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Humanities & Social Sciences Dept. Splits into Two New Departments

By PHIL COLLINS

The School of Arts and Sciences is splitting the Humanities and Social Sciences department into two new departments.

The two new departments will be known as Humanities and Communications headed by Dr. William S. Pfeiffer and Social and International Studies headed by Dr. Robert Fischer. Dr. Pfeiffer is the current head of the Humanities and Social Sciences department and Dr. Fischer formerly headed the Humanities department for fifteen years prior to Dr. Pfeiffer taking the position.

According to Dr. Fischer, Social and International studies will act as a liaison to the International students. There are required classes in the department including the U.S. and World history classes and Political Science. In addition, Psychology and foreign language are now offered through this department.

When asked about how important this is, see *Inter. Studies* on 17

Academic Forgiveness Suffers Setback

By PRESTON GOFORTH

Academic forgiveness has suffered a setback at the hands of the faculty.

Academic forgiveness is a proposal that the Student Government is attempting to get implemented at Southern Tech. Academic forgiveness enables a student to retake a class he or she has received a grade of D in or has failed, and replace the poor grade with the new grade.

The original proposal was designed to let students replace as many grades as they wanted when computing their GPA. The lower grade from the first attempt would remain on their transcript. Southern Tech's present system for calculating grade point averages allows a student to retake a class in which a 'D' or 'F' was received as often as necessary, but uses the average of all the attempts to calculate the cumulative grade point average.

Out of colleges in Georgia, 82% have some sort of Academic Forgiveness Policy. The only

Please see *Forgiveness* on 16

Students Sponsor Teacher Evaluations

By KASSIA CATO

The Sting and the Southern Tech Student Government Association are once again sponsoring teacher evaluations. The purpose of the teacher evaluation is to give all students the opportunity to hear the opinions of other students regarding professors in their field of study.

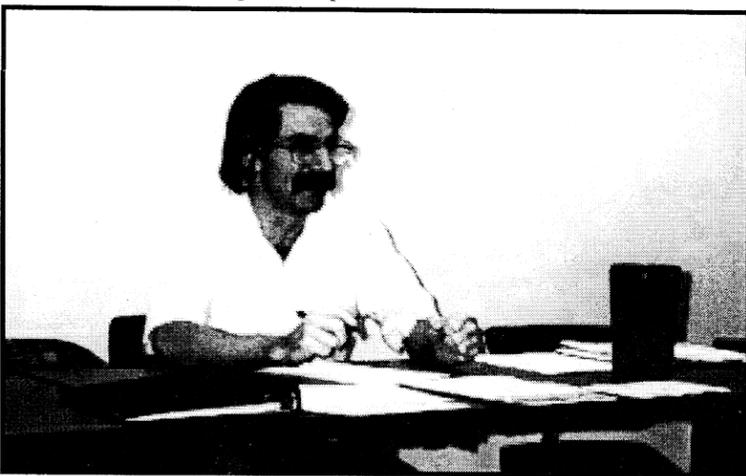
In a recent interview with SGA's president, Scott Wages, and the *Sting* editor-in-chief, Jen Waller (who also heads the public relations committee in SGA), Ms. Waller stated that the idea for teacher evaluations came about out of one professor's comment about the need for a student-funded teacher evaluation. After getting support for this idea from SGA, Jen Waller and then-SGA-vice-president Scott Wages worked diligently at getting the first teacher evaluation printed. The evaluations are based on a model that Emory University has printed up for

students.

Jen Waller and her staff on the SGA public relations committee have improved the quality of this quarter's teacher evaluation as compared to the first one published in the March 9, 1993 issue of *The Sting*. This improvement came about because of the SGA meeting held on November 9, 1993, where concerns about the fairness of the evaluations were brought to life.

SGA council member, Beth Meeker expressed concerns that many of the faculty in her Total Quality Management (TQM) class had over the fairness of student-funded teacher evaluations. The major concern of the faculty, according to Ms. Meeker, had to do with students giving professors a bad rating just because they did not do well in the course.

SGA president Scott Wages' Please see *Evaluations* on 17



This is Jerry Sweeney, a guy who breezed through during layout. Next time, knock. - Photo by Sharon Maddox

Important Questions Asked at the Town Hall Meeting

By JENNIFER WALLER

Last Tuesday, November 16, the Student Government Association sponsored a Town Hall meeting. The purpose of this meeting was for students to be able to address any issue that they wanted to talk about with Southern Tech administrators. The meeting was well attended. Ballroom A of the Student Center was filled with students, faculty, and staff.

The Town Hall meeting was started by Dr. Cousins, a speaker from the Board of Regents, who delivered a speech praising Southern Tech as the only institution in Georgia that offered its kind of service.

Soon after Dr. Cousins' talk, a student addressed the first issue, which was the holding of student paychecks when records are frozen. The question was fielded by Dan Youngblood, Comptroller, who stated that the Board

of Regents had given him the responsibility of making sure that the school gets the money it is owed. He also stated that he felt that holding the check was better than deducting the amount due, but if a student has a circumstance that needs to be discussed, he is there to possibly make special arrangements.

When asked if faculty checks are held, he said no, but that he couldn't remember when the last faculty ticket was issued. Also stressed was the fact that the faculty has no appeal process in place.

Another student said later in the meeting that he wanted to know why he was a customer of Southern Tech and he had to pay for parking while the employees got reserved spaces next to the building, didn't have to pay for parking, and he had to cruise the lot searching for a

Please see *Town Hall* on 16



Professors who won awards at last year's awards ceremony have nothing to worry about in this year's evaluations. -Photo by Tony Perez

Financial Aid Forms Advisory Committee

By SHARON ALESE MADDOX

Having money troubles? Applying, understanding, and receiving financial aid are a few of the major problems students face every year. The Student Financial Aid Advisory Council (SFAAC) is a new club on campus designed to implement and find solutions to problems with the Financial Aid process.

The financial aid committee members were chosen by Dean Smith and Mrs. McGee. They selected students with different majors, classifications, and ages. The officers of

this club are Jerry Sweeney, president; Stacy Lawson, Vice President; and Mirhonda Studevant, Secretary.

SFAAC has only had two meetings. The first was basically introductions, but the second discussed future plans. The council had its second meeting on November 19 in which they discussed the student body's views toward the school's financial aid process. The council members discussed the problems that students have been having with the school's financial aid process. Some of the problems are that financial aid forms are hard to fill out. Please see *Financial Aid* on 16

Big Change for WGHR

By JARRED FEHR

WGHR, the campus radio station, is going to have to get a new frequency, but the change may allow them to greatly increase their range.

About twelve years ago, the FCC (Federal Communications Commission) classified WGHR as a Class D non-commercial education station. The FCC also said that the frequency had been granted to a higher Class A commercial station. The sole reason that WGHR is still on the air is because three stations have been fighting for 102.5 in court for the past five years.

"Atlanta has got the most crowded frequency band," said Johnny McAleer, the General Manager of WGHR. That's why college radio stations usually get low bands on the radio, but WGHR was granted 102.5FM (even though it is not an

educational frequency) because all the low bands are full.

Since WGHR already has a license, they have more of a right to the frequency than the three competitors: Emory University, Kennesaw State, and a station in Mableton.

Fortunately, WGHR found a new frequency which would require a frequency search to the FCC. The survey requires that they show that they are not going to interfere with another station. They were quoted \$2,500 from the prestigious Bromo Communications in Washington for the engineering survey. But, after conferring with his FCC contact Brian Butler, Johnny McAleer figured he could save the radio station's small budget by putting the talents of Southern Tech's students to work.

McAleer spoke with Charles

Please see *WGHR* on 19

EDITORIALS

No More Mr. Nice Guy?

By GREG GIBBS

To be a gentleman, or to be a jerk: that is the question: Whether 'tis nobler in the mind to be a nice guy, or to take arms against a sea of women, and by opposing, attract them?

My apologies to Shakespeare, but I thought Hamlet would be an appropriate analogy, being that he was contemplating death when he uttered the infamous words, "To be or not to be..." Sometimes, I think I would rather commit suicide than deal with some of the women I've dated recently. But instead, I decided to do some research and find out what type of men you ladies prefer.

Generally, most of the women who filled out my questionnaire think the ideal guy should be a gentleman, although only a small percentage rated their present boyfriends as gentlemen. In fact, a large majority said their past boyfriends were mostly jerks. This leads to the question of why they were ever with those guys in the first place. Obviously, you were attracted at some point. Maybe they only became jerks *after* you broke up.

Another surprising factoid I discovered was that about 75% of you women believe in "love at first sight." However, only about 20% think "good looks" is an important characteristic for a guy to possess. Does this make sense? Isn't "love at first sight" actually "lust at first sight" which is based on what a person looks like? Hello? I don't quite understand.

Kassia Ain't Black?

By KASSIA CATO

Recently, I was confronted by a fellow student who asked me how I could let an editorial comparing the Denny and King trials in Los Angeles be printed in the last issue of *The Sting*. According to this person, it was my duty as an African-American to try to prevent it from appearing in the newspaper. This is my answer to that student's question.

First, I have no control over what is printed in the paper; that job belongs to the editor.

Second, according to the first amendment to the U.S. Constitution, that anonymous person has a right to express his opinions.

Third, in my own opinion as protected by the first amendment, I think the editor of *The Sting* made a mistake in judgment. The editor's mistake was not made in printing the editorial, but in not printing the name of the person who wrote it.

It has always been my belief that if a person has something printed, he should at least have the guts to put his name on it, because only cowards refuse to stand behind what they write. Writing from experience, I know what it is like taking heat for having an editorial printed. But, as my mother always says, "Stay out of the kitchen, if you can't take the heat!"

I resent anyone (especially the first student), who questions my loyalty to my race. Being African-American, does not mean I have to act a certain way to please

I was happy to see that most of you wouldn't change your own habits for someone else. That tells me that you are proud of who you are and that if a person can't accept you for who you are, then you shouldn't be with them. I was surprised to see that about 30% of you would expect a man to change his habits for you. It just doesn't work that way, based on Greg's law of attraction and repulsion: "You can't change people in order to make them attractive, unless they are mindless wandering fools with no self-worth or personality."

Although one question I proposed was not related to relationships, I think you guys will enjoy the results. The question was, "If you could be any fruit, excluding avocados, what fruit would you be?" The envelope please....

strawberry-32%, peach-26%, kiwi-10%, cherry-6%, banana-4%, orange-4%, and other-16%.

Since I'm running out of space, here are lists of some of the most desirable and undesirable traits women think guys should and should not have:

DESIRABLE:

- 1) intelligent
- 2) nice personality
- 3) sense of humor
- 4) fully devoted

UNDESIRABLE:

- 1) possessiveness
- 2) flirting
- 3) unfaithfulness
- 4) sloppiness
- 5) use of tobacco products

Well, if you are still reading this, you're probably *Please see Survey on 19*

anyone. I know that I'm an African-American and that's all that matters. I think African-Americans who question the loyalty of other African-Americans in regards to their race, need to check themselves and find out how loyal they are to the African-American race.

Someone with an attitude such as this person, keeps an internal conflict that is ever present in the African-American race. This is one of the causes, which prevents the unification of the African-American race as a powerful force in the United States.

I also suggested that the person, write a letter to *The Sting* editor expressing his displeasure with the editorial. However, no letters of displeasure regarding the editorial arrived at *The Sting* office.

My views on both trials, from a Black American (this not a internal-racial conflict, but a statement of what term I use in regards to my racial heritage) perspective is that both trials were a miscarriage of justice. I disagree with the anonymous person on his comment about there being nothing civil about Rodney King, because even the uncivil have rights according to the U.S. Constitution. I do believe, however, that one act of law, does not justify the reasoning behind committing an unlawful act.

People need to start learning how to control a situation, before it controls them. Then, maybe we can all just get along.

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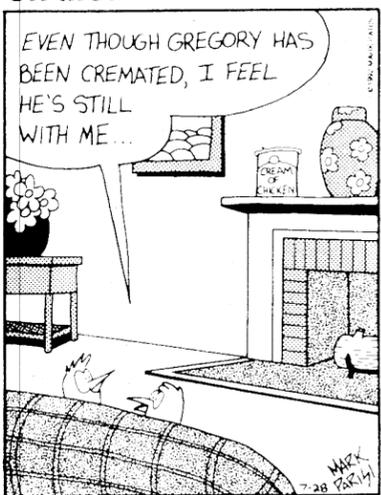
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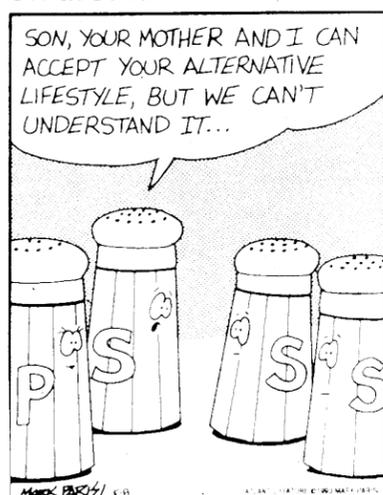
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Consensus Editorial

We will now put forth a futile argument for student involvement. When did Goat Night become another event for the Greek clubs to amuse themselves? Originally Goat Night evolved from the historical student uprising that led to goats being placed in the Administration Building. This is ancient history, but was celebrated by the entire campus.

Not anymore. We're at fault, we weren't there. Neither was WGHR, NSBE, Circle K, resident groups, or any groups unrelated to GREEKS. And how about professors? Who wouldn't show up to see IET vs the Physics department in a whipped cream sucking contest?

The Sting challenges all students, administration, staff, and faculty to return this noble event back to the entire campus. Anyone can make a fool of themselves, just because the Greek clubs are professional shouldn't discourage the rest of us.

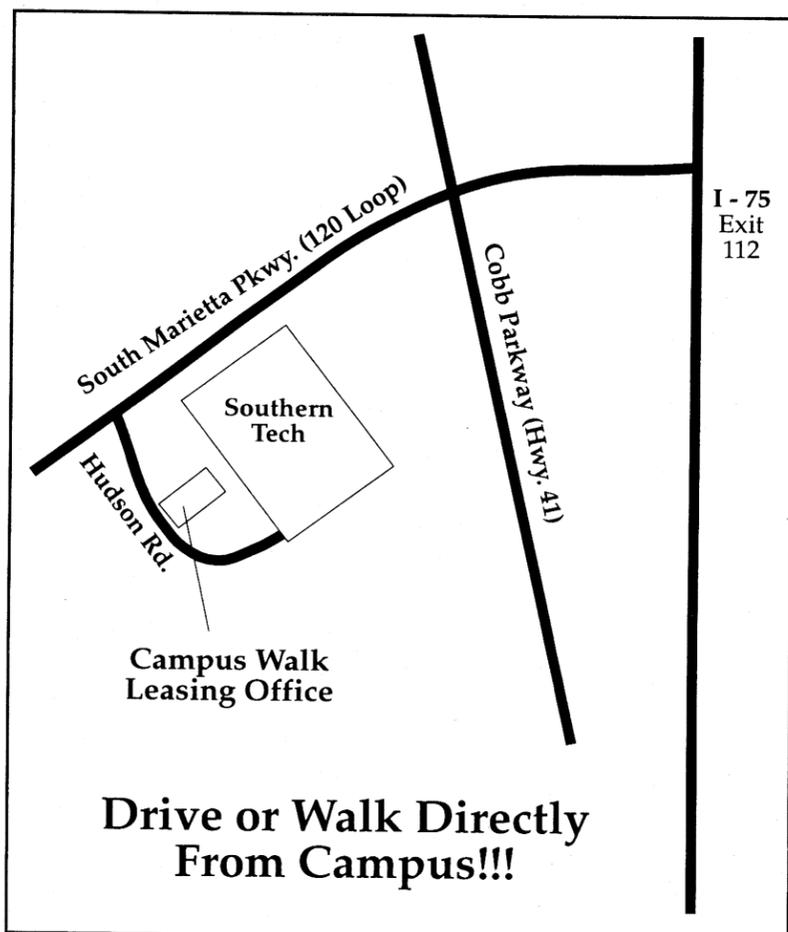
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Third Millennium Blasts Clinton's Health Care Plan

College Press Service

NEW YORK — As Congress scrutinizes President Clinton's health care plan, Third Millennium issues a plea to lawmakers in both political parties: Pay for today's health care reform today. Do not pass the bill to future generations (*Editor's Note: Third Millennium is a New York-based organization that wants to rally college students and the twentysomethings into political action. This a commentary on President Clinton's proposed health plan.*)

As it now stands, the president's current proposal will

provide a short-term windfall for older Americans by hammering future generations. The first sock-it-to-the-future provision is an early retirement subsidy that would pay 80 percent of the health care premiums for people who retire between the ages of 55 and 64. The second is "community rating," which mandates that everybody — young and old, fit and unfit — pays the same health-insurance premiums.

Under Clinton's plan, the government will pay 80 percent of the health care premiums for people who retire early. This amount to another massive middle- and upper-class entitlement program that may cost more than \$10 billion per year. Amazingly, this brand-new entitlement program is not tested; it will benefit rich and poor at the expense of future generations. Is there any reason for taxpayers to subsidize the medical bills of executives who decide to leave their offices and step onto the golf course a few years earlier?

The biggest problem with the early retirement subsidy is

that it most likely will be a budget buster, adding to the deficit and thereby forcing future generations to shoulder the costs. As U.S. Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, (D-N.Y.), said, the proposed financing of Clinton's health care plan is "fantasy." The cost of the early retirement subsidy will grow dramatically as members of the Baby Boom generation approach retirement age, putting millions more on the government dole.

The Clinton administration's health care sales team has been quite candid about the reason for the early retirement provision: It is an effort to win the support of the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP), one of America's most powerful special-interest lobbies. The strategy is working. The AARP spokesman John Rother explained, "It's a great deal."

But younger Americans must brace for the immediate consequences of another provision of Clinton's health care plan: "community rating."

Clinton has proposed com-

munity rating as a way to equalize the price of health care, thereby making it cost the same for everybody, regardless of age or medical history. This may sound fine in theory, but in practice it forces the young (who have the least amount of disposable income) to subsidize the health care of the middle-aged (who are at the peak of their earning power).

This was made painfully clear in New York state, which this year instituted the country's most rigid community rating plan. Most young New Yorkers saw their health care premiums skyrocket. For example, before community rating, the average 30-year-old single male paid an annual premium of \$1,200; after the change, his premium soared to \$3,240, according to the New York Insurance Department. Likewise, young families saw their premiums nearly double.

The only age group that benefited from the changes in New York was the over-50 bracket. For example, the average 60-year-old male saw his an-

nual premiums go from \$5,880 to \$3,240, a decrease of nearly 50 percent. But the cost of reducing the premiums for the wealthiest segment of the population was high: it put the price of health care out of reach for many young New Yorkers just entering the work force.

Third Millennium believes that young Americans are willing to sacrifice to build a better future, but the president's health plan requires disproportionate sacrifice for younger Americans without providing a fiscally sound system for the future.

Politicians in both parties have concluded that the interests of future generations can be trampled upon because young Americans are not an organized lobbying force. As Republican pollster Bill McInturff told *The Wall Street Journal*, "People under 35 don't participate, they don't vote, and they're not well organized."

Don't be so sure. By 1998, Americans born after 1960 will be the largest voting block in America, and we will not stand by silently if the political establishment continues to sell out the future.



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Velvet Paintings Honored At Penn State

By Karen Neustadt

When the director of the Zoller Gallery at Pennsylvania State University was initially approached to exhibit a collection of paintings on black velvet, her first reaction was disbelief.

Cindi Morrison was horri-

fied, she admits, at the idea of portraits of Elvis, Jesus, family pets and the Virgin at Guadalupe hanging in the Zoller.

After all, this was a serious gallery, and the art of flea markets, truck stops and interstate highways was just not, well, in keeping with the Zoller standard of fine art.

"I thought, 'Oh my God,'" reported Morrison, when Jennifer Heath, organizer of a collection of 120 black velvet paintings titled "The Art We Love to Hate," suggested an exhibition at the Zoller.

The show, which Heath had collected over the years, featured portraits of John Wayne, Elvis and Jesus.

Heath, the exhibition director of the Boulder Artists Gallery in Colorado, was persistent. Painting on velvet, she insisted, has gotten a bum rap and is a perfectly respectable medium. People don't realize it, but velvet art is as old as the Muslim world, she told the wary director.

In fact, velvet painting is more historical than much of today's media, she said. The outspoken advocate for the misunderstood medium made such a case for the show that Morrison finally gave it a green light.

"I thought, well, we're trying to bring our audience numbers up," she said. "We felt the exhibition had good potential to address our concerns such as getting people here who had never stopped by, exhibiting contemporary artists, and showing a variety of media."

The paintings were finally hung, salon style, at the Zoller for the entire month of September. The opening, which featured jazz and ethnic food for refreshments, was a smashing success, Morrison reported, and record crowds have viewed the exhibit.

"I looked everywhere for an Elvis impersonator for the opening," Morrison said, "but no one would admit they were one."

The exhibit had its detractors, said Morrison, such as a faculty member who charged that the exhibition set painting back 100 years, and those who felt painting on velvet is "low art" and should not be hanging in a space that was constructed to display "high art."

People would walk into the gallery, said Morrison, "and after a couple of seconds of horror, they would look around and then leave with a different attitude. I have people still calling up to see if it's still up."

"There were lots of conquistadors in this show. There was Jesus, Geronimo, dogs playing pool, Arizona desert scenes and several Virgins at Guadalupe," Morrison reported, noting that she gradually came to appreciate the craftsmanship involved in painting on velvet.

"I really grew to care for some pieces," she said. "My favorites were an installation piece with suitcases that had a God-awful olive green velvet drape. Then there was one that featured Spam, Wonder Bread, and Velveeta Cheese on velvet with glitter."

Morrison said the artist who created the Spam portrait was in contact with the Hormel Co., manufacturer of the meat product, for a possible sale. In addition to Heath's collection, the show included works from 25 artists from Colorado, New York and Pennsylvania who were invited to "re-invent" velvet painting in their own style, Morrison reported.

"Some of the artists had a hard time dealing with this material. It gave all of us a better appreciation of those who work with velvet. We saw how very talented they are. Some look three-dimensional, and are executed very well," Morrison observed.

"It's a joke of the art world, yet it is really a time-honored medium and loved by the people who don't have access to the art world," Heath told *The Penn*, the school newspaper at Penn State.

She is gathering material for a book and a calendar on the history of black velvet paintings that will be published next year.

Heath noted that Europeans brought velvet paintings back from the Crusades, and the Portuguese took it to China. The medium popped up in Latin America early this century, and Americans saw the first velvet paintings at tourist traps in Mexico.

"It was great fun. The show was good. People showed a lot of humor dealing with the material, and we had a lot of variety," Morrison added.

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The Baby Boomer's Replacements: the Boomerangers

By JOHN WILLIAMS

A surprise is waiting in store for thousands of college students after they graduate — instead of getting that job they dream about and setting up their own apartment, many find themselves returning home to live.

The members of Generation X have a new tag: the boomerangers.

Many factors play into this scenario, say two Florida State University professors, that are forcing graduating college students to return to the nest. A weak job market and low-paying jobs are among the causes forcing graduates to rethink priorities and goals and perhaps come to a conclusion that it's time to pack up and move back with mom and dad. Or move in with mom. Or dad. Or mom and her boyfriend. Or dad and his companion.

"There's nothing illogical about it, to kind of live off of your parents for a while," said D. Ray Bardill, dean of FSU's School of Social Work. "You're grown, so you can do your own thing. Many families don't find a problem with this at all. Parents inherently want their children to do well. Why should the parents live well and see their children do without?"

It is estimated that a substantial portion — some estimates range up to 40 percent — of the 19 million adults between the ages of 18 and 34 live with at home with one or both of their parents. There are no studies that indicate the number of recent college graduates who have returned home, but Bardill and Nicholas Mazza, who also teaches in the School of Social Work, believe the number is high.

Weird Campus Crime

By Kathleen Ragan

ATHENS, Ga. — Andrew Brown can't believe anyone would shoot his best friend.

Square, his 5-year-old half-Labrador, half-chow dog, was shot once. The bullet entered through his back, a quarter inch from his spine, and exited through his skin.

Square survived and his assailant is behind bars.

Brown, a University of Georgia graduate student from Charleston, S.C., was in the Georgia Bar at the time of the incident, which occurred in October. He said Square was tied to a parking meter outside when he was shot.

Brown said he's thankful Square didn't need surgery. After the shooting, Square was taken to the university's veterinary clinic for X-rays. His wound didn't require stitches, but he's on antibiotics.

"It could have been a lot worse," Brown said.

Robert Lee Cox, 34, of Athens, was arrested by police and charged with aggravated assault, discharging a firearm in the city

Bardill theorizes that the adolescent period of human development, in which parental dependency is a strong factor, is expanding chronologically. "It's a modeling kind of message that can be unhealthy. As long as you're dependent on your parents, you're dependent on them," he said. "We as a culture have extended adolescence until around 28. That's unfortunate. What we're creating is a dependent society."

What the boomerangers are looking for, Bardill theorizes, is instant material gratification that is nearly impossible for most recent graduates to obtain. "Our society brainwashes us through a barrage of ads that we're failures if we don't keep up with the Joneses and buy the newest and most improved commodities in the marketplace," Bardill said. "Our materialistic mindset begins as very young children and intensifies as we enter adulthood."

This, combined with the fact that the job market is fairly tight right now and is going through some fundamental structural changes, is forcing young adults to make the decision to move home for a while.

There can be several attendant problems involved in this, said Mazza, including the fact that students have been living as independent beings, and returning home can put a crimp in their style. Conversely, their parents may not have been static in their personal growth since Junior left for college, so they may have some big adjustments to make, too. This can include divorce, entering new relationships or a new marriage.

"For the college student returning home, the critical issue is

readjustment," Mazza said. "You have a young adult returning home, so perhaps from the student perspective there may be some tendency for the parents to be more involved than he or she would find necessary."

"Clearly returning home from the college student's perspective can be a sense of disappointment and failure, so while the practicality says they may need to return home, emotionally this could be devastating."

The situation doesn't necessarily have to be all bad, he said. "It has the potential to be healthy or unhealthy depending on the circumstances. It can be a temporary solution and still move forward and maintain some element of hope," Mazza said. "It doesn't have to mean that, 'I am indeed a failure' and doesn't have to imply you're a loser. As long as you can maintain a positive sense of direction of your life, it can be healthy."

What about a sense of freedom and independence, and such issues as staying out late and maintaining your love life?

Bardill suggests that the young adult and the parents work out what both sides can live with, but with the caveat that the parents do rule the roost. "Things must be worked out for whatever fits for the family and the young adult," he said. "The minimum one would hope is that they stay out of each other's hair. But parents own the home, so they can set the rules."

Bardill said he got interested

in boomerangers when he was asked to present a paper recently at a national conference on the future of the American family. He said he has always been professionally interested in the developmental stages of families, and has been investigating the boomerang stage, or as he calls it, the model of "sending them out and they come back."

He said what he does in education is studies how this phenomenon occurs, and what factors are involved. "It's a cultural dynamic. It is the imperatives of 'more,' driven by the imperatives to have more freedom," he said. "If you want to get to the part to speculate about, consider this: A lot of parents don't feel good about themselves, so they're not willing to let go and let their children grow up."

The issue of returning home can begin on one level such as economic needs and quickly proceed into other familial issues. "Boomerangers can't afford new cars, big apartments or homes in this economic era of limited job opportunities," Bardill said. "So, they seek a slice of their parents' prosperity until they can afford their accustomed way of life."

But there are other hidden issues, too. "The issues are very deep. Deep down, the graduates know they should be out on their own, but they develop this attitude of, 'I'll sacrifice this so I can buy this,'" he said. "There's a price to pay, but sometimes it's not obvious. Anytime you set yourself up for dependence, you've sold yourself short."

Mazza said a returning college student needs to realize that he or she isn't the only one who has changed in the past four years. "The adults are going through changes and the way they relate to each other. The children can reactivate issues with the parents," he said. "Returning home may make the idea of functioning independently cloudy. The move back could impair that sense of self. It could affect community relations, friends or lovers. The impact could be felt across their whole world."

The move back home need not be stressful or damaging, both researchers say. If it does become a problem, they suggest the family seek counseling to get to the roots of what strife is occurring; it could be that the parents want the young adult to move out and don't know how to ask. "It's important to clarify the rules of the family and what expectations are from both sides," Mazza said. "It's one of the struggles of life hopefully all involved are equipped to handle."

Bardill sees the situation as one that is growing within American culture and is reflected through college students and their parents. "One big issue is closeness and distance. You have to work in that realm," he said. "We have created a society in which the dynamic of dependency is gaining momentum, that someone should take care of me. They see it happening with other people, so why not me?"

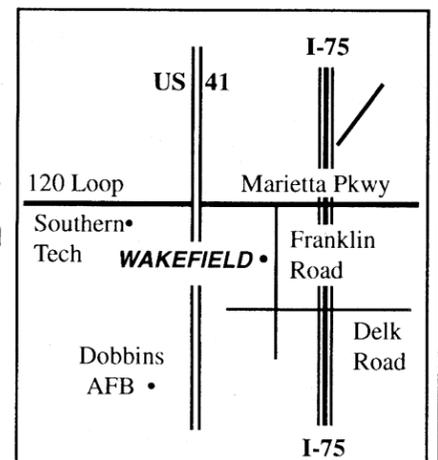


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Survey Questions The Value Of Education

By College Press Service

SAN JOSE, Calif.—Most California residents believe a college education is the gateway to a good job, but that the degree has little intrinsic value, a survey of the higher education system said.

About 80 percent of Californians said they thought a college education was a waste of time because many students attending college are unsure about their future career goals, the California Higher Educational Policy Center survey found. Those surveyed expressed concern about the value of the degree as just a piece of paper with no value other than greater financial security.

A majority of those polled said access to higher education is a major concern. They said money is keeping qualified students from attending college. Eighty percent said money

should not be a factor in determining if motivated students can attend college. The same percentage said students will appreciate their education more if they get involved in paying for it.

Three out of four Californians said that a high school graduate that goes to college will have better economic prospects than the graduate who takes a job right out of high school.

According to the survey, Californians feel education is important, and that students should not be denied a college education due to cost.

Sixty percent of those surveyed believe that low-income students have less of an opportunity to attend college.

About half surveyed believe that potential students are denied access to education due to cost and 73 percent believe that getting an education

will become more difficult in the future. About half of those surveyed said raising tuition was a poor means for solving a college or university's budget crisis.

Several reasons were given for the cause of the education access problems. A majority of those surveyed feel that student loans are a major problem, with 90 percent saying they are concerned about the lack of repayment of student loans. About 80 percent said students borrow too much to pay for education, and a majority said students should work for financial aid.

The survey also revealed that Californians believe that the cost of college is increasing due to overpaid professors and lavish expenses on buildings and grounds. About 65 percent cited state cutbacks and mismanagement as reasons for the cutbacks.

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Blind Student Is Tour Guide

College Press Service

RADFORD, Va. — Although Carol Clyde is legally blind, her lack of sight has not stopped her from showing her campus to others as a tour guide at Radford University.

This is the sophomore's second year as a tour guide on campus. Clyde, who is a sociology major, said she became a tour guide because it was a good way to meet people, but she admits she had other motives: "It looks good on my resume, too."

With the help of Murphy, a yellow Labrador, Clyde gives about two tours a month.

Clyde started to go blind in 1988. Because of retinal degeneration she cannot see directly in front of her, but has peripheral vision. She said she has no problems distinguishing between the different buildings on campus.

Med. School Applications Rise

By College Press Service

CHICAGO — The number of applicants to medical school continues to rise despite the fact that many physicians express dissatisfaction with practicing medicine, according to an article published in the Journal of the American Medical Association. Between 1989 and 1992 the number of medical school applicants climbed 39 percent.

The growing number of applicants is not congruent with the current survey information that practicing physicians are dissatisfied with medicine and unsure about the outcome of the health system reform, officials say.

"The new health care system will mean more managed care," said Dr. Harry Jonas of the American Medical Association. "If you talk to the average physician they're apprehensive about the paperwork and bureaucracy."

Jonas said the increase in applicants may just be due to lack of opportunities elsewhere. He said the economic security of becoming a physician may be attracting people to medical school.

The last surge of medical school applicants occurred in 1974. It was around that time that the federal government declared a shortage of physicians, Jonas said, and the number of medical schools increased from 80 to 127. The number of medical school graduates soon doubled from 8,000 to 16,000.

In addition to an overall applicant increase, there was also an increase in the number of minorities and women being accepted into medical school. There was a 12 percent increase in the number of minorities accepted into medical school in 1991. The percentage of women in the 1992 entering class increased from 31.6 percent in 1982 to 41.8 percent.

Wanna Learn Tibetan?

By College Press Service

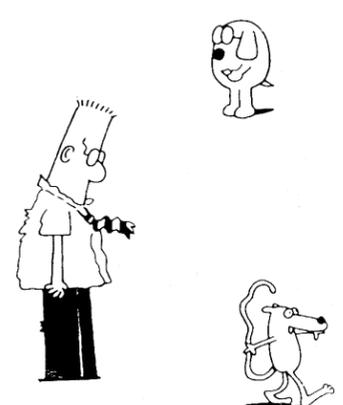
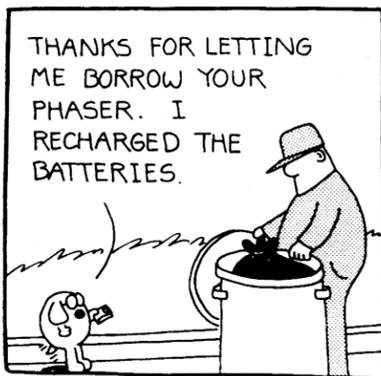
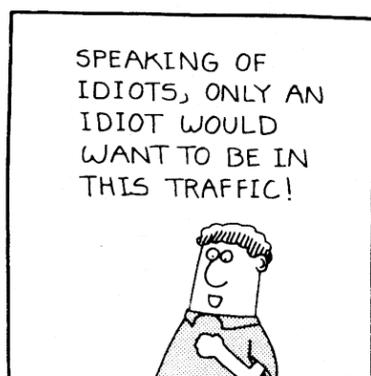
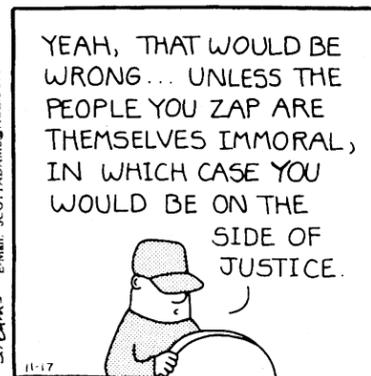
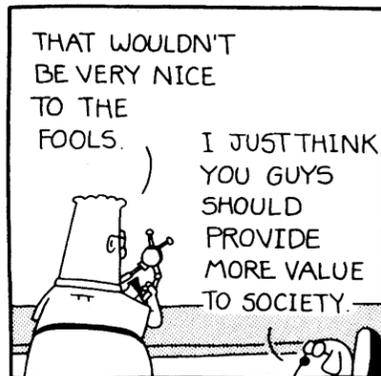
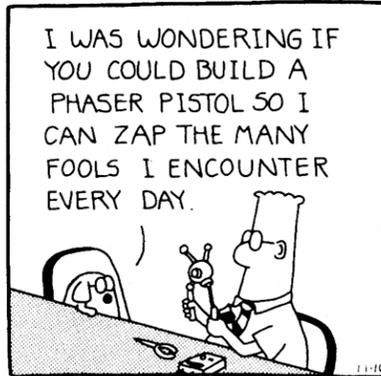
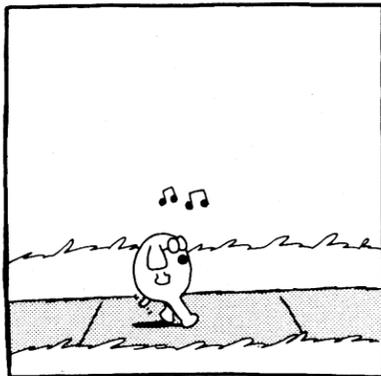
CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. — Going to Tibet for a vacation and don't know how to ask the locals where the bathroom is located?

Help is available. A team of scholars at the University of Virginia created a book-and-tape program for those people interested in quickly learning the language of Tibet.

The three-volume, 18-cassette set, "Fluent Tibetan: A Proficiency Oriented Learning System," was put together by 11 Tibetan studies scholars, graduate students and native speakers under a grant from the U.S. Department of Education.

The project was developed through the University of Virginia's Center for South Asian Studies and Department of Religious Studies, and was directed by religious studies professor Jeffrey Hopkins. He said the project is the first performance-based learning program for the Tibetan language.

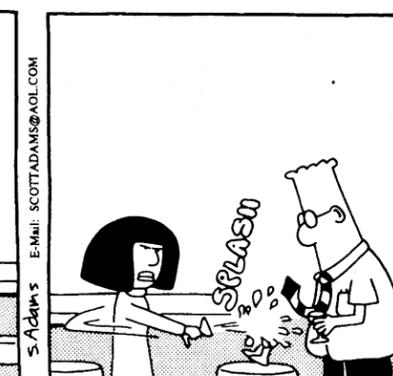
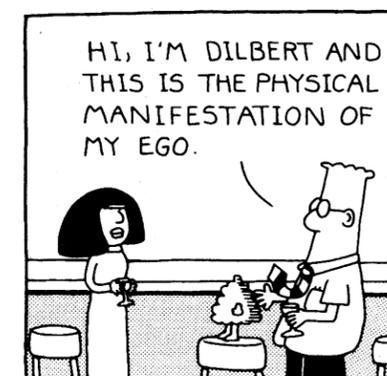
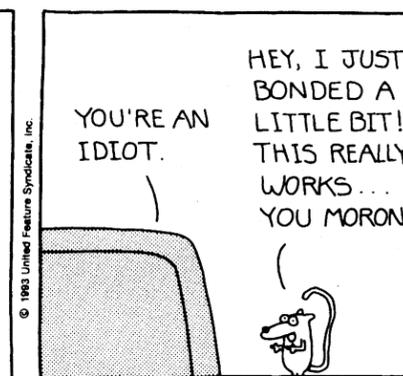
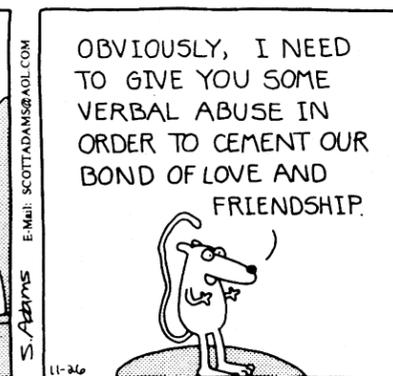
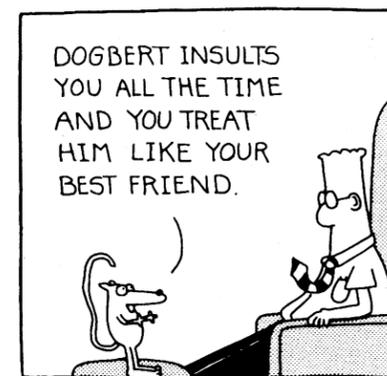
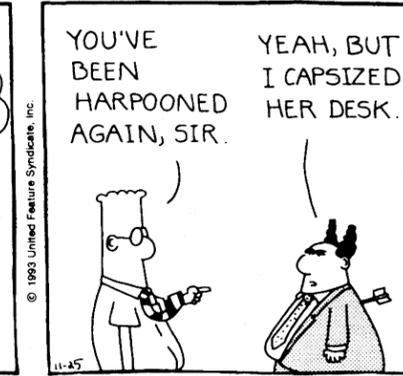
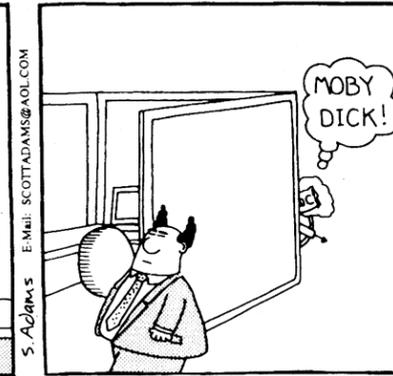
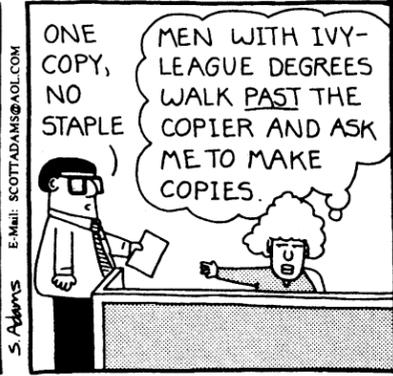
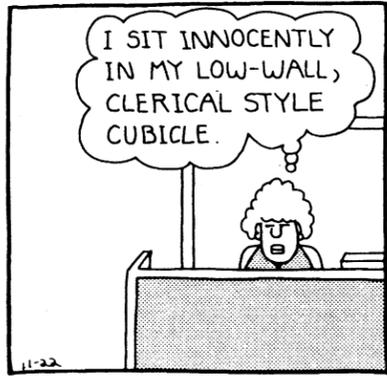
"The course represents a quantum development in Tibetan language training," he said. Many young travelers are now going to Tibet, as are scholars and others interested in Buddhism.



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By Scott Adams





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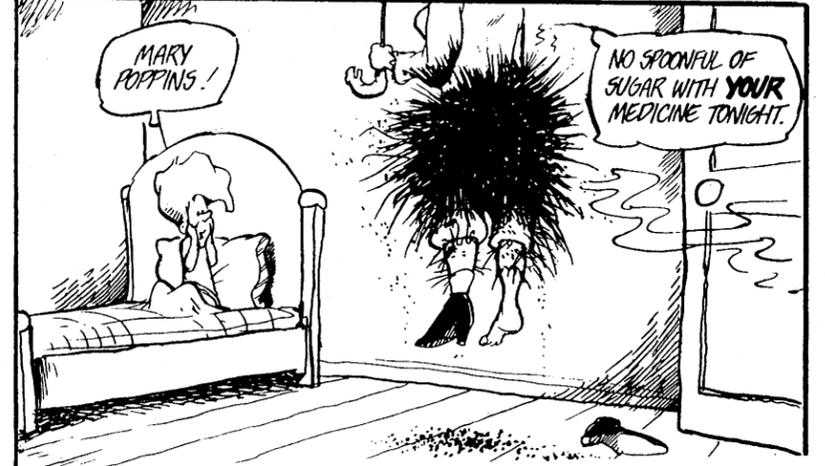
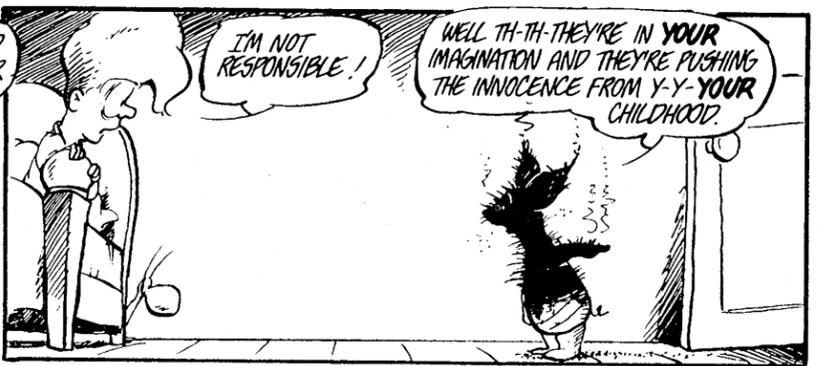
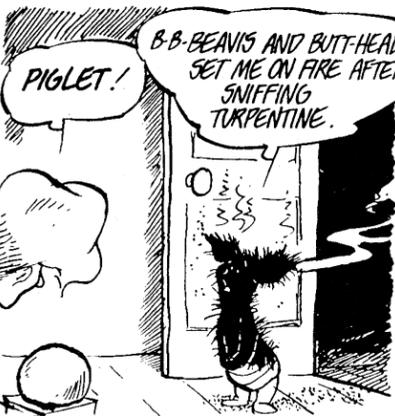
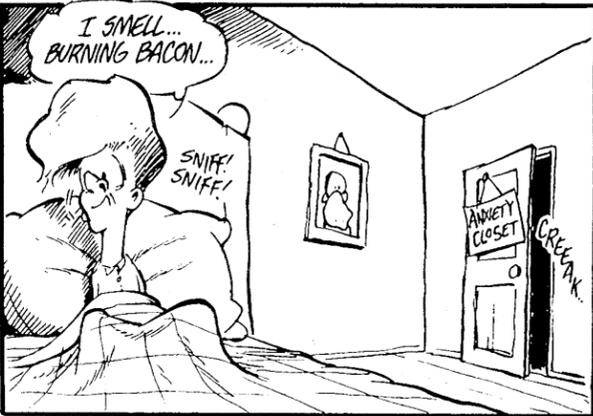
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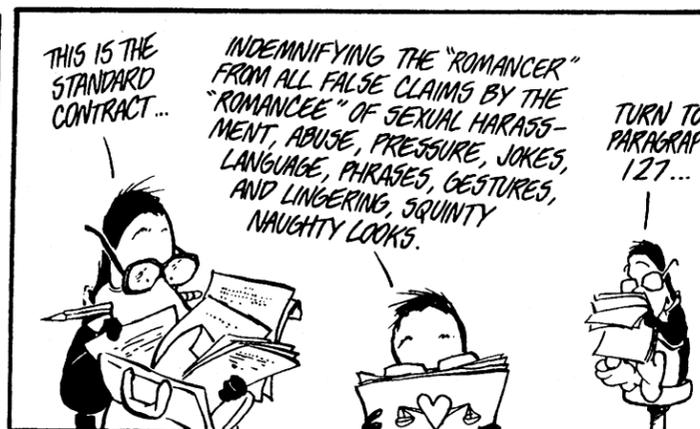
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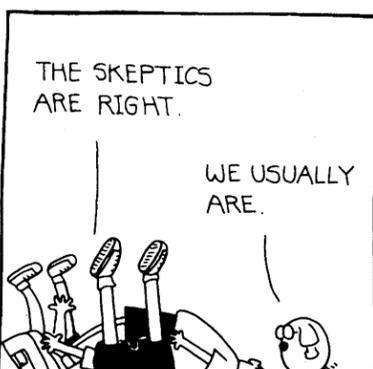
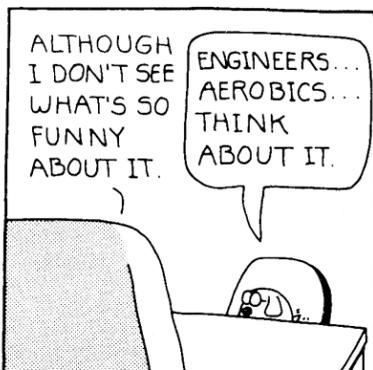
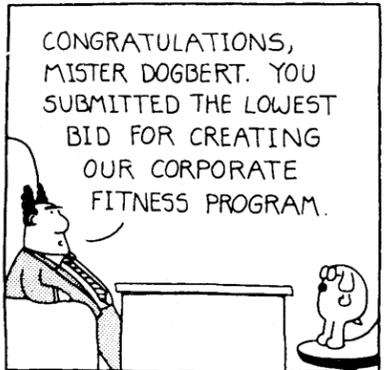
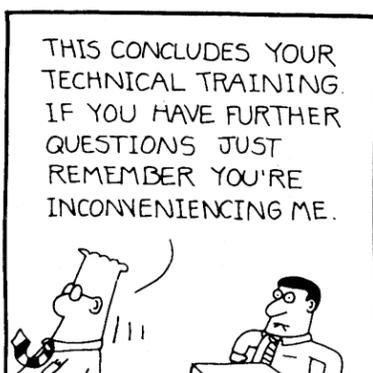
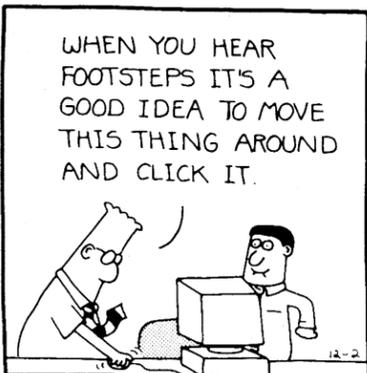
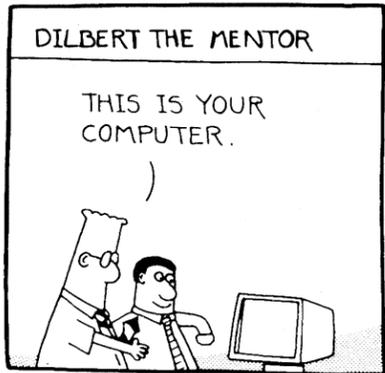
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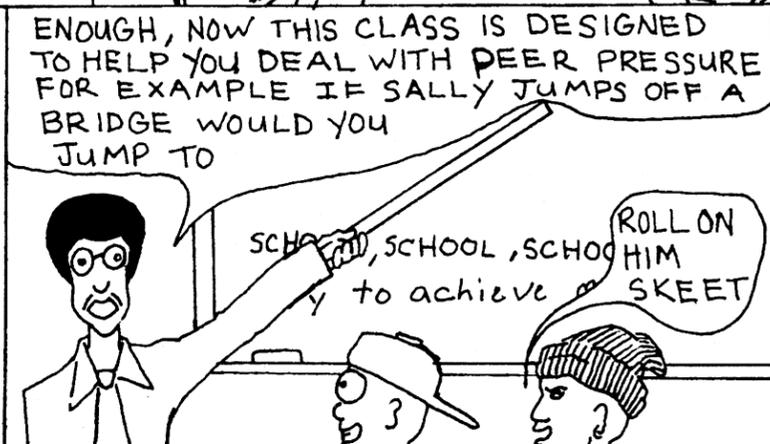
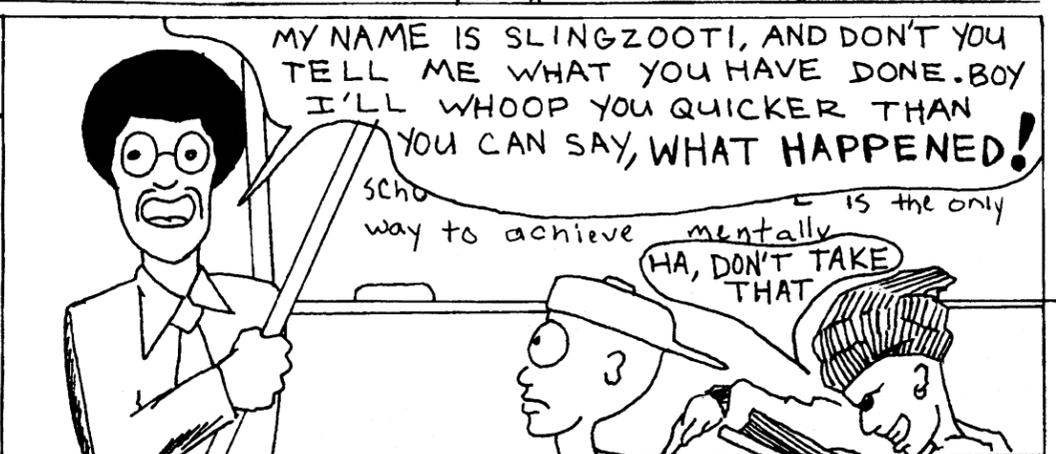
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Robin Williams Crossdresses in New Movie: Mrs. Doubtfire

By JOEY CROWE

A great new movie to see over the Thanksgiving Break is *Mrs. Doubtfire*. A comedy in which Daniel and Miranda Hillard start divorce proceedings -- at her instigation. Because Daniel is unemployed, Miranda gets temporary custody of their three kids, leaving Daniel distraught over losing contact with his family. So out of desperation, Daniel disguises himself as an elderly British woman and is hired by his wife as a housekeeper!

Mrs. Doubtfire is a Twentieth Century Fox presentation starring Robin Williams as Mrs. Doubtfire, and Sally Fields as his noncrossdressing wife. Robin Williams is also a producer of this film. The screenwriter is Leslie Dixon,

the veteran of such horrid scripts as *Outrageous Fortune* and *Overboard*.

While combining elements of *Tootsie* and *Mary Poppins*, *Mrs. Doubtfire* is semi-predictable. I still highly recommend *Mrs. Doubtfire* because Robin Williams adds a lot of laughs to a plot that would otherwise be hum-drum.

You should go see this movie with an open mind, not to predict the outcome, but to enjoy the comical feats of Robin Williams. Though not as animated as his character in *Aladdin*, Robin Williams plays a sprightly British matron. See her (him) play soccer, see her get in touch with his children, see her convince his wife to take him back, see her for \$7.00 at a local theater.

JOEY CROWE takes pictures, writes reviews and digs our change out from the couch.



In *Mrs. Doubtfire*, Robin Williams impersonates Barbara Bush performing BeeGee songs, "Stayin' alive, Stayin' alive, ah ah ah ah Stayin' alive!"

Pablo Honey is New Release From Radiohead

By JEN WALLER

Radiohead is Oxford's loud-est claim to fame, thanks to a three guitar line - up and the runaway U.K. success of "Creep". "Creep" is a turbulent, slow burning epic recorded in one take, and fueled by frustration that comes rather naturally

to these fidgety men. "Creep became an anthem of self-loathing, described as "one of the best pieces of rock since Everest."

As a result, Radiohead's passionate, "ugly duckling" pop, a union of stuttering power chords and rough-edged harmonies with a pinch of feed-

back, has been winning over hearts and minds alike.

Radiohead likes this formula so much they copy it on practically every track. The quiet, balladic intro of "Creep" morphing into angry, angst filled power chords is stunning. After the sixth song in a row it becomes cliched.

Phil Selway, the drummer, thinks the best to hear the band's album may be via his pet parrot, Bert. Having heard it so many times, Bert can sing the album from start to finish. Phil says you may prefer Bert's performance of Pablo Honey to the real thing. "It saves energy and he only needs feeding once a

day." This is not the "new" anybody, though extended listening might recall The Knack. This is Radiohead, simply an articulate English pop band that can actually perform and sing.

JEN WALLER hopes that she only has two more quarters after this one!!

Love Jones Jones' Love

By BILL GREVE

I've been accused, by those less critical than myself, of not liking anything, that my reviews are filled with negativity. It's not my fault I've been sent to crappy movies and most of the music this year I've flung out into the swamp. Besides, if you didn't know who Harvey was keep your opinion to yourself.

All of which brings us to Love Jones, Here's to the Losers. Probably refers to those of you who will buy this CD.

Not that it's all that bad. No, in fact the promo bio I received was damn entertaining (that's dang funny for you Southerners), original, and creative.

I laughed, I cried, I coughed up furballs. Perhaps the thinking was you'd be so enthralled by the bio and ignore the CD. Not me buddy!

I'm on to your mind-bending public relations tricks, you might be talented, but Love Jones couldn't sharpen your pencil.

Comprised of former punkers and metal guys, Love Jones is supposedly an "amalgam of doo wop pop, bossa nova style, and real rhythm and blues."

Sounded intriguing, unfortunately the truth is closer to doo

wopless, whiny pop, preprogrammed bossa nova from your Grandma's mail-order organ gathering dust in the basement for 20 years, and the R&B is about as real as virgin vinyl.

I did like two cuts, "Here's to the Loser's" and "Matter of Fact", the latter having a hint of the blues. But, and I mean but, the next cut, Fragile, keeps running the opening bars from MacMillen and Wife; blotterless flashbacks I don't need.

Checkout "Custom Van": lonely guy leaves his apartment, picks someone up and then "we made love in the back of my custom van." Sounds like a first draft of Silence of the Lambs.

Further on is the cut Ohio River (isn't that the river the Lambs' guy dumped the bodies?). What we have here is some out of work metalheads doing a 70ish lounge act. Look for Love Jones at the nearest Ramada Inn.

Recommended Companion Beverages to consume while listening to Love Jones.

Adult Beverage - Sutter Home White Zinfandel. Cheap, bland wine perfect for those not accustomed to quality.

Nonalcoholic - apple juice. BILL GREVE sez Greg Gibbs liked this, but then he's a nice guy.

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Mazzy Star: You'll Like It If You Like Indigo Girls

By SHARON MADDOX

Mazzy Star's *So Tonight That I Might See* is the ideal album to get for all of those "Indigo Girls" fans.

This compact disc has received "sterling" reviews and "prestigious" music mags' list of the year lists.

Mazzy Star has a consistent rhythmic pattern. Their arranger put together a mixture of psychedelic, blues, country, and acoustic folk.

Every song on this compact disc relates to light and noise with an exception of one song.

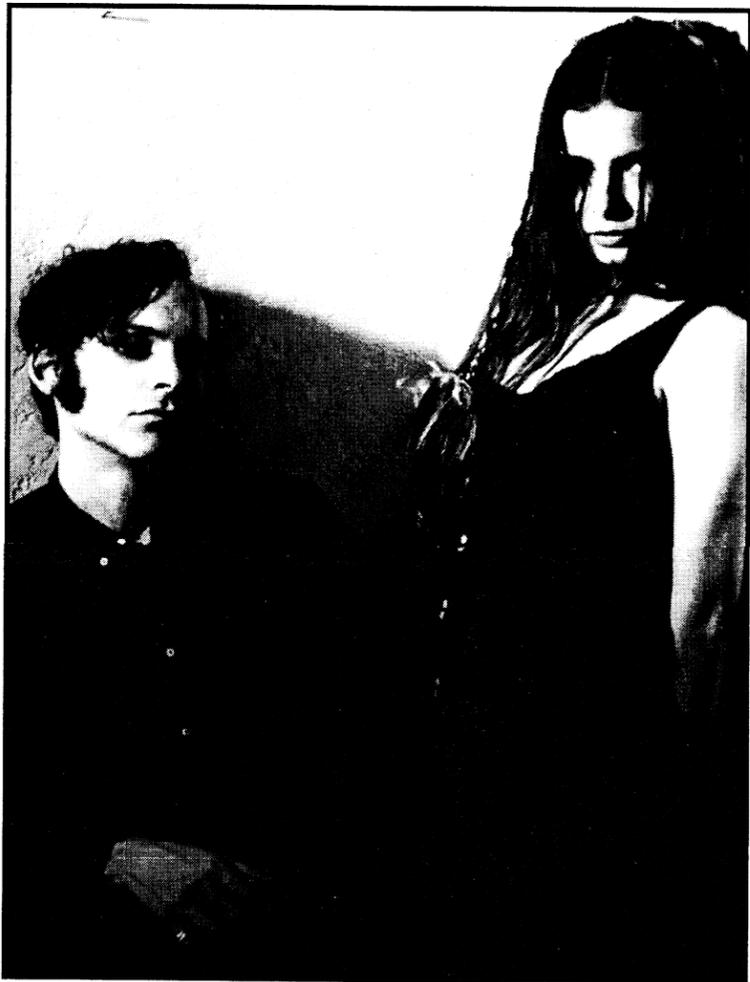
"She's My Baby" breaks the pattern, though the background sound is still the same as the other songs.

"She's My Baby" left a strange message.

The female singer expressed how her baby, who didn't belong to her, looked and felt. Mazzy Star, overall, is the perfect album to listen to after a long, stressful day. The repetitive beat will put you straight to sleep.

Expect to hear more about Mazzy Star in the near future. She is currently on tour in the west, but it won't be long before she heads east. Mazzy Star's band is moving around fast, so watch out!

SHARON MADDOX will make you get your picture made for the yearbook... whether you want to or not.



Mazzy Star - An individual? A duo? A group? We don't know, but we think these two people are somehow involved.

Drama Club



Will Be Having Meetings
Every Monday
at 4:30 in Room 215
For Further Information
Contact Professor Tumlin

Calendar of Events

November / December

11/1 - 2/28
11/1 - 11/30
11/13 - 1/2
11/17 - 12/23
11/24 - 1/1

Power Drive! Exhibit at Scitrek. 522-5500
The Member of the Wedding presented by Theatre in the Square. 422-8369
Golden Age of Disney Exhibit at Scitrek. 522-5500
Appalachian Christmas presented by Theatrical Outfit. 872-0665
The 1940's Radio Hour presented by Theatre in the Square at Southern Tech. Tickets are only \$5 with student I.D. 422-8369
Sleepless in Seattle shown in Video Room of Student Center. Sponsored by CAB. Pandean Players in the Student Center Theater. 12:00 p.m. Sponsored by Cultural Series.
Atlanta Knights road trip. Tickets/bus trip \$3. Bus departs at 5:30 p.m. Sponsored by CAB.
In the Line of Fire shown in Video Room of Student Center. Sponsored by CAB.
Commencement Ceremony. 3:30 p.m. in the Southern Tech Gymnasium.
The Wizard of Oz at the Fox presented by Theatre League of Atlanta. 876-0663
Christmas Day. Merry Christmas!

11/29 - 12/3
12/2

12/2

12/6 - 12/10

12/6

12/23 - 12/26

12/25

If anybody reads this, if anybody actually cares, or if you or your organization would like to contribute to the calendar of events, please contact Greg Gibbs or any of the helpful *Sting* editors at 528-7310.

MATH STINGER

By DR. JOEL C. FOWLER

Last issue's geometric puzzle concerning two overlapping squares had several correct solvers. The angle rotated through is the inverse tangent of either $4/3$ or $3/4$ (53.13010 or 36.86990 degrees). Correct answers were received from Jon Colt, Russell Patrick, Alan Gabrielli, and Frank Langston.

The puzzle for the Christmas break is as follows. An alley over horizontal

ground runs between two vertical buildings. Two ladders have been left leaning in the alley forming an X. The first is 30 feet long. Its base is on the ground against the building on the right while its top end rests against the left. The other ladder has length 20 feet and is resting with its base on the ground against the left building and its top against the right building. The point at which the ladders cross is 10 feet off the ground. Find, to three decimal places, the width of the alley. A short form of

the answer is difficult to find (unlike last issue's puzzle). You may find that a graphing calculator is very useful in approximating the solution to an equation that you can't solve algebraically.

Answers should be sent, via conventional methods or e-mail, 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*.

DR. JOEL C. FOWLER is an Assistant Professor of Mathematics.



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By TATOR

Here we come! Once again, the SCT CKI group heads out on another roadtrip. This time, Lance, Irish, Eric, Yivan and Jason headed up to North Carolina to do some good. The only problem was that

one member reportedly tried to DO too much - survey says "L". *GRIN* (Sorry - they made me put that in there!)

Anyway, we do service projects around Cobb County and we're always looking for new members. We're doing things like renovating a house for transitional families, helping with a Thanksgiving food give-out, and helping out in the daycare at a women's shelter.

If you want to help out & have a good time while you're at it, check out one of our meetings - 8pm Tues. Rm 215 in the Stupid Center. Or, come by our office - the one with all the paper on the door. Questions? Call Lance (514-0944) or Tator (973-6930).

TEKE



By POPEYE #382

LET ME TELL YOU SOMETHING!! Spaghetti looks better the first time my brothers. Rah! Rah! Rah! Shish! Boom! Bah! Teke cheerleaders know how to raze hell. Shorty was the spin-master at the Halloween Party and Bluto can definitely mix orange and pineapple juice.

Memories of chapter retreat: "Let's play chug!", and "On the phat track, cruising in the Phatalac with the phat map and a phat hat (a little Dr. Seuss for ya)." Blinded by the light! What!?

Hey, Joe where you going with

that goat in your hand? I'm going down to raze hell at Goat Night!! My brothers the spirit was among us. We definitely let our presence be known among the young republican society. Wake up people we're living in the 90's. Special thanks to our "sponsors" Kiss, Mabeline, and Beavis and Buttthead. Free your mind and the rest will follow. Alright, alright.

Pull out your planner: - Nov. 20, Sunshine bites the dust. - Dec. 7, Christmas dinner with the elder generation. - Feb. 5, Basketball run to North Georgia College to raise money for Special Olympics in the name of frater Tommy Crumbly. - Feb. 11-12, Regional Leadership in North Carolina. - Feb. 26, Red Carnation Ball, the 21st edition.

Don't fall in love.... PLEDGE TEKE!!!! Peace, my brothers. TEKES RAZE HELL!!!!

BSU

Baptist Student Union
By JAMES A. HICKS II

Well, how's everybody doing today? Fine I hope. I'm still trying to catch up on some sleep from the BAPTIST STUDENT UNION (BSU) CONVENTION. 3 hrs a night just doesn't cut it. Between So. Tech and Kennesaw, we brought 28 students. (yeah) We all had a great time going to seminars, singing, watching a certain KSC - BSU President get a pie in the face, and so on. If you missed it, there will be one



By LEIGH ANN & FRIEND

Hey hey hey! Not not not!! As you might be able to tell, this is my FIRST article. So "bare" with me.

First, congratulations go to our new Delta sisters: Stephanie Harris, Mari Lane, Amy Loy, Sharon Maddux, and Angie Peridies. I love to you all!

Secondly, congratulations go to all the sisters for taking third place in Goat Night. So Macy, where did you learn to move like that? And Leigh, just remember, improvising does not always work.

And lastly, congratulations go to two sisters for blowing out the candle. Melanie League finally got her lavalier from Gomer. And SHANNA FERNANDEZ IS GETTING MARRIED!!!

Well that's about all, so goodbye and good luck on finals, hope to see you in January.

in the Spring.

On DEC. 2nd, we will be having the CHRISTmas Banquet at the BSU CENTER. Bring your own covered dish (with food in it) and join in the fun. On NOV. 30th is our last luncheon of the year. The BSU IMPACT TEAM (a drama and music ministry) will be performing. Don't miss it.

In October, 21 students worked at Six Flags from 5 till 1 am and raised \$648.25. The money goes to the Summer Missions Fund which is \$3,500 this year. This money sends people like you and me (yes, college students) to places like Germany, Mexico, Canada, New England, and even to some parts of Georgia. If

you really want to CHANGE THE SHAPE OF YOUR WORLD FOR CHRIST, please fill out a Summer Missions application. See Warren Skinner for more details.

Our BSU Football Team got 3rd Place in the Intramurals Tournament. Good job!!! Also, there are Dorm Bible Studies starting up for men and women. Come by the BSU Center to get more info.

That's about it this time. Remember to "BE LIKE MIKE, the MISSIONARY" and see ya next quarter; same BSU time, same BSU channel.

HAVE A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!



National Society of Black Engineers

By DRE'

The Fall Regional Conference was a SUCCESS. Over 800 students from 36 colleges in this region were in attendance. The Region III NSBE Alumni Extension was in full-effect with members from 10 chapters present. The guest speakers for the weekend were Ms. Vir-

ginia Cleghorn (The first female president of NSBE), Mr. Andrew Young, and Reverend Jarvis J. Ross. Some of the companies that participated in the Career Fair were 3M, Martin Marietta, Champion, and IBM. The Workshop Sessions were very informative, they included Where Does Your Faith Lie, Business Entrepreneurship, Neural Networks: Building Blocks for Computer Learning, and more. On the social level, the Spades Tournament hosted by Southern Tech. and the Party hosted by Georgia Tech. were both very, shall I say, Enjoyable (with a capitol E). The Conference was lots of fun, in a business and professional manner. The Spring Regional Conference is scheduled for February 4 - 6, at Auburn University.

The last General Meeting of the quarter is November 30 @ 12:00 p.m. in the Student Center, all I can say is DON'T MISS IT.

BSA

This is to inform you of the new organizational status of the Student Association (BSA). We have requested to become an active and re-recognized organization here on the campus at Southern Tech.

The main goal of the BSA interact with the students, faculty, different cam-

pus organizations, SGA and the community. In an effort to have a positive and strong voice in the student life at Southern Tech. As well as a strong and unified rapport with other students.

We look forward to interacting and working with all of you in the near future to help make Southern Tech a more unified and social atmosphere.

We thank you for your time, cooperation and support.

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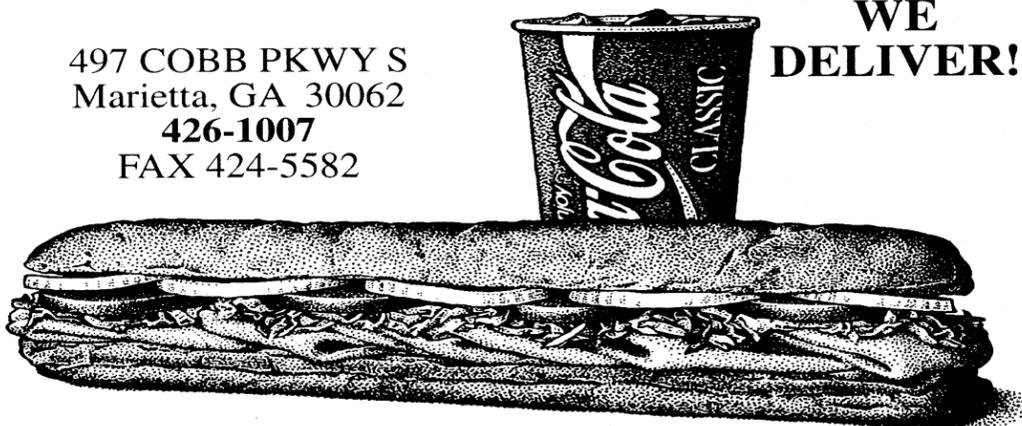
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Larry Leaves

Dear Editor,

I need your advice again. As I leave for other pastures (Norfolk), I want to know—can I fit two years of Southern Tech bliss into your venerated publication? I humbly beseech you to let me try to add to the prestige of your tradition.

Enough butt-kissing. I learned two things here: some things you remember and some things you forget.

I remember my first day at Southern Tech sitting in my first class, but

I forget what class it was. I remember the professors who really are here to teach: Prof. Oxford, Prof. Wrege, Prof. Summers, Prof. Bennett, Prof. Hitchcock (no longer here), Prof. Fowler, and others that I do disservice by not mentioning. These professors embody the true principle of teaching—they care about who, what, and how they teach.

I readily forget the “professors” who think their defecation doesn’t produce odiferous clouds. They have their degree and their intelligence, but they couldn’t teach fish to swim. You know them; you’ve had them. They are not limited to any one department. They are tucked into the corners of every spe-

cialty. They do damage to the heart of higher education.

If performance counts, why aren’t they performing? I remember that departments are lead by department heads. Do they forget that quality of instruction is (or should be) the prime selling point of this college? Are they not cognizant of the professors who can’t teach? What vehicle are they using to judge performance of their charges? Are they judging performance? Many people in the position of administrators/managers say students can’t evaluate the quality of instruction. I may not be a mechanic, but I know if my car has been repaired. Performance must be

judged by all parties involved—it must not be ignored.

I remember all the people I talked and listened to here. You said a lot and I learned just as much as in the classroom. I forget if Joey Buttafuoco and Amy Fisher were in my ethics class. Probably not.

I remember all the wonderful flora diligently placed and cared for by the grounds crew. I remember walking across the campus early in the morning or late at night and feeling good about having a project done. I forget the museum-like quality of the ECET department computer lab as I read about new recreation centers and smell the flowers. I remember

when that display in the ECET breeze-way worked at one time. I forget how long it has been non-functional. Kind of sends a bad signal (pun intended), if you get my drift. Especially during Techfest with all those impressionable young minds walking around. At least the campus was painted.

Finally, I remember we are human and not perfect. It is the striving that strengthens. I’ll forget the Braves didn’t win it all—I’ll remember three great efforts. In time, I’ll recall everything Southern Tech taught me. In time, I’ll forget the imperfections. Bye, and don’t forget to write.

Larry Philipp
Junior in the EET program



By SEAN LEE - SOY

Hello, another quarter is almost over and it seems as though we just started.

On Sunday, November 14th, members of the ISA attended the International Students Day reception at the Woodruff Arts Center in downtown Atlanta. This event was hosted by AMIS and the Mayor of Atlanta. There were international students representing all the colleges in Metro Atlanta. This was a great time to meet other students from many different countries.

On November 19th, the ISA held a party in the Student Center ballroom. Students from the International Student Associations from

many of the colleges and universities in Metro Atlanta came and joined in the fun.

One very important reminder to all International Students - if you are going home or traveling to another country for the Holidays, you must see Charlotte Janis by Wednesday, November 24th.

We wish you a happy Thanksgiving! Good luck on your exams and have a very Merry Christmas! See you back here in 1994.

SWE

Society of Women Engineers would like to invite faculty and students to our next meeting. The meeting will be in room 206 of the student center on November 29, 1993 at 6:15 p.m. The guest speaker will be Rhonda Feltman. Refreshments will be served. We look forward to seeing past, present and future members.

Goat night for the Gamma Phi’s was a lot of fun. Thanks to the cut-a-rug crew that attends our Wed. night ladies night out, the sisters placed first in the lip sinc with our own version of Patty Loveless’ “Blame it on Your Heart”. We feel that every women needs to adopt this as their personal male bashing song. Just kidding to all you NICE guys.

Finally, on November 14th, we held our Big/Little Sister celebration. It gave us an excuse to eat ice-cream and not feel guilty. Also on that night Jill Wooldridge announced her engagement to Brian Gilly. Just in case I didn’t tell you before, Julie Johnson announced her engagement to Clint Johnson on October 23rd. Congrats

ΠΚΦ

By EK 188 AND EK 201

Well were back, and since we gave up our spot in the last issue, we have a lot more to say this time. First things first, PI KAPPS WIN GOAT NIGHT!!!! We had fun on our Big/Little snorkeling trip at Wasega. Thanks to everyone that showed up at the house to help drip dry the tents and to have the best unplanned party ever. Well the two campouts for this quarter are over and still no one is worthy of Streak’s Porcelain Goddess award, although there were many contenders including Babyface on Sunday morning. We would like to apologize to all those unfortunate people who we forgot to call that still made the trip to Wasega.

The Pi Kapps and Gamma Phi’s pulled off a sequel to their Wild, Wild West social on Sept 23rd. The Gamma to the both of you. And to the rest of the sisters, “DON’T EVEN THINK ABOUT IT!”

The quarter will soon be coming to a close, but we still have initiation coming up on Dec. 10th and 11th. We are so excited to be getting all our new sisters. Also on the 11th, we will be having officer installations. We are looking forward to an awesome year.

As a final announcement, the sisters have planned our annual FAVORITE GUY PARTY to be on January 29th at the Falls on Roswell Rd. So be on your toes guys, and think in your mind—“What have I done for the Gamma Phi’s lately?”

See you next issue!

Phi’s tried to teach how to line dance but found out we were not very coordinated. On Oct 30th, We had our annual Halloween bash. This year we had almost 400 people si&med the Risk management notebook. Eddie, we were curios how hard it is to sleep on hay bails. Thanks to all the participants in the Passed-out face painting competition held after the party. The winner by the way was S. Wolfe. On Nov 12th, We through our never again, annual P & P party. It was definitely a night to remember. Congratulations to Mooch for purchasing his first stuffed BEAVER!!

Concerning GOAT NIGHT, we



By LARRY PHILIPP

This article is being written in the U.S.A., but the thoughts were assembled in Mexico. Therefore, this article is a domestic import.

The Tropical Derby project was discussed at length at our November 11 meeting. Twenty-one people were on hand—thank you to all the active members attending. Our sign-up list for the project is growing. Thanks are due several people for their work to date: Brian Strickland for track construction; Casey Moates, Stan Bass, Rick (?), and Arthur Jenkins for firing mechanism discussion. The track will be brought on campus either this week or after Thanksgiving. Again, the competition is part of the next SouthEastCon which is in Miami during April 1994. The details are posted in the IEEE office (G-121)—sign-up at the same place.

would like to thank 007, Pooh, TKO, and Casper for their part in our victory. Their efforts definitely deserved better vote counting. Sponge!(Jenna Talia), you sexy stallion! WHIP IT! GOOD. Good luck to our defending intramural championship teams.

Congratulations to Alpha Delta Pi on their Ten year anniversary. Don’t forget the Day Glow Annual Blowout Party on Dec 3rd, same place different time. Also do not forget Slo and Susanne’s wedding on Dec 1 Ith. Have a safe and happy holidays, and remember Pi Kapp PRIDE is everywhere. ENOUGH SAID!!!

Thanks are also due Professors Summers and Wilson for work on behalf of the IEEE lab. They are tackling equipment acquisition for us. Take a minute when you see them to show your appreciation!

A tour of Automated Logic is scheduled for the date of this issue’s release. Be at the IEEE office (G-121) at 11:50 a.m. on November 23 to catch a ride.

Thirteen people got the flu shot. If you didn’t get it, the flu may get you. Happy Thanksgiving!

The food drive for Cobb County Family and Youth Services concludes today—get your donation to G-121 before 1 p.m. Thank you to all who participated. We did not collect a lot, but it was a good first step in taking on a bigger community project.

The first Winter ‘94 meeting is Jan. 13, 1994. The meeting is at noon in the library rotunda. Please use the outside entrance and we’ll see you there.

My personal thanks to all the great people I met and got to know as a result of IEEE membership. Bye now, hear?

ΓΦΒ

By “CASPER”

Happy Birthday to us, happy birthday to us, happy birthday to Gamma Phi, happy birthday to us!! Yea! Our sorority was founded on November 11, 1874 and we had an excellent celebration on Nov. 13th at the Dunwoody Country Club with the Delta Upsilon Chapter at UGA and the Atlanta Alumnae Chapter. Congratulations goes out to Mindy Estes-Ard for being granted one of the scholarship awards given.

Industry.” The information presented was both interesting and informative. It was clear that the AIC is fast becoming the leader for the professional organizations for the constructor in America today.

Ms Harris extended an invitation to all to attend the AIC National Forum. The Forum will be held in April in Tampa, Florida. A contest for construction students will be sponsored by the AIC. The topic is The Constructor & Safety Issues: Safety & Productivity. Entries must be submitted by December 20, 1993. First place winners will receive a cash prize and an all expense paid trip to the forum to present their findings.

All in all the first meeting was

quite successful. Many student chapter members expressed interest in becoming members of the national organization. Applications are available at the AIC office. (Room 251 in the Student Center) The second meeting for the quarter was held Thursday November 18, at 4:30 pm. The topic of interest focused on the availability of scholarship money for CNST majors here at SCT. Interested students were advised to check with Ms Orr for application forms. Remember the money is there waiting for any qualified student to use. However it is up to you to ask for it.

The time and date for the next scheduled AIC meeting will be posted soon.

NOMA

By KIM THOMAS

NOMA is back on track again!! This quarter we have several activities planned to enrich all students. But first, let’s congratulate our new officers for the 1993-94 school year. Myron Burchall, President, Franz Repole, Vice-President, Alvin Harper, Secretary, Rebecca Cunningham, Asst. Secretary, Leigh Gomez, Treasurer, Nikal Conti-Parliamentarian. One of our new activities will be that ARCH Help Sessions. These help sessions would be geared toward helping the fresh-

man students with their work. Also these sessions can be a source of encouragement for our ED and EDF students. Times, dates and places will be posted for these sessions. Hope to see you there!!! Other activities will be speakers at our meetings and visiting SCT’s adopted elementary school to raise a new generation of architects! Who knows, that trivia contest might even come to past? We are always looking for new, interested, members. Remember NOMA isn’t just for African-Americans; it is for all minorities and women. NOMA is also for any one, of any race who is interested in learning more about minorities in architecture. Come we’d love to have you join us!!!



By CHARLES MAURONE

The AIC held its first fall quarter meeting in October. Ms Cheryl Harris, who is the AIC National Executive Director, was the guest speaker. The turn out was outstanding. More than sixty of Southern Tech’s AIC Student Chapter members along with some guests from the Architecture and Civil Engineering Departments were on hand to hear Ms Harris speak on “Professionalism within the Construction



Dr. Cousins Delivers the opening remarks for the Southern Tech Townhall meeting. Soon afterwards many enquiring questions were asked.

Town Hall continued from 1

parking place for thirty minutes, and still had to park "way out in East Jesus" and still be late for class every day. Administration stated that the professors argue that they don't get paid enough and suggested that he get up earlier in the morning.

The next major issue addressed was the raised dorm fees. The rent increase is set at seventy-five dollars a year. The student was wondering why the school needed a new dorm when the one that we have is not to full occupancy. It was suggested that they are not full because of the poor condition.

Charles Smith, Vice President for Student Affairs, stated that it was an issue of the short-term interest of the customer versus the long-term interest of the institution. As it stands now, the rates in the dorms are \$166 per month, a price that he stated was probably half of anywhere else in town. This figure includes cleaning, telephone, and all utilities. When asked if there was any other ways to fix the dorms without raising the fees, administration stated that repayment of the bonds must start immediately after they are taken out.

Another major issue addressed was the accessibility of buildings to handicapped students. One student stated that only two buildings on campus have automatic doors, and one of them is usually broken. He also said that the elevators are often broken, too. He did find out that there are two handicapped dorm rooms, equipped

with bathrooms. President Stephen Cheshier said that the school must get more money in order to repair, install, or replace handicapped equipment in the buildings around school. Although the enrollment in college doubled in the Eighties, higher education now only gets 11% percent (down from 17%) of the State's total budget.

Another student asked about the installation of an ATM on campus. Mr. Youngblood said that the old bank had been doing a goodwill gesture for the school in exchange for an ad on the sign in front of the school. Work is still being done on getting a different bank to install a machine.

Several questions pertained to student input in the Athletics Program. It was suggested that questions and suggestions be sent to Coach George Perides who left before questions could be asked.

A very important question pertaining to student life was raised. One student suggested that student life planning is left out of decisions many times. He wanted to know if Southern Tech had a long-term plan for the development of student life. Students then learned that no formal plan exists, but many projects, such as the Recreational Center, are in the works. As of now, there are no plans to extend library and lab hours.

On a final note, one student suggested that Southern Tech pick up in the area of Public Relations. He said that he "... did a little homework and found one of the best kept secrets in Georgia."

Financial Aid continued from 1

cial aid advisors are not always in the office when they are needed. Another common problem is many students do not receive a written notice stating their financial aid has been awarded or cancelled. Mainly, students have been complaining about the long drawn-out process.

The council came up with some ideas for improvement. Each club member took a couple of the dis-

cussed financial problems to do some research on. Some of the ideas discussed for financial aid improvement were to make financial aid procedures more computerized, allowing students to check their financial status by computer, and telephones with a touch tone information check up service. The council members will work on these and

other ideas to better the financial aid situation at Southern College of Technology.

If you are having problems or have any new ideas regarding financial aid, please contact one of the SFAAC members. They are Andrew Butler, Maria Fears, Petronia Jones, Stacy Lawson, Alexandria Sims, Mirhonda Studevant, and Jerry Sweeney.

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Acad. Forgiveness continued from 1

thing close to academic forgiveness at Southern Tech is when students transfer in they are given a blank GPA. This basically gives transfer students an advantage over students who have been at Southern Tech their entire college career.

Those who may oppose the policy are students who have always done well in their classes the first

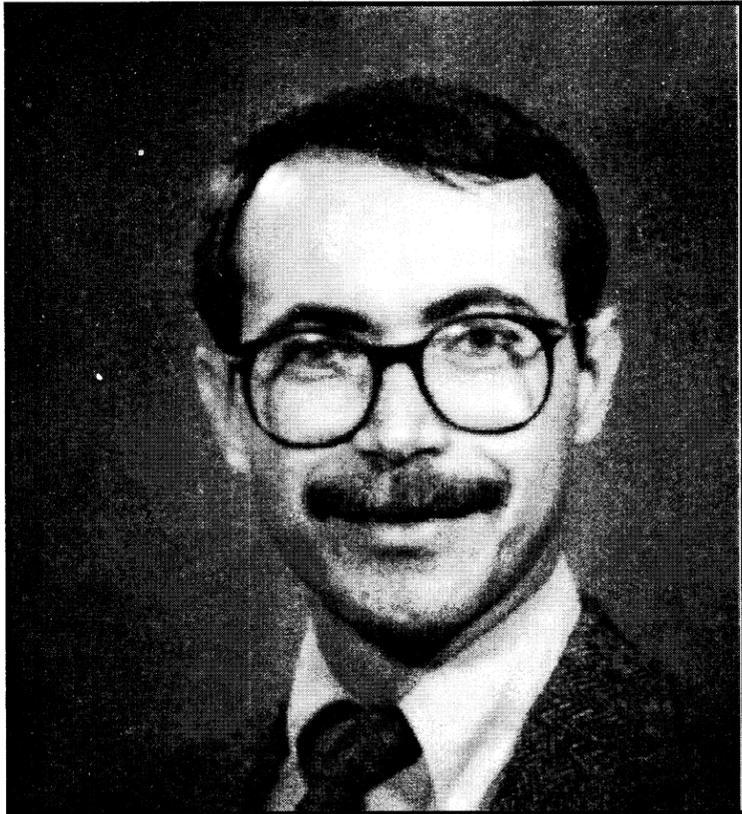
time. They may dislike the idea of passing the first time, and would have the same GPA as a student who has retaken classes. Those opposing the policy may not feel it is fair competition in the job hunt next to those who failed some classes and retook them to earn that high GPA. However, if students received a high grade the second time through a

class it is obvious that the student can do the work, and could do the job just as well as a person who did well the first time.

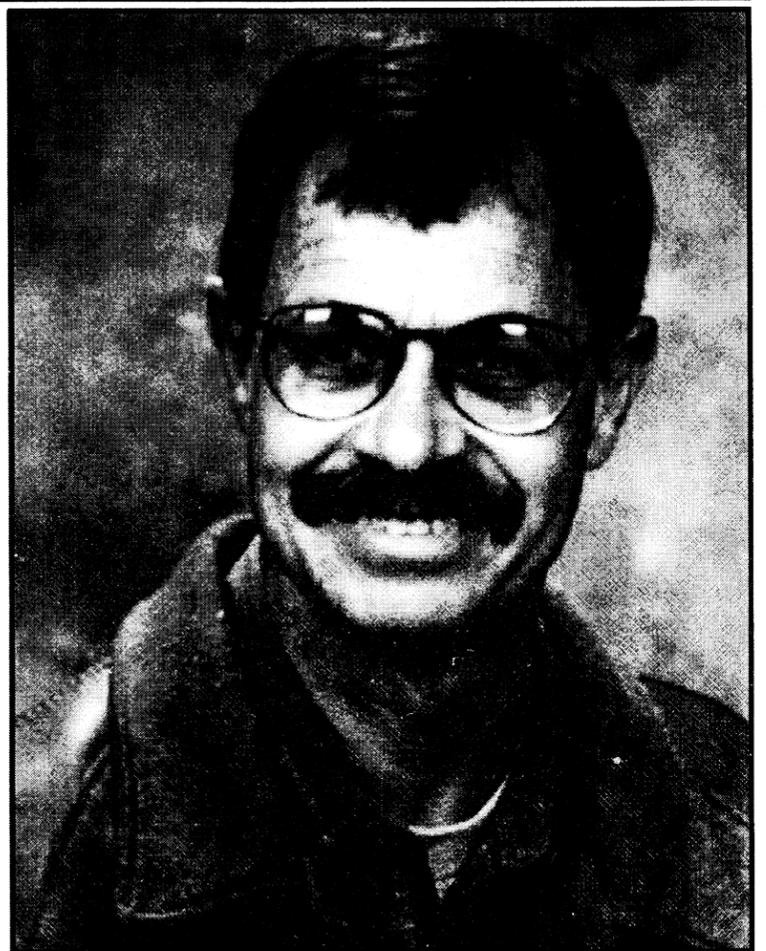
Student Government's proposal was presented to the Documents Review Committee then it was given to the faculty Senate, who rejected the original proposal.

The Student Government then proposed that students could only use academic forgiveness for three classes. This proposal was passed by the Faculty Senate, but did not pass the full faculty review. Now the present proposal is students may only use academic forgiveness for two classes. This new proposal has yet to be reviewed by the faculty Senate.

Dr. Stevens, who is chair of the Documents Review Committee for the Faculty Senate, stated "I am in favor of this proposal, but having some limitation is a good idea." The purpose of academic forgiveness is "to give good students a moderate break" says Dr. Stevens. Academic forgiveness is designed to help those students who have been working hard, but messed up once or twice because, as Dr. Stevens stated, "it is conceivable that a good student can mess up once or twice." Academic forgiveness would not enable students to write off all their classes, but it would simply give students who possibly had a bad quarter a chance to get their grades back up.



Dr. Stevens says the academic forgiveness policy isn't done diddley doodly done for. -Photo courtesy of Technician's Log



This is Dr. Robert Fischer, head of the new Social and International Studies Department. -Photo courtesy of Technician's Log

Inter. Studies continued from 1

tant Social and international studies is in the scope of a Technological education, Dr. Fischer replied, "Look at the movers and shakers in our communities, look at their backgrounds and see where they came from. See what skills regardless of their education they use most often in either making money or acquiring power for themselves. This is not to put down the other subjects because there is a values to them. But I don't see the areas of humanities and Social Science as subordinate to technology or the other way either. The two areas are like hand and glove and are equally important."

In addition to Dr. Fischer, the department includes Dr. Charles Weeks, Dr. Julie Newell

and Dr. Richard Bennett teaching History; Dr. Jacquelyn Cochrane teaching Psychology; and Dr. Bernice Nuhfer-Halten teaching French and Spanish. There is a seventh spot available that may possibly be filled with a Geography or Anthropology instructor.

Dr. Fischer is also putting together a trip to Spain and Portugal that leaves for ten days starting on June 14th. "This trip will give students an opportunity to see what else is out there, other than the United States." The trip costs \$1679 per person and requires a \$410 deposit due in December. Contact Dr. Fischer at 528-7442 for more info.

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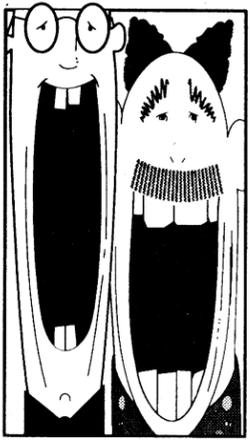
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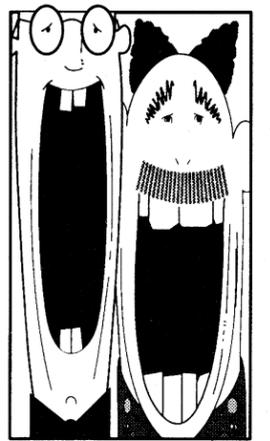
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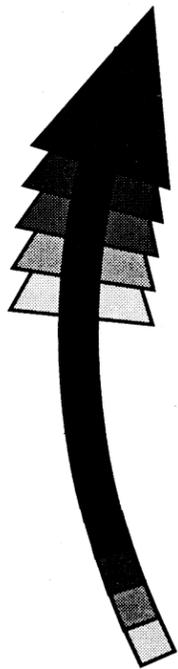
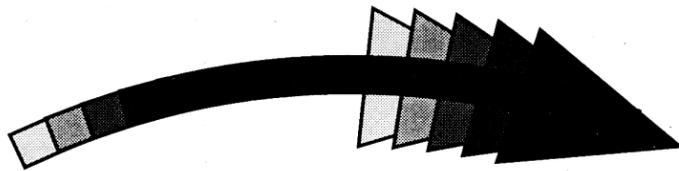


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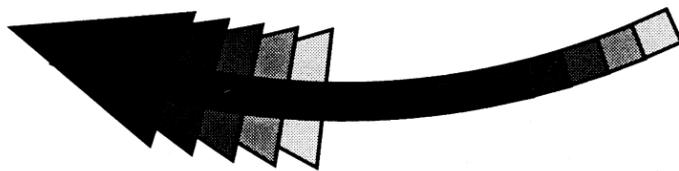
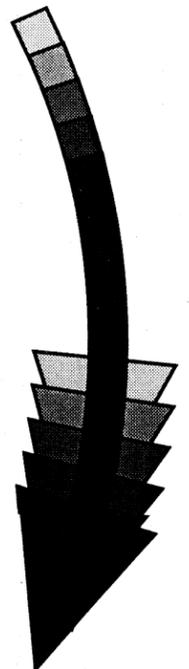


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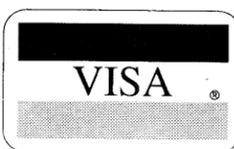
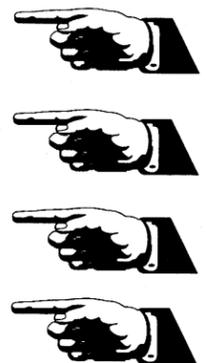


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In a desperate attempt to save money, John McAleer, WGHR General Manager, and Dave Conrad, WGHR Operations Manager, are reduced to eating records. -Photo by Jen Waller

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Maurone, the Vice President of the Southern Tech chapter of the American Institute of Constructors (AIC), who introduced him to Arthur Jenkins and Cathy Clymer, who are co-chairpersons of the student organization Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE).

Jenkins and Clymer jumped at the chance to put their skills to real life use and to save the station \$2,500. They will put together and submit the survey to the FCC. In the survey, Clymer will request "going to the moon." That is, transmitting to the moon (don't worry, Ms. Clymer is staying right here). Ms. Clymer is hoping to be able to transmit throughout Marietta and maybe some of Kennesaw, instead of just the Southern Tech campus. They are using Duncan Pearson

(a contact of Professor Zimny of the Electrical Engineering Department) to check the survey. Pearson is the Chief Engineer of WPBA Channel 30 and WABE 90.1 FM. The Civil Engineering and Construction departments have offered to help with the modifying of the station.

"We're scheduled to increase our antenna height, increase our power output, and possibly go to stereo," said Jenkins. "We are one of the only schools we know of using our own in house expertise... and then going outside of campus to do [something]," Clymer stated.

It speaks highly of the school students to band together. It also says a lot of the different departments working together. The IEEE is asking for help from any department, freshman through senior. All help will be appreciated.

Evaluations continued from 1

answer to council member Meeker was to say that the faculty concerns would be taken into consideration and that a new version to the teacher evaluation would be printed; however, that these evaluations are for made by students and only for student use.

When interviewed at a later date, Mr. Wages and Ms. Waller were asked to go into greater detail about the concerns of the

faculty against students giving bad evaluations.

Mr. Wages stated again that the teacher evaluations were not being done to demean or degrade the faculty in any way, but were only for student use. He then went on to say that if the faculty felt threatened in any way, maybe they have something to worry about. However, professors who are doing a good job do not have anything to worry about.

Ms. Waller and Mr. Wages realize that some students will be biased against some professors because they do not like them, but that and effort will be made to weed out as much as possible those biased opinions from the unbiased ones.

Teacher evaluations will be distributed to all departments on campus and in the Student Center, as well as being published in this issue of *The Sting*.

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wondering what in the hell provoked me to write it. To make a long story short, I was accused of being too nice by two girls in the same week. One of them actually had the nerve to say that I wasn't a real man because I was too much of a gentleman. That really pissed me off. It was those two girls, and I say girls because they certainly aren't women, who provoked me to do this. I now feel justified because I have proved that most WOMEN prefer nice guys.

In conclusion, I would like to say that I *am* a nice guy and I am PROUD of it. There is nothing wrong with being a gentleman, and I hope this editorial makes both men and women take a look at the person you are currently involved with. Now think of what your IDEAL mate would be like. Are these two people the same? If not, why not?

Just a small observation by a nice guy...

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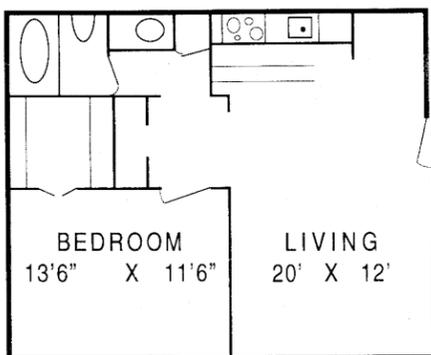
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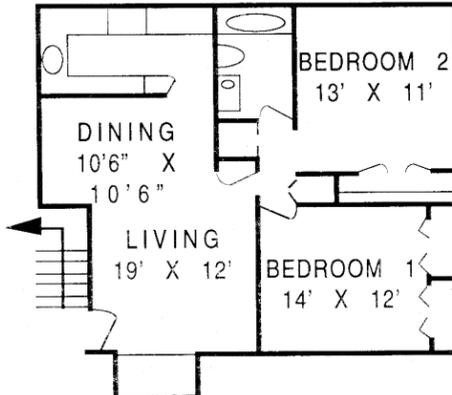
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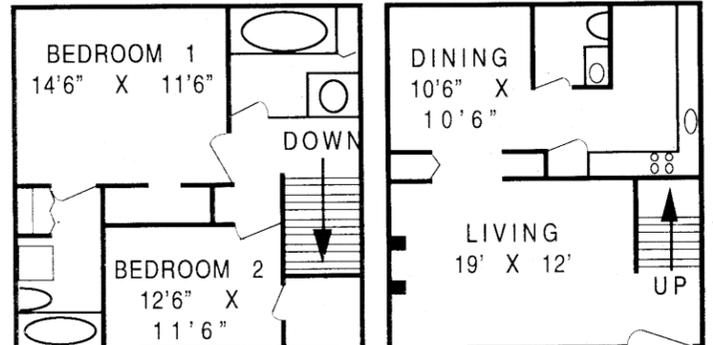
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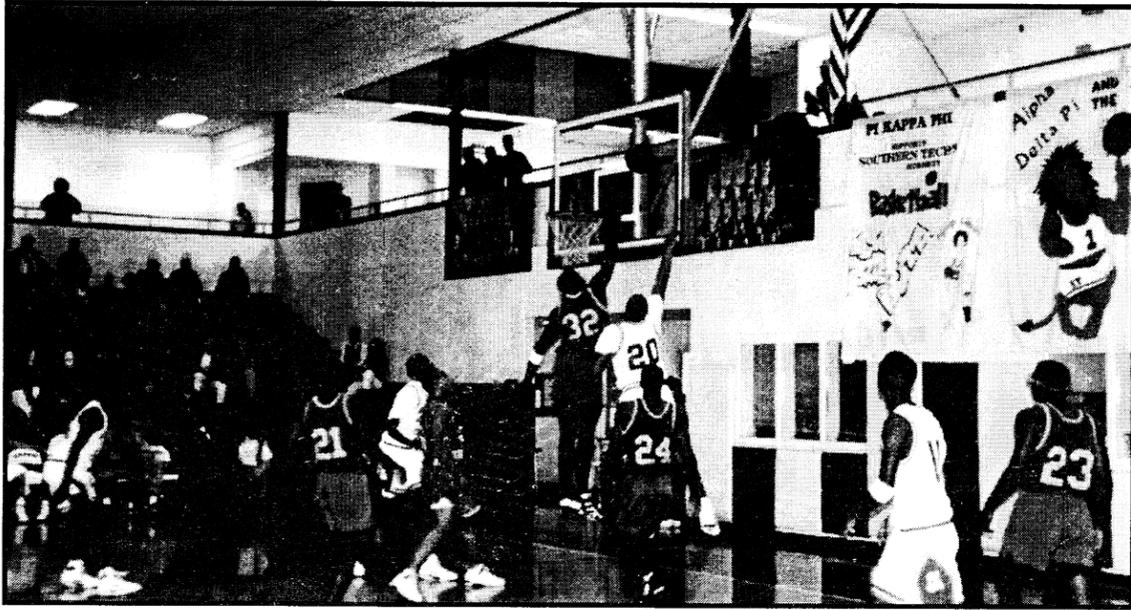
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Basketball Returns to SCT



Basketball pictures are generally all the same:guys, a basketball and armpits. We chose this one because there were no armpits and it broke the mold. Photo by Jeff Hiatt

By PHIL COLLINS

The Southern Tech Runnin' Hornets started off their 1993 campaign in strong fashion going 3-1 and posting big victories over Allen University and Montevallo university at home.

Coach Perides welcomed back returning players Jermaine Griggs and Terry Herrod to the team. Herrod's Leadership and Griggs' quickness are sure to make for an exciting season.

The Hornets opened their season at home versus Allen University. The Allen University team didn't have their act together for this early season meeting between the

two teams. Southern Tech trounced Allen 93-39.

The Hornets second game took them to Alabama to take on the nationally ranked Montevallo University team. The Hornets were not nearly as successful versus Montevallo, falling 50-62

The Hornets took their one and one record back up against the Allen University team. Once again Allen was outmatched by the Hornets losing again at the Southern Tech Gymnasium 72-51.

On last Monday the hornets once again faced off against Montevallo. The Hornets exacted their vengeance at home by defeating Montevallo at home 77-54.

There were some in the crowd that wondered (Some very loudly and vocally) why Coach Perides held back the team in the second half and allowed the team to take only one shot and that when only five seconds remained on the shot clock. Students remarked that attendance might increase if the games were more exciting. "High scoring and fast breaks are what people want to see. Nobody wants to watch the guys passing the ball around and not slamming." says one female student "Basketball is supposed to be exciting not boring.

Terry Herrod

Name: Terry Herrod. #12
 Age: 21
 Height: 6'
 Weight: 165
 Position: Guard
 Major: Tech Management
 Class: SeniorBasketball

This year, Senior Terry Herrod's goal is for twenty wins, a district championship, and a trip to Tulsa for the NAIA National Tournament. Terry, a student in the Tech Management Department, hopes for a job working with people, such as politics or coaching basketball, after graduation.

Maybe he should let them play instead of over coaching." Coach Perides has coached basketball here at Southern Tech for a number of years. He has had winning seasons for a number of years prior to this and his formula seems to work. the best thing that the students at South-

ern Tech can do is to come out and support the team. upcoming home games for the hornets include:
 December 9 Tennessee Temple
 December 10 Selma University
 January 5 Martin Methodist
 January 8 North Georgia College

Intramurals cool!

By BILL GREVE

FLAG FOOTBALL

It was a cold, grey November day as the engineers from Southern Tech took the field. Yes, intramural flag football reared its rugged head. Many took their stance on the turf and waited for the hike of ball before hunting down the opposing team's flag. After the preliminary battles, two were left standing for the final showdown: Sigma Nu and the Wolverines. After lining up toe-to-toe, the Wolverines proceeded to emasculate the unfortunate Sigma Nus. Trying to keep the score close the Sigma Nus eventually fell to the overpowering Wolverines 34 - 0. The Wolverines continued their flag football season by journeying to Statesboro this past weekend to participate in the Collegiate Intramural Flag Football Championships. Scores were not in by presstime.

TABLE TENNIS

Ping pong balls flew across the Student Center game room like so many hail stones as the Intramural Table Tennis Tournament took place last week. Singles fielded 18 players in a single elimination tournament, while doubles consisted of 3 teams playing double elimination. Pounding the celluloid spheres with all their might, Rick Southavanhvong and Sly Pandtha bested Dr. Lee Tucker and Alan Truett in the

doubles finals. We're sure Dr. Tucker won't hold this against them. The singles competition winnowed down to Rick Southavanhvong and Dr. Tucker in one semi-final, with Alan Truett and Mike Penrow in the other bracket. Rick took the singles championship with his victory over Alan.

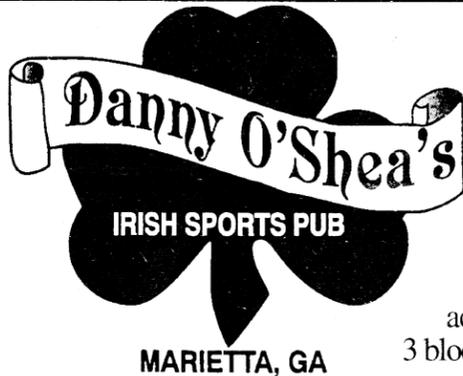
WIFFLE BALL

Wiffle ball fielded 8 teams, with 6 making it to the playoffs. Similar to baseball, wiffle ball had a few unique rules to conform to the gym playing field. Outs were recorded by "pitcher's hand", hitting the runner with the ball, or by catching it off the wall. Also homerun walls were in play for the fortunate Casey at the Bat. In the single game World Series Panic destroyed Pi Kappa Phi by the score of 5 - 1. Lee Sullens and Lamont Kiser each had two homeruns and Dane Caldwell had one for the Panic. Rounding out the team in field were Josh Caldwell, Michael Penrow, and Shawn Barefield

MISC.

The Steamboat Springs ski trip for December 11-17 has been canceled due to lack of interest. Only 2 people payed the fee. More intramurals will be coming up next quarter and camping equipment is always available for rental. Any questions, or answers, please call Karl Staber at 528-7349.

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