realize there was an SGA.

On a down note, we had to impeach one of our Council people because he had not shown up for a single meeting this year. The advantage of this is we now have an opening on the Council. If you are interested in filling this position, please show up for our next meeting.

This meeting will be held October 15 at noon in Ballroom C of the Student Center. If you have an issue you would like the SGA to be aware of, please come to this meeting.

The date of the next Judiciary Cabinet meeting is October 8. If you have turned in an appeal, look on our board to see when your court date is scheduled. If your name isn't there, be patient; your time will come.



By Shon Moseley
Big electric metal bass face

Lambda Chi Alpha is "on the good foot" this quarter! Fall Rush will be ending tomorrow nite, with the bid party, but don't forget about the fish fry tonite, between the dorms,



By Tony Perez
W.W.I.A.D.A

CKI has kicked off the quarter with a pretty good start. The very first Friday back, several of our members went to Six Flags with clubs from several other clubs like Emory and Augusta College. We had loads and loads of fun from riding all of the rides (and making the "chickens" get on the Free Fall). We stayed until closing time and then headed over to an apartment for a social stay-over. This proved to be a great way to start the year.

This past weekend, we have been involved with service projects with the YWCA and the GYSTC. Last Saturday, we helped several young kids build and launch model rockets. It was a great experience working with these kids.

This month, we will be going to Park Street Elementary School (which is our partnership in education) to give the kids Trick-or-treat candy for Halloween. We did this last year, and the kids really loved it.

Our club is launching a program to help those who live on the streets. Our meals on wheels program will give these homeless people an opportunity for a hot meal. We plan to do this around Thanksgiving and Christmas. This will be one of our emphasis for this year.

We are getting ready for the Fall Membership Rally which will be held on the weekend of October 20. This event is a convention of CKI clubs from all over Georgia. We will be attending seminars on leadership, personal development, and other useful skills. There will be dances and socials all throughout the weekend so we are looking forward to a good time.

Yes, we are still looking for new members. There will be a meeting at noon today! Follow our flyers to the meeting and don't be afraid, we love new people who don't know who we are. If there are any questions, feel free to call me at 499-2558. We look forward to seeing you.

with special appearances by our infamous alumni!!!

Congrats are due to Joe Benoit (brother of the month), and Mike "granny" Minor (buh of the month).

We will be busy this quarter setting the pace in service projects, fiestas, intramurals, and of course, brotherhood.

Lambda Chi Alpha, The Fraternity of Honest Friendship.

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By RSB
"Worminator"

RUSH is going great for the Sigma Pi's. We have some great prospects. GOODLUCK guys and congratulations on your choice to go GREEK.

SLC

By John Ordway
SLCVP

Sigma Lambda Chi sponsors a cookout for the Construction Department each fall and spring. The cookout has several functions.

The first function is for everyone to have fun and eat lots of good food. Charcoal grilled hamburgers and hot dogs were served along

NSBE

NATIONAL SOCIETY
OF BLACK ENGINEERS

By Mirhonda Studevart
Public Relations Chair of STSBE

What's up everyone? We here at the Southern Tech chapter of the National Society of Black Engineers hope that your "School Daze" are going well thus far. NSBE has been busy designing activities that cater to the professional, academic and social aspects of your life. The Southern Tech Society of Black Engineers wishes to extend it's congratulations to all of our new members.

We also wish to thank everyone that donated their time and efforts to the Car Wash (Yes! with a BIG C and a BIG W!). It turned out really well. In addition, our Treasurer and fellow member Miko Sims did a spectacular job in the Miss Georgia Pageant.

Finally, here are some upcoming dates that should be of interest to everyone:

November 1-3: Fall Regional Conference in Nashville, TN
November 12: General Meeting 12:00 noon Student Center, Ballroom A

Well, that's all for now. Be sure to tune in next when we will bring you exciting news about ****BAM!**** The Spring Conference and the National Conference. Keep reaching for those 4.0's

Sigma Pi officers for the '91-'92 school year are: Sage (President) - Eric Love, 1st Counselor (Alumni Relations) - David Stone, 2nd, Counselor (Vice-President) - Stan Burton, 3rd Counselor (Treasurer) - Ronnie Bennett, 4th Counselor (Secretary) - Scot Lindstrum, Herald (Historian) - Jon Meitz.

The fraternity is initiating David Walters and Scot Lindstrum on Oct. 12. CONGRATULATIONS!! OORAH!!

The brothers are in the process of getting ready for the GREAT "PER"

with soda, chips and the world's best potato salad. All diets were put on hold for this one.

The second function is to inform students about Construction Department developments and hopefully lure undecided students into the Construction program.

The most important part of the cookout was the presentation of awards for outstanding academic achievement. Not only did the winners get immortalized with their names on plaques and certificates but some of the winners will receive CASH!

PORCHPARTY to be held on Oct. 19. The party is in celebration of the world record which is held by our brother "Per", who is a brother at Embry-Riddle University in Daytona, Fla. Per is in the Guinness Book for sleeping outside for 10 1/2 years. This party will be held at "The House".

The brothers are looking forward to having a Halloween Social with the ladies of Alpha Delta Pi. Let's have a great time ladies!!!!

SIGMA PI - WHEN ONLY THE BEST WILL DO !!!

Here is a list of winners: Freshman Academic Award- Elizabeth Ann Bellah, Sophomore Academic Award- Heath Anthony Bennett, Topping Out CNST 110 Award- Robert Escoc, Topping Out CNST 215 Award- James Satterfield, Topping Out CNST 410 Award- Mike Guinan, Topping Out CNST 411 Award- Mike Guinan, Topping Out CNST 415 Award- Greg Evans, CFMA 330 First Place Award- Mike Guinan, CFMA 330 Second Place Award- James Satterfield, CFMA 330 Third Place Award- Andrew Ruda

Ski Trip 1991 - Steamboat Springs, Colorado

For the fifth year, the Department of Recreational Sports has put together a week long ski trip to Steamboat Springs, Colorado. The trip dates will be **December 14 - 21.**

The base ski package cost to Southern Tech students is \$539.00. Southern Tech students are allowed to bring guests, the guest price is \$589.00.

Southern Tech alumni are also invited on this trip, the alumni price is \$569.00.

This price includes:

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- 7 Nights Lodging
- 5 Days - Lift Ticket

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We will be staying at the Rockies Condominium and Lodge. This outstanding property is ideally located 3/4 of a mile from the ski area. The amenities include laundry facilities, hot tubs, and heated pool. Each unit has a fully-equipped kitchen, balcony, fireplace, phone, and cable TV.

Several options to purchase are also available:

- \$9.00 Per Day Ski Rental Fee
- \$18.00 Extra Day Lift Ticket
- \$45.00 Day Trip to Vail - Transportation and Lift Ticket
- \$10.00 Never Ever Lesson Program

You do not have to be an experienced skier to go on this trip. You do not have to have any experience at all. Steamboat has one of the best lesson programs in the nation. The Never Ever Lesson is designed for the skier with no experience or skills.

The novice skiers will receive an **all-day** lesson aimed at giving them added confidence and understanding of the sport.

For more information on Ski Trip 1991 - Steamboat Springs, Colorado, contact the Department of Recreational Sports - Karl Staber 528-7349.

Intramural Sports Promises Fun Fun Fun (Till Karl Takes Our T-Bird Away)

By Tony Dorsey
Staff Writer

This fall Southern Tech has enough intramural sports scheduled to satisfy the needs of anyone wanting to participate. Director of Recreational Sports Karl Staber anticipates a fun-filled fall quarter. This fall students will be able to enjoy activities such as flag football, volleyball, tennis, table tennis, and a turkey trot.

Opening play for flag football begins on Thursday, October 10. Entries as well as a meeting of all the team's captains was scheduled for Thursday, October 3. At least seven and no more than twenty names had to be turned in for each team.

Also at the meeting, a copy of all the rules and a schedule was given out to the team's captains. This was a mandatory meeting so Karl insisted that all team captains attend.

Volleyball, like football, also

begins on Thursday, October 10. Each team is allowed to have a fifteen man roster. Six players at a time will be able to participate. All volleyball games will be played on Mondays and Wednesdays starting Monday, October 14. All rosters had to be turned in on Thursday, October 3 at the captain's meeting.

Co-Rec Volleyball starts Tuesday, October 29. Co-Rec Volleyball is a fifteen member team, made up of men and women. Six players participate at a time, three must be men and three must be women. If you are a participant in the men's volleyball league you are still be allowed to participate in the Co-Rec Volleyball league. Entries are due Thursday, October 24. A mandatory captain's meeting will be held the same day.

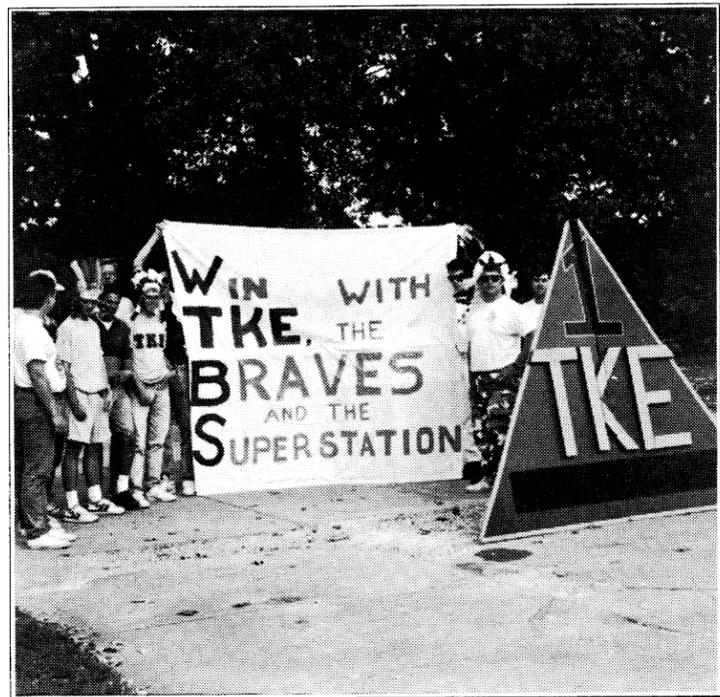
Tennis is also on the calendar for sports this fall. Tennis doubles competition will be one of the many exciting recreational sports that will be taking place this fall at Southern Tech. Tennis doubles will be held

on Mondays and Wednesdays starting October 14. All entries are due Thursday, October 10.

Table tennis, every students favorite, will begin Wednesday, November 13. All matches will be held in the student center. The deadline to enter is Tuesday, November 12. If you have your own paddle, please bring it. However, if you do not own your own, Karl will provide some.

The final event of the fall quarter will be a turkey trot. The turkey trot will be a road race with a great emphasis on speed and even a greater emphasis on stamina. The race will take place over a designed course. Prizes will be given to the winners. The first place prize will be a pleasantly plump turkey just in time for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Everyone is encouraged to participate in the many events sponsored by the Recreational Sports department. Help make this fall an exciting and successful quarter for the Intramural Sports.



Brad and his Bad-Boy TKEs stole some poor Indian's head dress while the Braves stole the Pennant - Photo By Bill Finnick not Jack Sliver

Love Them Braves

T'was the night before the playoffs,
and all through the land,
the tomahawks were held,
in every little hand.

The players were all fast asleep,
all snugly in their beds,
while visions of the pennant
danced in their heads.

Out on the west coast
there arose a loud clatter,
The LA Dodgers and Lasorda
fell with a splatter.

When what to my wandering eyes
did appear,

but a blazing pennant meaning...
this is the BRAVES year!

On Glavine, on Justice, on Gant,
and on Bream...

on Olson, on Hunter, on Avery,
and the rest of our team!

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RENTAL PROCEDURES

- 1 - Rental equipment is available for checkout to current Southern Tech students, faculty and staff only. You must present your valid ID card.
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For more information contact the:
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