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## Athletics Complex Plans Are With the Architect

By BRENT TEMPLE

If you are graduating before the summer of 1995, don't bother reading anything else about Southern Tech's new athletic complex. Unfortunately it will not be finished during your college career. Those graduating at any later time can now begin eagerly awaiting the completion of the many facilities to be included in the project.

Architect George Flynn reported that within the next three months the designs should be at the Fire Marshall's office and up for bid. Groundbreaking is planned for this summer. Completion of the Indoor recreation center should take place in the summer of 1995.

The new complex will truly be a marvel. Southern Tech students will be able to play basketball, racketball, badminton, volleyball, swim, lift weights, and do aerobics. In the current gym, students can only play volleyball, basketball, or lift weights.

On a less exciting note, the Georgia Senate has yet to accept the payback project for the new dormitory into this year's budget.

Today, state Senator Steve Thompson will again try to get the dorm project through. If it does not pass this time, Southern Tech will have to wait for the next legislative session. The new dormitories would be more like apartments than typical dorm rooms.

Plans include individual livingroom, kitchen, bedroom, and bathroom facilities for each unit. The proposed plans will have a 680 bed capacity. The current dorms are in good shape for their age, but they were built in 1966 and 1969. That makes them older than most students.

## KAΨ Fraternity Investigated For Hazing

By KASSIA CATO  
and BILL GREVE

On February 25, Southern College of Technology and Georgia Institute of Technology suspended the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity pending the outcome of a Georgia Bureau of Investigation inquiry and internal campus investigation into alleged hazing activities.

Stephen Otey, Jr., a Southern Tech student, filed a complaint with Southern Tech February 23 alleging injuries sustained during a hazing event by Kappa Alpha Psi. He received medical attention for his injuries on February 5.

According to Southern Tech President Stephen Cheshier, "we feel deep regret and anger that any organization or persons would endanger the physical or emotional well being of our students, and reflect so poorly on themselves and their respective institutions."

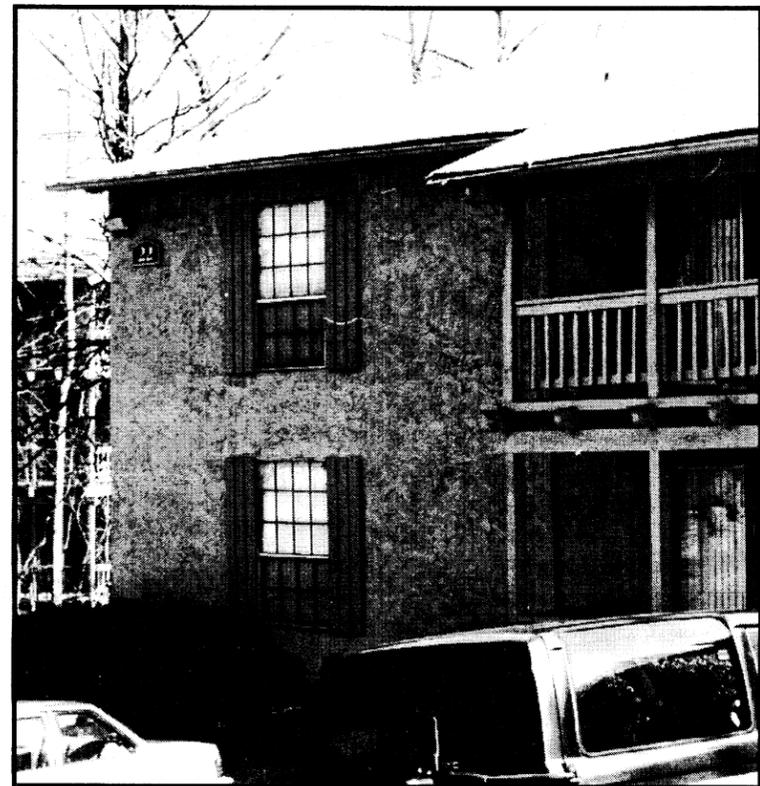
The GBI was asked by Georgia Tech to conduct an investigation because of dual county law enforcement jurisdiction. Alleged hazing activities are reported to have occurred in both Cobb County and in Atlanta. Campus Public Safety and administration officials for Southern Tech are also conducting internal campus investigations and working with appropriate local

law enforcement authorities.

On February 25, criminal warrants were filed at the Magistrate Court of Cobb County for Southern Tech students Tyrone Dunham, Michael Gonzales, Tyrone Richardson; Georgia Tech student Derrick Maze; and nonstudents Derrick Francis, Troy Highsmith, and Wade Walker. They were arrested on Saturday, February 26 and each were released on \$2,500 bond.

The warrants concern two alleged hazing incidents occurring at a residence in the Franklin Park Apartments at 861 Franklin Rd. Mr. Otey states that as a result of the alleged hazing incidents on January 27 and February 2 he sought medical treatment on February 5. The warrants stated he was treated for "... abdominal contusions, trauma, and hemotorria..." Mr. Otey sought medical attention when, after three days, his "... back hurt, stomach hurt, I couldn't digest food [and wasn't able to] work for three days."

The Kappa Alpha Psi chapter at Georgia Tech was suspended from all activities two years ago and only reinstated last fall; an extension or colony organization of that chapter is recognized as an "organization under formation" on the campus of



This is the apartment building where the hazing incident allegedly took place. -Photo by Tony Perez

Southern Tech.

Georgia Law (Code 19812, 16-5-61 enacted in 1988) states that hazing activity shall be unlawful. Southern Tech's policies on hazing are stated in the Student Handbook and College

Catalog under Student Conduct Code. Hazing is defined as "any act which tends to occasion or allow physical or mental suffering in connection with rites or ceremonies of induction, ini-

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## An Alternative to Developmental Studies

By BILL FINNICK

Jan Kemp's landmark 1986 law suit against the University of Georgia had changed the face of admissions policies in the states 34 public colleges, that is until now.

On February 10, 1994, the Southern Tech Faculty voted 54-15 in favor of, "An Alternative to Developmental Studies." SCT President Stephen Cheshier now has thirty days to review the proposal and is expected to approve it.

The Regents had established that a Developmental Studies (DS) program be made available to all students that score below 350 in Math or Verbal on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT).

Southern Tech's former standard was to extend the SAT-DS cutoff scores to 409 Verbal and 439 Math.

Students that failed to meet these minimum scores were placed into the varying levels of the DS program. Once in the DS program students had to pass the applicable Math, English or Reading Collegiate Placement Exam

(CPE).

Even further, students that were found to be deficient in Math were required to take DS Physics. There is no state mandated program for DS Physics.

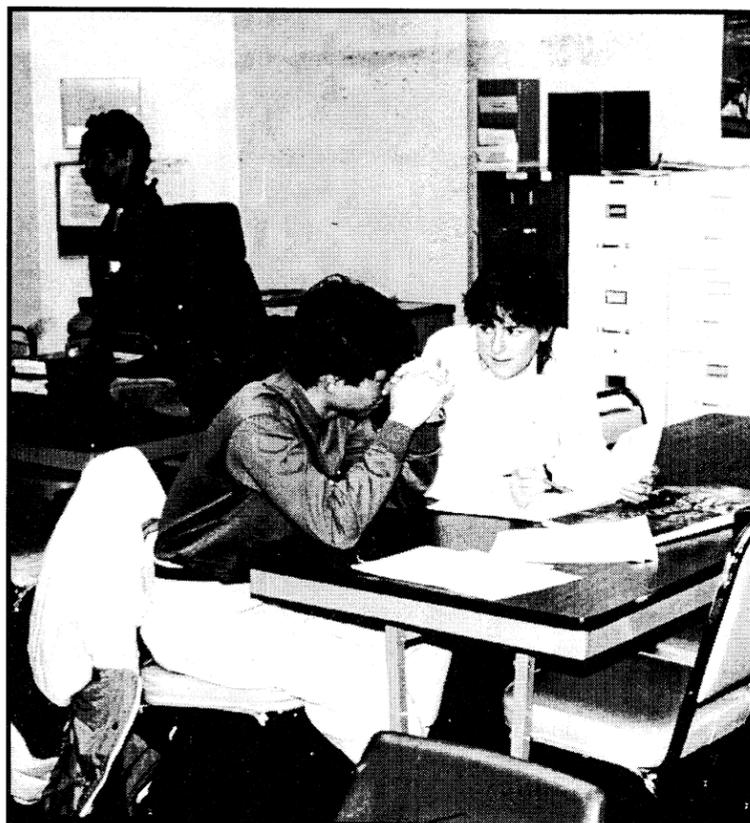
Ninety-eight percent of SCT graduates have SAT scores of 350 or better which was a factor in changing the admissions standards. Southern Tech does not accept anyone with SAT scores under 350 anymore; there by, no longer statically requiring a DS program.

Southern Tech's alternative is possible through changes the Board of Regents made in their developmental studies policy last year, which now allows more institutional flexibility. The schools goal is to now use its limited resources to help all students and not just one segment.

The administration did not have a problem with the DS department; they had a problem with the state's program. Some problems Southern Tech had with the state's DS program were:

•Negligible control on the de-

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If a train leaves Los Angeles at 3 pm heading west and another train leaves New York at 4 pm heading east, how long until Japan's \$60 billion trade deficit with the U.S. destroys the U.S. economy?

Photo by Bill Finnicks

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# EDITORIALS

## KASSIA Says

### "Don't Be So Stuck Up!"

By KASSIA CATO

Last week, I was in a meeting with some of the faculty and staff of Southern Tech. We were discussing ways in which to improve relations between students and the faculty. While in this meeting, a professor made the statement that most students at this college are intimidated by professors. When someone asked why students felt this way, I naturally said the first thing that came into my mind. It went something like this, "I think the reason why students feel intimidated has a lot to do with the professor's attitude when they teach the class."

Before I go any further, I have to say that members of the *Sting* staff told me that I was probably making a big mistake by writing this editorial at the end of the quarter, before grades came out. But I am sure that no professor here at Southern Tech would hold a grudge against someone for stating his/her opinion and fail them in a course.

When I was a freshman, I was in a physics class and a classmate asked a question about a problem. The professor got all upset and told the student and the rest of the class that it was not his job to teach us math, we should have learned that in a high school math class. After that remark, nobody ever asked him another physics question that involved math (like you can do physics without math). It was not until my fourth quarter here that I really had to stand up to a professor. The only reason I did this was because he gave me a zero on a quiz because he did not like my answer (which was based on

what I read in the text book) and refused to change that grade. It was at that point that I decided I was not going to take this kind of crap any more and I basically told him to change that quiz grade or I would report that he was not using the text book required for that course. Needless to say, he saw the light and changed my quiz grade. It is this type of attitude that make students feel intimidated by the professor. If I had followed these poor excuses for so called professors' example, I probably would have never opened my mouth and flunked out of college.

Now I will be first person to admit that not all Southern Tech professors act like they are gods in the classroom. However, there is that small minority that think they are (when they really are not all that great). One thing that really sticks in my mind is a statement Dean Yancy made during my freshman orientation some years ago. Dean Yancy said, "We (professors) are paid by you (students), to teach you what you want to know about a particular area in your field of study. When you ask a question and the professor does not try to answer or help you with that question, then go see the department head to get help. If the department head won't help you go, above his/her head and get the help you need."

I cannot understand why professors with so much knowledge to share would act like they are above others who do not have that knowledge yet, because they (professors) took this job because they loved teaching (at least I hope that they did).

KASSIA CATO did not write her own pithy saying and we could not come up with a politically correct one.

## Library Editorial Part ∞ Jarred Takes His Turn

By JARRED FEHR

I am aware that the past two issues of the editorial section has had numerous passages about our esteemed library. I hate to sound as if I were harping on the same topic as my cronies because I am not. No, I am not here to complain about the lack of library hours. I am here to complain about the incidents (please notice the plural) I had in the library about a week ago.

I had received a notice in the mail that I had some overdue books. I promptly returned to school the next day to return my books on John D. Rockefeller which the library needed desperately to fill the demand for books on mid-20th century philanthropists. The library clerk checked his computer and told me that I owed seven dollars in fines. I had no problem in paying this fine because I consider this my own way of supporting our library for longer hours. I reached into my wallet and retrieved a ten dollar bill. [I am a bagger at Fayetteville Kroger (Store #315) so I only carry large bills]. The clerk told me that I had to pay the exact amount because the library will not make change.

I could not believe what I was told and had to ask, "Can't make change?" How could anyone who deals with monetary exchange on a regular basis not make change? Wouldn't it be great if every time we had to go to the grocery store we would have to pay exact change. Just because the cashiers are too lazy to make change. "I'm sorry. That will be \$89.99. Exact change and no checks."

If it were not for the fact that they could freeze my records and prevent me from registering next quarter, I would have waited to pay them until the day I walked into the library and just happen to have seven dollars exact change.

But of course I made a special trip to the main Nations Bank branch in Atlanta to get the seven dollars: exact change. I will not mention the time and gasoline I wasted to get there or how much air my car polluted on the way to Atlanta. Nevertheless, I managed to pay off

my fine before registration.

But I am not finished yet. No, one incident in the library could not motivate me to write an editorial. But two could!

I have been working on my research paper for English 112 for the past few weeks (as many other freshmen have) in our library with little success. I was on one of the microfiche machines looking through old back issues of magazines when I found a page that I needed.

It appeared that the machine would only take dimes for copies. It just so happened that I had one solitary dime. So I made sure that the controls were set properly and put my dime into the slot aaannnd. . .out came a blank sheet of paper.

I was in total shock. I did not feel like trying to fight for my dime back (that's an editorial for another day) so I got up to see if I could get some change from the library desk. As I stood up, I noticed a piece of paper with a message on top of the microfiche machine.

It said that the library does not provide change for machines or copiers and to bring your own. I fell in my chair out of shock. Do I have to make a regular stop at Nations Bank every time I go to the library? I think not. What good is a copier if I don't happen to have the specific kind of change for their machines.

Our library really should get with the program. I can't believe that our library can get away with this for long. This must be something new that the students just haven't caught on to yet. I feel that the library should invest in a little pocket change and try to become more of a service to the students. If it is too much trouble to teach the clerks to count change, they could at least get some kind of machine to give out dimes or whatever coins are needed in their machines.

With all that said, I now hope that we can demilitarize the library zone.

JARRED FEHR will give \$1 to the first person to run up to him and say, "Jarred Fehr is the greatest writer in the World!" making sure to pronounce his last name correctly.

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## Hazing Goes Mental As Well As Physical

By **LESLIE KEMP POOLE**

(CPS)- Michael Davis hoped that one day he might win a Pulitzer Prize for reporting, a dream that was cut tragically short by a beating allegedly administered by his own fraternity brothers.

Davis, 25, a junior in journalism and a staff writer at the Southeast Missouri State University's student newspaper, *The Capaha Arrow*, died Feb. 15 of blunt trauma to the head. Kappa Alpha Psi pledges told police that Davis had collapsed while running through a gauntlet of punches at a football field. Instead of being taken to a hospital, he was carried to an off-campus apartment in Cape Girardeau, Mo., where he died.

Family members said it was not the first time Davis had been beaten, and they had begged the young man to give up pledging for the fraternity after he returned home one day with a scratch on his nose.

"When I asked him why he wanted to pledge this fraternity, he said, 'Ma, when you're pledged, you have to take it,'" his mother, Edith Davis, told reporters.

As of Feb. 23, seven fraternity members had been charged with involuntary manslaughter and hazing, three others facing hazing charges, and six alumni fraternity members were charged with hazing, said Ann

Hayes, the university's news bureau director. Police are continuing their

investigation.

A Feb. 22 memorial service was held on campus. "I think the whole campus here is mourning the death," Hayes said.

Davis was a dedicated student with a bright future in newspapers. "He seemed to know where he was going and what he was doing in journalism," Hayes said.

University President Kala Stroup ordered the Kappa Alpha Psi chapter permanently banished from campus. The group had been suspended in 1988 for a year because of hazing.

As the recent incident shows, hazing is alive and well in American colleges and universities. Although physical punishment actually has been on the wane in recent years as a result of increased awareness and prosecution, more insidious, "invisible" mental abuse of fraternity and sorority pledges continues.

Stiffer anti-hazing regulations in recent years — 38 states outlaw it — have made a difference in deterring physical abuse of pledges, said Larry Lunsford, director of student affairs at Florida International University in Miami. Until the last 20 years, incidents in which pledges were publicly humiliated, paddled, forced to consume often deadly amounts of alcohol, beaten to death, or deprived of sleep and food were not unusual, he said.

Lunsford, who has lectured nationally about hazing, said physical

punishment hasn't been completely eliminated: "Undoubtedly some practices have gone underground or behind closed doors," he said, adding that most hazing now involves verbal abuse of pledges.

"Things have gone underground on many campuses because national fraternities have taken very strong, positive steps to eliminate it (hazing)," said Eileen Stevens, founder of the Committee to Halt Useless College Killings — C.H.U.C.K. — the name of her 20-year-old son who died in 1978 from alcohol poisoning and exposure in a hazing incident at Alfred University in New York. She estimates there have been 60 hazing deaths since 1975, a figure that she admits may not be correct "because so many are characterized as accidents," just as her son's death initially was reported. Hazing also is hard to detect because membership in many organizations includes oaths of silence, she said.

Those oaths coupled with a strong need to belong to a group often are more compelling to young people than publicly revealing the truth about the humiliation suffered at the hands of older fraternity members.

At the University of Central Florida, three young men wanted to be part of a group, having pledged to become members of a fraternity, but they didn't expect to undergo a series of tests that included being hung

upside down, blindfolded, and urinated on by seven of their "brothers" as a test of worthiness.

UCF suspended the Sigma Alpha Epsilon chapter from participating in any campus activities until fall 1994 when it will be considered for reinstatement, said UCF Spokesman Dean McFall. Five of the men who participated in the off-campus hazing were suspended from school for one to three semesters, McFall said, adding that this was the first time UCF has suspended any student group for hazing since the school opened in 1968.

"It speaks to the fact that we have not been plagued by problems," McFall said. "It was important that the university take a vigorous position."

ΣAE also imposed penalties for the chapter: four men were expelled from the fraternity, 40 were suspended from membership until they graduate, and the remaining 50 members will undergo a "re-education" program that includes information about gender sensitivity, leadership, alcohol responsibility, and hazing, said Michael Stroup, alumni commission chairman for ΣAE's Florida chapter. The fraternity's intention is to rebuild a chapter that once was nominated as one of the best in the country, Stroup said, adding that the three pledges who were hazed remain with the UCF chapter.

But even with state laws, stricter college enforcement and self-policing by fraternities, the practice continues, usually in conjunction with alcohol consumption, Stevens said.

"It's happening. You can be sure when I'm invited to a campus that there's a concern there," said Stevens who regularly lectures student groups about hazing. "Kids tell me there is still hazing. They may be minimizing it or doing something they think is less dangerous, but it is still happening. It can claim a life. It can ruin a family."

Tradition is the main reason hazing survives, Lunsford said. Members and recent alumni believe that since they had to endure certain physical or mental tests, new members should endure the same to build unity, he said, adding that "when a group's been doing it for 50 or 60 years, it's hard to shut it down."

Hazing dates back to the origins of the university in medieval Europe, a tradition that continued with early American university practices of testing incoming freshmen, as in making them wear special caps, Lunsford said. But it wasn't until the turn of the century that hazing became an accepted fraternity and sorority practice, turning ugliest with the infusion of soldiers into colleges after World War II who harassed new fraternity members as they had treated military recruits, he added.

With a drop in Greek enrollment in the 1970s, combined with growing litigation and high mon-

etary awards in hazing death and injury cases, physical hazing practices became outlawed and began to decrease, Lunsford said.

Today, Greek membership is very popular among college students. The National Interfraternity Council estimates that its 63 member fraternities have 400,000 undergraduate members in U.S. and Canada and 200,000 women are members of the 26 sororities that make up the National Panhellenic Conference. The NIC does not keep hazing statistics.

Hazing isn't restricted to Greek groups. Fraternity and college spokesmen emphasized that such practices are notorious in other student organizations such as ROTC, bands, athletic teams, business organizations, and even honor societies. Abuses by Greeks may be more easily identifiable because members often wear clothing with their organization's emblems and the abuse may take place at their designated housing or property.

While the incidence of physical tests of pledges may be diminishing, "mental and psychological duress is on the increase," Stevens said. "Mental" hazing may consist of pledges being forced to answer questions quickly, to take tests that have no answers, and to endure verbal humiliation that may not result in death but can take a great toll on new, impressionable collegestudents who are eager to please their peers and fit in with a group, she said.

"These are emotional scars that will be with those young people for the rest of their lives," Stevens said. "Their self-esteem is shattered, their confidence is shattered, they may drop out of school — there have been reports of suicide attempts."

"Generally hazing has moved away from the physical to the mental mind games — more like intimidation, ridicule, humiliation," said Andrew Robison, Greek adviser at the University of New Hampshire whose students last year provided much of the impetus for the state's new anti-hazing law. "It's nothing more than an ego trip. The brothers or sisters or athletes — the group does it for an ego trip. They get a big rush, a kick of exerting their power over a 'lesser.'"

Ron Binder, the University of Georgia's fraternity adviser, said as physical abuses have decreased, college officials have turned their attention to mental testing, causing an evolution in the definition of hazing.

Mental hazing is a "lot more subtle," Binder said, calling it "a special form of harrassment."

To combat these abuses, colleges must have clear anti-hazing policies that are widely understood by group members and potential pledges, Binder said. University of Georgia efforts include educating pledges about their rights; sending letters to the parents of pledges stating the school's policy; operating a hazing hotline to make it easy to report violations and offering ano-

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# College Town Relieved By Rolling Plea

GAINESVILLE, Fla. (CPS)—Relief was enormous among students and administrators at the University of Florida when a Louisiana drifter abruptly pleaded guilty to the 1990 murders of five college students just as his trial was scheduled to begin.

"Our community, the families and so many others have lived with the uncertainty surrounding these terrible events for three years. We are relieved that our legal system has answered, with certainty, the question of who committed these crimes," University President John Lombardi said.

But Lombardi also somberly noted that things will never be the same on the picturesque North Florida campus.

"The loss of these five wonderful young people will always be a part of our institutional and individual memories," Lombardi said. "It will remain a constant reminder of the fragility of life."

Danny Harold Rolling, 39, stunned courtroom spectators Feb. 15, including the victims' family members, when he pleaded guilty to five counts of first-degree murder, three counts of sexual battery and three counts of armed burglary.

"I have been running from first one thing and then another all my life, whether from problems at home or with the law, or from myself," Rolling told the court in a soft, Southern accent. "But there are some things that you just can't run from, and this being one of those."

The Independent Florida Alligator published a special afternoon edition

with the news about Rolling's plea.

In the next phase, a jury will decide whether Rolling will face the electric chair or life in prison for the slayings of Christina Powell, 17; Sonja Larson, 18; Tracy Paules, 23; Manuel Taboada, 23, all University of Florida students; and Christa Hoyt, 18, a student at Santa Fe Community College.

Defense attorneys said Rolling had decided in late January that confessing to the crimes was "the right thing to do." The Feb. 15 admission to the charges was not part of a plea-bargain arrangement. The prosecution still intends to seek the death penalty, although defense lawyers say they plan to demonstrate that Rolling was mentally ill at the time of the killings.

Students seemed relieved by the plea. Many were freshmen or sophomores when the serial killings were discovered over the course of three days. Some local residents had expressed doubts whether police had captured the real killer when Rolling was arrested.

"Peace of mind was something this community was after. Now it's not just speculation. He's the killer," Doug Kotler, a 24-year-old law student, told The Orlando Sentinel.

A former UF student, Edward Humphrey, originally was a prime suspect in the killings, although he was later dismissed. Humphrey, who suffers from manic depression, had gone off his medication and was arrested as a result of his bizarre behavior. While in custody, he gave investigators rambling, incoherent statements that made them suspect he had something to do with the

murders.

It was not until four months later that Rolling was linked to the murders through DNA testing after he was arrested in connection with a robbery spree in West Florida. Blood and semen found at the Gainesville crime scenes matched Rolling's genetic blueprint.

Other evidence was discovered at a makeshift camp in the woods where Rolling had been living.

According to prosecutors, Rolling may have spotted three of his female victims in advance — two while they were buying merchandise at a Wal-Mart store and one who was buying ice cream

at a convenience store — and followed them home to their apartments, where they were raped, murdered and mutilated.

Rolling also was wanted in Shreveport, La., for the attempted murder of his father and remains a suspect in three other murders in Shreveport.

## Request For Public Records

DALLAS (AP)—Officials at Texas A&M University asked the Texas attorney general for permission to withhold from the public an internal audit of one of the university's departments — apparently before they even knew whether the report existed. The incident is the most recent in a legacy of battles over the public's access to the school, The Dallas Morning News reported Monday. Attorney General Dan Morales' office on Feb. 15 ordered the audit of the university's food service division released. Friday, 10 days after the attorney general's mandate, university officials said there was no audit to release. Later in the day, a spokesman concluded the audit does exist. However, contrary to provisions of state open government laws, he said he would not release it until A&M lawyers reviewed it. Rene Henry, executive director of university relations, said the school is trying to comply with state laws governing requests for public records. "Part of it is changing a corporate culture, which is not going to happen overnight," Henry told the newspaper. "It seems to be a morass, as usual," said Gaines West of Bryan, a former A&M staff attorney now in private practice

who represents three former Aggie food services department executives who have threatened to sue the university over job reassignments. Last Thursday, a Brazos County grand jury indicted two aides to the A&M Board of Regents on charges of tampering with government records. Both aides were accused of falsifying official expense vouchers to conceal liquor purchases for A&M regents, and then altering the records before releasing them to a reporter who sought them under state open records law. The Texas attorney general's office on Friday acknowledged that increasing complaints about A&M's handling of open records requests may warrant new scrutiny. "I would certainly hope that we might be able to work with them to get them a little more education on what is legally required, both in the spirit and the intent of the law," said Madeleine Johnson, a member of the Texas attorney general's litigation staff. "One of the things we try to stress is the importance of having the right attitude," she said. A&M Chancellor William Mobley and Henry were in Dallas the day before the indictments were returned last week to discuss complaints from The Dallas Morning News

about the school's handling of its requests for public information. Texas A&M, a school with a strong military background, must learn to alter a culture in which authority is not challenged, Henry said. "We don't react as a public institution that everything we do is public," he said. "There has been a feeling among some people at the university that we are private, that if we're doing it right, it's nobody's business." Since the early 1980s, A&M's responses to requests for information about how it conducts business have been the target of at least four lawsuits filed by Texas newspapers; several attorney general decisions; and continuing complaints from the university's student newspaper, The Battalion. The number of requests for documents has grown since September, when the Texas Rangers and FBI began investigating allegations of misconduct among A&M officials, Henry and assistant general counsel Scott Kelly said. The claims, contained in an anonymous letter, accuse high-ranking officials of using their positions to benefit themselves and friends. "If you looked at what we have, some of the requests that have come in ... almost border on harassment," Henry said.

## Hazing continued from 4

nymity to callers if necessary; and strong enforcement of school rules, Binder said.

Some national Greek organizations have tried to limit pledge abuse by shortening the pledging period from a few weeks to just a few days. A few schools have deferred their rush periods away from the fall semester to give freshmen a chance to get acquainted with the campus and perhaps be less eager for the need of instant friendship that can make them more vulnerable to hazing. And some schools have simply abolished Greek organizations.

Stevens doesn't want to end the Greek system, which she said can provide valuable campus leadership.

Instead, her talks focus on ways that fraternities and sororities can change their attitudes and make pledging a time for constructive, enriching work such as developing projects that help local charities, rather than periods of intense scrutiny and testing for potential members.

She also reminds Greeks that their organizations were founded on the ideals of brotherhood — principles that are destroyed by hazing. Stevens points out that hazing has given negative images to Greek groups that only they can repair by changing their activities.

Her message hit home to a group of 600 students who recently heard her speak at Lafayette College in Easton, Pa., where 72 percent of

men and 56 percent of women are members of Greek organizations. The local SAE chapter paid Stevens' travel expenses from he home in Sayville, N.Y.

"I figured that since Lafayette is a highly Greek-oriented campus, it would be highly beneficial for students here," said SAE President Ward "Dubbs" Dunnican, who had heard Stevens speak at a national SAW leadership school. "It's just an awareness that has to be made. Greek organizations always get negative publicity because there will be a hazing incident ... and basically the positive things we do are never mentioned."

Dunnican said his chapter tries to integrate pledges into membership by having them work with brothers on projects which have included raising money for a local homeless shelter, participating in Big Brothers, cleaning roadways, and helping children through the Police Athletic League.

"We try to foster friendship. That is really what fraternity is — friendship and brotherhood," Dunnican said. "I wouldn't want somebody to treat me like a piece of trash. Hazing defeats the whole purpose of friendship and brotherhood."

For more information about hazing contact: Eileen Stevens, Committee to Halt Useless College Killings (C.H.U.C.K.), P.O. Box 188, Sayville, N.Y. 11782.

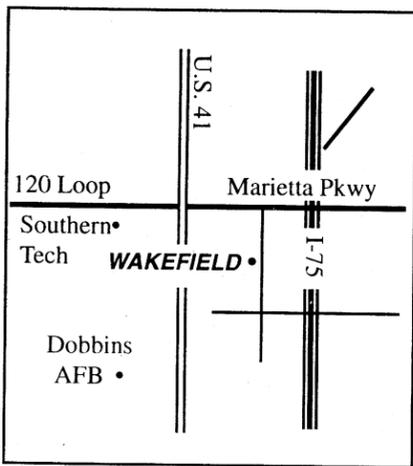


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## Bill And Ed Overdose on Breastfeeding and Angie

By **BILL GREVE**  
and **ED HARDY**

*Editor's Note: Joe Vs the Volcano is the only movie in the history of movies about which Bill and Ed share the same opinion. So, the concept was to send them to the same movie and record the results.*

The movie in question was *Angie*, starring Geena Davis, Stephen Rea, and other assorted actors you may recognize.

**Ed:** It's a chick movie. It's the chickest chick movie I've ever even imagined.

**Bill:** No, it wasn't sappy enough to be a chick movie. It was two hours of in search of a plot and filled with offensive stereotypes.

**Ed:** You're right. Marc should have reviewed this movie. He's the one who usually gets stuck with the movies with NO plot. Shouldn't we say something about what the movie was about?

**Bill:** Let me try this: Geena Davis gets knocked up, dumps her boyfriend, picks up an Irishman, gives birth to a son with a deformed arm, gets dumped by the Irishman, finds her post-menopausal stepmother breast-feeding her baby, freaks, runs off to Texas to find her schizophrenic mom she hasn't seen in thirty years. The baby is now in a coma, and the stepmother named it after her first child, who died. Geena Davis comes back, baby wakes up, Geena Davis can now breast-feed. Roll cred-

its. How's that?

**Ed:** Well, I'd say you gave too much of the plot away if I wasn't recommending that no one ever, ever go see this movie! Don't see it in the dollar theatre, don't rent it, don't even watch it downstairs in the Joe Mack Wilson Student Center (if it comes here, which it won't).

**Bill:** What did we learn from this movie?

**Ed:** If you speak to your breasts, they will grow and lying is bad. Oh yeah, life sucks.

**Bill:** In a cheesy movie the black actor plays the effeminate gay guy, and the Italian grandmother has been mourning for thirty years and falls to the floor cursing in Latin.

**Ed:** This movie is a cornucopia of bad stereotypes. From Brooklynites are loud, dress badly and are Catholic to all gynecologists are Jewish. And everyone from Texas is redneck trailer-trash.

**Bill:** The Texas part is true. I've seen the government studies.

**Ed:** Bubba Joe's gonna flat kill you, boy. But won't that just prove your point? OK, back to the movie.

**Bill:** It would have been more interesting if they had based it on "Angie Baby" by Helen Reddy.

**Ed:** Huh?

**Bill:** You know, that lady from Pete's Dragon.

**Ed:** Speaking of terrible movies, we're talking about...

**Bill:** Hey, I liked that one! Write



Stephen Rea is overheard saying to Geena Davis in *Angie*, "Look, if we're going to go out, you'll need to pull up your skirt and prove that you're not a man. I've had bad luck with this."

the name of a Helen Reddy song (other than "Angie Baby") on a 3 x 5 notecard. On other side write your name, address, phone number. Drop in *The Sting* box at the info desk. Winner gets \$25 of food at Danny O'Shea's. Only one entry per person, all other rules apply. Drawing is 3/9/94 at 6:00 p.m..

**Ed:** No movie can totally suck, not even this one. Angie did have some witty dialogue between Angie and her Irish lover.

**Bill:** I guess Stephen Rea figured out that if they are pregnant, they are most definitely women.

**Ed:** OK, in conclusion, if your idea of entertainment is Geena Davis

fumbling with her breasts for two solid hours, this is the movie for you. Otherwise, run screaming!

**Bill:** Heed our warning, this is only the second movie we concur on. We couldn't be wrong.

*BILL GREVE and ED HARDY agree on only 2 things: Capt. Crunch rips the roof of your mouth.*

## BODY SNATCHER: Seen It, Done It, Been There

By **PHIL COLLINS**

How many times can a movie be made and remade and still turn a profit? Good question. In this latest reincarnation of the 1956 movie *Invasion of the Body Snatchers*, and the 1978 *Invasion of the Body Snatchers*. The dates are different the actors have changed but it is still the same movie.

Granted there is more action in the 1994 version than in any of the previous two but does action necessarily make a movie better? I don't think so. If like most sci-fi buffs you have seen either of the two priors versions of this film, the suspense angle is no longer there.

The best thing that can be said

for this movie is the casting of Gabrielle Anwar and Meg Tilly in their roles. Anwar is fresh off her recent film with Micheal J. Fox, *For Love or Money*, and is proving herself to be a capable seductive actress. Meg Tilly should also be a draw with credits including, *Agnes of God* and the *Big Chill*. Forrest Whitaker stars as Major Collins, an army doctor who realizes something is wrong with his patients.

Maybe if you have never seen one of the prior incarnations of *Body Snatchers* you won't be disappointed. It wasn't a particularly bad movie but "Been there, Done that" comes rapidly to mind.

*PHIL COLLINS had this story in on time, too.*

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# The Chase Proves Validity Of Sheen Theorem

By JARRED FEHR

The new Charlie Sheen movie "The Chase" definitely follows the Sheen Theorem which states that: Only every other movie that Charlie Sheen makes will be a good movie. Since his last movie (*The Three Musketeers*) was good, this one gets the dreaded black dot... Hrrrr!

The parts of this movie that can be derived from the title, even before seeing the movie, are that 1) there will be lots of car chase scenes 2) the cops will be made out to have the driving ability of a Life college student and 3) there will be (you guessed it) SEX!

If you like car chase scenes, then this movie is for you because that's all it is. The movie is One Big Car Chase scene. And the car chase scene sucks. The camera is zoomed in so close on the actors and cars that no one can tell what is going on. On the freeway scene, the speedometer is focused on a few times and we see that Sheen is running from the cops at a whopping 80 MPH. What is this?! I drive faster than 80 MPH just coming to school everyday. If I were running from the cops, I would be doing no less than 120 MPH.

The police are the stereotypical movie cop in that 50 police cars aided by a helicopter could not stop a guy and his hostage/girlfriend in

a BMW. Hell, the news media got closer to catching Sheen than the police. Which leads to my next fact that the way the media is portrayed is the only realistic part of the whole movie. The most UNrealistic part is the sex scene. You may have already asked yourself this question: How can they have sex if they are being chased by the cops? Well imagine this: Sheen's costar, Kristy Swanson, gets on his lap while he is in the drivers seat while he is driving 80 MPH and running from the cops. What happens during their climax is too unrealistic for me to even mention because it defies all the rules of quantum mechanics.

I would finish telling about the

rest of the movie, but it has one of those predictable Disney type endings. So go see the movie at your own risk, but make sure to take someone who might be impressed

by it.

JARRED FEHR is one supercalifragilisticexpialidocious, suoicodilaipxecitsligarfilacreps, and neat guy!

## The Accompanist: French Girl of 20

By BILL GREVE

The phone rang.

"Bill, would you like to see a movie?"

"Sure," I said. "What is it?"

"It's *The Accompanist*, don't know what it's about. Here's the pass, go bring back a review."

With that I was off, armed with only the pass to gain access to the theater and then, paper and a pencil. I had trained months in the reviewers compound, secreted in the hills of North Carolina for this assignment.

Now that it was here, doubt crept in. Slogging through all those Stallone movies and deconstructing *Break Dancin' 2: Electric Boogaloo* while blindfolded, I can still here my drill instructor "Maggot! You call that a simile? What would Frank Rich say? Drop and give me the credits for *The 10 Commandments!*"

No, I was ready. I was now a lethal reviewing machine. "I was ready" I said to my reflection as the rain slid down my windshield and the wipers made that windshield wiper sound that they make.

The theater reared its ugly head. No, that doesn't work. Anyway I entered the theater and returned the steely glances of the ticket geek with one of my own. I was in, no turning back now. I found an empty

seat in the back and slid down into the darkness. I was ready. I didn't know what to expect but I was ready. Again my training prepared me for the unknown.

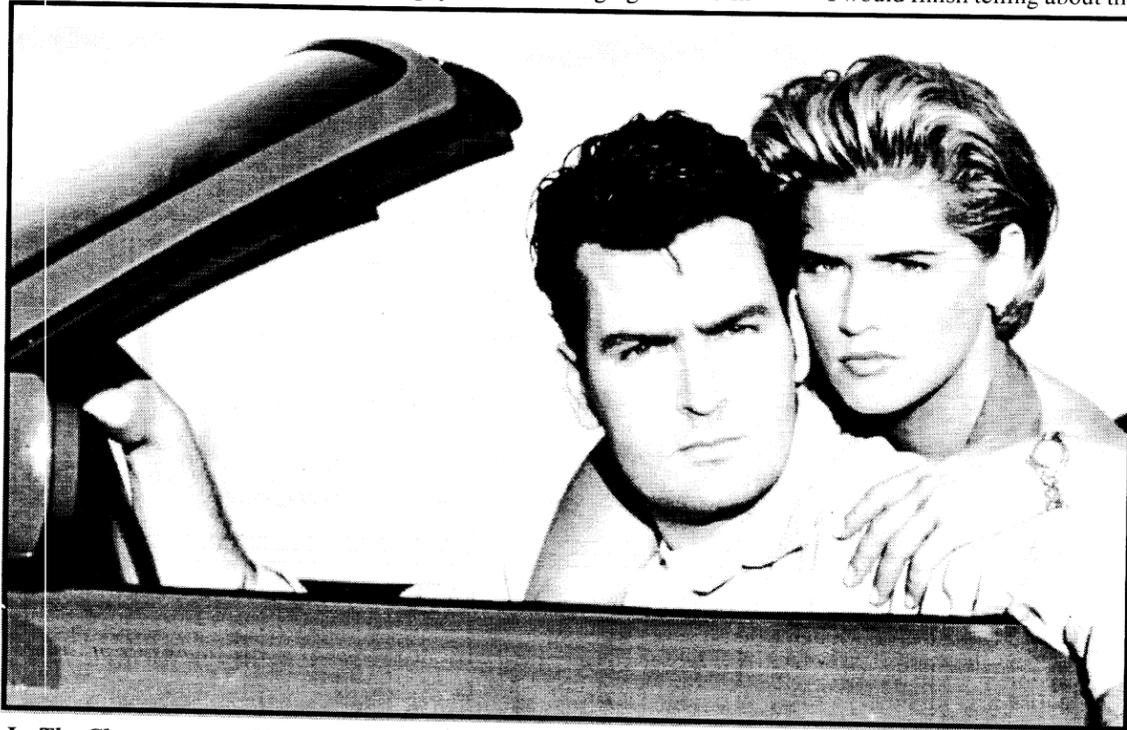
"Didn't you see that plot device just laying there? You walked right past and it destroyed your review. If this had been real you'd be dead by now." My instincts took over.

It's starting. . . the title . . . Oh No! It's French! subtitles! Abort! Abort! There's Johnny, the other operative (they always send two), couldn't handle it. I guess he didn't have the right stuff. I'm still undetected - I think I'll make it.

Sophie is the accompanist. A twenty year old pianist is who struggling to survive in Nazi-occupied Germany. She becomes the accompanist for Irene, a famous classical singer whose husband has questionable business dealings with the Vichy government. Seduced by the opulence of her new surroundings, Sophie also becomes jealous. As an accompanist only plays for the singer, who then gets all the attention, Sophie spends her life watching others. Always missing her own opportunities for happiness.

We lost some good men on this mission, but we got the review. That's what's important. Isn't it?

BILL GREVE recommends *The Accompanist* as a Seagal antidote.



In *The Chase* we hear Charlie and Kristy say "Hey good lookin, We'll be back to pick you up later."

## On Deadly Ground Is A Killer Movie

By JARRED FEHR

The coolest movie of the year is "On Deadly Ground" with Steven Seagal. (And yes, the title returns to Seagal's policy that: All of Steven Seagal's movies must have a three word title. (Despite "Under Siege."))

When his movie "Out for Justice" came on TV, the preview read, "Seagal kills his partner's killer and anyone else who needs to be killed." Well, the preview of this movie should go, "Seagal kills everyone, whether they need to be killed or not."

Although I did not believe it possible, Seagal has improved on the fight scenes in his movie. He implemented some slow motion at the best parts so we can see just how excruciating the pain he delivers is. (This is much better than the "Van Damme Quadruple Re-Take" type kicks.)

In the two hours of this movie, Seagal manages to:

- Blow up an oil pump,
- Beat up everyone at a bar,
- Kill a professional mercenary-war group,
- Defeat the FBI,
- Destroy an entire oil refinery &

save Alaska as we know it.

But before you can leave your seat, Seagal gives the greatest environmental speech I have ever heard. It was better and more motivating than the Exxon Corp. Pavilion ride at Epcot Center in Disney World.

Even among all this, he still manages to pick up an Eskimo chick to feed his ego. So when you go to see it, just don't forget to bring your fake pony tail.

JARRED FEHR would like to quote Iago in Shakespeare's *Othello*, Act 3, Scene 3, "Poor and content is rich, and rich enough." Not!



This is the only scene in *On Deadly Ground* in which no one is kicked, slapped or bludgeoned to death.

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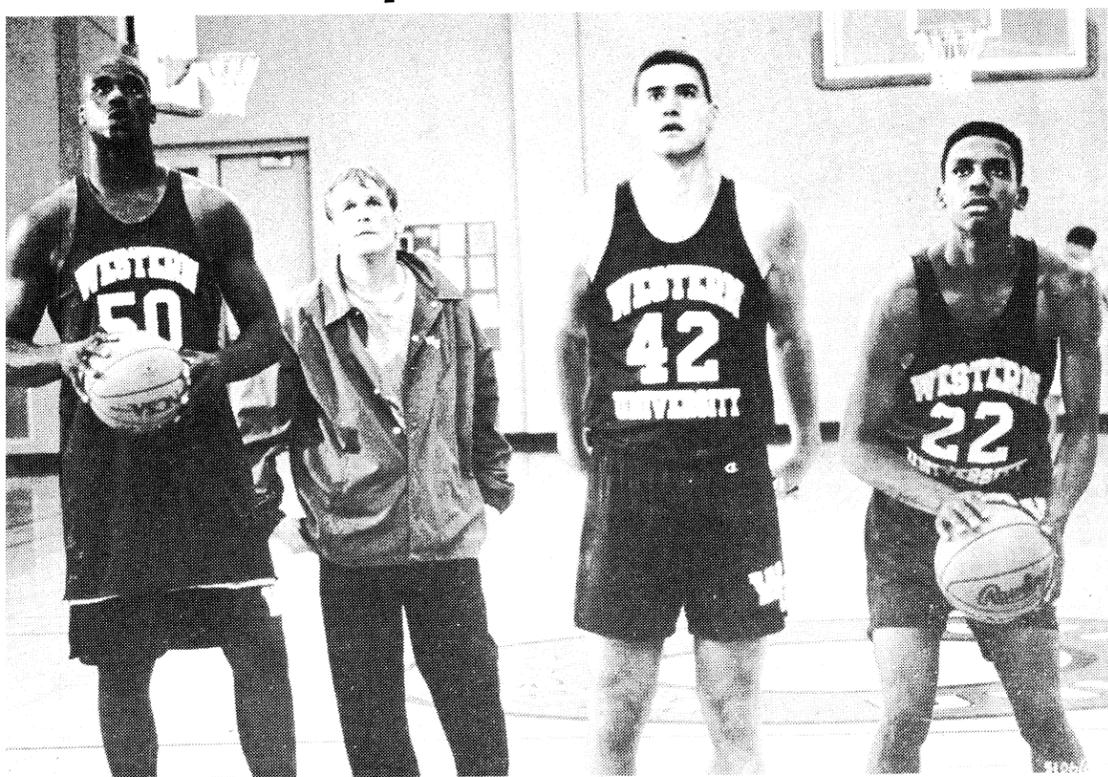
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# Blue Chips Is A Who's Who of Basketball



In the new Shaquille O'Neal movie, *Blue Chips*, Nick Nolte said, "As God is my witness Shaq, I thought I could fly."

By PHIL COLLINS

*Blue Chips* starring Nick Nolte and Shaquille O'Neal has come to theatres just in time for March Madness and all the hype and hoopla that surrounds it.

Nick Nolte stars as Pete Bell the head basketball coach of the Western University Dolphins. The Dolphins at one time were national basketball champs, but have fallen on hard times. Nolte goes to New Orleans to recruit a relatively unknown high school basketball player Neon Bodeaux (O'Neal). Bell has to do this despite pressure from the alumni association to win at any cost, including cheating. Despite the fact that Bell refuses to cheat to win, an investigative reporter (Ed O'Neill) hounds the Western University program with allegations that they do cheat.

In addition to the two marquee stars, *Blue Chips* also in-

cludes several other talented actors. Alfre Woodard stars as Butch McRae's (Anfernee "Penny" Hardaway) mother Lavada, and Ed O'Neill from *Married with Children* is the reporter. Legendary basketball star Bob Cousy makes his acting debut as the schools athletic director. Neon's teammates include Matt Nover from Indiana, University.

Other Basketball celebrities included Bobby Hurley, Rex Walters, Calbert Cheaney, Greg Grahm, Allan Houston, Eric Riley, Rodney Rogers, George Lynch, and Chris Mills. Other basketball giants appearing include Bobby Knight, Larry Bird and Dick Vitale.

If you just gotta watch basketball in a game that you already know who's going to win then *Blue Chips* is definitely your speed.

PHIL COLLINS likes sneaker commercials and Pepsi.

## War Room Shows How To Be President

By SHARON MADDOX

*The War Room* is a behind the scenes look at how a presidential campaign is run, featuring George Stephanopoulos, James Carville, Chris Hegedus, and D.A. Gribbenaker.

Have you ever wondered how a person becomes President? Have

you ever thought presidents were big-headed ingenious people that belonged on a pedestal? Well, this movie proves that presidents are everyday people.

During half the movie, the viewer gets to see Bill Clinton strutting around in T-shirts, sweatshirts, and jeans. The President evidently doesn't have to look good all the

time! The group of people campaigning for President Clinton dressed extremely casual (jean jackets, shorts, and sneakers) for their positions. Bill Clinton's group of "running men" look the part! Evidently no one feels their role is important enough to dress up.

The work to prepare this movie must have been tough because the

film uses actual clips from the presidential campaigns. The rolls of film used to create this motion picture prove that a lot of work is put into preparing speeches for town meetings, summits, and debates. The best thing about this movie is that Bill Clinton stars as Bill Clinton. This film is a serious (yet somewhat funny) film. It proves that the people who

have to create what you hear have to deal with a lot of pressure.

*The War Room* is currently playing at the Lefont Screening Room on Piedmont Road, next to Office Depot. The movie is definitely worth an hour, you might learn something.

SHARON MADDOX wasn't old enough to vote in the last election.

## Math Stinger

By DR. JOEL C. FOWLER

Last issue's puzzle was to find sets of integers that satisfy variations on the Pythagorean Theorem. The puzzles and their answers are as follows.

- 1) Find all sets of consecutive positive integers that satisfy the Pythagorean Theorem. Answer: 3, 4, 5 is the only solution.
- 2) Find all sets of consecutive positive integers  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  that satisfy  $a^3 + b^3 = c^3$ . Answer: No solutions.
- 3) Find all sets of consecutive positive integers  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  that satisfy  $a^4 + b^4 = c^4$ . Answer: No solutions.

Correct answers were received from Jason Wright, Tony Panzarella, and Alan Gabrielli.

The puzzles for this issue are factoring puzzles of a more challenging nature than quadratics. Each of the following polynomials is to be as completely factored as possible using only integers as coefficients. (^ denotes exponentiation).

- 1)  $x^4 + 4$
- 2)  $x^4 + x^2 + 1$
- 3)  $x^5 + x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + 1$
- 4)  $2x^4 + 3x^3 - 1$

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 in the Mathematics Department.

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Hope is a misspelled Indian tribe  
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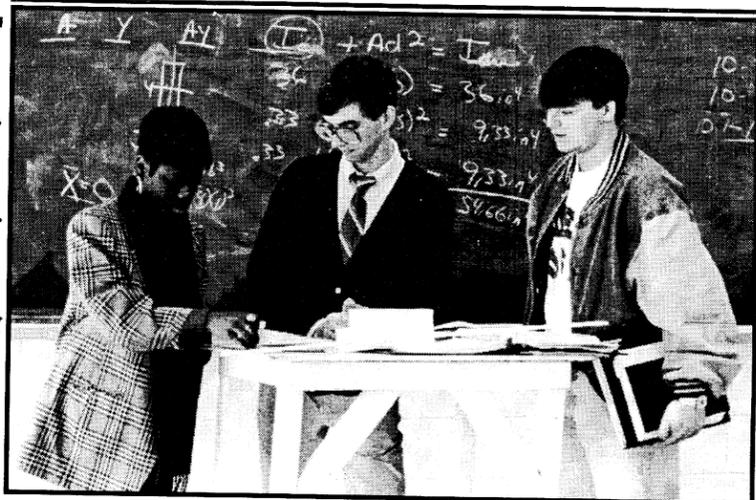
The After Five Supplement is a continuous feature of the Southern College of Technology's student newspaper, The Sting. Its purpose is to examine issues that have an impact on the Evening and Weekend student.

## SCT Governing Bodies Address Communication Barriers

Representatives of the Student Government Association, the Faculty Senate and the Staff Council met to discuss communication barriers on the Southern Tech campus. In the area of Evening and Weekend students several recommendations were made by faculty and staff members.

When calling an office for information if you do not get the person you want leave them a detailed message. Dan Youngblood, of the Business Office, noted that if a student will leave a detailed message maybe someone else can answer the question that or the person can research your problem and have the answer for you when you call back, or they call you.

Dr. Nadella suggested that students open an E-Mail account through the Information Technology department @528-7348. With an E-mail account students can leave messages with instructors and departments that could then leave an answer in the student's electronic mailbox.



OK, I take I-75 South to I-16 East to I-95 South to Key West, turn left and go 4,000 miles and Ethiopia will be on my right or left? - Photo by Bill Finnick

## Pherson Goes to Ethiopia

By PHIL COLLINS

The CET department will be losing a valued member at the end of the quarter. Professor Patrick Pherson, along with his wife Marye and his two young children, will be leaving the United States to do Missionary work in Ethiopia and help to provide clean water for villages in the rural areas of Ethiopia.

Professor Pherson served in Africa for one year as a water supply engineer before coming to Southern Tech. He also spent time in the Peace Corps. Professor Pherson has worked with people from other cultures before, working with Asian immigrants in Canada. Mrs Pherson will use her skills as a teacher to educate others and evangelize to the children of the area. Mrs Pherson has taught at a Summer teacher's college and led Bible clubs for tribal children in Papua, New Guinea.

Professor Pherson will use his skills as a civil engineer to help bring fresh water to rural villages in Ethiopia. Additionally, he will use his skills as a minister to bring Christian religion to the natives of Ethiopia. The time for this missionary project will be four years starting in June. The Phersons will be using the time between March and June to settle their affairs here in the states as well as preparing for the trip.

"In the 4 1/2 years that I have been at Southern Tech I have thoroughly enjoyed them and the students," said Professor Pherson. "I had a desire to combine engineering and ministry at the same time. Southern Tech has given

me a purpose in life and these have been a very rewarding four years."

Upon arriving in Ethiopia, the Phersons will spend one year in Addis Ababa in a language school. Following this one year period, the Pherson family will then move into the rural area of Ethiopia to begin their three year missionary cycle before cycling out and returning to the US. "I realize that Southern Tech can't hold my position here for four years, but we will be returning to the area upon our return."

Professor Pherson also said that there are always difficulties with a missionary ministry. There are always the physical problems and the political problems of going to another country. The Phersons are not worried about their safety primarily because of their faith and also because SIM (the missionary organization) has had missionaries in Ethiopia for over 70 years. The living conditions in Ethiopia will be comparable to living in Atlanta while they are in Addis Ababa. However, once they complete language school they will move into the countryside where the conditions will be close to that of the villagers they will be working with.

The Phersons will be taking their two young children to Ethiopia with them. Because of their age, the Phersons will be home schooling them until they are able to enter the third grade. At that time they will send them to Addis Ababa to go to school there along with the children of other missionaries and diplomats living in Ethiopia.

PHIL COLLINS actually had his article in by the deadline!

# New Faculty Evaluation Forms; Academic Forgiveness is DEAD, DEAD, DEAD, DEAD

By DAVID OLIVET

The policy of faculty evaluations by students has been finalized by the Documents Revision Subcommittee of Faculty Senate.

These evaluations are intended as feedback for the faculty member in the interests of improving their classroom performance.

Listed in a memo from the Documents Revision Subcommittee were some of the following guidelines:

The evaluation form which is being used by Southern Tech is the Student Instructional Report (SIR) developed by the Educational Testing Service (ETS).

Evaluations are to be completed each fall quarter in all classes with at least ten enrolled students at the time of administration of the fall evaluation. Faculty may also perform evaluations during the spring quarter if they so choose and may also distribute their own evaluation forms in addition to the SIR.

A designated student will distribute, collect, and deliver the evaluation forms in the classroom. After collecting the evaluation forms the student will deliver the forms to the designated location where they will

be shipped for processing. To insure unsolicited responses from students, faculty members do not see the results until the summary report is generated and returned to the school.

From the fall evaluation, a summary report is generated off campus by ETS and delivered only to the professor being evaluated. The findings of the evaluations are seen by neither students or other faculty members unless the faculty member decides to release his or her evaluations. The results of this report are confidential, but can be requested by academic administrators.

The summary report is a compilation of the individual student evaluations. Scores in various areas considered critical to a professor's effectiveness as a teacher are reported as decile equivalents.

While these evaluations are confidential, faculty are generally expected to give a copy of the fall summary reports to their department chair though they are not required to, according to Professor Mark Stephens. These summary reports serve as a measure of how well a professor is teaching according to their students.

Professor Mark Stephens feels these are fair and compre-

hensive evaluations on how a professor is performing in the classroom. They do not officially count towards a professor's record either positively or negatively.

On a sidenote, the Documents Revision Subcommittee voted 4-2 against academic forgiveness. The original plan would have allowed up to three failed classes to be dropped from a student's G.P.A. to be substituted with the grade a student receives upon passing the failed class. While the failed class would be reported on an official transcript, it would not have counted against a student's grade point average.

The academic forgiveness plan was revised to allow two and then one substitutions. However, due to negative faculty response to this plan, academic forgiveness was voted down in the Documents Revision Subcommittee.

The main reason for the faculty response to this plan was, according to Professor Mark Stephens, "faculty fears that it will negatively impact the standards of Southern College of Technology."

Dave Olivet is a part of the increasing Davey problem at The Sting and WGHR and is now known as Davey-O.

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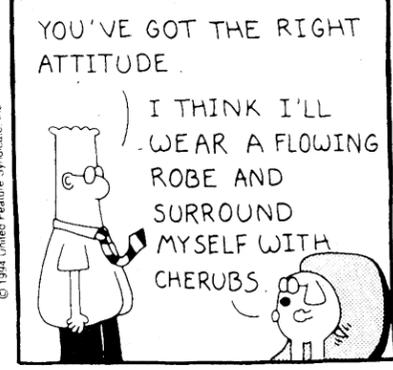
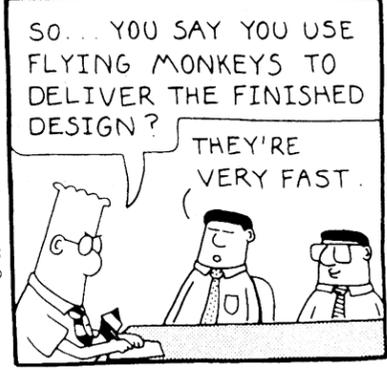
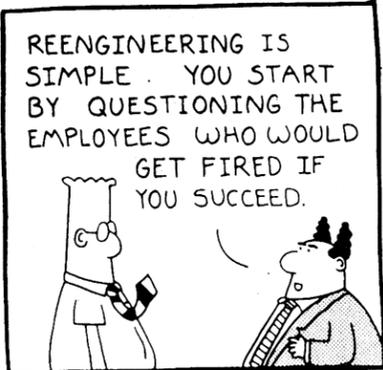
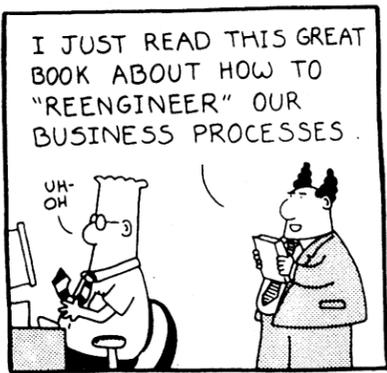
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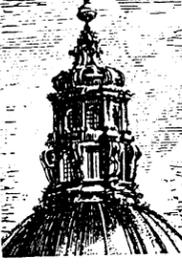
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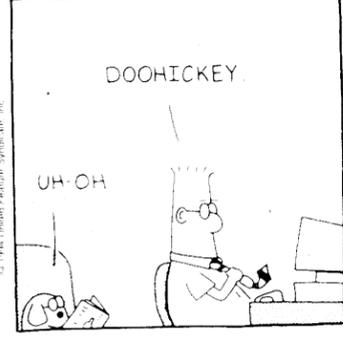
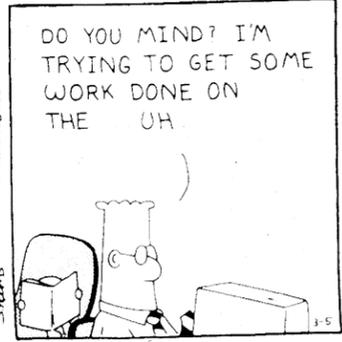
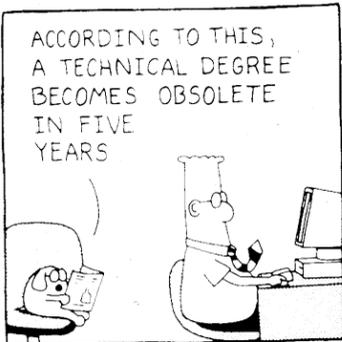
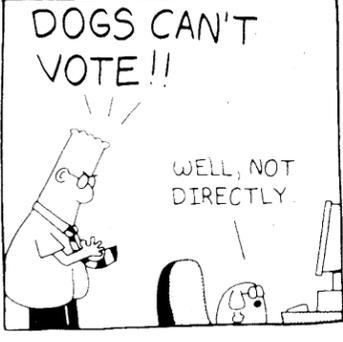
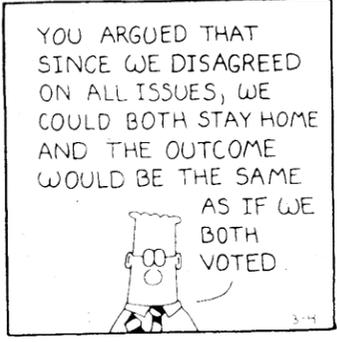
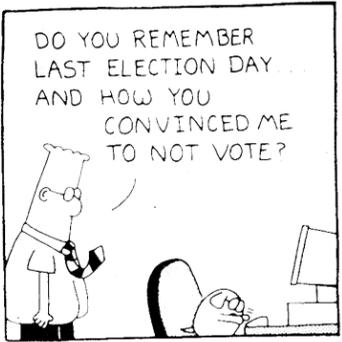
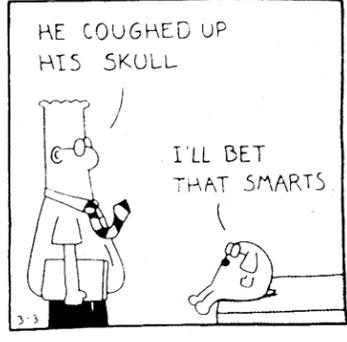
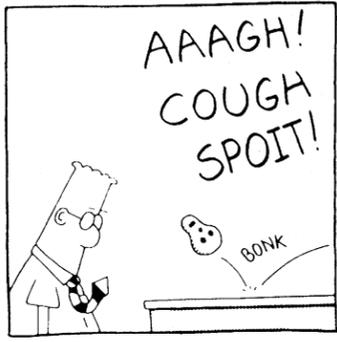
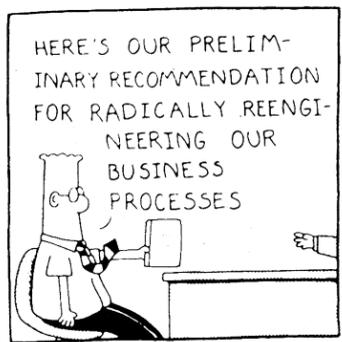
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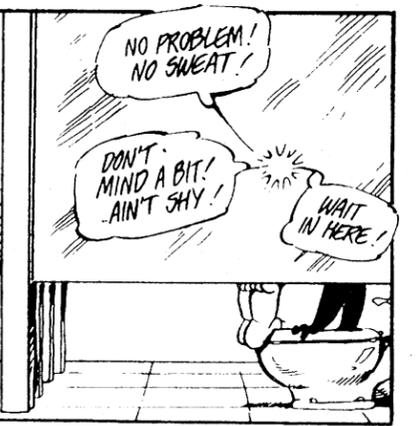
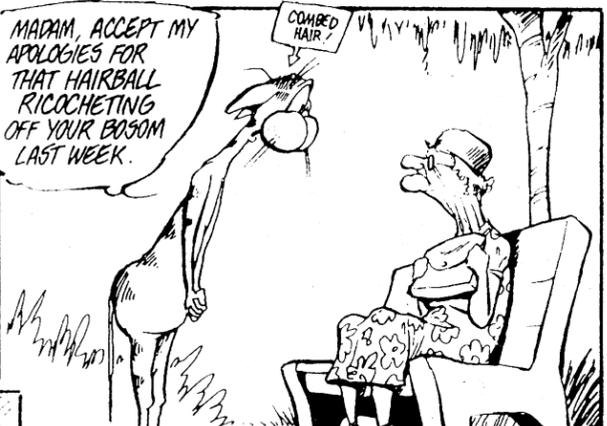
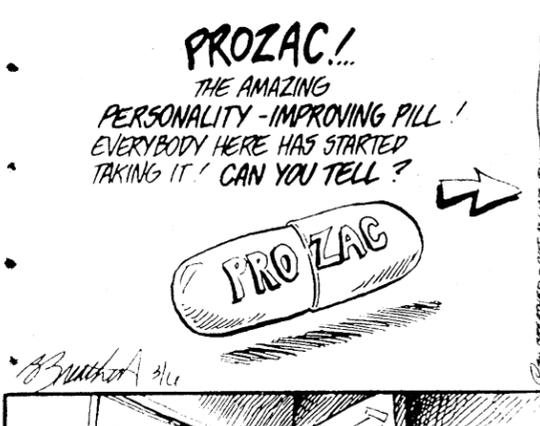
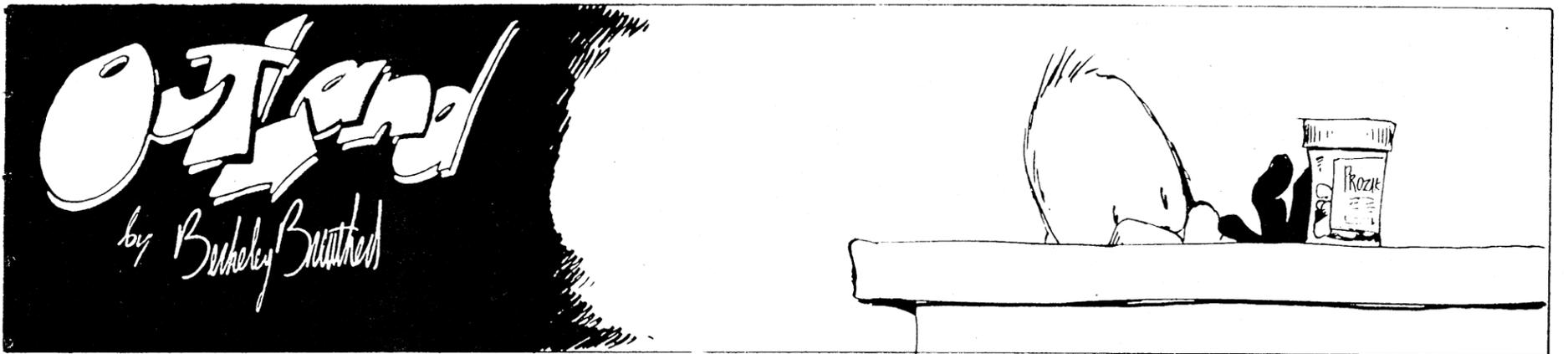
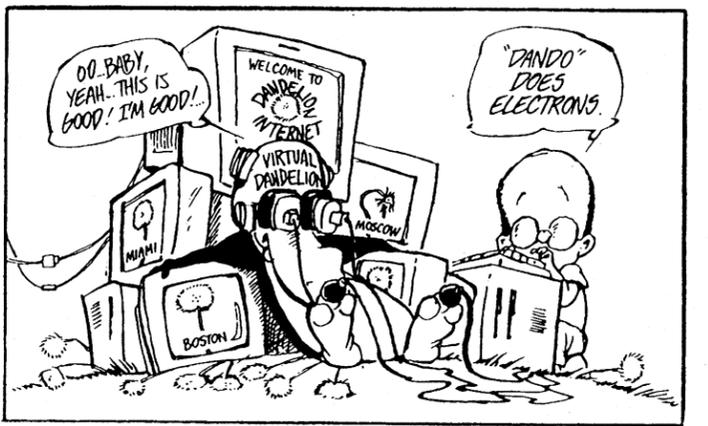
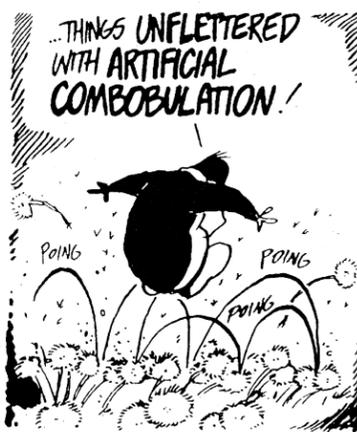
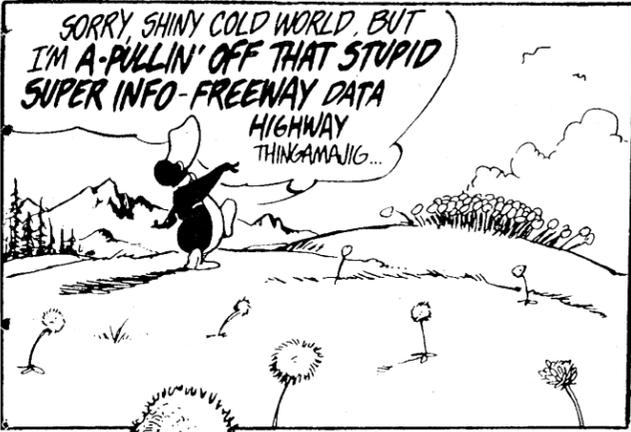
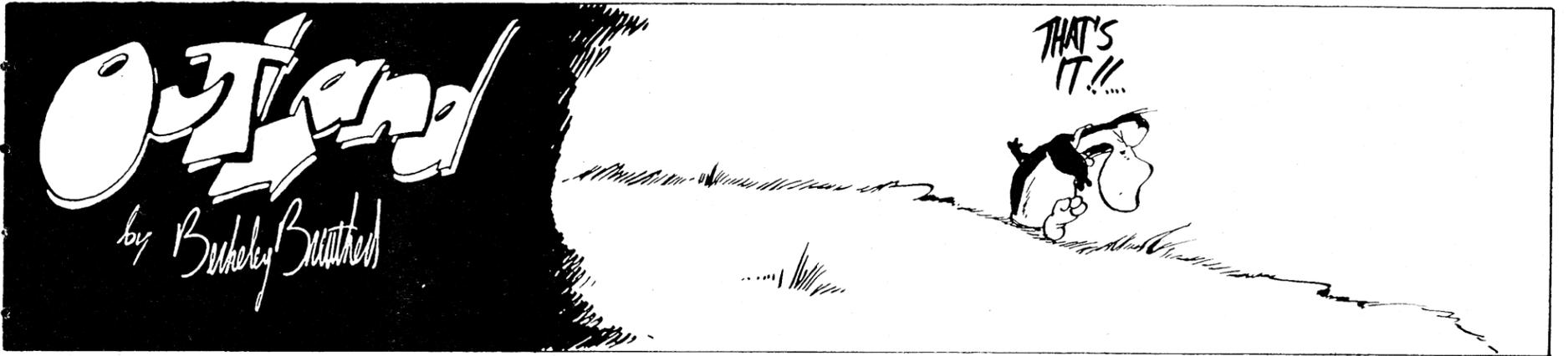


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## Response to Editorial

Dear Editor:

In response to the editorial, "We Already Gave you Money", *Sting*, February 8, 1994, I do not feel as if the entire picture is being presented.

I agree with most of the statements made in the article that it is a shame that the students should have to even consider financing any student service. However, I do not understand the opinion of the editor that this will set a bad precedence for any funding of student services.

My question to the editor and other students on this campus is where was this same student support during the town hall meeting held during Fall quarter? I found it embarrassing that more faculty and staff were present at this meeting than students. I as a student and SGA member am sick and tired of hearing complaints about what is not fair and who is the customer on this campus. I realize that students on this campus work and attend college; however, would any of you (students) stand by

and allow the government to tax you and spend your money any way they pleased? NO. You would think by now in this supposed customer service oriented society that service providers (government and college administration alike) would realize that we are customers of each other. We seem to have, as a colleague put it, a "proverbial buck" on this campus that never stops. It is always someone else's job. My disappointment with the students on every campus is that very few of us are willing to get up off of our "candied yams" and have their respective administrations respond to the needs of a changing student environment. I would rather see financing for upgraded computer equipment and software (any kind of anything in the ECET department would be appreciated), computerized access to financial aid information, etc., in other words, I would like to see us (this campus) come into the 20th century before it's over. I would rather see our student activity fees

go to this kind of enhancements that having more subs and chips at student functions. I think that it is ridiculous that this campus has approximately seven separately computer labs with each having different software that only students from that department can access. I mean would it not be more advantageous to have one area designated as the "computer center" with unlimited hours. It's sad to think that no one (not even the SGA) wants to address important student concerns that have plagued this campus for years. What is even more frightening, is that a majority of the student population is willing to stand by and let nothing happen but this same majority is more than willing to stand by and complain. I am graduating this quarter (YEAH) so if there are any repressed big mouths out there who are tired of being the "first charged, last serviced", SPEAK NOW OR FOR THE DURATION OF YOUR COLLEGE CAREER AT SOUTHERN TECH FOREVER HOLD YOUR PIECE.

Sincerely,  
Angela Middleton (EET-WN '94)

## "Thanks" to Good Samaritans

Dear Editor:

I'm sure many of your readers have seen me pushing a handcart loaded with materials across campus every day as I make my way from my office to the Student Center, where I facilitate a seminar on Principles of Continuous Improvement. Well, last week during a rainstorm, as I was attempting to balance an umbrella and the handcart and open a door to the Center, I lost control of the cart and proceeded to dump the contents on the porch.

Before I could even collect my wits a couple of students had taken command of the situation, picked up the contents of the spilled boxes, my

## What's the Album Called?

Dear Editor,

Hey Jen, I liked your review of the Meat Puppets new CD, but what is the name of the CD?

Jen is way cool!!

Sincerely,  
Shanna Fernandez

umbrella, reloaded the cart and gotten them and me through the doors into the lobby. I managed to thank them, and before I could say more the students were on their way.

Individual acts of kindness like these, when put together with all the other individual acts of the Southern Tech family, reveal who we are and what we stand for. Together we can make SCT anything from an exciting, warm, friendly place to a place where we spend as little time as possible. For me, on that rainy, wet day, with a small disaster in the making, it was a wonderful place!

Jim Wallace

*I thought about going into this long, rambling explanation about something completely irrelevant to the Meat Puppet's new CD, but I have decided not to do so. The CD is called Too High to Die and it's a London Records USA release.*

-Jen, Ed.

# Meeting For Students/Faculty/Staff Reveals Answers

By KASSIA CATO

On February 24, 1994, the Southern Tech Faculty Senate, Staff Council, and Student Government Association (SGA) met for the first time to discuss communication problems between faculty, staff, and students on this campus. The meeting was brought about through the efforts of Faculty Senate moderator, Becky Rutherford, Staff Council member Barry Birkhead, and SGA president, Scott Wages.

Scott Wages brought the first item under discussion, the communication problems between students and the faculty, and how to solve these problems. SGA Vice president Jason Hodges started off by saying that the faculty office hours were not adequate enough to meet the needs of the majority of the students on campus, especially the night students. Faculty response to this statement was that many professors have listed on their office hours on their course syllabus and that, if their office hours are not convenient, the student should call and set up a time to meet. They went on to state that students rarely visit them

during their regular posted office hours. It was also brought up that part-time faculty are limited in their office hours because they have full time jobs outside of working at the school.

Bill Finnick brought out the concerns of the night students and the problems they have in contacting the faculty. Mr. Finnick wanted to know what ways a night student could reach their professor, before or after class. Faculty response was to reach them by calling the department office during the day and leaving a message. Mr. Finnick's response to that statement was to say that many night students have full time jobs and call the school during their lunch break, but are unable to leave any message because many of the department offices are closed for lunch between the hours of 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Mrs. Alberta Cook, a member of the Staff Council, stated that as a secretary in the ECET department, she has a student assistant take messages and answer any general type questions people might have during that hour. Another member of the Staff Council, Dan Youngblood of the business office,

stated that often times people refuse to leave a message even when there is someone there to take the message. He did admit, however, that night students are often times left out in the cold. Professor Dreyer of the ECET department, stated that a memo needed to be written to each department asking them to reevaluate their availability during the hours of 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. to help

students (especially night students).

Barry Birkhead then changed the topic to how to get this campus as a whole to participate or come to the events that are here on campus. He stated that people do not tend to come to campus based events unless you are serving food. Mr. Birkhead also wanted to know how to get the word out to people on campus and let them know

when events were happening. One statement brought out for discussion was that most students, faculty, and staff did not seem to take the time to find out what is happening on this campus. It was decided that we all need to reevaluate our opinions regarding this college and try to become involved because that is the only way we are going to make things better.

## Sting Contest Rules

The *Sting* staff would like to congratulate Akram Awaida and Scott Wages for being the winners of the food from Danny O'Shea's in last issue's contest. We'd like to run down the contest rules again. You cannot win the Danny O'Shea's/*Sting* giveaway (1) if you have already won it before, (2) if you are a member of the *Sting* staff, (3) you must follow the directions in the contest EXACTLY. For example, if the directions say to hand-deliver the answer to Jen Waller, then you must hand-deliver the answer to Jen Waller (no phone calls, no notes.)

Good luck!

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## COLLEGIATE KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL

By Pin Ball

Hey all you Circle K'ers! I want to thank all those members who joined us in Athens, for the district convention.

To the members who didn't go, you missed it!! On to more important news... A big congratulations to Lance Richardson who is our new Georgia district governor. Congratulations, also, to Shannon Whitehead, our new district secretary, and finally, to Jonas Barlow who is our new lieutenant governor.

We hope you do as good a job with the district as you have with our club so that the Georgia district will

rule at international!

For those who missed the convention, Southern Tech cleaned house!! We had 10 members present, the largest showing of any club there. We won nine awards!

They included two John C. Thompson distinguished member awards, Outstanding Club Secretary Award, Outstanding Sponsoring Kiwanis Club Award, The Interclub Award, Outstanding Club President Award, District Convention Attendance Award, Outstanding Club Newsletter, and a Gold Governor's Club Medallion!

Besides winning all those awards, we also had a great deal of fun meeting new people, talking with old friends, and seeing the sights of Athens.

As for late night entertainment, it was wild!! What else would you expect from Athens? Irish, Matt, Lance, Jonas, Ken, Conor, Sam, and Brian claimed to play Bingo with their new-found friend, Fritz.

Call it "Bingo" or whatever you like, but I know one thing for certain--Brian Garcia will never forget his weekend in Athens with the Georgia District of CKI!

dinner after initiation

Congratulation to the new offices installed last Sunday.

Good luck for this coming year.

To all the Bikers it was a fun party.

Great get up Dilbert, KO, Amanda, and Vicious. Way to go Amy!!!!

For the sisters who went hope y'all learned a lot at this Biker party.

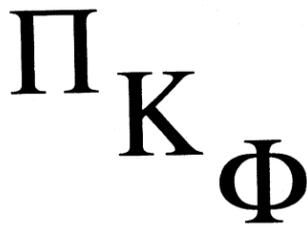
To KO yes you are the Queen of Alpha Delta Pi and Mel-Man you can be second.

Hey KO, Mel-Man, and Vicious hope you live through the 5th. KO your still driving.

We are having a social on March 10th with Sigma Nu.

Watch out guys Crush party is on the 12th.

We can not wait until the 27th of March when the Lambda chapter comes and visits.



## PI KAPPA PHI

By CD (188 and 201)

Sorry we missed the last article deadline. Since that time there has been many changes. Congratulations to our new Executive Council: Archon Scott "Whipped" Gear, Vice Archon Dave "Flounder" Brown, Treasurer Shawn "The Wild Man" Hernet, Secretary David "Taggum Your It" Kelley, Warden Alex

"Dalton Boy" Armstrong, Historian Matt "I Tooka" Duke and Chaplain Therron "T-money" Womack.

Congratulations to Keith and Kim, Chris and Meka, and Barbara and Chris on their recent marriages. Congrats to Matt "I Tooka" Duke for receiving the Porcelain Goddess award for his actions at the North Georgia basketball game.

Thanks to our intramural teams for show their dominance in basketball and their unsupported spirit in volleyball.

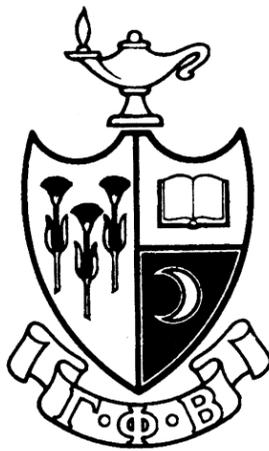
Special Congrats to the basketball team for winning the championship over Lambda Chi. Thanks to Carl, we can not defend our intramural championship because competition proved to be too much for him to handle. "Bare It In The

Woods, Part Duex" in Wasega went well.

Thanks to the alumni, brothers, and women that came to party. Congratulations to Karen Bland "Ms. Southern Tech", Wendy Harper "Ms. Southern Tech Runner-up" and David "Archie" Nelson "Mr. Southern Tech Runner-up".

Well since this is the last article of the article quarter, please remember Scott and Lisa's wedding on March 26th. Thanks to the past E.C. for doing a fantastic job, and may the new E.C. do just as well.

We hope everybody does well on their finals, and has a great spring break. Party hard and we will see you next quarter. PIKAPPS be ready to rush, rush, rush. ENOUGH SAID!!



## GAMMA PHI BETA

#141

Well I'm back! Did you miss me? I'm sorry for the past articles. Winter Quarter is coming to an end, and we have done so much. From Favorite Guy to Barbie's wedding (can you believe it!).

Thanks to the Sigma Pi's for a great social. The second annual Mother's Pinning was a success, the mothers had a great time! Barbara's bachelorette was a... well a... funno...learning-no...well let me just say it was an experience!!! Barbara's mother as well as mother-in-law had a great time! The wedding was beautiful, and a swear Jennye and I did not cry. Yes, there were two rings, they don't have to share everything. Chris is wonderful and after a few conversations from a few Gamma Phi's, we know he'll be a great husband to my other half. Don't forget girls only a few more weeks to spend with Barbara until she's off to the "wild blue yonder". We'll make sure they are weeks to remember. We're gonna miss you!!!!

Congrat's to all the proud big sisters who received three wonderful 'littles' last Sunday. Initiation was great, The Gamma Phi's received three great new sisters; Lori Aldredge, Nancy Haworth, and

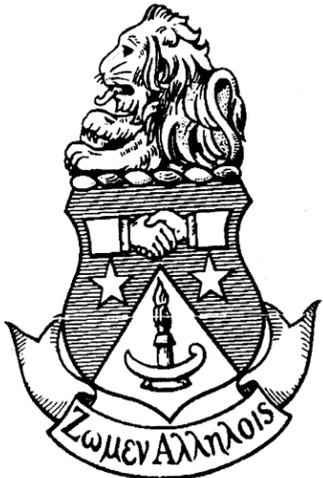
Joanne Moore. Can't wait to officially break them in! Just Kidding.

The Officer retreat went well, we may possibly know what were doing now. Everyone is looking forward to the next sisterhood retreat in April.

Barbara's shower is March 12, We'll do a road trip to Frederick's for her. Also coming up in April is the long awaited nuptials of Gwen and Pete-We'll all be in Hawaii with you...In spirit. Gwen's shower is April 9, Linda, we'll be looking for the cinnamon stuff.

Well, I think I have taken up enough space. Everyone study hard-NOBOOTSCOOTING!!! Finals are only a week away. For those of you who are not staying here to be a good little worker and leaving for Spring Break-Please be GOOD. GAMMA PHI'S! I'm watching you!!!

See ya next Quarter!  
Love in PKE,  
TAZ



## Alpha Delta Pi

By Vicious

Big welcome to our new sister, Jennifer, she was initiated Feb 26. Wendy thanks having us over for

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sign and implementation of the CPE tests.

- Rules dictated by a system looking after a diverse group of institutions and not Southern Tech's special needs.

- In accessing the state's needs in the semi-political climate of Georgia's public higher education, the math oriented position of Southern Tech and Georgia Tech do not reflect the state-wide CPE.

- College Algebra courses taught at other institutions that were at a lower academic level than SCT's Math 111.

- Physics 101 is an accepted core course in other University System colleges.

The alternative Southern Tech has chosen came from a campus-wide task force appointed by Dr. Harris Travis, Vice President for Academic Affairs. That task force, made up of faculty from a variety of Academic Standing Committees and several administrators, was chaired by Dean Yancy of the School of Management.

As approved by the Faculty Senate and the Faculty as a whole, the administration's intent is to implement this proposal beginning summer quarter.

Some of the highlights of the proposal are:

- Math 098 and 099 will be eliminated. The math core might be redefined into three components: Algebra, Analysis and Precalculus.

The new core area II math course would add five hours to every departments' degree program.

- Physics 097 will be deleted. Students will be encouraged to take Math 112 as a prerequisite to Physics 201. Physics 101 (Physical Science) will still be available for students needing assistance. Physics 201 students would have an option to drop back to Physics 101 during the first two weeks of the quarter.

- English 095 and Reading 090 are gone. Everybody will start in English 110. Class sizes will be reduced in all English 110 and 112 sections. This better teacher/student ratio should help students get the assistance they need to get up to a college level of reading and writing proficiency.

Some areas of concern, or that are not completely addressed, in the proposal are:

- The Learning Resource Center (LRC), whose primary purpose was to assist DS, transfer and beginning students, has no definitive role in the new program models for math and physics.

A possible plan will have the LRC help students in the core math areas and the Math department will help students in the Calculus (Math 253) and higher level courses.

- There are no specific plans to assist foreign students to better learn English as a second language. Alternative ways to use the LRC would be explored and, if warranted, put into place.

- The CPE exams listed as a problem by the school will be used to assess special students for admission.

- The English and Reading spe-

cific rationale for replacing the DS program calls for Master-degree teachers including those trained in English as a Second Language and reading. The three tenured track professors have positions in other departments, the temporary professor Dallas Haire, who has worked in SCT's DS program for five years has yet to find a new home.

- Dr John Gordon's department [DS] provided special attention, monitoring and counselling for students that needed academic help, that will now be transferred to faculty that are not specifically trained for the challenge.

The goal of Southern Tech is to graduate students prepared to meet the engineering challenges of the future. Ninety-three percent of graduates get a C or better in Math 111. The new proposal is an effort

to make the initial math sequence not as strenuous as it is now.

This proposal will be continually monitored, reviewed and updated starting first with Math 109/111/112. The administration is prepared to jump right out of it and return to the current DS program if this proposal does not pan out.

The old system had many reports that acted as a system of checks and balances to ensure the Developmental Studies program was working.

They tracked how well DS students were assimilated into the mainstream academic population. The DS program could then look at their effectiveness in preparing those students for that challenge.

In the seven years Southern Tech has been a part of the program, there are many stories of students

that normally would not cut it at Southern Tech being brought up to speed and succeeding.

These success stories speak volumes on the commitment to serving the students' needs the Developmental Studies Department's Faculty have displayed over the years.

Dr Gordon feels that, "if everyone works together this is ideally what is [the proposal] going to happen - if everyone works together."

As Dr. Gary Simmers summed it up, "this could be the best thing to happen, I just hope we don't have any casualties as a result of this proposal."

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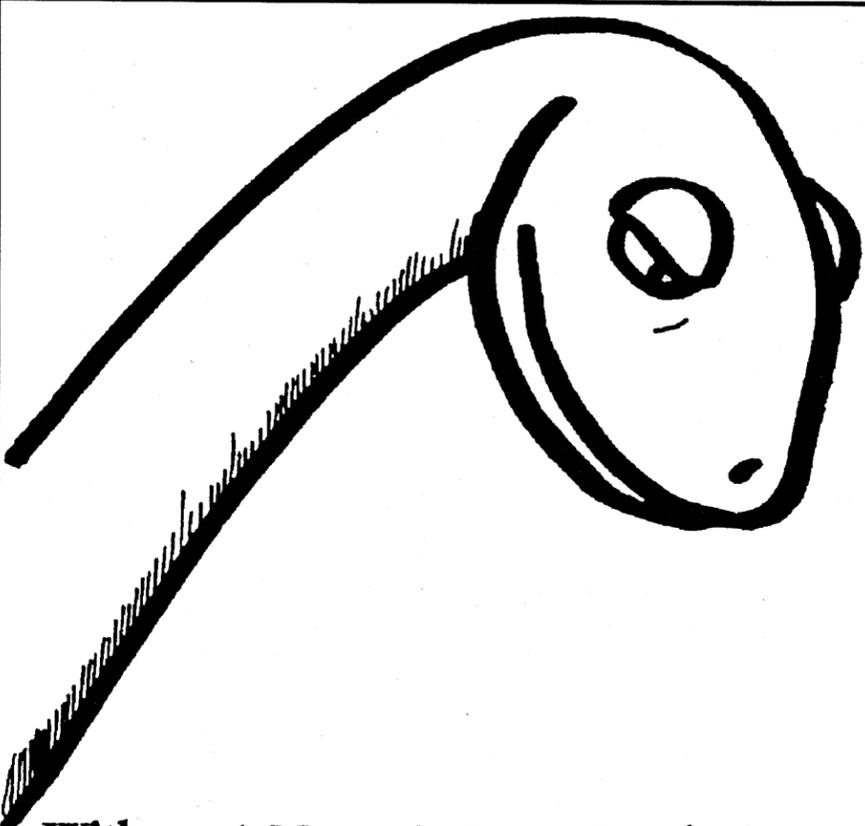
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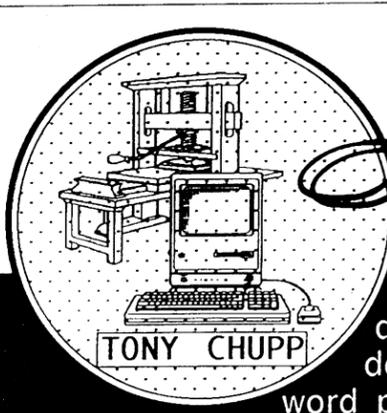
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## Southern Tech Hornets Survive the 1st Round

By SHANNA FERNANDEZ  
and DAD

Thursday, March 3, 1994, the number 3 Southern Tech Hornets played number 6 LaGrange College in the District 25 Playoffs. The game was the typical "edge of your seat", George Perides basketball game with the final score being 61-60, Hornets.

The top scorer for the Hornets was number 33, Ricardo Griggs, with 7 field goals and 6 completed freethrows. LaGrange's high scorer was LaMont Davis with 17 total points throughout the game.

LaGrange appeared to have a much gutsier team when it came to 3-point shots, with 12 attempts, 4 of which successfully found the net. The Hornets only attempted 4 shots with 1 completed.

The attendance of Southern Tech students was low, considering the Athletic Department provided 250 tickets to students who wanted them. It was reported that approximately 40 tickets were given out during Thursday.

Although there were not many students there, the family cheerleaders were there doing their normal outstanding job of entertaining the crowd. Way to go ladies, y'all are great!

Also, Tyrone Dean was in attendance, and in civilian clothes no less! I hope the real world is treating him well.

Saturday night the Hornets played Georgia Southwestern, in Americus. There was no further information at press time, but I'm sure that the game was a nail-biter,



Coach Perides sez, "Nobody move, I dropped a contact." -File Photo just like all of the Hornet's games. Thank you guys for a great regular season. There will be a \$25.00 Gift

ern Tech Georgia Southwestern play-off game.

Thanks Dad for all of your help.

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tiation, or orientation into college life or into the life of any college group or organization." Disciplinary measures may range from restrictions and reprimands to probation, suspension or expulsion from the college.

In the Grand Polemarch's Executive Order Number 2, dated October 12, 1993, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity "... has outlawed pledging and dispensed with the customary practice of having pledges or a protracted probationary period prior to one's initiation into full mem-

bership into the fraternity..."

In an interview, Rebecca Major, the Secretary to the Assistant Director of Finance at the national office, said that Kappa Alpha Psi no longer participates in pledging. In its place is an intake program - which should take no longer than two weeks. The Georgia Tech chapter of the Kappa Alpha Psi's are not supposed to initiate non-Georgia Tech students. This is related to the Georgia Tech's chapter's suspension from two years ago. They were only reinstated this past fall.

Preston Smith, the Regional Director for Kappa Alpha Psi, said he would be "conducting a full investigation this weekend [weekend of March 4th]" and both Southern Tech and Georgia chapters are officially on "cease and desist, pending my investigation."

Dean Smith, Vice-President of Student Affairs, said that the status of the three Southern Tech students has yet to be determined and awaits the outcome of the GBI investigation.

Derrick Francis (a former

Southern Tech student), in response to the charges, made the statement, "... nobody forced Stephen to do anything. Nobody beat Steve like he said they did. No initiation was performed by Kappa Alpha Psi. Steve was not on line."

In Mr. Otey's first interview since the alleged hazing incidents, he stated that if he "... had to get hazed to get into Kappa Alpha Psi, I would in order to stop others from being hazed, but I trusted that no bodily harm was to come

to me." He believes that the subject of hazing needs to be dealt with, and that people who knowingly do this to others should be held responsible for their actions.

Mr. Otey states that he has been under a lot of pressure since the alleged incidents happened. According to him, some students on campus have blamed him for what happened and for possibly ruining the defendant's college careers. He went on to state that, "Nobody cared about my college career or job when I was in the hospital for four days."



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